



SPEECH BY THE DIRECTOR GENERAL, INFRASTRUCTURE CONCESSION REGULATORY COMMISSION, AT THE FIRST 2023 PPP UNITS' CONSULTATIVE FORUM (3PUCF) HOSTED BY THE STATE HOUSE PPP UNIT ON APRIL 27, 2023

Protocols:

1. I welcome everyone to the first PPP Units' Consultative Forum (3PUCF) meeting for the year 2023 and warmly acknowledge our Host for this quarter, the State House PPP Unit.
2. You may wish to recall that the Q1 2023 meeting of the forum, initially scheduled for Thursday, 2nd March, 2023 was postponed due to the general elections. In spite of the elections, there has been progress on our collective achievements in moving closer to a PPP based Economy.
3. I am glad to report that since our last meeting in December 2022, we have recorded more successes and milestones in major sectors of our economy.
4. In the PPP Project Development Phase, the following have been accomplished, with the issuance of our OBC Compliance Certificates:
 - a. Development of Ports of Ondo Multipurpose Deep-Sea Port; and we have commenced the procurement process for selection of a concessionaire
 - b. The Benin Port Project in Edo State
 - c. Commercial Development of residential houses in Kwara State by the National Hajj Commission, with the procurement process ongoing.
 - d. Expansion and Development of Snake Island, Lagos Multipurpose Sea Port project of the Federal Ministry of Transportation
 - e. Procurement of E-NSITF digitalization of the fund-wide activities / processes and Automation of Employee Contribution and Compensation Scheme Project (Phase-2) of the Federal Ministry of Labour and Employment
 - f. The Burutu Port Complex Phases 1, 2, and 3 projects had the OBC Compliance Certificate revalidated
 - g. Revalidation of the OBC Compliance Certificate for the Expatriate Employment Levy (EEL) project of the Federal Ministry of Finance, Budget & National Planning

- h. Provision of Online Web Based Registration Platforms for Trademarks, Patent and Designs project of the Federal Ministry of Industry Trade and Investment (FMITI)
 - i. Development of Cassava Bio Ethanol Value Chain project of the Ministry of Finance, Budget & National Planning
5. In the PPP Procurement Phase, the following have been accomplished, with the issuance of our FBC Compliance Certificates:
- a. Revalidation of the FBC Compliance Certificate for Establishment of an Aviation Leasing Company (ALC) of the Federal Ministry of Aviation
 - b. Revalidation of the FBC Compliance Certificate for the Development of National Fire Data Repository Centre (NFDRC) of the Federal Fire Service, under the Ministry of Interior
 - c. The Refurbishment, Operation and Management of the water system project at Apapa Ports by Nigeria Ports Authority (NPA)
 - d. The Refurbishment, Operation and Management of the water system at Tin Can Port, Tin Can Island by NPA
 - e. Development of Cassava Bio Ethanol Value Chain project of the Ministry of Finance, Budget & National Planning
 - f. The National Fire Detection and Alarm System (NAFDAS) project of the Federal Fire Service under the Ministry of Interior
 - g. The establishment of an E-Passport Production Facility under a PPP arrangement by the Federal Ministry of Interior / Nigeria Immigration Services

These give a total of 153 OBC Compliance Certificates and 75 FBC Compliance Certificates issued by the Commission to date, which is a record on its own

6. The following projects have also received FEC approvals, to enable them achieve Commercial Close.
- a. Central Offshore Waste Reception Facility (OWREF) Concession
 - b. Eastern Offshore Waste Reception Facility (OWREF) Concession
 - c. e-custom project of the Federal Ministry of Finance, Budget and National Planning
 - d. Development of Cassava Bio Ethanol Value Chain project of the Ministry of Finance, Budget & National Planning
 - e. The National Fire Detection and Alarm System (NAFDAS) project of the Federal Fire Service under the Ministry of Interior

- f. The establishment of an E-Passport Production Facility under a PPP arrangement by the Federal Ministry of Interior / Nigeria Immigration Services
 - g. The Design, Construction and Financing of a Mixed Development Comprising Residential Houses, Hotels, Recreational Facilities and Office Blocks for Commercial Purposes Under a PPP Arrangement of the FRCN
7. Due to time constraints, this is just a summary of the many projects that we have worked on together, with more at the inception stage waiting to commence development, as well as over 200 projects at different stages of the Development and Procurement phases. In addition to over 80 projects at the Implementation phase, I believe that together, we can do even more in the year.
 8. You may also recall that the ICRC established the “Nigeria Institute of Infrastructure and Public Private Partnership (NII3P)” to focus on providing capacity building for the MDAs and all stakeholders within the PPP Infrastructure space. Some of the Institute’s programs, include short courses on specific PPP related subjects; and it is our pleasure to introduce one of such short courses, a PPP Project Finance/Development of Infrastructure Business Plan scheduled to hold in Kigali, Rwanda, from 15th – 19th May, 2023. You are invited to attend if you have not yet expressed interest
 9. The Institute is also facilitating a Certified PPP Practitioner (CP3P) Execution Course from 29th May to 3rd June in Abuja. The Execution Examination is scheduled for the 5th of June, 2023. Interested candidates who have passed the Foundation Course can participate at the cost of \$850.
 10. In collaboration with the Malaysia University of Science and Technology, the Institute will be commencing a PhD in Management (PPP Option) program in addition to the currently running MBA in PPP program. Please feel free to reach out to the institute for more details.
 11. Other Course options available include the Basic, Intermediate and Advanced PPP Courses. More information on these courses can be found on the Institute’s website- nii3p.org
 12. I wish to, on behalf of the staff of ICRC, wish us all a prosperous 2023, and hope that more projects will be developed and concluded through the PPP process as we strive to improve on our Infrastructure and Economy.
 13. Finally, we thank the State House PPP Unit, which is being inaugurated today for hosting us and bringing us near to the seat of power. We thank previous hosts and look forward to more MDAs offering to host us this year and beyond

God Bless Nigeria and us all.

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