

4th QUARTER 2021 3PUCF MEETING REPORT

The Fourth Quarter Public Private Partnership Unit Consultative Forum (3PUCF) meeting, an initiative of the ICRC, which is a knowledge and experience sharing platform comprising of Heads of PPP Units across federal MDAs held on Thursday, 2nd December 2021 in Abuja.

Speaking at the event which was hosted by the Nigeria Police Force, Mr. Michael Ohiani, Acting Director-General, ICRC, said that as at October 31, 2021, the ICRC had issued 14 Outline Business Case (OBC) compliance certificates and three Full Business Case (FBC) compliance certificates.

“This brings the total compliance certificates granted since inception of ICRC to 113 OBC and 44 FBC.”



He said that the commission had started to charge fees for its regulatory activities, including the review of OBC, FBC and other documents.

He also said that the ICRC had facilitated World Bank sponsored trainings for 60 people from different organisations, with the aim of global certification for members.

According to Ohiani, with Nigeria’s population and market, the goal is to be the PPP experts in Africa.

In his message to participants, the Inspector General of Police, Usman Baba, who was represented by Deputy Inspector General (DIG) on Logistics and Supply, Mr Zanna

Ibrahim stated that the Nigeria Police Force is facing gross housing deficit as less than 10 per cent of its personnel have proper accommodation.

He stressed that a good living condition is important for optimal service delivery as housing was considered a fundamental physiological human need and the foundation on which to develop higher human motivation.

“It will surprise you to know that with a workforce of over 350,000 in staff strength, the NPF has less than 10 per cent of its personnel quartered in befitting barracks accommodation.

“The state of disrepair and integrity failure in our barracks need no emphasis and we are really in dire need of befitting accommodation to enable us tackle the art and act of policing the nation optimally.

“Suffice to add that there is an ongoing initiative to recruit 10,000 constables for the next six years annually, thereby increasing the housing needs for police officers and men,” he said.

Baba also said that the force was resolute in following due process based on extant laws in the pursuit of infrastructural development through PPP.

The IGP said that decay in police infrastructure, negative maintenance culture, years of neglect due to poor budgetary allocation, destruction of police infrastructure resulting from EndSARS protests, banditry, Boko-Haram/IPOB activities, and some others were still being grappled with.

He however, said that irrespective of these, the NPF was seeking better collaboration with critical stakeholders toward revamping, improving and sustaining a better security architecture for the nation.