

# **Taraba State Ministry of Environment and Climate Change**

## **BUSINESS REGULATORY PROCESSES**

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### **Regulatory Process 1: Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) & Site Approval**

#### **Objective:**

To ensure that all development projects in Taraba State comply with environmental sustainability standards before commencement.

#### **Step-by-Step Procedure:**

##### **1. Project Notification & Screening**

- Developer submits a formal letter of intent and project brief to the Ministry.
- Ministry screens the project to determine EIA category (low, medium, high impact).

##### **2. Terms of Reference (ToR) Development**

- Ministry issues ToR guidelines for the EIA study.
- Developer engages accredited consultants to conduct the study.

##### **3. Field Investigation & Stakeholder Engagement**

- Consultants carry out site visits and community consultations.
- Data on biodiversity, water, air, and social impact are collected.

#### **4. Submission of EIA Report**

- Developer submits the full EIA report to the Ministry for review.

#### **5. Technical Review & Public Disclosure**

- Ministry convenes a technical panel (including reps from MDAs) to assess the report.
- Summary of findings is published for public comment.

#### **6. Approval & Issuance of Environmental Clearance Certificate**

- If satisfactory, the Ministry issues a certificate with mitigation conditions.

#### **7. Post-Approval Monitoring**

- Regular inspections by Ministry officers to ensure compliance.

#### **MDAs Involved:**

- **Ministry of Environment and Climate Change** (Lead)
  - **Taraba State Urban Planning and Development Board**
  - **Taraba Geographic Information Service (TAGIS)**
  - **Ministry of Water Resources**
  - **Ministry of Health** (for sanitation and public health impact)
  - **Local Government Environmental Units**
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## **Regulatory Process 2: Climate Change Policy Implementation & Emissions Compliance**

### **Objective:**

To operationalize Taraba's Climate Change Policy by reducing greenhouse gas emissions and improving climate resilience across sectors.

### **Step-by-Step Procedure:**

#### **1. Sectoral Emissions Profiling**

- MDAs submit annual data on energy use, transport, agriculture, and waste.
- Ministry compiles baseline emissions inventory.

#### **2. Climate Action Registration**

- Projects aligned with mitigation/adaptation goals are registered.
- Includes renewable energy, reforestation, clean cooking, and waste-to-energy initiatives.

#### **3. Compliance Verification**

- Ministry conducts audits to ensure projects meet emissions targets.
- Non-compliant entities are issued improvement notices.

#### **4. Stakeholder Validation Workshops**

- Annual forums to review progress and update sectoral action plans.

#### **5. Climate Finance Mobilization**

- Ministry coordinates with international partners (ACF, ECF, UNDP) to access grants and carbon credit schemes.

## **6. Reporting to National Registry**

- Verified projects are submitted to Nigeria's National Climate Registry for tracking and recognition.

### **MDAs Involved:**

- **Ministry of Environment and Climate Change (Lead)**
- **Taraba State Planning Commission**
- **Ministry of Agriculture and Food Security**
- **Taraba State Energy and Rural Electrification Agency**
- **Taraba State Waste Management Board**
- **Ministry of Finance and Economic Planning**
- **Taraba Investment Promotion Agency (TARIPA)**