



# **NIGERIA ECOWAP/CAADP COMPACT**



**FEDERAL MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE  
AND WATER RESOURCES**



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### **TO SUPPORT THE SUCCESSFUL IMPLEMENTATION OF THE FIVE-POINT AGRICULTURE AGENDA**

## **1. CAADP AS AN AFRICAN OWNED AGENDA AND A SHARED DEVELOPMENT FRAMEWORK**

The Comprehensive Africa Agriculture Development Programme (CAADP) is at the heart of efforts by African governments under the African Union's New Partnership for Africa's Development (AU/NEPAD) agenda to accelerate growth and eliminate poverty and hunger among African countries. The main goal of CAADP is to help African countries reach a higher path of economic growth through agriculturally-led development, which eliminates hunger, reduces poverty, food and nutrition insecurity and enables the expansion of exports. As a programme of the African Union, it emanates from and is fully owned and led by African governments.

It provides a shared framework for strategy planning and implementation, and for partnership and development assistance in the sector. Further, CAADP offers the prospect for political, technical and financial support for countries with plans and strategies that are aligned with the CAADP principles and framework. In aligning with CAADP, countries adopt the Maputo Declaration of: (i) achieving an annual agricultural growth rate of at least 6 percent in agriculture; and (ii) allocating at least 10 percent of the national budget to agriculture. Moreover, the CAADP reflects broader principles of mutual review and dialogue, mutual accountability, and partnership.

In the West Africa region, the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS) has been mandated, at the conference of the Heads of States in Yamoussoukro in 2002, to support and coordinate the implementation of the program. In this context, ECOWAS developed the regional agricultural policy (ECOWAP), which is the framework of reference that provides the principles and objectives assigned to the agricultural sector and to guide the interventions in agricultural development in the region. During 2005, ECOWAS and the NEPAD Secretariat developed a joint ECOWAP/CAADP action plan for the period 2005-2010 for the development of the agricultural sector. Although regional in scope, the ECOWAP/CAADP agenda is an integral part of national efforts to promote agricultural growth and economic development. Therefore, it is proposed to formulate and implement concrete investment programmes at national and regional levels to improve the livelihoods of the populations.

In the case of Nigeria, the focus of the ECOWAP/CAADP process is to strengthen and add value to the 5-Point Agriculture Agenda (derived from the Government's 7-Point Agenda). The ultimate goal of the ECOWAP/CAADP process in Nigeria is to answer that call for the agricultural sector by: (i) helping define a coherent long term framework to guide the planning and implementation of the current 5-Point Agriculture Agenda (ii) identifying strategic options and sources of poverty reducing growth for the agricultural sector between now and 2020; and (iii) developing existing and new strategy analysis and knowledge support systems to facilitate peer review, dialogue and evidence based planning and implementation of agricultural sector policies and strategies. Furthermore it is intended that the national compact will provide a basis and inputs into the formulation of a supporting regional compact.

## **2. RATIONALE FOR AND USE OF NIGERIA ECOWAP/CAADP COMPACT**

Building on the Government of Nigeria's (GoN's) vision and commitment for economic and social development, its 7-Point Agenda and the Joint Donors' Statement from the

Development Partners Meeting of November 2006 on development assistance to Nigeria, the Compact (a) sets the parameters for long term partnership in the agricultural sector; (b) specifies key commitments on the part of government and development partners; and (c) clarifies expectations with respect to the agribusiness and farming communities in order to ensure successful implantation of the 5-Point Agricultural Agenda. Most important among these are sector policy, budgetary and investment commitments as well as commitments to align and scale up long term development assistance to the sector.

In the Joint Donor Statement, development partners urged GoN to give clear notice of its intentions and aspirations, by formulating ambitious but credible long-term plans. The Compact serves to verify this for the agricultural sector by confirming the consensus around the goals and priorities that Nigeria has set for the sector and the partnerships and assistance that are required to achieve these goals. Its ultimate purpose is to: (i) increase the effectiveness of planning and execution of government efforts as well as of the delivery of external assistance in the agricultural sector and thereby (ii) provides a solid framework under which assistance can be scaled up to help meet the short- and long-term investment needs in the sector.

### **3. LONG-TERM VISION AND COMMITMENT OF THE GOVERNMENT OF NIGERIA WITH RESPECT TO ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT**

GoN's long term vision for economic and social development is set out in its 7-Point Agenda, which is being complimented by the upcoming Vision 20: 2020, translated into an operational plan for the agricultural sector as the 5-Point Agriculture Agenda. As defined under the National Food Security Programme (NFSP) document, the overall agricultural sector vision is: 'to ensure sustainable access, availability and affordability of quality food to all Nigerians and to be a significant net provider of food to the global community' leading to significant improvements in Nigeria's agricultural production in the short-term and improved productivity, expanded large-scale production and improved storage/processing capacity as well as required market infrastructure to achieve food stability in the medium-term. The strategic orientations guiding the pursuit of the above goal and related objectives in the agricultural sector are defined in the National Food Security Programme (2008 - ) document and include:

- A collaborative approach with the intent of stimulating food production through private sector (including small and medium scale farmers , commodity associations, All Farmers Association of Nigeria and cooperatives) participation and market development.
- Federal Government, in consultation with State and Local Governments and other relevant stakeholders (such as civil society and community based organizations), will set the direction, while the organized private sector as well as the State and Local Government will drive execution.

#### **4. THE GOVERNMENT'S AGENDA FOR AGRICULTURAL GROWTH, POVERTY REDUCTION AND FOOD SECURITY**

GoN sees a private sector-led growth, which is underpinned by public sector investment and market-oriented agriculture, as a key element of its strategy to achieve faster, broad based growth in order to realize the Millennium Development Goal (MDG) of reducing poverty and malnutrition and the vision of becoming one of the top 20 economies by 2020. The overarching goal is to make agriculture attractive as a viable business, leading to an annual agriculture growth of 11 percent, increased rice and cassava production by 100 percent, livestock production by 25-50 percent, and fisheries production by 200 percent all by 2011 (NFSP 2008). The related specific objectives and underlying principles are to:

1. increase growth by 10-13 percent
2. increase employment generation
3. reduce poverty; and
4. attainment of sustainable food security in the long-term (NFSP 2008)

Under the 7 Point Agenda, and in line with the 5-Point Agriculture Agenda, GoN has defined the following five major programmes for the period 2020, which together represent Nigeria's priorities across ECOWAP/CAADP pillars: namely (i) land and water management, (ii) infrastructure and market access, (iii) food supply and hunger, and (iv) agricultural research, technology and adaptation.

1. Developing Agricultural Policy and Regulatory Systems (DARPS)
2. Agriculture Commodity Exchange Market (ACCOMEX)
3. Raising Agricultural Income with Sustainable Environment (RAISE)
4. Maximizing Agricultural Revenue in Key Enterprises (MARKETS)
5. Water, Aquaculture and Environment Resource Management

The first programme falls under pillars two and four of CAADP. The second, third and fourth programme fall under the second and third pillars, while element of pillar one and three are contained in the fifth programme. Detailed objectives, specifics sub-programmes and programme costs are summarized in the programme briefs prepared for the Roundtable Conference.

#### **5. FORGING PARTNERSHIP FOR THE SUCCESSFUL IMPLEMENTATION OF THE INVESTMENT PRIORITIES IN THE 5-POINT AGRICULTURE**

5.1 Purpose, Principles and Modalities of the 5-Point Agriculture Agenda Partnerships  
This compact will support partnerships between the government of Nigeria, the agribusiness and farming communities, and the development partners in the successful implementation of the Nigeria National Agricultural Investment Program, which is the 5-Point Agriculture Agenda that are specified above, in the short- and medium-term and in

subsequent programmes to be defined under the 5-Point Agriculture Agenda, and in line with the principles, modalities, and commitment agreed herein. Furthermore, within the ECOWAS region the partners supporting the CAADP agenda are urged to support Nigeria in the implementation of programmes and activities under this compact.

#### 5.1 Government Commitments under the 5-Point Agriculture Agenda and Partnerships.

The Government of Nigeria confirms its commitment to promoting long-term economic and social development to achieve food security and national development objectives, as identified in its President's 7 Point Agenda and set out in its 5-Point Agriculture Agenda. This is confirmed in the National Food Security Program document that guides the sector to achieve the objectives related to the above vision in the agricultural sector through the development of the private sector, supported by an active state and continued maintenance of macroeconomic stability. The Government will endeavor to ensure efficiency and effectiveness in pursuing the implementation of the 5-Point Agenda as its strategy to achieve and exceed the 6 percent CAADP growth target over the next 5 years. It commits to work towards exceeding the Maputo decision of the Heads of States and Governments of the African Union of allocating 10 percent of the national budget to the agricultural sector within this period, in order to contribute to achieving the investments required to meet the outcomes in the 5-Point Agriculture Agenda programmes. In this regard, it will work to ensure maximum efficiency and effectiveness of utilization of resources in the sector as demonstrated in the National Agriculture Public Expenditure Review, in line with its broader efforts to strengthen public financial management.

#### 5.2 Development Partners' Commitments under the 5-Point Agriculture Agenda

The development partners confirm the acknowledgement in the Joint Donors' Statement that achieving the MDGs and meeting Nigeria's Vision 20:2020 require increases in the volume and quality of development assistance. Therefore, they commit, collectively, to align assistance to the sector with the programmes and priorities identified in the 5-Point Agriculture Agenda and to scale up assistance over the next 5 years to help meet investment costs of the programmes defined under the agenda. In the spirit of the same Joint Donors' Statement, they will commit, in consultation with the government, to provide indications of future aid to the sector on a multi-year basis in order to improve predictability and allow better planning, budgeting and implementation. They commit to provide such aid and related technical assistance.

African Union and Regional Partners Commitments under the Maputo Declaration; The African Union, ECOWAS and its regional partners committed, through the Maputo declaration, to support Nigeria in its endeavors to define priority programmes that would allow the country to meet the objectives of ECOWAP/CAADP and be on the road to attaining the MDG1. In this regard, the African Union, ECOWAS and other regional partners will support Nigeria's national strategies as defined in the 5-Point Agriculture

Agenda through mobilization of political, financial and technical support.

#### 5.1 Commitments of the professional socioeconomic organizations

Given the need to work in appropriate partnerships to realize the goals set in the Millennium Development Agenda, professional socioeconomic organizations including agricultural producers, private sector and civil society, commit to effectively partnering with the government and people of Nigeria in increasing productivity, establishing enterprises and promoting initiatives that will have measurable impact in reducing poverty levels in the country and increasing economic growth.

#### 6.0 Implementation of the 5-Point Agriculture Agenda Partnerships

##### 6.1 Coordination and Oversight

Oversight and coordination of the implementation of the above partnerships will take place within the National Assembly and the partner group or any other body of similar consultative nature to be decided by the GoN and its development partners.

##### 6.2 Funding Mobilization

The GoN and its development partners will mobilize immediate funding to facilitate implementation in 2009 and subsequent years of those components of the 5-Point Agriculture Agenda that are ready or ongoing and need scaling-up. For this purpose, the GoN and its development partners will immediately after the Roundtable Conference undertake consultations to commit funding aligned to the 5-Point Agriculture Agenda with a view to formulating a sector wide approach at the earliest opportunity. The support will be base on the comparative advantage of individual partners.

##### 6.3 Implementation Capacities

The GoN will endeavor to strengthen internal capacities in order to meet the personnel, institutional, and logistical requirements for a timely start of the implementation of its programmes. The development partners will endeavor to provide the necessary technical assistance on a timely basis.

## 7. Endorsement

By endorsing this Compact:

1. The government of Nigeria pledges to fulfill the commitments specified therein, in line with the goals, objectives, principles and modalities laid out in its 7 Point Agenda and the 5-Point


Agriculture Agenda.

2. The development partners pledge, collectively, to fulfill the commitments specified therein, in line with the Joint Donors' Statement of November 2006.
3. African Union, ECOWAS and other regional partners pledge, collectively, to fulfill the commitment specified therein in line with the Maputo Declaration and the global principle of CAADP implementation.
4. The professional socioeconomic organizations (agricultural producers, private sector and civil society), collectively, pledge to fulfill the commitments specified therein by partnering with GoN and the people of Nigeria.

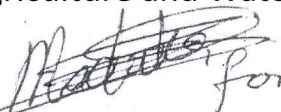
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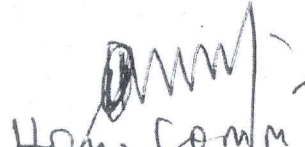
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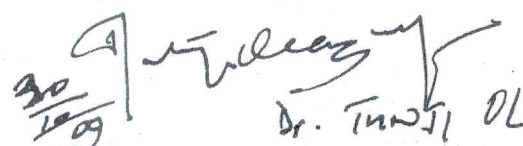
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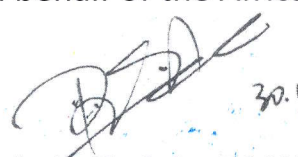
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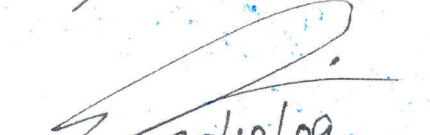
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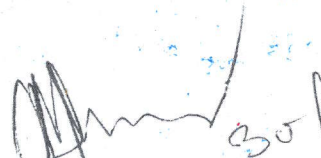
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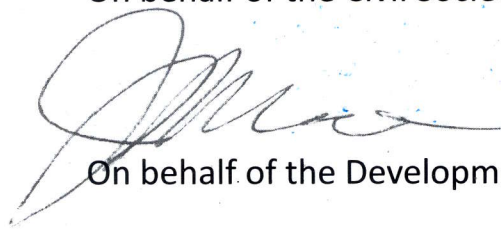
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