



IMPLEMENTATION OF NIGERIA'S NATIONAL ADAPTATION PLAN PROCESS

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INTRODUCTION/BACKGROUND

- ▶ Nigeria obtained a Readiness and Preparatory Support from the Green Climate Fund (GCF) to advance its National Adaptation Plan process through a project titled “**Strengthening Nigeria’s Capacity to Advance the National Adaptation Plan (NAP) Process**”.
- ▶ The main objective is to **strengthen the capacity** of Nigeria’s government at all levels **to implement a NAP process** including planning and **budgeting** for adaptation towards building adaptive capacity and resilience in Nigeria while also facilitating the **integration of climate change** into new and existing policies, plans and strategies.

FOCUS

- ▶ The **NAP project** will build strongly on the National Adaptation Strategy and Plan of Action (NASPA-CCN) prepared in **2011** with a focus on the **13 thematic areas** identified in the document namely;
 - Agriculture, Freshwater Resources, -Coastal Water Resources and Fisheries, Forests, Biodiversity, -Health and Sanitation, -Human Settlements and Housing, Energy, --Transportation and Communications, -Industry and Commerce, -Disaster, -Migration and Security, -Livelihoods, -Vulnerable groups and Education
- ▶ The **focus areas** under the NAP process is the **middle belt** namely- Benue, Plateau, Kogi, Kwara, Nasarrawa, Niger, Plateau and FCT Abuja.
 - Reasons: **Food basket** of the nation; exhibits the best balance and aligns with the established national development and adaptation strategy in NASPA-CCN.

EXPECTED OUTCOMES

There are five major expected outcomes of the project with several activities outlined towards achieving the goal, these are:

- ▶ Effective adaptation **governance and coordination** for the NAP process in Nigeria, **strengthened**.
- ▶ **Capacity to undertake a NAP** planning process in Nigeria, including analyzing climate information and prioritizing adaptation options, **strengthened**.
- ▶ **National capacity to mainstream** climate change adaptation into national and sectorial policies, projects and plans, strengthened.
- ▶ **Funding strategy for the implementation** of the NAP process developed.
- ▶ **National capacity for monitoring, reviewing and reporting** on the NAP process enhanced.

NAP PROJECT Next Steps

- ▶ Request for “no Cost extension is being considered by GCF. Proposing Dec 2024 or early 2025
- ▶ Training of Steering Committee and Working groups

CHALLENGES

- ▶ **Bureaucracy of national partner institutions**
 - **Need for engaging with other government MDAs for:**
 - Getting relevant administrative approvals before commencement of project. Many levels of approval needed
 - conducting a financial and procurement capacity assessment.
 - Dedicated account opening; Naira and USD

Possible TA: workshop on raising awareness of the relevant institutions to engage in the project. **Proper engagement and briefing for national partners on project.**

CHALLENGES (contd)

▶ **Aligning Partner agency procurement processes with national processes.**

- The DP requested for a dedicated account to be opened for the project as against the country's policy of Treasury single Account (TSA).

Possible TA: Have DPs and national institutions meet and tease out required national financial processes prior to project commencement. **Continuous engagement of the National level project with the executing partners.**

▶ **Management and Administrative changes**

- Frequent changes in the political head (Minister) and administrative and financial head (PS) of the ministry.

CHALLENGES (contd)

- ▶ **Development of concept note for a bankable project for submission to GCF.** One major aim of the NAP implementation is to identify appropriate projects to address climate change adaptation. **Developing concept notes is usually a challenge for which technical ability is required.**
 - **Priority areas include:**
 - Agriculture (crops & livestock),
 - Freshwater & Coastal Water Resources & Fisheries,
 - Forests,
 - Biodiversity and
 - Health & Sanitation.

CHALLENGES (CONTD)

- ▶ **Developing an effective monitoring, reporting & evaluation system** or as the case may be – **monitoring, evaluation & learning system.** (**Adaptation is difficult to measure or track**).
 - **Priority areas same with those for the project areas**
- **Possible TA:**
- **Capacity building** with regards developing **project concept note(s) and MRV (L) systems.**

FURTHER TA AREAS

- **Capacity building** generally.
- **Creation of Knowledge sharing and interaction platforms** among parties to learn from others how they are addressing these challenges
- **Effective engagement** of other actors; subnational, vulnerable groups.
- **Project long term sustainability**- Training of **local and institutional experts** in these areas who can train others – **train the trainer**.



Thank you