

IDENTIFICATION AND APPRAISAL OF THE POTENTIAL PILLARS AND COMPONENTS OF NIGERIA'S ADAPTATION STRATEGY AND PLAN OF ACTION

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INTRODUCTION

NASPA an initiative of:

- The Nigeria Environmental Study/Action Team (NEST) (through the Building Nigeria's Response to Climate Change Project);
- The Nigeria Climate Action Network (Nigeriacan);
- The Heinrich Boell Foundation (HBF);
- The United Nations Development Programme (UNDP); and

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- The Climate Change Unit of the Federal Ministry of Environment.

These Lead Partners have set up a 25-member Multi-stakeholder Forum (MF) drawn from:

- Federal Government ministries and departments;
- Civil society groups;
- The States;

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- The private sector;
- Expertise groups;
- Etc.

to drive the process of drawing up NASPA.

PROPOSED PILLARS OF NASPA

The proposed pillars of NASPA are:

- Enhancing national leadership to effectively guide adaptation to climate change;
- Adopting new policies and perspectives in tackling the challenge of climate change; and
- Integrating and improving climate change adaptation programme responses.

FIRST PILLAR: ENHANCING NATIONAL LEADERSHIP

- To respond to climate change, we need a regime of guided change that will provide appropriate:
 - o Policy framework;
 - o Regulations; and
 - o Legislation

Only a strong and visionary national leadership can provide us with such a regime. Therefore, NASPA will focus on:

FIRST PILLAR: ENHANCING NATIONAL LEADERSHIP (Cont'd)

- Building institutional capacity and encouraging institutional collaboration;
- Making climate change adaptation an integral part of our development agenda;
- Adopting a participatory approach in the formulation of NASPA.
- Providing institutional support for community initiatives;

FIRST PILLAR: ENHANCING NATIONAL LEADERSHIP (Cont'd)

- Promoting public awareness;
- Building into our recommendations the principle of division of labour

SECOND PILLAR: ADOPTING NEW POLICIES AND PERSPECTIVES

Climate change has forced us to begin to look at the world around us differently and to begin to do things differently. We need new policies that address climate change. Therefore, NASPA will be concerned with:

- Research and knowledge management, including indigenous knowledge.
- Existing sectoral policies and what they have to offer;
- Climate change scenarios and projections;

SECOND PILLAR: ADOPTING NEW POLICIES AND PERSPECTIVES (Cont'd)

- Expected economic impacts of these scenarios;
- Vulnerability assessment for sectors of the population (e.g. rural/urban; male/female; children/youth/adult) and for geographical regions;
- Resilience and adaptive capacity of the people, especially at community level;
- Gender and climate change adaptation.

THIRD PILLAR: DESIGNING APPROPRIATE ADAPTATION PROGRAMME RESPONSES

Here NASPA will address priority actions required to address the threats posed by climate change in the following sectors:

- **Infrastructure**
 - o Energy;
 - o Transport and settlements; and
 - o Industry and commerce

THIRD PILLAR: INTEGRATING AND IMPROVING ADAPTATION PROGRAMME RESPONSES (Cont'd)

- **Agriculture**
 - o Crops and livestock; and
 - o Food security.
- **Natural resources**
 - o Water resources;
 - o Coastal resources;
 - o Fisheries and forestry;

THIRD PILLAR: INTEGRATING AND IMPROVING ADAPTATION PROGRAMME RESPONSES (Cont'd)

- o Land;
- o Biodiversity and
- o Wildlife;
- Health and Sanitation
 - o Human health; and
 - o Domestic/Industrial sanitation and waste.
- Cross-sectoral Finance;
 - o Disaster management;

THIRD PILLAR: INTEGRATING AND IMPROVING ADAPTATION PROGRAMME RESPONSES (Cont'd)

- o Migration and security;
- o Livelihoods (urban and rural); and
- o Gender and youth

THIRD PILLAR: INTEGRATING AND IMPROVING ADAPTATION PROGRAMME RESPONSES (Cont'd)

For each of these sectors we will examine:

- The current risks of and vulnerability to climate change;
- Projected risks and vulnerability;
- Existing policy framework, if any;
- Government institutions and stakeholders involved in policy formulation and implementation;

THIRD PILLAR: INTEGRATING AND IMPROVING ADAPTATION PROGRAMME RESPONSES (Cont'd)

and recommend:

- appropriate adaptation actions, assigning them to specific stakeholders, giving time frames for them and, where possible, providing cost estimates.

PROPOSED COMPONENTS OF NASPA

NASPA will be made up of the following main sections:

- Introduction
 - o Overview of climate change in Nigeria;
 - o The background to NASPA;
 - o The rationale for NASPA;
 - o The NASPA development process
 - o Overview of the NASPA document.

PROPOSED COMPONENTS OF NASPA (Cont'd)

- Goals, Objectives and Guiding Principles of NASPA;
- Overview of NASPA:
 - o Summary statement of the three proposed pillars of NASPA
 - o Brief statement on each of the pillars
- Sector - by - sector presentation of the threats of climate change and the proposed adaptation responses

PROPOSED COMPONENTS OF NASPA (Cont'd)

- Summary of proposed adaptation responses, including:
 - o Priority policy and programme responses;
 - o Implementing agency or stakeholder;
 - o Finance;
 - o Monitoring and evaluation.

PROPOSED COMPONENTS OF NASPA (Cont'd)

- Appendices
 - o Glossary;
 - o Climate change in Nigeria;
 - o NASPA development process;
 - o Membership of the MF and MSWGs; and
 - o References.

CONCLUDING REMARKS

- These proposed pillars and components of NASPA should help us to see what we are trying to do and how our contributions are expected to fit into the big picture.
- We should be able to prepare a comprehensive yet well coordinated report.
- The MF is open to suggestions that can help us to do this.