

Minutes of Stakeholder’s Meeting of Taraba State Action on Business Enabling Reforms (SABER) held on 1st November 2022 at Conference Hall, Ministry of Finance, Budget and Economic Planning, Jalingo.

Attendance:

1. Mr Danjuma I. Saigudu	Director of Budget	Member
2. Mr. Wubon Felix Jonathan	Rep. Min. of Agriculture	Member
3. Danladi Idi Yamusa	Reps. State Internal Revenue	Member
4. Nataala Kaigama	Focal Person	Member
5. Hamman T. Mbaya	State Urban Planning	Member
6. Shehu Yayaha Sammani	Debt Mgt Department	Member
7. Dr. Mark Ma’aku Joshua	DG, TAGIS	Member
8. Wando Jodah	Budget Department	Member
9. Salihu Isa Salihu	BO II	Member
10. Rubiruka Paul Kalla	BO II	Member
11. Adi Tanko Adi	BO II	Secretary

The meeting commenced by 11.45am at the office of the Permanent Secretary for Finance, Budget and Economic Planning.

Opening Prayers were said by Mr Rubiruka Paul Kalla (BO II, MOFB&EP) and Mr Salihu Isa Salihu (BO) representing the two faiths of Christianity & Islam.

The Director of Budget, representing the PS (Budget & Planning) Ministry of Finance, Budget & Economic Planning in person of Mr Danjuma I. Saigudu welcomed everyone with cheers and gave room for brief introduction from all members present. He thereafter charged everyone to be apt and diligent with activities that involve BERAP and coordination of SABER activities.

The lead consultant of BERAP in person of Dr Conelius Adeoye highlighted and emphasised the need for each DLI to be fully in-tune with the mission and vision of SABER to actualize the aim of doing business with ease to attract investors to the state. It is expected that the DLIs should host their monthly and quarterly reports on the state government website he said.

The SABER Program Focal Person for Taraba State Mr Nata’ala Kaigama on his own part emphasized the importance of the SABER program while seeking commitment from some members and urge all hands to be on deck to help the State achieve the targets and benefits that the program promises. He gave an overview of Taraba States status of the SABER program for the year 2023. Mr

Nata'ala once again draw the attention of all members to the importance of completing the draft BERAP and submission before the deadline as one of the Eligibility Criteria to participate for SABER in 2023. The BERAP must be approved by the State Executive Council. He complained about some of the BERAP 'Action Steps' not well articulated by some MDA's and advice that responsible MDA's will have to review it during the meeting.

As part of the objectives of reforms the encapsulates ease of doing business, the State Focal Person explained that details of search needed to be added on the website be accessed easily by people seeking information of activities of SABER in the State.

After a brief deliberation by members, a decision was adopted that the 2023 Taraba State BERAP will be reviewed, edited, updated and forwarded to the Taraba State Executive Council with a follow up action

Some members raised concerns over the cost of the project asking for clarification on the mode of training considering available resource materials and hardware.

Furthermore, Mr Danladi Idi Yamusa (reps TIRS) made a contribution on the need to be encouraged by the State government by providing necessary devices to assist in working conveniently most especially laptops and other computer devices.

The closing remarks was given by the representative of the Permanent Secretary where he said that the entire process needs to be normalised despite the scarce attendance also said that presentations and more feedback is expected from all that are involved.

The meeting was called to an end by 1:00pm.

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MINUTES OF MEETING ATTENDANCE SHEET

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