



**PRESIDENTIAL
ENABLING BUSINESS
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ENABLING BUSINESS ENVIRONMENT SECRETARIAT

60 NATIONAL
DAY ACTION
PLAN 3.0

Making
Business
Work

NATIONAL ACTION PLAN 3.0

February 5 – April 5, 2018





Glossary of implementing MDAs and organizations captured in the report



Central Bank of Nigeria



Enabling Business Environment Secretariat



Federal Ministry of Finance



Nigerian Electricity Regulatory Commission



Nigerian Shippers Council



Eko Electricity Distribution Company



Nigeria Customs Service



Ikeja Electricity Distribution Company



National Agency for Food and Drug Administration and Control



Kano Electricity Distribution Company



Nigeria Police Force



Kaduna Electricity Distribution Company



Trademarks Patent and Designs Registry (FMITI Commercial Law Dept.)



Federal Ministry of Environment



Nigerian Civil Aviation Authority



Corporate Affairs Commission



Nigeria Immigration Service



Federal Inland Revenue Service



Federal Airports Authority of Nigeria



Bureau of Public Procurement



Nigeria Agriculture Quarantine Service



Lagos State Judiciary.



Department of State Services



Kano State Judiciary.



National Collateral Registry



National Drug Law Enforcement Agency



Nigeria Electricity Management Services Agency



NATIONAL ACTION PLAN 3.0 REFORM INITIATIVES

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1

Trading Across Borders



1

Reform

Clarify and implement import and export guidelines to drive efficiency at the Ports.

Expected Outcome

Clear implementation of import and export guidelines, including categorisation of products to be palletised.

Owner(s)



2

Strengthen single joint cargo examination interface in all airports & seaports for import and export.

Simplified examination process at the Ports.



3

Implement an electronic Nigerian Export Proceeds (NXP) form.

Faster distribution of NXP forms to Pre-shipment Inspection Agencies & Nigerian Customs Service.



6

Enforce mandatory transmission of shipping line manifest to NPA and NCS minimum 7 days before arrival of vessel to Nigeria.

Improved risk assessment and optimised placement of containers for NCS Examinations.



5

Pre-shipment Inspection Agencies to digitize Request for Information for all exports.

Elimination of physical visit to Pre-shipment Inspection Agency for inspection request.



4

Reduction in number of physical examinations of cargo at Apapa Ports.

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IMPACT

Reduction in cost and time for clearing of cargo at the Ports. Increased transparency and efficiency of Ports.

2 Trading Within Nigeria



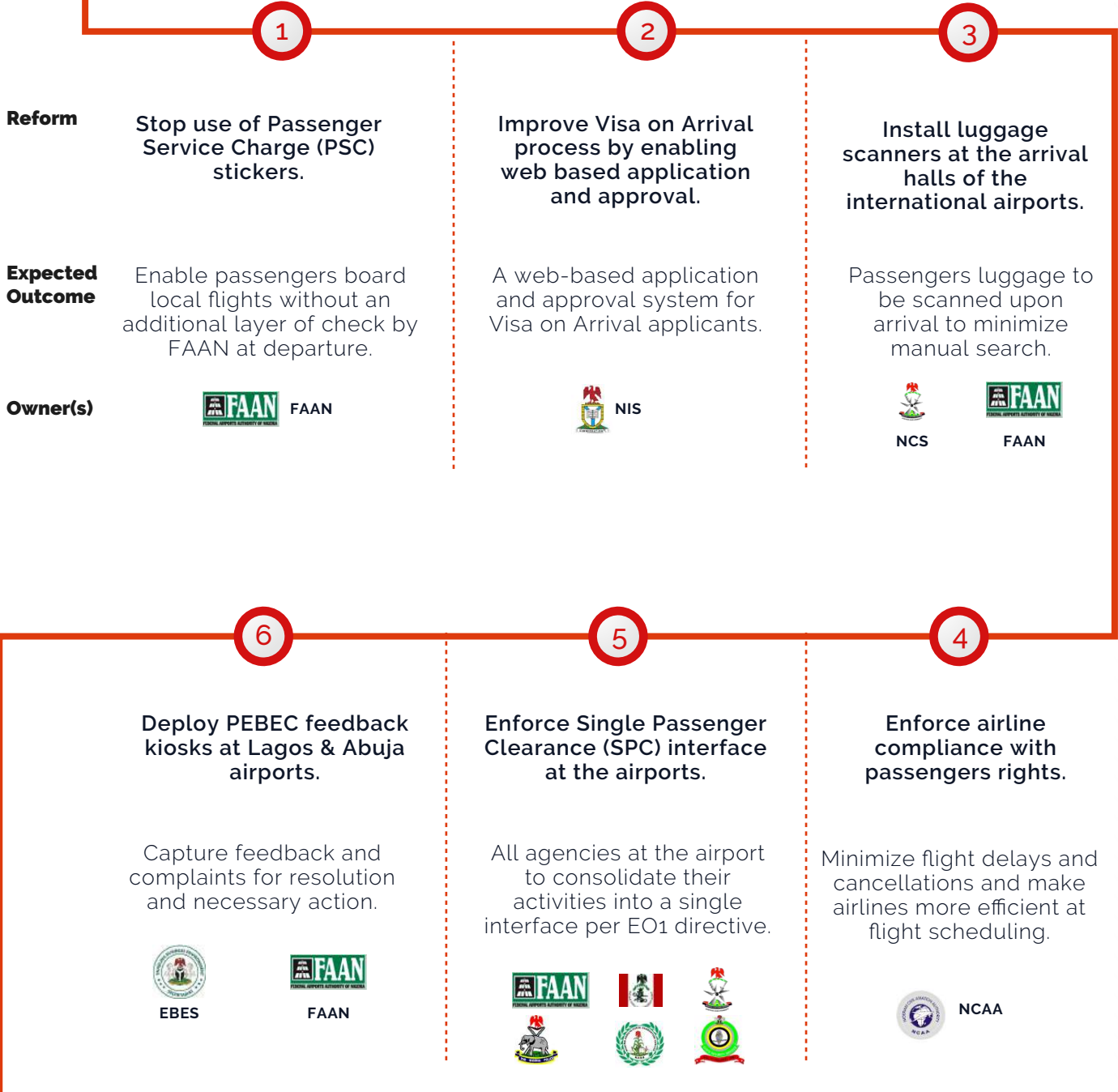
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Reform	Clear all pending NAFDAC registration applications as at December 2017.	Comply with 90-day timeline to complete NAFDAC product registration.	Encourage reporting of illegal police roadblocks and institute consequence management.
Expected Outcome	Issuance of certificates for all pending applications as at December 2017.	All product applications are completed within 90 days per EO1 directive.	Significant reduction in illegal road blocks.
Owner(s)	NAFDAC	NAFDAC	NPF

	5	4
	Issue all outstanding Certificates of Registration of Trademarks.	Publish backlog of all e-applications in the Trademark Journal.
	Issuance of Certificates for all unopposed published marks	Publication of Trademark Journals for all pending e-applications as at December 2017.
	TPDR	TPDR

IMPACT

- Transparent, effective and efficient product registration process.
- Seamless movement of goods and people across Nigeria, with reduced rent seeking.
- Improve efficiency of Trademark registration.

3 Entry and Exit of People



IMPACT Enhance efficiency and transparency in entry, movement and exit of people in the aviation sector.

4 Getting Electricity



1

Reform

Drive 100% compliance with NERC Order on timelines for new connections to the grid.

Expected Outcome

Reduction of procedures to 5 steps and timeline to 44 days for new connections for 50KVA transformers and above.

Owner(s)



NERC



EKEDC



IKEDC



KEDC



NEMSA



KEDC

2

Encourage DISCOs to roll out e-application systems for new connections to the grid.

Eliminate manual application, submission and approval process for new connections.

3

DISCOs to implement grid mapping using technology (GIS or EMS/SCADA).

Enable DISCOs establish detailed data of customers and assets.

4

Encourage adherence to timeline for Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) application process.

Facilitate timely determination of various categories of EIA applications for electrical infrastructure.



FME

IMPACT

Promote efficiency and transparency in the process for new connections and new power plants.


5 Starting a Business



1

Reform Adhere to timelines for post registration filings.

Expected Outcome Post registration applications treated in 24 hours at CAC head office.

Owner(s)  CAC

IMPACT

Improved transparency and efficiency in post registration process.

6 Paying Taxes




1

2

Reform Drive adoption of electronic filing of taxes for all categories of companies.

Expected Outcome Provide access to e-platforms for all classes of taxpayers.

Owner(s)  FIRS

Reform Adhere to timeline to complete a corporate income tax (CIT) audit.

Expected Outcome Drive compliance with the 90-day timeline to complete a CIT audit by Federal Inland Revenue Service (FIRS).

IMPACT

Promote transparency and efficiency in tax administration.


7 Selling to Government



1

Reform Communicate and enforce minimum employee requirement for pension contributions as 15 employees as prescribed in the Pension Reform Act 2014

Expected Outcome Businesses with less than 15 employees will no longer be required to produce pension contribution certificates as part of bidding documents.

Owner(s)  BPP

IMPACT

Increase number of small businesses that can access government contracts.

8 Enforcing Contracts



1

Reform

Build magistrates capacity for specialized small claims commercial courts in Lagos and Kano.

Expected Outcome

Skilled magistrates able to handle small commercial claims in an expeditious manner.

Owner(s)



LSJ



KSJ

2

Introduce specialized small claims commercial courts in Lagos and Kano.

Small commercial suits handled within a 60-day period from filing till judgment.

IMPACT

Fast track resolution of small commercial claims for SMEs.

9 Getting Credit



1

Reform

Urge Banks to utilise the National Collateral Registry.

Expected Outcome

Register 300 Microfinance Banks on the National Collateral Registry.

Owner(s)



CBN



NCR

IMPACT

More accessible and affordable credit for small businesses.



Why is this important?

To become Africa's leading economy

and be globally competitive, we have to become more business friendly, especially for SMEs.

Our vision is to make Nigeria a progressively easier place in which to do business. This would be evident in an increase in our Ease of Doing Business rankings, and testimonials of businesses across the country.

#100

Ease of Doing
Business ranking by
2020

#50

Ease of Doing
Business ranking in
10 years



What to expect in 2018

● **PEBEC.Report**

Scaling our web-based feedback mechanism that has been piloted in November/December 2017 to further enhance the delivery of the reform initiatives, through prompting and encouraging Nigerians to provide feedback on the service delivery of the MDAs.



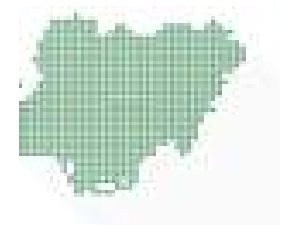
● **NAP 3.0**

From February - April 2018, we are going to sustain the EoDB reforms at the National level, through deepening reforms across the 9 indicators, focusing on the most impactful reforms for the Nigerian business environment.



● **Sub-Nationals**

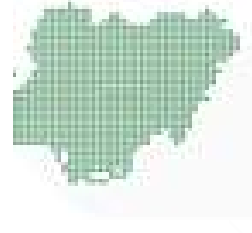
We are cascading the ease of doing business initiatives down to the sub-national level by engaging state governments and collaborating





with them to implement reform initiatives that would increasingly make their states more attractive to business.

A Technical Working Group comprising key stakeholders across government and private sector are developing four home-grown indicators, to study and showcase the business climate reforms across Nigeria.



● **Omnibus Bill**

As part of the ongoing reforms in the business climate of Nigeria, the Presidential Enabling Business Environment Council (PEBEC) is currently working on the Omnibus Bill for passage as an executive bill by the National Assembly, containing several business reforms which will be institutionalized.



● **National Trading Platform**

The implementation of a Single Window Platform, deployment of scanners, and a ports community system that promotes transparency and efficiency in our Ports.



● **Airport concession**

Concessioning of both the Lagos and Abuja International airports to commence.





Recap of 2017

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FEBRUARY - APRIL

60 DAY NATIONAL ACTION PLAN

Success rate of 70% and 82% after a 30-day extension.

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JULY

Project expanded to include the Trading Within Nigeria indicator

Sub-national EoDB project kicks off with all states and FCT

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NOVEMBER



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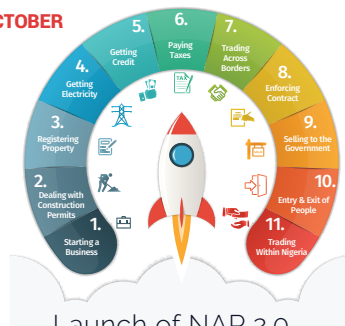
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EASE OF DOING BUSINESS EXECUTIVE ORDER E01

EO1 issued by the Acting President

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OCTOBER



Launch of NAP 2.0

6

DECEMBER

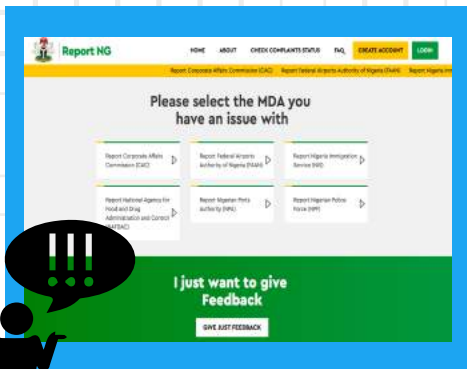
Completion of NAP 2.0, 52% completion rate

Release of E01 6-month report

PEBEC.Report enables us obtain feedback from citizens

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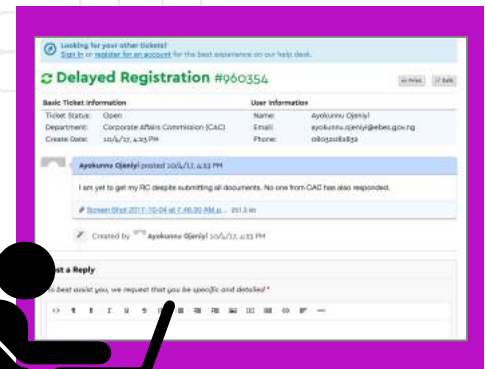
Raise Tickets



Log a complaint by specifying MDA and provide details.

2

Respond to tickets



MDA responds to complaints via dedicated page for each MDA.

3

Track resolution



Each MDA and PEBEC/EBES have dedicated page to track the resolution.

FINANCIAL TIMES

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 2nd, 2020

WORLD BUSINESS NEWSPAPER

NAIRA 5000 USD 120

Nigeria's GDP rises again, set to hit ~USD 1 trillion

Nigeria reaches yet another economic milestone with less than 20% of the population under poverty line

Nigeria: the Textbook African Success Story

Nigeria has come a long way over the last five years, rebounding from the brink of a near economic disaster precipitated by falling commodity prices across the globe, to becoming a textbook example of how an economy can turn itself around.

When oil prices plunged to \$28 a barrel in February 2016, the country took an economic nosedive, with its heavy reliance on oil exports seeing the Naira devalue and crash on the parallel market to over NGN500/USD.

The Buhari Administration had to act and act fast. After short, targeted interventions, the administration took painful but necessary steps that amalgamated in the implementation of the Nigerian Economic Recovery and Growth Plan (ERGP) to reinvigorate the diversification and growth of its non-oil sector, create jobs and develop much-needed infrastructure for a competitive, export-led economy. From the highest political will, the government pledged its unwavering commitment to reforms aimed at creating a business-friendly environment for small and medium sized enterprises, the engine of the economy, to thrive. Today, at an incredible 95th position in the World Bank's flagship Doing Business Report for 2020 from 170th barely five years ago, the results are there for



all to see.

“What they have done is nothing short of a miracle,” said the IMF chief in Washington last week, commenting on Nigeria's year-end performance which is set to exceed the projected growth rate of 8% to enter the double digits. How did they succeed where others have failed?

Nigeria's two ultra-modern flagship airports in Lagos and Abuja were a sorry sight merely three years ago with dilapidated infrastructure and outdated processes, but visas are now processed electronically at all airports and passengers are out of the airport within 40 minutes of arrival. The National Trading Platform, a private sector-led SPV deployed world class scanning infrastructure and technology enabled processes to fast-track movement of goods through the country's Ports at a lightning speed of 24 hours, one of the fastest in the world today, this led to an increase in the government's revenue by USD 4 billion last year alone. Partnering with States, movement of goods within the country and across the ECOWAS corridor is seamless, with the drastic eradication of smuggling and rent-seeking behaviour due to improved processes, the

use of cutting edge technology, and training and firmer consequence management for erring public officers. The entire region has benefited from the effects of Nigeria's economic prosperity with greater efficiency and transparency.

New legislations resulting from collaboration between the executive and legislative arms of government have continued to deliver prompt budget passage and enable legal reforms such as the complete overhaul of tax administration across all levels of government with the use of technology to foster easy implementation, transparent and fair collection. An improved judicial system has ensured speed and transparency in all manner of disputes, bringing security for investments.

With the completion of several critical infrastructure projects in the last two years, and its giant strides in its business and regulatory environment, Nigeria is undoubtedly the location of choice for global investors, with the knock-on effect of creating 5,000,000 direct new jobs since 2016.



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