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PPSP in Focus

In line with the goals of this Newsletter, the maiden edition of January 2016 has generated great awareness and understanding among Government Ministries, Departments and Agencies (MDAs), Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs) and civil society about the job creation programmes under the S.M.A.R.T agenda of the Okowa Administration. The significance of the Newsletter series in publicizing the job creation strategies, activities and achievements of the administration has become self-revealing as shown by the continuing demand for the maiden edition.

Today, there is rising interest in the State Government's job creation scheme including Skills Training and Entrepreneurship Programme (STEP), Youth Agricultural Entrepreneurs Programme (YAGEP), Production and Processing Support Programme (PPSP), Development of Agro-Industries and Microcredit. The reason for the rising interest is simple. It is about public confidence resulting from the noticeable signs of transparency, genuineness, credibility and targeting accuracy in programme implementation.

The major theme of this edition is the PPSP, an agricultural value chain intervention package designed for existing smallholder farmers. It is aimed at enhancing farm outputs, enterprise productivity and market linkages along the commodity value chains towards creating job and wealth.

Under the PPSP roll-out, the Office of the Chief Job Creation Officer delivered subsidized productivity-increasing inputs and technologies such as tractors and implements, planting materials, livestock starter stocks, fertilizers, feeds and processing equipment as well as Good Agricultural Practices (GAP) for cassava, fishery, poultry, piggery and vegetables. The support packages have started yielding desired fruits as shown by some attestations in this edition.

Other topics and issues featured in this edition of the Newsletter include progress in the implementation of STEP and YAGEP as well as activities and achievements of the Delta State Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises Development Agency's microcredit programme for farmers, processors, traders, artisans, microenterprises, women and youths.

With hindsight of the huge welcome that attended the maiden edition, let me assure that OkowaPlus Newsletter will continue to supply stakeholders and the public with regular good-quality information, progress updates and opportunity for feedback on the State Government's job creation programmes. I am optimistic that, successively, OkowaPlus will chronicle the story of job and wealth creation under the S.M.A.R.T agenda. Happy reading.

Prof. Eric Eboh

Chief Job Creation Officer



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Lead Story



Distribution of fish kilns



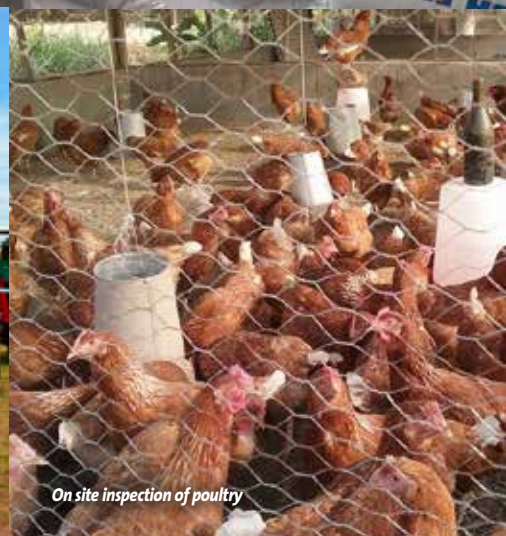
Fish feeds for distribution



On site inspection of piggery



Tractors for distribution to farmers



On site inspection of poultry

Linking Vision to Action

As 815 farmers get support packages under the Production and Processing Support Programme

Upon assumption of office on May 29, 2015, His Excellency, Dr Ifeanyi Okowa promised to revolutionise our agricultural sector for economic diversification. According to him, "the need to diversify our economy and reduce undue dependence on the proceeds from oil has become quite urgent, and this is one agenda that this administration shall give great attention to." He then promised to build "a flourishing agriculture and agribusiness sector."

Towards this end, the Production and Processing Support Programme, an agricultural value chain support programme, was inaugurated in

October 2015. It was temporarily housed under the Office of the Chief Job Creation Officer as an important vehicle for wealth creation and economic diversification.

Essentially, the programme is designed to upscale the use of modern inputs and technologies and increase outputs and productivity of crop, livestock and fishery enterprises. The packages include inputs, technologies and materials necessary to make production and processing more efficient.

In the words of Prof. Eric Eboh, the Chief Job Creation Officer, "the PPSP story is about agricultural value chain development using

target priority commodities across the state particularly cassava, fishery, aquaculture, vegetables and oil palm. The logic is to support viable agricultural production and processing enterprises to increase their outputs and thereby employ additional labour and create wealth."

The strategies adopted by the PPSP are as follows:

- i. Provide subsidized inputs and production technologies to crop, livestock and fish farmers;
- ii. Provide subsidized agricultural processing and value-addition equipment and facilities to agricultural cooperative societies, commodity associations and



CICO, Prof. Eric Eboh presenting a melon shelling machine to a beneficiary



Outboard engines for distribution to beneficiaries



Melon Shellers for distribution to farmers



Distribution of farm implements to farmers



Prof Eboh leading other members of the team to distribute quality cassava stems

- women;
- iii. Facilitate private sector-owned and managed agribusiness services and farm service centres including tractors and implements, processing mills, inputs and commodity marketing;
 - iv. Mobilize and facilitate high-impact PPP investments along the agricultural value chain for the integration of agricultural production, processing and markets; and
 - v. Facilitate agricultural loans for agricultural cooperative societies, farmers, processing entities and operators along the agricultural value chain.

In six months of operation, the PPSP has recorded landmark achievements top of which is the distribution of tractors to 39 cooperative societies, while 106 cooperative societies received Mellon shellers. Eighteen other cooperative societies received Outboard engines and fishing gears

support package.

In addition, a total of 815 farmers were given various support packages broken down as follows:

- 475 Cassava farmers who were given improved variety of cassava cuttings, fertilizer and cash component
- 100 fishery farmers were supported with fingerlings, feeds and cash
- 100 Poultry broiler farmers were supported with 200 day-old chicks each, feeds and cash
- 50 poultry layer farmers were given 200 layers, feeds and cash
- 50 piggery farmers were supported with 10 growers, feeds and cash
- 40 Tomatoes farmers were supported with seedlings, agrochemicals and cash

There was equitable distribution across the three senatorial districts while achieving accurate targeting made possible by the rigorous screening process. Prof. Eboh told

journalists that as a result of the accurate targeting achieved, the Government was able to reach the farmers directly, a radical departure from similar interventions in the past.

The recent creation of the Agricultural Marketing Coordination Committee headed by Eboh is expected to facilitate end-to-end intervention along the value chain from production to marketing. Inaugurating the Committee, Governor Okowa stated that “as long as our farmers don’t have ready markets for their produce and at the right price, they will remain in perpetual poverty even if their yields triple or quadruple. In addition, they will not see the value in embracing government policies targeted at higher productivity in the face of low returns on investment. Worse still, farming will remain unattractive to would-be farmers and investors.”

STEP & YAGEP:

Changing the Economic Landscape of Delta

BY ERIC EBOH

No doubt, the inauguration of the Job and Wealth Creation Scheme – Skills Training and Entrepreneurship Programme (STEP) and Youth Agricultural Entrepreneurs Programme (YAGEP) by His Excellency, the Governor of Delta State, Senator Dr. Ifeanyi Okowa, on the 26th of August 2015, marked a historic turning point in the state government's attempt to tackle youth unemployment head-on. Though the launch of the scheme was widely greeted with huge applause and expectation, there was a lot of skepticism, uncertainty and apprehension that STEP and YAGEP may suffer the fate of previous government's attempts at job creation for the youths.

Today, the initial skepticism, uncertainty and apprehension have given way to public confidence, greater expectations and growing demand for STEP and YAGEP. Having successfully run its first (maiden) cycle of selection, training and establishment of STEPpreneurs and YAGEpreneurs in their respective enterprises, there is now a groundswell of acceptability, popularity, credibility and confidence in STEP and YAGEP. One remarkable evidence of growing confidence in the scheme is the fact that the 2016 applications recorded greater percentage of Bachelor's Degree/HND holders compared to the 2015 cycle.

The successes recorded so far in STEP and YAGEP and the evident turn-around from previous similar attempts have not come by chance. It is the result of definite visioning, close guidance and effective leadership by His Excellency, the Governor, Dr. Ifeanyi Okowa matched by rigorous planning, extensive

stakeholder consultations, faithful implementation, discipline and hard work of Programme Managers.

The path to the present juncture is instructive and worth recounting. With clear vision and purposefulness, the Governor had on 10th of June 2015, just days after assuming office, constituted an Ad-

hoc Steering Committee on Job Creation, which was corresponded with the appointment of the Chief Job Creation Officer. The underlying question or concern at the planning stage was how to avoid the pitfalls and failures of previous similar initiatives. This necessitated proper analysis and clear understanding of why they failed.

Having identified failure factors in previous initiatives and what things to avoid, our thinking

shifted towards what things to do and how to do them well. In practical terms, the key planning tasks involved getting an appropriate training design, how to deliver the training, the modes of empowerment to adopt and how to deliver them. A major backdrop of the planning process was how to create a transparent and credible selection process that will bring up the right and intended targets. For this purpose, the planning team developed pre-qualification criteria, benchmarks, quota and sampling processes.

In effect, the designs and processes being played out today in the implementation of STEP and YAGEP are the results of well-rehearsed programming. The programme rehearsals, underpinned by intensive debates, discussion and scrutiny, considered and adopted a number of critical success drivers to brand STEP and YAGEP and make it unique among

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its contemporaries and a departure from the past. Overall, the programme design was aimed at creating successful youth entrepreneurs, business managers and leaders. In fact, STEP/YAGEP is designed and executed to succeed such that any youth that takes part in the programmes has everything to succeed.

The success drivers of STEP and YAGEP include the integrity of the selection process, all-round training design, tight monitoring and involvement of stakeholders. Others are the mentorship element, communication and feedback between implementers and beneficiaries and regular reviews. In terms of coverage, as instructed by His Excellency, the Governor, the number of intakes into STEP and YAGEP reflects equitable and fair representation across all Local Government Areas.

Today, the live performance of STEP and YAGEP is, indeed, vivid proof of concept. A total of one thousand three hundred and twenty six (1,326) unemployed youths-1,070 in non-agricultural enterprises and 256 in agricultural enterprises passed out in the first cycle. The training was in three sequential parts: life skills and orientation; practical hands-on skills and business management and entrepreneurship. The training has been followed with faithful provision of enterprise start-up packages including critically needed equipment, working materials and buffer stipends. As regards agricultural enterprises, the start-up or establishment packages include infrastructure and facilities (for example, poultry pens and battery cages), working materials, feed and medication all through the first production cycle.

In spite of the encouraging outcomes and successes of STEP and YAGEP, there is scope for improvement on a number of programme issues. These include; quality of training at the training enterprises/centres, tracking of trainees' attendance and performance, design of the trainee mentoring approach, information flow between trainees and programme management, peer networking among trainees, funding sustainability and cost escalation due to inflationary pressures.

In response, measures have been put in place and are already being implemented to address these grey areas. Prospective training enterprises/centres

are now subjected to multiple layers of physical verification and oversight to ensure they are fit-for-purpose. A regular pattern of monitoring checks on trainee activity logs is being instituted to achieve stricter discipline. In addition, we have put in place monitoring mechanism to facilitate information flow and feedback between the Job Creation Office, trainers and trainees.

To ensure the sustainability of entrepreneurs and their enterprises, we are assigning mentors to *STEPpreneurs* and *YAGEpreneurs* on an ongoing basis. Also, as part of the mentoring process, we are working with Delta State Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises Development Agency to run business clinics in the form of enterprise management workshops and seminars. We are also working with the Agency on options for financially innovative start-up packages that will tie grant and microcredit components.

Overall, the prospects of STEP and YAGEP are bright, thanks to the unwavering political support and steadfast leadership of Governor Okowa. While savouring the successes and progress made so far, we will not lose sight of the necessity to rejig a number of programme elements and processes for improved coverage, efficiency, effectiveness and sustainability. One aspect that requires critical thinking is the sharing of start-up costs between the programme and beneficiaries.

This financing model, that is, cost-sharing principle, could ease fiscal pressures on the government, allow for higher number of intakes over time and elicit greater commitment/stake from beneficiaries and their sponsors.

As we progress to the second cycle of STEP and YAGEP in 2016, our eyes are not just focused on the training of youths in different skills/enterprises. More than that, we are interested in medium and longer-term success indicators, particularly indexed by the number or percentage of intakes that complete training, number or percentage of successful start-ups (self-employed) and number or percentage of start-ups that subsist, grow, expand and employ others. These success indicators represent the perspectives by which we will count our job creation achievements, in line with the S.M.A.R.T Agenda goal of Prosperity for all Deltans.

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Governor Okowa Inaugurates 16-Member Agricultural Marketing Coordination Committee

The Delta State Governor, Senator Ifeanyi Okowa, on Thursday, February 25, 2016 inaugurated a 16-Member Agricultural Marketing Coordination Committee (AMCC) with a call on them to tackle the marketing challenges faced by farmers.

Addressing members of the Committee with the Chief Job Creation Officer, Prof. Eric Eboh as Chairman, Senator Okowa, said constituting the AMCC was "in line with the Delta State objectives of economic diversification, food security, self-reliance and prosperity for all Deltans. This is in consonance with our electoral promise to reform the Agricultural Sector for the purpose of wealth creation, boosting employment, achieving value addition and sustainable economic growth."

He stressed that no significant achievement would be made in the Agricultural Sector if there is no sustainable value chain such as a reliable market outlet and good storage facilities for farm produce.

While noting that the State Government has invested "substantial resources, personnel, time and energy" in the agricultural sector, the Governor

said it was important that farmers be linked up with markets and buyers to enable them prosper from the work of their hands.

He gave the terms of reference of the Committee as follows: -

- identify existing and potential markets for agricultural produce and device measures and arrangements for farmers to access those markets;
- obtain and disseminate market information to agricultural producers and thereby improve information flow between farmers (sellers) and processors (buyers);
- proffer measures for boosting market infrastructure and facilities such as warehouses, cold storage and output aggregation centres;
- identify and coordinate measures for facilitating the links between production clusters/farmers and off-takers within and outside the state;
- identify and coordinate actionable measures to encourage market-oriented production by farmers;
- organise and facilitate capacity building for marketing intermediaries and brokerage

agents along the commodity marketing channels and

- collaborate with national and international agencies in tackling the agricultural marketing problems faced by farmers.

Members of the committee were drawn from relevant Government Ministries, Departments and Agencies (MDA), commodity associations and from the organised private sector:

1. Chief Job Creation Officer – Chairman
2. Commissioner for Agriculture & Natural Resources – Member
3. Commissioner for Commerce and Industry – Member
4. Executive Secretary, Delta State Micro, Small and Medium Enterprise Development Agency – Member
5. One representative of YAGEPreneurs (Crops) – Member
6. One representative of YAGEPreneurs (livestock) – Member
7. Mr Godfrey Osakwe (private sector) – Member
8. Prof. Philip Kuale (cassava farmer) – Member
9. Hon. Paul Okpue (private sector) – Member
10. Chief Joseph Ogbudeke (agrodealer)



- Member
- 11. Mr Adjarho Joshua Okene (plaintain farmer) – Member
- 12. Dr Philip Okwuada (poultry farmer) – Member
- 13. Mr Gery Ossai (private sector) – Member
- 14. Hon. Raymos Guanah (private

- sector) – Member
 - 15. Mr Michael Eyagbe (private sector) – Member
 - 16. Secretary – to be provided by Office of the Chief Job Creation Officer
- Responding on behalf of the AMCC, the Chairman, Prof. Eric Eboh, expressed appreciation to the Governor for

finding them worthy to serve the State in that capacity. He said constituting the committee was timely as urgent steps were needed to address the difficulties encountered by farmers in marketing their farm produce, adding that market outlet is as important as agricultural produce.

Prof. Eboh Expects Higher Yield from Crop Farmers

Crop farmers under the Delta State Youth Agricultural and Entrepreneurs Programme have been advised to focus and invest more on high yielding crops in order to achieve 2-3 cropping cycles in a year.

The Chief Job Creation Officer of the State, Prof. Eric Eboh, gave the advice when he led his team to commission the transplant of tomatoes nursery and to distribute farm inputs to tomatoes and vegetable farmers at Hon. Paul Okpue's Farm at Iyi-Abi off Ibusa Road, Asaba.

The ceremonies were carried out in collaboration with the Ministry of Agriculture and Natural Resources. The items distributed were 16 litre-capacity knap sack sprayers, insecticides and herbicides.

Presenting the farm inputs to tomato farmers drawn from the three Senatorial Districts of the State, Prof. Eric Eboh reaffirmed the State Government's commitment to bringing prosperity to all Deltans through farming.

He explained that each pack is a full-fledged support for a hectare of tomatoes farm, commending Hon. Okpue for facilitating the programme by offering his farm as a pilot project which has progressed from the stage of provision of hybrid tomatoes seedlings sometime ago to the present stage of nursery transplant.

Prof. Eboh said Governor Okowa has prioritized agriculture through his S.M.A.R.T agenda using the value chain approach, disclosing that a committee has been constituted to work for agricultural market support with emphasis on piggery, fishery, poultry, tomatoes

and cassava. He tasked farmers to produce for the market with the mindset of being business oriented so as to create job and wealth.

While lauding Hon. Okpue's introduction of "Drip Irrigation System", a technology that promotes all year farming, he enjoined farmers to embrace the use of modern/scientific methods of farming to boost the quality and quantity of yields and to extend their period of harvesting.

On his part, the Hon. Commissioner for Agriculture and Natural Resources, Mr. Austin Chikezie, remarked that Governor Okowa has translated his promise of prosperity for all Deltans into action through his commitment to the development of the agricultural sector. He thanked God for the Governor's foresight, praying for great productivity and harvest for farmers across the state.

Earlier, Hon. Paul Okpe appealed to the State Government to adopt an Israeli innovation, "Drip Irrigation System" for farmers to enable them farm all year round especially in Ogwashi-Uku and Issele-Uku areas where there is shortage of water.

According to him, the Drip irrigation system is cost effective, enhances



Prof Eboh transplanting tomatoes seedling at Hon. Paul Okpue's farm while the Hon Comm for Agric & Natural Resources, Mr Austin Chikezie and others watch

greater yields and makes farming attractive to youths. He however commended the Governor, Senator Ifeanyi Okowa, for this unique opportunity of creating a synergy between the state Government and farmers.

In separate remarks, Mrs Nkem Ofili, Mr Joshua Omovigho and Mr Kingsley Orode of Delta North, Delta South and Delta Central Senatorial Districts respectively thanked the Governor for making farming easier for them and for bringing to reality his slogan, "Prosperity for all Deltans".

The high points of the event were the transplanting of tomatoes seedlings on the pilot farm and the presentation of the complete package of inputs to farmers.

Cassava Farmers Challenged on Industrialization

As part of Delta State Government's efforts at creating wealth and job, stakeholders in the cassava industry have been tasked to chart a way forward to make the industrialization of the subsector a priority.

The Chief Job Creation Officer, Prof. Eric Eboh, gave the charge during a Stakeholders' Roundtable for realizing the job creation targets for the cassava value chain under the SMART Agenda held in his office.

The interactive roundtable put together by the Office of the Chief Job Creation Officer in collaboration with the Ministry of Agriculture and Natural Resources, Ministry of Commerce and Industry and Ministry of Economic Planning had participants from representatives of cassava farmers and processors, cassava industrialists, private sector investors and representatives of developing partners.

Prof Eboh gave the estimate of cassava production in the State as 1.7 - 1.9 million metric tons in a cultivated area of about 135,000 – 150,000 hectares, giving an average yield rate per hectare as 13.5 -15 metric tons per hectare. This, he disclosed, is below the approximately 25 metric ton per hectare.

He said the 2.5 metric tons Uzere Cassava Processing Factory Limited (UCPFL) in Isoko South Local Government Area has the capacity to create between 20 – 30 jobs and more than 300 indirect jobs if well managed to produce at full capacity, regretting that the processing factory is being marred by poor market linkages, low level farm management and low level of investment in the cassava downstream sector.

He disclosed that the Delta State Government under the Production and Processing Support Programme (PPSP) has supplied 13,500 bundles of cassava cuttings and 1,800 bags of fertilizer to 450 farmers in the state and a cash support of N45,000 to each beneficiary. He enumerated ways to move the industry forward which according to him were actionable steps for operationalizing the (UCPFL), measures to organize the cassava producers, workable practices and mechanisms for linking production to target markets and actionable measures to boost cassava production through farm management especially the soil and crop.

He urged cassava farmers and processors to organise themselves to share responsibility of any intervention that would be executed in the State.

In his remark, the Hon. Commissioner for Agriculture and Natural Resources, Mr Austin Chikezie, reiterated Delta State Government's commitment to boosting cassava industrialization in the state through the establishment of three modern cassava processing mills with a capacity of two tonnes per day at Ubulu-Okiti in Aniocha South, Oghara in Ethiope West and Ogbe-Ijoh in Warri South West Local Government Areas respectively which are at different stages of completion.

In terms of investment opportunities, he said Delta State has over 200,000 hectares communal farm land that could be used for cassava production on a large scale using a private sector driven approach.

According to Chikezie, tractorization of farms through government subsidy support and opening up of farm roads in

our rural communities are essential elements of Government intervention to boost capacity of farmers and stimulate production. In addition, he informed the gathering that public private partnership (PPP) for cassava pro-

duction, processing and packaging, provision of affordable and appropriate Mini cassava processing machines for cassava farmers and private sector involvement through partnership in the completion of the on-going Specialized Cassava Processing Centres in the three Senatorial Districts of the State would enhance the cassava value chain.

On her part, the Hon. Commissioner for Commerce and Industry, Barr. Mrs Mary Iyasere revealed that the equity ownership of the (UCPFL) is 80% holding by the Delta State Government and 10% each by the host communities, Uzere and Isoko South Local Government Areas respectively.

She solicited for a private investor who would buy up the 80% equity stake of the State Government in (UCPFL) in order to boost its current state of processing 10 tons daily to an increased capacity of processing 25 tons daily of fresh cassava tubers mainly into starch and garri.

Earlier, the Hon. Commissioner for Economic Planning, Dr. Kinsley Emu, stated that Delta State is adjudged one of the major producers of cassava in Nigeria, charging all stakeholders interested in the cassava value chain to work towards being major suppliers of cassava bi-products in Nigeria in particular and in the world at large so as to generate employment and create CCCCCCCCCCCCCCwealth.

Speaking separately, the representatives of development partners, Mrs Folusho Olaniyan of Market Development for the Niger Delta (MADE) and her counterpart of the same organization, Prof. Lemchi Jones, remarked that their organisation is ready to partner with the State Government in creating market linkages for cassava producers in the state by linking cassava producers with cassava processors.

They enjoined cassava farmers and producers to increase their productivity through standard best practise of cultivating 12,000 cassava stands per hectare or a minimum of 10,000 stands. The duo advised that an interim management team be constituted for (UCPEL) to be supervised by the Ministry of Commerce and Industry while MADE develops a template on Information required on the factory.



Prof Eboh, addressing participants during the Stakeholders' Roundtable on Cassava Value Chain

Chevron to Spend N188m to Train 40 Youths in Agriculture

Chevron Nigeria Limited (CNL) has earmarked N188m to train 40 youths of Delta State in agriculture as part of its corporate social responsibility.

The General Manager, Policy and Public Affairs (CNL), Dr Deji Haastrup made this known during the launch of Agricpreneur Project at Egbokodo in Warri South Local Government Area, Delta State.

Dr Haastrup said the agricultural training programme is in line with the S.M.A.R.T Agenda of the Delta State Government aimed at empowering its youths to become entrepreneurs.

According to him, the Agricpreneur programme is being executed in partnership with the International Institute for Tropical Agriculture (IITA), the Foundation for Partnership Initiative in the Niger Delta (PIND) and the Egbema/Gbaramatu Central Development Council (EGCDC) to implement the pilot program with 40 trainees.

He said the objective of the pilot programme which will gulp the sum of N188m included empowering youths to go into agriculture and agro-business as a means of livelihood, pointing out that they will be trained in different fields of agriculture.

Also speaking, the Group General Manager, Nigerian National Petroleum Corporation (NNPC), Mr Dafe Sejebor, noted that the agricpreneur programme is coming at a time the country is passing through challenging economic times as a result of dwindling oil revenue.

Mr Sejebor, represented by the Deputy Manager, Community Development, Mrs Clementine Arubi, urged the trainees to take the training serious so that they can reap the full benefits of the training at the end of the programme.

Responding on behalf of the beneficiaries, Mrs Felicia Timinimi expressed their gratitude to Chevron for the opportunity given to them to be trained with a pledge to put into good use the knowledge acquired during the training in order to create wealth.

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Fish Production, Key to Tackling Unemployment - Experts

Stakeholders in the Fishery industry have been charged to partner with the Delta State Government in order to build a vibrant and sustainable growing market for fish in the State.

The Chief Job Creation Officer of the State, Prof. Eric Eboh, gave the charge at a Stakeholders' Roundtable for realising the job creation targets for the fishery value chain held in his office.

The roundtable put together by the Office of the Chief Job Creation Officer in collaboration with the Ministry of Agriculture and Natural Resources and the Ministry of Commerce and Industry was attended by representatives of fish farmers, fish processors, fish industrialists, private sector investors interested in fish value chain and representatives of development partners.

Prof. Eboh enjoined fish farmers in the State to work hard to take fish production from the level of subsistence to producing in commercial quantity.

He disclosed that the State Government is about to establish 82 of its trainees under the Youth Agricultural Entrepreneurs Programme (YAGEP) in various pond sites across the state, adding that they will be provided with fingerlings, fish feeds and other technical support.

On his part, the Hon. Commissioner for Agriculture and Natural Resources, Mr. Austin Chikezie, in his paper entitled "The State of Fish Production in Delta State" said the State Government is committed to implementing its Fishery Policy with the aim of promoting and developing fishery activities in the state for the purpose of attaining self-sufficiency in fish production.

While describing the strategies for the implementation of 2016 agricultural development and value chain plan as purposeful, he said it is aimed at job creation, wealth creation, production of raw materials, availability of food and increased revenue for Government.

Chikezie disclosed that the State has 20,033 fish farmers and 25,000 artisanal fishermen across the State who produce an estimated 23,000 metric tons of fish.

He called for improved pond manage-



Hon. Comm for Agric & Nat. Resources, Mr. Austin Chikeze, presenting a lecture during the Stakeholders' Roundtable on Fishery Value Chain

ment, increased fish production in catfish farming and establishment of network/linkages that foster healthy competitive relationships between the various value chain providers.

Also, the Hon Commissioner for Urban Renewal, Mr Karo Illolo, decried the state of the moribund Aviara fish farm for almost three decades. He, however, added that there is hope as the State Government is making plans to resuscitate it stating that fish production is part of the administration's plans to curb unemployment.

The Hon Commissioner for Commerce and Industry, Mrs Mary Iyasere, tasked fish farmers to adequately feed their fish in order to realise their goals of a bountiful harvest and to add value to their produce by freezing and drying methods.

She reiterated the State Government's commitment to public/private partnership in the production of fish feed, pointing out that the State Government is working hard to assist in fish processing. She added that equipment for four fish feed mills is available and that the feed production building located at Ubeji is at completion stage.

Speaking separately, the representatives of fish farmers and fish processors appealed to the State Government to assist them in the area of fish preservation and processing to meet international standard.

The lecture, "Growing the Aquaculture Sector, using the Market Development Approach" was delivered by one of the team of Consultants, Mr Misan Edema-Silo from Partnership Initiative in the Niger Delta (PIND Foundation, Chevron).

'We Are Better Off Now'

- Beneficiaries

In continuation of Delta State Government's fulfilment of prosperity for all Deltans, the Okowa led administration has taken giant strides in empowering the youths to begin their own enterprises either through the Skills Training and Entrepreneurship Programme (STEP) or the Youth Agricultural and Entrepreneurs Programme (YAGEP). Similarly, lots of farmers under the Production and Processing Support Programme (PPSP) have received one intervention or the other to boost their production capacity and their ability to create wealth. In these interviews, beneficiaries across the State bare their minds on the Job and Wealth Creation Scheme of the present administration.

MR EDWARD ODEWEORITSE OBONRIGHO -
Obonrigho Farms, Koko, Warri
North LGA. PPSP (Piggery)

I received from the Government 10 piglets and a cash support of N200, 000.00 to boost my Piggery farm. I attended World Trade in which I won the third position. Though I have been a farmer in Fishery, Poultry and Piggery, yet the intervention I got from the Delta State Government has increased my capital base. I am grateful to the State Government, and Governor Okowa's vision of creating jobs and wealth through Agriculture is a very welcome development; it is the right step in the right direction.



MR KESTER EDEME - A Graduate of Economics. Camp
74, Asaba, Oshimili South. YAGEP (Fishery)

I hail from Utagba-Uno in Ndokwa West Local Government Area, but I live in Asaba. I am a YAGEPpreneur. The experience I had during training was great. It was a well packaged programme, with a one week orientation course in Songhai, Amukpe. The resource persons engaged were all professionals who taught us all we needed to succeed. The feeding was good, 3 times daily; we were taken care of by the Government.

Thereafter, all trainees under YAGEP were brought back to Songhai for another 6 weeks. It was a great privilege.



The lectures were wonderful. We were later posted to different farms across the state for hands-on experience.

I trained at Hofede Farms in Asaba for six weeks making it a total of 3 months. The knowledge gained was rich. I have received my starter stock and start-up cash. The programme has changed my life, and made me an entrepreneur and a self-employed man. I have my fish pond fully built by Government with all facilities to enable me stand on my own.

I want to appreciate the Delta State Government and His Excellency, Senator Dr. Ifeanyi Okowa, for his S.M.A.R.T agenda. I also want to appreciate Prof. Eric Eboh, the Chief Job Creation Officer, for the fatherly and professional role he played throughout the programme.

I urge other YAGEPpreneurs to take their enterprises serious as this will change our lives for the better. It will bring us prosperity.

BARR. KENNETH ONWUKA - PKN Farm LTD,
Achalla Ibusa, Oshimili North. PPSP (Poultry)

I received from Delta State Government 200 day old birds, 15 bags of feed (starter), 15 bags of finisher and N15, 000.00 for drugs. This is very unique in the sense that collation was not done by proxy neither was it politicized. The officers went round, came to my farm and put down my name. They did a thorough job. It was not discriminatory. You must be in your farm. During data collation, I thought it was one of those government magic stuff, but I was proved wrong. It was real. It was meant for actual farmers; within 2 weeks I got my support.



I want to commend the officials for a job well done. The birds were good, right from CHI Farms Ltd from Ibadan. The feeds were one of the best and it was well distributed. The Government tried in that direction and if continued, it will achieve a lot in its agricultural policy.

I want to say a big thank you to the Governor, Senator Ifeanyi Okowa. This is the first time I have received help from Government. I thank him for what he is doing for farmers in the state. I want to encourage all those who are interested in farming to begin from somewhere. Do not remain idle. Government will locate you when you are busy. You do not need to know anyone. I encourage Delta youths to go into farming; it is real business!

MR COLMAN AGBEGHA - Rosco Farm, Iyi-Abi, off Ibusa Road, Asaba, Oshimili South LGA. PPSP (Piggery)

Through the Production and Processing Support Programme of the Delta State Government, I received piglets and cash support. The piglets are doing very well. Of course, the State Government is doing great. Encouraging youths to go into farming is good. That is what Nigeria needs now.



Farming is good and it is seasonal. There is a gestation period; it is time bound. So, farmers should be patient. Do not sell off your livestock before maturity, seek other means of sustenance.

I thank the State Government for this innovation of creating employment and wealth through agriculture.

MRS MARY OKEH - Aghalokpe, Okpe LGA. PPSP (Crop)

I want to thank the Delta State Government, especially our Governor, Senator Ifeanyi Okowa for assisting farmers. I am a cassava farmer. I received cassava stems, fertilizer and the sum of N45, 000.00 to clear my farm. Indeed, it was very helpful to me. Government should continue to help us to make money and to feed.



I have planted, weeded and I am waiting to harvest. I encourage my fellow farmers who have not benefitted to be patient. It will get to your turn.

MISS NWORJI OGOCHUKWU WINIFRED - An STEPpreneur. Asaba, Oshimili South LGA. STEP (Hairdressing and Make-Over).

I am a postgraduate student of Delta State University. I hail from Asaba and had my training at Valentine's

Secret Empire, along Nnebisi Road for three months. I am now a proud Director and Manager of Nifre Beauty Salon. Prior to my being empowered by Delta State Government, I was just an average Deltan, a graduate searching daily for ways to make ends meet. I now have a business to manage, somewhere to spend my time and invest my talents as a Hair Stylist and Beautician.



I look forward to becoming a top class Hair stylist and Beautician with branches all over Nigeria and to partnering with Government to mentor upcoming STEP trainees. Thanks to OkowaPlus.

MR JOSHUA OMOVIGHO

- Owehlogbo, Isoko North LGA. PPSP (Crop)



I thank the State Government for supporting us. This is the first of its kind in Delta State. The Tomatoes/Vegetable Farmers Association, comprising youths and retirees, are happy and thankful to the State Government. I studied Accounting in the University, but I am now into farming.

I cultivate vegetables such as pumpkin leaf, tomatoes, cucumber and onions. I call on other unemployed youths in the state to join the train of OkowaPlus by going into agriculture. Vegetable farming is lucrative. Within a period of 90-100 days, one is already harvesting and smiling to the bank.

PST. MIKE OYEMIREH - M.D & J Farm, Ubeji, Warri South LGA. PPSP (Fishery)

I appreciate the Okowa-led Government for the assistance we received. The Government is doing great. We were given fingerlings, fish feed and cash as a cluster group three to four months ago. With the money, we were able to buy more fish feed. We have reared them almost to table size, getting ready for sale now.



I encourage more people to go into farming, especially Fishery. This will not only create jobs, but will diversify our economy. If many people go into fish farming, Nigeria will no longer import fish.

MRS ESTHER ODOEMERA - A Graduate of Religious Studies. Oleh, Isoko South LGA. YAGEP (Crop)

The programme is a laudable one. It exposed me to my area of enterprise, which is crop farming. Though I was farming before now, I know better now. I was taught when and how to cultivate nursery, when to transplant, weed, apply fertilizer etc. The training was good. It was both theoretical and practical.

I cultivate cucumber, water melon, pepper, tomatoes and pumpkin leave. As it is now, I am not interested in white collar job. I am an entrepreneur. I have started harvesting my tomatoes because I practised irrigation farming in the dry season. I did not wait for Government. Immediately I acquired the knowledge, I began before I received financial support of N295, 000.00, seedlings and sprayers from the Delta State Government. With the money I have been able to acquire a hectare of land which I am preparing for planting this season. I am so happy and grateful to the State Government.

I advise my fellow YAGEpreneurs to be focused. They should not sell their starter packs. Gone are the days when everyone hunts for government job.

MR CHARLES GBINEDIO - Udu, Udu LGA. PPSP (Poultry).

I am grateful to the Governor of Delta State, Senator Ifeanyi Okowa, for the assistance I received. I got 200 broilers, 30 bags of feed and money for medication. I thank the Okowa administration for that. If they continue in this stead, very soon agriculture will once again become the mainstay of our economy. Oil will be de-emphasized.

This is encouraging and I pray it continues. Deltan youths should face farming with all seriousness. As a child, all I knew about was farming. Suddenly oil came and we drifted. Today, we have realized it. Young farmers should be patient. For poultry farmers, after 3 years, you will be independent.



MRS PHILOMENA USIFOH - Agbor-Obi, Ika South LGA. PPSP (Crop)

Delta State Government has done marvellously in its Job and Wealth Creation Scheme. I am happy. May God bless this administration and make it last long. Governor Okowa will reap the fruits of his labour.



Last quarter of last year, I received cassava stem, fertilizer and N45, 000.00 for land preparation. By God's grace, the farm is doing well. I encourage my co-farmers not to be lazy.

PROF. PHILIP KUALE - Egbanelo Farms, Ogoni-Olomu, Ughelli South LGA. PPSP (Crop)

I received cassava stems, 2 bags of fertilizer and N45,000.00 to support my farm. Governor Okowa has done well for farmers within this short period. This effort should be a continuous exercise, but greater effort should be made to ensure that such support gets to the real farmers.



Training of entrepreneurs is unending. Our youths need training to overcome unemployment. Energy and agriculture control the highest percentage of employment. Our youths should learn from America where agro-processing has dominated. Therefore, young farmers who are really farmers should think of agricultural processing. I thank our Governor, Senator Ifeanyi Okowa, for what he is doing for farmers.

MRS TELMA ABIGOR - Warri, Warri South LGA. PPSP (Poultry)

In October, 2015, I received 200 broilers, 30 bags of feed and the sum of N15, 000.00 from Delta State Government under its Production and Processing Support Programme (PPSP). This is the first of its kind since I went into poultry business. I was surprised as I did not lobby for it. It was quite helpful. I thank our Governor, Senator Ifeanyi Okowa for his job and wealth creation scheme.

The broilers grew to maturity in December and have been sold off. I have recycled the money I realised from the sale of the birds. The demand for poultry products is high in Nigeria. I have a 6,000 capacity pen and I am still working hard to expand. I appeal to the youths to go into farming. It is lucrative.

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Delta: Building Renaissance Entrepreneurs

BY IGNATIUS ORISEWEZE

‘What is the labour of thy hands which you want the Lord to bless? Know ye that future is handmade’

Hitherto and until now, employment in Delta State, nay Nigeria, is principally seen from the perspective of white-collar jobs. Hence, the quest for paid employment is a do-or-die affair. Thus, if one is not in government employment or other paying jobs, he hardly regards himself as employed. But white collar jobs are not there anymore, and so school leavers not lucky to secure jobs in the few available spaces, remain idle with the mind-set of defeatism and attendant propensity for criminality, becoming valueless to themselves and the society.

Time, ideas and circumstances, change many things. With the coming of Senator, Dr. Ifeanyi Okowa on May 29th 2015, as the Governor of Delta State, the old notion and phenomenon have changed for the better. It is now a new dawn, a new song. Since the inauguration of the Job and Wealth Creation Scheme by His Excellency, the Governor, on August 26, 2015, as a component of his administration's S.M.A.R.T agenda, there has been a paradigm shift in job and wealth creation perspective. Employment is no longer seen only from the perspective of white-collar jobs, but also lifetime opportunity in self-employment and being employers of labour.

On the focus of the scheme, His Excellency, the Governor, has this to say; “The youth training and development is all encompassing and enduring in nature. It encompasses life skills, mind-set change, leadership and business management skills necessary for our participants to become successful entrepreneurs. To avoid the pitfalls of the past, a monitoring and mentoring mechanism has been incorporated into the scheme to track performance of participants and provide them with counselling when necessary.”

The programmes of the Job and Wealth Creation scheme are:

- a. Youth Agricultural Entrepreneurs Programme (YAGEP), which equips the participants with knowledge and skills in different aspects of Agricultural production such as fishery, poultry, crops production etc.
- b. Skills Training and Entrepreneurship Programme (STEP) which prepares participants for entrepreneurship in several vocations including but not limited Event Management, Computer repairs, Smart phone repairs, Painting, and Tiling.
- c. Production and Processing Support Programme (PPSP), which empowers existing farmers and Agro-processors to be more effective and productive.
- d. Another dimension of the scheme is the Microcredit (administered by the Delta State Micro, Small and Medium Enterprise Development Agency). It provides small loans and micro-credit to the critical mass of the population - artisans, market women, co-operative societies, traders and farmers etc.

The Job and Wealth Creation Scheme is therefore multi-dimensional. On hand to drive this laudable scheme is Prof. Eric Eboh, a foremost Development Economist, who became a Professor at the University of Nigeria, at the young age of 38. He is a man well prepared for the assignment he is chosen to do; a round peg in a round hole with zeal and commitment for community service. Prior to his new engagement as the Chief Job and Wealth Creation Officer to the Delta State Governor, Prof. Eboh was the Executive Director of the African Institute for Applied Economics, a foremost Independent African Policy Think-Tank on which Platform he interfaced with many development partners, like UNDP, DFID, German Technical Corporation, communities and civil societies, private sector, State and Federal Governments in areas of promoting public policy for socio-economic development.

The logic of Job Creation is that it is through Job and Wealth Creation that prosperity for all Deltans can be achieved. The scheme is not about rhetoric or political slogan but a passionate and determined vision by the Okowa-led administration to tackle the issue of unemployment in concrete terms.

It is true that the scheme is a new idea and at infancy, such that it may appear premature to blow a trumpet about it, but there are always indices to appraise a project or programme no matter how new; for as Shakespeare said; ‘it is not difficult to look into the seed of time and prophesy which crop will grow and which will not’.

With the political will of Governor Okowa to tackle unemployment through building a self-sustaining economy and emergent crop of youthful entrepreneurs; with the missionary zeal and commitment of the Chief Job Creation Officer Prof. Eric Eboh, to pilot the scheme to a great height, and the willingness and passion of the participants to become successful entrepreneurs, the scheme is evidently on course to succeed.

It is submitted that the products of this laudable scheme need patronage as a matter of deliberate policy. It is also my considered view that the S.M.A.R.T agenda calls for the establishment of the Delta State Committee on Consumer Protection Council, not only to create awareness about standardization of products and services but also to protect the rights of the consumers. It will also be useful for monitoring and mentoring the new entrepreneurs. The success of the scheme will not only remove young men and women from the street, it will also stimulate socio-economic development of the state.

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Interview

‘We Want to Populate the Middle Class’

- Shimite Bello

Provision of soft loans to Micro, Small and Medium Scale Enterprises (MSMEs) by any Government is a panacea to sustainable economic development. In Delta State, Governor Okowa is committed to growing businesses in line with his S.M.A.R.T Agenda. Thus, the State government has disbursed funds to artisans, farmers, market women/men and to cooperative societies across the State.

*The Executive Secretary of the Delta State Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises Development Agency, **Mrs Shimite Bello**, speaks on the activities and achievements of her agency.*

Give us a brief insight into your background

Basically, I studied Political Science in the University of Ibadan. I used to have a programme on NTA, AIT and DSTV called “African Pot” where I travelled from one state to the other, one African country to the other, covering aspects of culture and tradition, food and investment opportunities across the continent to showcase what we have as a people and what is obtainable in the country.

Thereafter, I took the Chartered Institute of Bankers Examinations (CIB) when I became interested in empowering the people. I found that it was not just about wanting to help; I actually had to study and

write exams. So I did that and I joined an association called “Association of Micro Finance Institutions of Nigeria” because I had an NGO, MFI which also had to be registered with Central Bank of Nigeria (CBN) to give out funds. We were able to give out funds in excess of N1b in 2015 to women. Part of that was what brought me to the job I am doing right now. I had about 38,700 Cooperative Societies under me nationwide. Coming here and seeing cooperatives was not new, fund lending is not new and recovering of funds is also not new.

What is the vision of your agency?

The vision of my Agency is to see that people are empowered in Delta State, but we want to find real

enterprises and we want to see enterprises develop. If you are a business person and you are able to raise funds for your business, even if it was from your husband you should have an attitude of returning business monies. Even right from how we do business, it is always something about “dash” me let me start. There is something about being given money. Even if there is no interest, you should at least have the principle of making enough money and paying back. This is what I see is missing within the State; it does not only happen with Government money, but generally.

People like hand-outs. They will not get us anywhere. So we want people to become serious about their businesses, their funds and the rest. I want to see a Delta State where a lot of people move from the bottom of the pyramid to an active middle class. An active middle class means you can pay your hospital bills, you can feed your children; even if you cannot take them to private schools, you can take them to public schools; they will have clean uniforms, socks and the rest. These are the basic necessities that homes need to have. That is what I want to see in Delta State.

Currently, I do not think we have up to 10% middle class. If we can get up to 60% - 70% middle class, they will pull the rest up. It will just happen naturally. We want more people in middle class who can afford to buy a car, that is families having funds so that money for basic things do not give them trouble any more.

What are the criteria for taking a Loan?

Number one, you must be living in Delta State. Any money we give from here must build the economy of Delta State. If you are a Deltan living in Lagos, of course you are not the one we are looking for or in Kano or wherever. If you are a non-Deltan living in Delta, we are still looking for you. We want people who will build the economy of this State. That is the first criterion. Your business must be located in Delta State.

The second is you must know what business you want to venture into. You must have a clue how much you need for such business. In the most basic way you must be able to know that if I borrow N100, 000.00 to buy products to sell, I should be able to make N200, 000.00 after three months. If you cannot answer that question,

we cannot lend you money because you must know what you want to do, how much you need, when you think you can pay back and do you think you can make profit?

Any business that cannot make profit is not really a business; it is charity. We do not do charity here, we do actual businesses. After you are quite sure you know your business, you need a guarantor. The whole essence of a guarantor is if you cannot find one person to guarantee you, maybe you are not the person we should give a loan to. At least, your mother should be able to stand for you, “if my pikin no pay, I go pay, but I know my pikin go pay.” If nobody can stand for you, I do not think the Government can stand for you. Go and build your character. There are five Cs of borrowing namely Character, Capacity, Capital, Collateral and Condition. We have to follow the rules.

Are the loans interest free?

Never! The loans are given out currently from this agency at 9% per annum. If you borrow a N100,000.00, you are going to be paying us N109,000.00. Then we will split the repayment of the loan into twelve months. I think some people, even friends, may not be that kind. That is what 9% per annum means; it is very affordable. One must pay with interest.

How many persons/enterprises have been empowered so far and is this scheme funded from Government's coffers?

At the last count, we have empowered about 3,000 enterprises. We shall continue to go slowly and do our best, so that we can see the fruit. And also, why we merged with the Job Creation Office is to know how many jobs these empowerments have created so that we can harmonise our figures with that of the Job Creation Office because it is one government. We are not separated from each other. For funds, Delta State Government and CBN both provide the funds.

How much has the State Government expended on loans through your agency?

In this new dispensation and from this office, I can say the State Government has expended about N600m.

A lot of people see these loans as gifts and as political settlements. How does your agency intend to tackle beneficiaries who fail to pay back their loans?

“Currently, I do not think we have up to 10% middle class...We want more people in middle class who can afford to buy a car, that is families having funds so that money for basic things do not give them trouble anymore.”

Anybody who sees these loans as gifts or political settlements has never been to this agency. As soon as he gets here, his brain is readjusted immediately. People who are still seeing it as gifts and settlements are not people we are giving loans because when we interact with them it is settled. So, there is no shaking!

What structures for effective monitoring of funds and progression of beneficiaries are in place?

First of all, we have our call centre through which you can reach us in eight major languages. For people who want to ask questions there are people in the office, all they do is to pick up the telephone to speak to proposed beneficiaries and our beneficiaries to put them through. If the problems they have are more than the call centre can solve, we will recommend that they are transferred to the Business Clinic. The Business Clinic will listen to your problems to diagnose what the problems are and advise accordingly. Where advice is not the issue, you will be shortlisted for training because some people got access to money even before we resumed and they were not properly trained. Sometimes if you are trained, there are some questions you need not ask.

We also have a Monitoring and Evaluation Team that goes out every quarter to check the progress of your business. We equally have the Marketing and Collaborating Unit that links you to customers. We do not find market links for barbers or hair dressers; if they cannot find customers, they are on their own. Products like cassava and plantain require market links. People who deal in these can be helped out. Marketing and collaborating are basically for agricultural services and processing, that is the agricultural value chain.

What do you mean by professional assistance to beneficiaries?

For instance, if you have a business in Ogwashi-Uku, in the rural area, where you sell provisions, I do not think you have any business with Kellogg's cornflakes because

nobody will buy it. It is better you sell packet garri, sugar and salt. That is called business intelligence. Know the needs of your customers, instead of Ribena sell La Casera. We will help you study your market environment and give you some consultancy services because when you buy a product that you cannot sell, you cannot pay back your loan. We assess you to teach you the products people need in your environment. You may be buying milk as Three Crown, Milksi, Cowbell etc. not knowing that the only milk your customers buy is Peak Milk. So what we do when we give you consultancy services is to help you look at the trend of your market to stock properly.

What Advice do you have for Deltans on Micro credit?

My advice to Deltans is, you do not have to practise "man-know-man" in order to be attended to by the agency, but you have to know what you are doing. We work with Micro Finance banks and with Commercial banks. The first line of contact for Delta State Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises Development Agency are Commercial banks, Development banks and Micro Finance banks. We did it that way so that you can easily reach those who will help you and so that the banks will also work along with us to see that people do not have to travel long distance. For instance, it is stressful to travel from Burutu to

Asaba just to get money for business. It does not make sense.

We work with the banks and we also follow up to ensure that the banks are not harassing Deltans so that nobody becomes a mini-god. In a place, you can have more than one bank. If a particular bank is not suitable, they will go to another bank. So there is competition because we have more than 34 micro finance banks.

We do not have all the money. Nobody in Nigeria or in any state can satisfy the needs. It will be turn by turn. My main advice to them is if you have collected loan from us, pay back your loan so that another person can borrow.

INTERVIEW BY GERTRUDE ONYEKACHUKWU-UTEH



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Matters Arising

Reducing The Risk of Post-Production Losses in Agriculture: The Case Of Cassava

BY TONY ABANUM

All harvested farm produce are perishable; be it in livestock, fish farming or crops. Milk turns rancid, meat gets rotten, eggs also become rotten, fish decay, fruits and vegetables deteriorate, grains grow mould and are attacked by insects, tubers rot etc. This perishable nature of farm produce is the reason farmers want to increase the shelf life through storage and processing into various food forms. Not only are losses or deterioration arrested, higher market prices are obtainable and off season availability for crops produce is guaranteed.

In crops, post-harvest deterioration is highest with fruits and vegetables followed by grains. Post-harvest losses and wastages are highest at the peak of a particular crop season and not only deny the farmer a huge portion of his expected income but creates serious food shortages. Losses could be in quality, in which case the nutrient composition, taste and edibility, and of course acceptability are affected. Losses could also be in quantity in which case the physical amount of produce is affected. Mention must also be made of economic losses which are often glossed over.

Economic losses occur when cost of production and transportation to point-of-sale is in excess of prevailing market price, or when there is a price collapse due to a glut situation. Economic loss also occurs when the farmer is hedged in a restricted market. A friend once bought a lorry load of yams from Benue State for resale at a local market but was prevented from off-loading them on

arrival by local Yam Sellers' Association. He moved to two other markets, with similar experience. He ended up off-loading them in an inappropriate place and sold off at a great loss to avoid the higher loss of paying an extra day for the lorry. Reported similar experiences abound in OgbogonogoNkwo market days for cassava, tomatoes at Olona, maize at Issele ukwu etc.

Cutting post-harvest losses could presumably add a sizeable quantity of food or income to the farm business. In order for the farmer to optimize the return on his efforts, whether at peasant and farm business level, the risk on harvest losses must be mitigated.

The Job Creation Office, a novel initiative of the present administration is currently distributing inputs on the Production and Processing Support Programme (PPSP) to existing farmers to scale up production and possibly take on additional farm hands to add to the aggregate job and wealth creation efforts of Government. The inputs

are in the areas of poultry (broiler and pullets for meat and eggs) pig farming for meat, table fish production, and cassava and plantain production. The concern for the success of the programme having secured a very supportive extension education makes it auspicious to address mitigation of the risks of production losses in these areas of input distribution. I will address the cassava enterprise since that office has commenced its distribution and defer that of the non-crop subsector (poultry, pig and fish farming) for the future because of their relative higher cost and complexity of reducing post production losses.

POST HARVEST LOSSES AND PREVENTION IN CASSAVA

Cassava is reported to have been first planted in the Niger Delta areas of present day Warri, Yenagoa, Calabar and Owerri, when emancipated slaves from Brazil and the West Indies returned to Southern Nigeria via the Island of Fernando Po, now in Equatorial Guinea. It has the innate attribute of surviving on marginal nutrient status soils and can be planted any time of the year. It is therefore a useful famine crop, filling hunger gaps when other crops are off season. Although it has two primary produce, the diverse and numerous products derivable from cassava underscores the emphasis on the need to reduce the risk of post-harvest losses; various food forms for humans, starch for textile mill, alcohol in the chemical industries, spark ignition fuel for engines, making of confectioneries in the bakeries, as sticker for tablets in the pharmaceutical industries, in the manufacture of sugar, the young leaves as vegetable, the stem in the production of veneer and it is also a good source of livestock feed.

CASSAVA STEMS

Cassava stems cut down at harvest command quite a significant market value and is very much in demand by old and intending cassava farmers. Generally, 50 stem cuttings of a metre length each is referred to as a bundle. Each of the stems in the bundle can be cut into four plantable lengths of 250 cm, giving a total of 200 cassava stands per bundle and in the open market, a bundle of cassava stems is sold for as much as N500.00. If one aggregates this for one hectare which requires 50 bundles, the income realizable from cassava stem production will be quite high.

Unfortunately, post-harvest losses in cassava stems can be quite high and rapid and have left many cassava stem producers in utter dilemma over the years. Some research Institutes have come to their rescue and put in commendable efforts in this direction.

Unless properly preserved, cassava stems germinate wildly if they are laid on moist soil and begin to undergo fungal and bacteria rot and decay within a couple of days after harvest, losing viability within a very short time. The situation is not better during the dry season. Cassava stems become heated and dry up if exposed to the harsh sunlight and dryness associated with the dry season. Of course, viability is greatly impaired.

REMEDY

Scientists and Researchers in the International Institute

for Tropical Agriculture (Ibadan), a globally reputable research institute through which the Job Creation Office obtained cuttings for distribution, recommends as follows:

- Unless instantly replanted, the shelf life of cassava stem cuttings meant for replanting in the next season can be greatly extended by standing them upright under shades of big trees or houses in the farm. This prevents wild and uncontrolled sprouting, decay and drying up. But care must be taken to ensure that the whole length of each stem, except the base resting on soil must be above the soil.
- Our local farmers should also to properly cover bundles of stem cuttings meant for replanting with leaves. This is, however, for small quantities and for a short period.

CASSAVA TUBERS

Of the two products obtainable from cassava, the tubers are higher in demand. This is because many of the products derived from processing cassava tubers are in high demand both in local and in international markets.

While some cassava producers prefer to sell the tubers raw in basin measures, pick-up and lorry loads; others add value by processing the tubers into garri, cassava flakes, cassava pellets, cassava starch, cassava flour, cassava fufu, bread, chin-chin, tapioca and other industrial uses.

POST HARVEST LOSSES TUBERS

Cassava tubers begin to change colour and undergo rot within four days of harvest. This is worrisome for numerous farmers.

Unless quickly processed or stored in specialized places, cassava tubers are listed among crop products that deteriorate rapidly after harvest and cause heavy and avoidable losses to unwary and ill-prepared farmers.

REMEDIES

The good news is that scientists and researchers working in institutions such as IITA, Ibadan and National Root Crop Research Institute, Umudike, have found ways to prolong the life and freshness of harvested cassava tubers. These include:

- Processing your tubers into the various marketable products mentioned above.
- Unscratched and unbroken harvested cassava tubers can be preserved in moist saw dust for up to eight weeks without degradation. Hence care must be taken during harvesting to ensure that harvested tubers meant for preservation are free of injuries.
- Whole and uninjured cassava tubers buried in trenches can remain fresh for up to three months without undergoing deterioration (Nigeria Stored Products Research Institute, Ilorin).
- Sell fresh tubers not intended for processing, especially when the market is favorable.

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PRODUCTION AND PROCESSING SUPPORT PROGRAMME (PPSP)

BENEFICIARIES OF FISHERY SUPPORT PACKAGE

S/N	SURNAME	OTHER NAMES	LOCATION
1	ADERONMU	ADEBAYO	EGBOKODO
2	ADOBI	NWAKAEGO MARIAM	CAMP 74
3	AGBEGHA	WILSON DONYEFA	JESUS SAVES RD.
4	AGHOLOR	F. ONYEBIGWA	CAMP 74
5	AGIREN	SAMSON	UBEJI
6	AGUMA	TEMINERE	EGBOKODO
7	AHAHBEE	SOLOMON	CAMP 74
8	AJAGUNNA	ABIODUN	CAMP 74
9	AKAEZE	HENRY OSITA	CAMP 74
10	AKINTOLA	ABIODUN .O.	CAMP 74
11	AKPIEYI	E. JACOB	EGBOKODO
12	AKPIEYI	JOSEPH ATSEPOYI	EGBOKODO
13	AKPODINYO	MUDIAGA	CAMP 74
14	AKPOGBARE (Nee AKPOVITE)	ANNA	UBEJI
15	AKPOTOMA	DANIEL	AMUKPE
16	AMOTSUKA	ROSELINE	EGBOKODO
17	AMUWAH	VICTOR .O.	CAMP 74
18	ASINI	MOSES IRIKEVWIE	KPOKPOGRI TOWN
19	ATAVWORHO	EUGENE ARHUERE	EGBOKODO
20	ATUBE	JOHN EJIME	CAMP 74
21	AWOLO	MICHAEL C.	IBUSA
22	AWOSUSI	MERCY	CAMP 74
23	AZAGBA	JUSTINA	CAMP 74
24	BOMELE	HELEN	UBEJI
25	BONOH	TOUNKE	BOMADI TOWN
26	CHIDOZIE	JESSICA-OBORA	ASABA
27	CHUKUJI	U. GODWIN	CAMP 74
28	CHUKWUMA	N. RITA	CAMP 74
29	COKER	ALEX	SAPELE
30	DOUBRA	ANSELM .E.	CAMP 74
31	DUNKWU	TESSY IFEYINWA	CAMP 74
32	EBEGBUNE	IFEOSE	INFANT JESUS, ASABA
33	EBU	MACDONALD	DELSU, ASABA
34	EDEMA	SAMSON	EGBOKODO
35	EDEMA	O. PATIENCE	EGBOKODO
36	EGBA	SUNDAY	INFANT JESUS, ASABA
37	EGBAGBA	GREG MUTAIRE	CAMP 74
38	EKEKE	FELICIA	CAMP 74
39	EKPEI	JOSEPH	EGBOKODO
40	EMIKO	ANN	UBEJI
41	ENYABINE	SUNDAY	UMUSADELI, KWALE
42	EREKU	PATIENCE	UBEJI
43	EREOMAH	ROLI	EGBOKODO
44	ERIYEMU	CORNELIUS A.	UBEJI
45	ERUOTOR	AVVEROSUO	CAMP 74
46	ETIOBONIE	WILLIAM	OHA TOWN
47	EWEKA	ELISTAR	UBEJI
48	EZECHIE	ANDREW	EWULU
49	GBENEBITSE	AYONMIKE	UBEJI
50	IBBHAKHOMU	JOEL O.	UBEJI
51	IDHEJI	CHRISTOPHER	OKPE-ISOKO
52	IFEDIORAMMA	ADAORA	CAMP 74
53	IGHONMIEYETAN	QUEENETH	EGBOKODO
54	IJEH	AMEACHI	CAMP 74
55	IKANI	PAUL	CAMP 74
56	IKEMEFUNA	A. BERNARD	CAMP 74
57	ILUSEMITI	JENNIFER	CAMP 74
58	IMONIKOPE	SHEDRACK	OKWOKE, SAPELE
59	IRABOR	STEPHEN	CAMP 74

S/N	SURNAME	OTHER NAMES	LOCATION
60	JOHNSON	SAMUEL ENAMEGUOLO	KPOKPOGRI
61	KACHIKWU	ADIMABUA	CAMP 74
62	KAIDE	BLESSING	OKRIKA TOWN
63	MAKPAMIEKU	FORGIVE	EGBOKODO
64	MENE (Nee MOMOH)	BOSEDE	CAMP 74
65	MENSAH	EFE ELVIS	EGBOKODO
66	MOMOH	DORIS	CAMP 74
67	MORKA	ONYEKA .E.	CAMP 74
68	NNALUE	JUDE	CAMP 74
69	NWANKWO	JANE IJEOMA	CAMP 74
70	NWANNEKA	STEPHEN EKENE	CAMP 74
71	NWANUKPOSI	ELUE DENNIS	CAMP 74
72	NWOKIKE	ADAEZE B.	OKPANAM
73	NZEMEKA	VICTOR	IBUSA-ASABA
74	OBARO	JAPHET	CAMP 74
75	OBABEKE	EMMANUEL	CAMP 74
76	OBI	PEACE .N.	CAMP 74
77	OBI	JENNIFER HOPE	CAMP 74
78	OBIE	HELEN	ECHI ROAD, EKU
79	OBIECHIE	IKECHUKWU	CAMP 74
80	OCHILI	C. KELVIN	CAMP 74
81	OCHILLI	CHIKA	UMUOMA
82	ODEBALA	AKPUVIE PRINCE	SAPELE
83	ODHOMO (Nee OKONWEZE)	CYNTHIA	CAMP 74
84	ODIGIE	OSEDEBAMEN	CAMP 74
85	ODITA	FRANKLIN ISIOMA	ASABA
86	OFIORITSE	JOLOMI	INFANTJESUS, ASABA
87	OFORGU	ISIOMA ESTHER	CAMP 74
88	OFUAFU	PETER A.	EGBOKODO
89	OGBEMUDIA	MARY	CAMP 74
90	OGBEMUDIA	PEACE VIOLET	CAMP 74
91	OJEI	DESMOND	YETA FARM, ALISIMIE
92	OJI	IRIKEFE MABEL	EZEH STREET, ISIOKOLO
93	OKAFOR	EMMANUEL IFEANYI	CAMP 74
94	OKOCHA	OGE .C.	CAMP 74
95	OKOCHA	MARIAN	CAMP 74
96	OKOLIE	PHILIP	ASHAKA
97	OKORIE	DORATHY	CAMP 74
98	OKORO	EWOMA	CAMP 74
99	OKORO	EMOMOTIMI ARITETSOMA	SAPELE
100	OKOTIE	FELIX TOJU	UBEJI
101	OKPEPHIOHWO	SAMUEL EMMANUEL	EGBOKODO
102	OMAMENI	SAMSON	CAMP 74
103	OMAYONE	JULIE	EGBOKODO
104	OMEREYE	UROWOLI	EGBOKODO
105	OMOHEFE	DANIEL	CAMP 74
106	OMONIYEI	TIMINE	CAMP 74
107	ONUOBIA	MARGARET	CAMP 74
108	ONUOHA	DANIEL	CAMP 74
109	ONWUEME	AGATHA DUBEM	CAMP 74
110	ORIGAKPOR	ABUCHI	CAMP 74
111	ORIGHOMISAN	RUPPEE	EGBOKODO
112	ORITSETSERUNDEDE	TONY PEMU	UBEJI
113	OSEMEKE	OKECHUKWU .A.	CAMP 74
114	OSOH	CHRISTIANA EJEH	IRRI-TOWN
115	OSUGO	EMMANUEL	AGADAGA
116	OTOJARERI	ODIRIN JULIET	CAMP 74
117	OVWIGHOSE	EJAKPOVI .S.	CAMP 74
118	OYEMIREN	MIKE (Pst.)	UBEJI
119	OZEGBE	KENNETH	ASABA
120	RICHARD	CHIWENDU	CAMP 74
121	SHOLA	TUOYO	EGBOKODO
122	TAMETA	OKOWE	ASABA
123	TOWUAGHANTSE	GODWIN	EGBOKODO

List of PPSP Beneficiaries

S/N	SURNAME	OTHER NAMES	LOCATION
124	UGBOMEH	UCHE	CAMP 74
125	UGWU	MARTHA O.	Asaba
126	UTOMI	CAROLINE E.	BOJI-BOJI OWA
127	UWAMUAGHARREN	FELIX	UBEJI
128	UWAMUGHEN	BLESSING E.	UBEJI
129	WURU	PATRICK S.	EGBOKODO
130	YONMO	FRENCH	OKRIKA TOWN
130	UGWU	MARTHA O.	OSHIMILI SOUTH

BENEFICIARIES OF PIGGERY SUPPORT PACKAGE

S/N	NAME OF BENEFICIARY/CONTACT PERSON	LOCATION
1	ADIM FARMS (ADIM MOEMEKE)	IDUMUJE-UNOR
2	AKPATI FARMS (AKPATI AUGUSTINE)	OBTETIM
3	BEAUTY SUNDAY	OWA-ALERO
4	BEMIDO FARMS (BENSON MAJEMITE)	UGHELLI
5	BETTY FARMS (BETTY IDODO)	AFISERE
6	BOYTIE LUCKY	SONGHAI
7	CANDY OKOCHA-YETA FARMS	UBULU-UKU
8	COLLINS FARMS (COLLINS EZEFULOB)	UKALA
9	EDEKI OTEGA	OREROKPE
10	EDO ALICE	OWA-ALERO
11	EGWUEMCO FARMS (WILSON OLISEH)	ISUMPE
12	EJEMI TONY	OGWASHI-UKU
13	EUGENE HYCIANTH OSSAI	ASHAKA
14	F.U.G. ARAGBA-OROGUN (MACAULEY EFI)	UGHELLI
15	FESTUS OKWUADA FARMS	EWURU
16	FRANCO FARMS (FRANCIS EHIZIBUE)	EKPAN-OVU
17	FRUITFUL FARM (EMEKA OCHELLI)	UMUTU
18	GANAGANA FARMS (GANAGANA FRANCIS)	PATANI
19	GEORGE OYEFIA FARMS	MEREJE
20	GONOR FARMS (GONOR GODSPOWER)	USIEFURUN
21	HENRY OGOR FARMS	UGHELLI
22	IFEANYI MOKWUNYE	OTULU
23	J.J. SCOTT FARMS	SAPELE
24	JOHN DISI FARMS	MEREJE
25	JOHN ILOH FARMS (JOHN ILOH)	OBIARUKU
26	KEME FARMS (TOBI KEMEZIDE)	BURUTU
27	KINGSLEY OKEH	OGHARA
28	M.D. FARMS (MAUREEN OMODON)	IYI ABI
29	MAGEGE FARMS (MAGEGE JONATHAN)	ALADIA
30	MAJ. (RTD.) AUGUSTINE EFENU DU	OTOR OWHE
31	MIKE IKEOGU	UTE-OKPU
32	MOBUOGWU MOSES	OWA-ALERO
33	MRS. KAYODE J. C.	IBUSA
34	NDUBUISI S. OKOWA	OKWE
35	NWAOJEI FREDRICK	ISSELE-UKU
36	OBRONRIGHO FARMS (EDWARD OBORINGHO)	KOKO
37	ODORDOR OVIE	SONGHAI
38	OFEDA FARMS (GERRY OSAL)	ISHEAGU
39	OGECHUKWU CHIMEKWELE	OWA-ALERO
40	OGHENEGUEKE FRANCIS	KOKORI
41	OKENYE ANDERSON	OWA-ALERO
42	ORIDO FARMS (ORIDO JEROME)	KOKORI
43	OSABUEZE FARMS (OYIBOSCHUKWU NWABUEZE)	ASHAKA
44	OYEISI IHIEONUKWU	OWA-ALERO
45	PATRICIA EMORDI	EWULU
46	PETER EBUH	ALISIMIE
47	ROSCO FARMS (COLMAN AGBEGHA)	IYI ABI
48	SAMCO FARMS (SAMUEL AGBIGBI)	EKPAN-OVU
49	SIMON PIG FARM (SIMON OGBO)	UGHELLI
50	VICOB I FARM (VICTORIA O. OMELI)	EFFURUN

BENEFICIARIES OF POULTRY (LAYERS) SUPPORT PACKAGE

S/N	SURNAME	OTHER NAMES	LOCATION
1	ABA	WILLIAMS	OKOGBE RD
2	ABANUM	EMILY	ASABA

S/N	SURNAME	OTHER NAMES	LOCATION
3	ADEDA	OHARISI	UGHELLI
4	ADIMORAH	IKEM	IBUSA
5	AGBAKANSI	FORGIVE	AKPOMEDAYE
6	AITE	RACHEAL UFUOMA	OGHARA
7	AKPONG	OLUWATOYIN	JESSICA AVENUE
8	AKPORODE	JONATHAN J.	UWHURU RD
9	ANYIFITE	BONIFACE CHRISTOPHER	UBULU-UKU
10	ARIGBASHE	JULIUS	AMUKPE
11	BOBBO	DANIEL GRACE	REFINERY RD
12	DANIEL	EDOKA	OGHAREFE
13	EBIRERI	STELLA	OKIRIGHWRE
14	EJOTUGBA	PRINCE .O.	OGHARA
15	ELURO	FRIDAY	ABRAKA ROAD
16	EMAKPOR	ROLAND	IBADA ELUME
17	EMAREYO	VIVIAN	OTERI VILLA
18	EMAREYO	VICTOR VRABOR	OTERI VILLA
19	FORCADOS	BENAEBI	OWANTA
20	GBEMUDU	NKECHI	ASABA
21	IDISI	OKIEMUTE GLORIA	EDESI STREET
22	IDOLOR	KENNEDY	UMUACHI AFOR
23	IDUH	ANDREW	OSIAN STREET
24	IEMIGBEYI	UFUOMA FAVOUR	WARRI-SAP RD
25	ISIBOR	CHRISTY . N.	AGBOR
26	IYEDE	IRENE OMOAVEWERE	DSC
27	MOLOKWU	PETER	OGWASHI-UKU
28	NMORKA	ESTHER	AGBOR
29	NWAOLISE	BARRY	UBULU-UKU
30	NWAWOLO	MAUREEN NKEIRUKA	IBUSA
31	NWOGO	UGOCHUKWU	OKPANAM
32	NWORU	JOSHUA	IBUSA
33	OBIANKE	EDITH OKOPI	AGBOR
34	OGALA	ANOINTED	OZA-NDOGOGO
35	OGOCHUKWU	OKWUOSHA J.	ACHALLA IBUSA
36	OHU	MARIA ADA	AGBOR
37	OHWORHUADJEKE	MARIA	EKU
38	OKEH	DANIEL	UNURHIE
39	OKOH	MERCY	AGBOR
40	OKORO	BIENOSE	OWA-ALERO
41	OLLEY	MEG KEVWE	WARRI
42	ONWUEME	ANTHONY UDECHUKWU	OKPANAM
43	ONWUEMENE	OGOCHUKWU ALEX	ONICHA-UGBO
44	ONYEOMAKA	QUEENETH	ASABA
45	OSONDU	EBERECHUKWU	IBUSA-ACHALLA
46	OSONDU	CHUKWUEMEKA	IBUSA-ACHALLA
47	TANGBE	JOY	WARRI
48	UDEMAGWUNA	CELESTINE	ISELE-AZAGBA
49	UKOR	OJO	OLUA- ALURI

BENEFICIARIES OF POULTRY (BROILERS) SUPPORT PACKAGE

S/N	SURNAME	OTHER NAME	LOCATION
1	ABANUM	CHUKS	ABBI
2	ABIGOR	THELMA	MODE CRESCENT
3	ADIGWE	ADIGWE OKWUDI JOHN	IBUSA
4	AGBO	CORNELIUS	OKPANAM
5	AGBRO	AGBRO CHARLES	SAPELE
6	AGHAEZE	EMEKA	ACHALLA IBUSA
7	AHUEKWE	LEONARD	OKOLOKO BENIN
8	AJAYI	ALICE	OLOWU STREET
9	AKE	SAMUEL	OKIRIGHWRE
10	AKPOBARO	OVIE	SAPELE
11	AKPOBOME	OGHENERO JONES	WARRI SOUTH
12	AKPORIAYE	ESTHER	GRA, WARRI
13	AKPUYI	MARY J	UKEUGBOKODO
14	AKUGBENE	JULIUS	OGBOPINAH
15	ALABRAH	DAVID EBI	ISIBOWE CLOSE

S/N	SURNAME	OTHER NAME	LOCATION
16	AMAONYENWE & SONS NIG LTD	ONYEKA	ASABA
17	AMARAIDI	MARY	EFFURUN
18	AMIAH	NNEKA	OWA ALERO
19	AMOJIUKA	PATIENCE	EGBOKODO
20	ARINZE	CHUKWUEMEKA	OGWASHI-UKU
21	ARUNGBEMI	OLUWOLE	FGC WARRI
22	ASHIEDU	CHRISTOPHER OBIORZOR	ISSELE UKU
23	AYAEBGUNEM	MARIA (BLESSED MARIA)	OGWASHI-UKU
24	AZUBUIKE	COLLINS O	ASABA
25	CHUKWUEDO	IFEANYI	OGWASHI-UKU
26	CLINTON	EMMANUELLA	OGWASHI-UKU
27	EDEMODO	GREAT(GOD IS GREAT)	ACHALLA IBUSA
28	EDET	ELIZABETH MFON	JEDDO OKPE
29	EDOBAB	HAPPY	OGHARA
30	EJEMI	VIOLET N	OKPANAM
31	EKO	KENNEDY	OKOLUHO
32	ELETE	VICTOR	EGBOKODO
33	ELO	KOLOKO	OKIRIGHWRE
34	EMUDIANUGHE	EMUDIANUGHE RACHAEL	OGHARA
35	ERIOH	AMBROSE	ASABA
36	ESEALUKA	BENJAMIN	ASABA
37	ESHALOMI	GLORIA	WARRI-SAPELE RD
38	ESOHWODE	AKPEVWE	ETHIOPE EAST EKU
39	EZEAYOM	UGO ANSELM	OKWE-ASABA
40	GBINEDIO	CHARLES	UDU
41	GOLLEY	EDITH	OGHARA
42	IBEBE	UFUOMA	IDAHOSA STREET
43	IGBAHO	SAMSON	OKIRIGHWRE
44	ISIBOR	CHRISTY	AGBOR
45	ISIMOYA	FAITH (GOSHEN FARMS)	AGBOR
46	ITITIE	KEN	22 ORHONO, EKU
47	ITITIE	EFE	ETHIOPE WEST
48	IWEBU	AUGUSTINE	AGBOR
49	JIGBALA	O. SHEDRACK	UDU ROAD,
50	KENECHUKWU FARMS LTD	OJUKWU JACHIKE	UGBOLU
51	KONWEA	EKENE	ASABA
52	LINUS	GODSTIME	UMUNEDE
53	MENEGO	BOSE	UBEJI,OPP BAPTIST
54	MOMOH	BALA AHMED	FGC WARRI
55	MOWUOGWU	EMMASON (EMMANUEL)	OWA ALERO
56	NMOYE	EMEKA	AGBOR
57	NWACHOKOR	GODWIN	UMUNEDE
58	NWAIRO	KENNETH	IBUSA
59	NZEAKOR	JOY	OGHARA
60	OBIE	HELEN	ORHONO EKU
61	ODIASE	CHUKS	OWA ALERO
62	ODOKO	JACKSON	TAURERE QTRS
63	OGBOI	HILARY	UMUNEDE
64	OGHOJAFOR	VIVIAN	WARRI
65	OGHOLAJA	O. FELIX	AGBOR-OB
66	OHAI	GABRIEL	OGWASHI-UKU
67	OJEH INTEGRATED FARMS LTD	J N	ACHALLA IBUSA
68	OJEOGWU	ROSEMARY	OGWASHI-UKU
69	OKE	SARAH	OGHARA
70	OKE	AYODELE	UGBOKODO
71	OKI	SOLOMON	EKESE
72	OKOLIE	CHUKWUDI	WARRI UVWIE
73	OKONJU	MARY	OGWASHI-UKU
74	OKORO	MIKE	ISOKO NORTH
75	OMAGBEMI	IRENE	SAPELE
76	OMORIGIE	KENNETH OBIYEKWU	AGBOR
77	ONOJAYEFE	RAPHAEL	OGHARA
78	ONWUKA	KENNETH	ACHALLA IBUSA
79	ONYEMARE	AUGUSTINE	ADEDJE

S/N	SURNAME	OTHER NAME	LOCATION
80	OPUABA	DANIEL	ARMY BARRACK RD
81	ORHUAH	OGAGA .E	WARRI
82	ORUTU	PREYE	AVENTOWN
83	OSAWA	CHRISTOPHER	JEDDO OKPE
84	OSIEMETE	EDWARD	BOMADI
85	OTEME	HAPPY	SAPELE
86	OVAYARO	EKRRESA	OKIRIGHWRE
87	OVIE	BLESSING	UGBOKODO
88	OZIRI	JOSEPH	OGWASHI-UKU
89	PAUL	ISIOMA	IBUSA
90	PESSU	JOLOMI	OVION ROAD
91	ROKEBA FARMS	ROKEBA FARM	OREROKPE
92	SIR AYIWE	NEWTON	OVIORIE
93	SUKORE	JULIANA	OKUHAHRI
94	TOWUAGHANTSE	RACHAEL	EGBOKODO
95	TUDEME	IFEANYI	OWA ALERO
96	TUGELE	PHILOMENA	EDJEBE
97	TUOYO	QUEEN	2 POPO CLOSE
98	UNURHIERE	DEBORAH	REFINERY ROAD
99	UWABOR	EMMANUEL	AGBOR
100	UYO	ANDREW	OKUOEDJEBE
101	YIBSO	MUSTAPHA MOHAMMED	ISSELE UKU

BENEFICIARIES OF CASSAVA SUPPORT PACKAGE

S/N	SURNAME	OTHER NAMES	LOCATION
1	ABEKE	DORIS	ELUME
2	ABEL	NKECHI	MBIRI
3	ABHULIMEN	KATE	DEGHELE
4	ABIA	CHIMA	IGWUISI FARM RD
5	ABIKPAKPA	FINEBOY	OGHARAEFE
6	ACHIKE	ALEX	OMELIGBOMA
7	ADAMS	IFECHUKWUDE	MBIRI
8	ADHAZOR	PHILIP	OTOR-IGHO
9	ADHUZE	ISAAC	OTOR-OWHE
10	ADIKWA	AGATHA	OMELIGBOMA
11	ADJARHO	IGHO	RESERVE
12	ADUGBO	MONDAY OHWOKEVVO	COM. FARMS O/UKU
13	AFAM JOHN	JOHN	IGBODO
14	AFORON	FREDERICK	OTU-JEREMI
15	AGBAZIE	LUIS	MBIRI
16	AGBOJE	GODSON	EKWUOMA
17	AGHATA	PAUL	IDUMUJE FARM RD
18	AGILIGA	AUGUSTINA	OKO OBI-OKPU
19	AGOB	SUNDAY	ELUME-DEGHELE
20	AHANOH	SAMUEL	OWA-EKEI
21	AJABOR	COMFORT	OWA-ALERO
22	AJABOR	GEORGE	AGBOR - OBI
23	AKAMAGWUNA	ANN	IDUMUJE-UGBOKO
24	AKAMOVBA	REBECCA	DEGHELE
25	AKIAH	HUMPHREY OKOLIE	OBOMKPA
26	AKPDERIN	UVIE OTEGA	ELUME
27	AKPOBASAA	PAUL	UGHELLI
28	AKPODONOR	TRACY	OTEF
29	AKPODONRO	OVIE	EDUEVU, OGHARA
30	AKPOFINI	PERENANAGHA	KPAKIAMA
31	AKPOFINI	TARE	KPAKIAMA
32	AKPOJOLOR	S. WILSON	AGBARHO
33	AKPONEGWAR	AUGUSTINE	MOSOGAR
34	AKPOVILI	BENJAMIN	OTOR-IGHO
35	AKUMA	SANDRA	OZANOGOGO
36	ALEKWE	MOSES	MBIRI
37	ALEKWE	IFECHUKWUDE	MBIRI
38	ALIEMEKE	ISIOMA	OZANOGOGO
39	ALLI	GLADIS	RESERVE
40	ALUKA	ANGELA	ABAVO

List of PPSP Beneficiaries

S/N	SURNAME	OTHER NAMES	LOCATION
41	AMAKRE	IGHO	RESERVE
42	AMAWHE	DANIEL	OTOR-IGHO
43	AMAYO	SUNDAY	ABAVO
44	AMAYO	ANTHONY	ABAVO
45	AMORIGHOYE	DUKE	COLLEGE QTR.
46	AMOS	MONEY	IGBODO
47	ANASUDU	EVANS	ELUME-DEGHELE
48	ANAZIA	EMMANUEL	ONICHA-UGBO
49	ANDREW	IGUMBOR	MBIRI
50	ANIEKWUOFU	EMMANUEL	OKO OBI-OKPU
51	ANIYE	EMMANUEL	UMUNEDE
52	ANIYE	EDITH	UMUNEDE
53	ANUFA	SUNDAY O.	ADAGBRASA
54	ANUOM	NGOZI	ABAVO
55	ANYASI	C. JOSEPH	EKWUOMA
56	ANYIME	PIUS	ABAVO
57	APOKWU	CHUKWUEMEKA	UMUNEDE
58	ARAH	PAUL	ELUME
59	AREGHE	EDEKI GODWIN	OZORO
60	ASHIEDU	IKECHUKWU	ISSELE UKWU
61	ASORE	MAUREEN	OVWIAN
62	ATIKPANORO	LUCKY	ELUME-DEGHELE
63	ATUNUSHA	GLORIA	ELUME
64	AVWENAGHAGHA	AWEKA	COM. FARMS O/UKU
65	AYETIN	UCHE	OWA-NTA
66	AYOVUNADUO	GABRIEL	ELUME
67	AYOVUNADUO	LEWIS ODAFE	ELUME
68	AZIKE	EJIME	OWA-ALERO
69	AZIKE	SIMEON	OWERRE OLUBOR
70	BEATRICE	CHIMEKWELE	MBIRI
71	BEAUTY	ANU	RESERVE
72	BEAUTY	ONOGBOSHERE	OGHAREFE
73	BENSON	AGILIGA	OKO OBI-OKPU
74	BLESSING	DIKE	IGBODO
75	BOBI	GODFREY	OVWIAN
76	BOI	KINGSLEY	OZANOGOGO
77	BOI-AGOR	AGOR ANTHONY	UTE OGBEJE
78	BOUSIDE	SIMEON	KPAKIAMA
79	BRAIBO	GODDEY	ADA - ORHO
80	BUNU	AMBAKEKEDEREMO	KPAKIAMA
81	BUNU	TARE-OTU	KPAKIAMA
82	BUNU	EKEKE	KPAKIAMA
83	CAROLINE	EGBO	IGBODO
84	CECELIEA	ESEKPO	UGHELLI
85	CHARITY	BROWN O.	RESERVE
86	CHIAZOR	GABRIEL, C.	COUNCIL L.G.A
87	CHIDEBELI	ELIZABETH	OKO OBI-OKPU
88	CHIDI BENBOS	BENBOS	IGBODO
89	CHIMEKWELE	EMUEBIE ABEL	MBIRI
90	CHINWEZE	EMEKA PAUL	OKO OBI-OKPU
91	CHUKWUJINDU	EDWARD	EKWUOMA
92	CHUKWUKA	DAVID	OWA-ALERO
93	DIKENWEIWE	BONIFACE	UBULUBU-TOWN
94	DOLU	OVO MALACHY	JESSE
95	DONOR	A. MICHAEL	JEREMI
96	EBEBURU	CHRISTIAN	ALHIAGWU
97	EBOAGWU	VICTORIA	ABAVO
98	EBOMA	ONYEKACHUKWU	OWA - ALERO
99	EBORKA	LAZARUS	ABAVO
100	EBUH	SUNDAY	OZANOGOGO
101	EDAFIADHE	WILFRED	EMEVOR
102	EDAYE	CELESTINE	MBIRI
103	EDE MOSES	MOSES	UTE OGBEJE
104	EDEWOR	ROSE	DSC

S/N	SURNAME	OTHER NAMES	LOCATION
105	EDITH AWETO	AWETO	OGHAREFE
106	EDWARD	SUZIANA	OWA-ALERO
107	EDWIN	NWAKA	OMELIGBOMA
108	EDWIN	ABEBOR	OTEFE
109	EFAGWU	FRIDAY	UMUNEDE
110	EFE	OKORONKWO	RESERVE
111	EFEYA	DENNIS	ADA - ORHO
112	EGBEDO	IRIKEFE	ADAGBRASA
113	EGBEKA	OBIORAH	OMELIGBOMA
114	EGBERENODE	ENDURANCE	EDUEVU, OGHARA
115	EGBO MARK	MARK	IGBODO
116	EGBREGBA	BENJAMIN	WARRI-IRRI
117	EGBULE	PATRICIA	OWA-OYIBU
118	EGOGHARADO	MAUDLYN	EDURU
119	EGOLE	BRIDGET	ODODEGHO
120	EGUNATUM	AZUKA	COM. FARMS O/UKU
121	EGWABOR	FIDELIS	UTE - OKPU
122	EGWUANIKWU	ANGELINA	ABAVO
123	EHIKWE	LUCY	ABAVO
124	EJENIM-ORISE	PETER	EGBUDU - AKAH
125	EJEZIE	SYLVANUS	OMELIGBOMA
126	EJINIM - ORISE	GRATEFUL	OBINOMBA
127	EJIRO ANOYE	ANOYE	OGHARA
128	ELUKONEMU	MATTHEW	SANUBI
129	EKARO	VINCENT	EYARA
130	EKECHI	JOHN	COM. FARMS O/UKU
131	EKECHI	MADUKA	COM. FARMS O/UKU
132	EKPAH	GODDAY	AGBOR - OBI
133	EKPENISI	MAGDELINE	OWA-EKEI
134	EKPOBEDAFE	HENRIETTA	OVWIAN
135	ELABOR	SUNDAY	OGBRHIKOR
136	ELIAH	AKABOUGA	OMELIGBOMA
137	ELUEHIKE	STEPHEN	UMUNEDE
138	ELUMEZE	AUGUSTINE	OWERRE OLUBOR
139	EMEGHA	ANSLEM	ABAVO
140	EMEKA	IYEKE	IGBODO
141	EMEKE	IGBO	MBIRI
142	EMMANUEL	PROMISE	RESERVE
143	EMUDAINOHWU	C.O. (MRS.)	RESERVE
144	EMUDAINOHWU	JOHN O.	RESERVE
145	EMUDAINOHWU	JOHN	RESERVE
146	ENAVWORUWE	ONAJITE	OGHAREFE
147	ENEKAMIE	PAKIRI	KPAKIAMA
148	ENERHO	BEAUTY	ELUME
149	ENOMATE	RICHARD	MOSOGAR
150	ENUNWAONYE	JOSHUA CHIJOKE	ONICHA-UGBO
151	ENYI	JOSEPH	OZORO
152	ERIEMO	GEORGE (DR.)	URHUOKA
153	ERUTEYAN	FREDERICK	OGHAREFE
154	ESEGIME	ONAJITA	RESERVE
155	ESENAKIFE	JOYCE	EKITE
156	ESTHER	MARIAGBE	RESERVE
157	ESTHER	EJINI	EVWRENI
158	ETI	MATHEW	OVWORI
159	ETUMUDOR	MARTINDA	IDUMUESAH
160	EWEREMO	BUNU	KPAKIAMA
161	EWHAREKUKO	SUSAN	JESSE
162	EWHRUDJE	EMMANUEL	RESERVE
163	EYEMONU	AUGUSTINE	UMUNEDE
164	EZE	HAPPINESS	OZANOGOGO
165	EZEAGWU	PETER	OWERRE OLUBOR
166	EZEKIEL	VICTORIA	RESERVE
167	FACO	CHARITY	OWA-ALERO
168	FELICIA	NBADIWE	MBIRI

S/N	SURNAME	OTHER NAMES	LOCATION
169	FELICIA	ASIMONITA	EDUEVU, OGHARA
170	FEMI	TEME	RESERVE
171	FESTUS	IKWUNAZOM	OWA-OYIBU
172	FESTUS	OKWAJE	IGBODO
173	FIEALEGHE	THUNDER	KPAKIAMA
174	FRIDAY	ENWELIM	IGBODO
175	GBENEDIO	CHARLES	UGBISI
176	GLORIA	IYEKE	IGBODO
177	GODWIN	O. ODIEN	EVWRENI
178	GODWIN	NWOTONO	IGBODO
179	GOVERNOR	O. JOSEPH	EVWRENI
180	IBEH	GODDEY	ALIHIAGWU
181	IBOI	VERONICA	RESERVE
182	IDABOR	GODFREY	OWA-OYIBU
183	IDARA	ONORIODE	JESSE
184	IDEGWU	MARTIN, I.	OWA-ALERO
185	IDOWU	CHIMARA	OZORO
186	IDUH	PETER NNAMDI	UMUNEDE
187	IFECHUKWUDE	MERCY	MBIRI
188	IFEDIORAH	NWABANNE	OKO OBI-OKPU
189	IGHOROJE	STELLA	OMELIGBOMA
190	IGHOYOTA	MARY	AJAGUOYIBO
191	IGHOYOTA	OCHUKO	UNURHIE
192	IGWE	ALBERT	UTE OGBEJE
193	IJEOMA	HELEN	AGBOR OBI
194	IKECHUKWU	EPHRAIM	IGBODO
195	IKEDE	PATIENCE	OTOR-OWHE
196	IKEDE	HENRY	ELUME
197	IKEM	INNOCENT .S.	UMUNEDE
198	IKPOMA	OGHENETEGA	DSC
199	IMODE	CHUKS	IGBODO
200	IMOH	TAIYE	DEGHELE
201	IMONIGHAVWE	FRED .E.	RESERVE
202	IMONIOVU	CHRISTIAN	ORHUHWORUN
203	INNOCENT	OKONTA	EKWUOMA
204	INU	COLUMBUS	OBINOMBA/AGBOR
205	IREH	PAUL	OFAGBE
206	IRHUE	MARIA	RESERVE
207	ISAAC	MATHEW	EDUEVU, OGHARA
208	ISAIAH	AUGUSTINE	EKWUOMA
209	ISHIAKA	REUBEN .R.	COM. FARMS O/UKU
210	ISIATOGO	GODWIN	OWA-OYIBU
211	ISIBOR	DORA	EKWUOMA
212	ISIBOR	STEPHEN	EKWUOMA
213	IYEBOR	FRIDAY	MBIRI
214	IYOHAI	JOSEPH	EFFURUN
215	IZUALOR	OKAFOR	OKO OBI-OKPU
216	JAHAI	O. ESTHER	ERHUWHAREH
217	JAMES	ANOYE	OGHARA
218	JIDEOFOR	IGBAGO	OKO OBI-OKPU
219	JOHN	IDEH	IGBODO
220	JOHNBULL	OMOKRI	ODOVIE
221	JOSEPH	OTARUIGHO	EVWRENI
222	JULIUS	NGADAONYE	MBIRI
223	KACHIKWU	JUSTUS	ISELLE UKU
224	KAKAKPO	UFUOMA	AMUKPE
225	KALUBIA	VERO	OWA-ALERO
226	KEHINDE	OSUMA	ELUME
227	KELECHI	NGALACHO	OGHARAEFE
228	KENDI	EZE	MBIRI
229	KENEKPE	E. ROSELINE	EYARA AGBOWIAME
230	KENNETH	OKWAJE	IGBODO
231	KIMEKWU	OBIADERI	OWA-OYIBU
232	KIMEKWU	EDITH	OWA-ALERO

S/N	SURNAME	OTHER NAMES	LOCATION
233	KOLADE	ADEWALE .W	RESERVE
234	KONBOYE	COUNCIL KETU	KPAKIAMA
235	KUALE	PHILIP (PROF.)	OGONI-OLOMU
236	KUMANE	OBRORHIE	EVWRENI
237	LUCKY	AUGUSTINA	MBIRI
238	MAC	EGBERENEDE	
239	MADUMEYE	PETER	OWA - OYIBU
240	MAGBUKU	SYLVESTER EGUONO	OGHARA
241	MEKWUYE	JOHN	OWA OFIE
242	MERETIN	KENNETH	
243	METITIRI	STELLA .O.	RESERVE
244	MICHAEL	OVIEBOR	MBIRI
245	MMADUDI	JOSEPH	OMELIGBOMA
246	MONYE	AMOS	IGBODO
247	MONYE	JUDE	OWERRE OLBOR
248	NKEAFUONYE	BLESSING	IDUMU-INNE
249	NNAEMEKA	AMALA	OMELIGBOMA
250	NNALUE	PETER	OMELIGBOMA
251	NOBAME	ONYERO	ABAVO
252	NOBAME	ROWLAND	ABAVO
253	NONUM	MOSES	ABAVO
254	NWABUOBI	OGE	OKO OBI-OKPU
255	NWABUZOR	EMMANUEL, I.	IDUMUJIE COLLEGE
256	NWAEBI	ALFRED	OWA-ALERO
257	NWAEKE	GILBERT	OWA-ALERO
258	NWAFOR	SUNDAY	OKO OBI-OKPU
259	NWAFOR	NWANNEKA	OKO OBI-OKPU
260	NWAGBOGWU	SUNDAY	UMUNEDE
261	NWAGWU	NGOZI	IDUMUINA RD
262	NWAMANA	JOSEPH	COM. FARMS O/UKU
263	NWANI	DANIEL	EKWUOMA
264	NWANI	MOSES	UTE OGBEJE
265	NWAONUNU	JONAH	ABAVO
266	NWONICHA	CHUKWUNWIKI. J.	UMUNEDE
267	NZUA	MARIA	IDUMUJIE-UGBOKO
268	OBAREH	CONFIDENCE	DSC, RAILWAY
269	OBAYE	JULIANNA	OWA-EKEI
270	OBIAZIKWOR	AUGUSTINE	MBIRI
271	OBIDIKE	CHRISTOPHER	OMELIGBOMA
272	OBIKI	MABEL	ABAVO
273	OBIYEM	HENRIETA	OZANOGOGO
274	OBOKARE	KENNETH	OGHAREFE
275	OBUKOHWO	ESTHER	OGHARA
276	OBUSEH	VICTOR .I.	UMUNEDE
277	ODEH	MICHAEL LUCKY	RESERVE
278	ODEH	HENRY	EDUEVU, OGHARA
279	ODIASE	OSCAR	RESERVE
280	ODIGWE	GODWIN	ABAVO
281	ODIKI	GODSWILL	OZORO
282	ODINAKA	EMMANUEL	OMELIGBOMA
283	ODOGBO	VICTORY	OGHARAEFE
284	ODOZIE	AMACHI	ABAVO
285	ODUKWE	O. TONY	OKO OBI-OKPU
286	ODUOTA	JULIET	RESERVE
287	OFOKWU	CELESTINE	MBIRI
288	OGANA	TRACY	DEGHELE
289	OGANA	I. AMBROSE	OGHARA
290	OGBA	RITA	RESERVE
291	OGBARE	REBECCA	ORHUHWORUN
292	OGBASUWA	CHRISTINA	ABAVO
293	OGBEIDE	VICTORY	ELUME
294	OGBERI	PATRICK	
295	OGBOI	MARY	EKUKU AGBOR
296	OGBOI	CLEMENT	MBIRI

List of PPSP Beneficiaries

S/N	SURNAME	OTHER NAMES	LOCATION
297	OGBOI	FIDELIS	OZANOGOGO
298	OGBOI	BENEDICTA	OZANOGOGO
299	OGBONNIA	NATHANIEL C.	COM. FARMS O/UKU
300	OGBOVO	DANIEL	OZORO
301	OGBUDEKE	JOSEPH	OZORO
302	OGBUDEKE	BEATRICE	OZORO
303	OGBUDEKE	JOY OMAMEZI	OZORO
304	OGBUDEKE	EVI	EMEVOR
305	OGELE	SAMUEL OKAFOR	ISSELE UKWU
306	OGHENE	OLOYE GOOD	OZORO
307	OGHENEKEWVE	RICHARD EMAKPOR	JESSE
308	OGHENENYOREM	J. RUKEVWE	RESERVE
309	OGHENEVO	OGBODO	ELUME
310	OGHOGHO	AFE	RESERVE
311	OGHORO	DORIS	DEGHELE
312	OGOH	CHRISTOPHER	OTOR-IGHO
313	OGOH	GIDEON	OTOR-IGHO
314	OGREH	AFOR	OVRODE
315	OGUGUA	JOSEPH	OMELIGBOMA
316	OGUN	SUNDAY	OZANOGOGO
317	OGWU	EMMANUEL, O	IGWUISI FARM RD
318	OJEI	ANDREW. O	OBOMKPA
319	OJI	CHUKWUTEM	EGBO
320	OJILE	A. GODSPOWER	EKROTA
321	OJILE	OREVAOGHENE	UKPERHERHEN
322	OJIRHOMU	EVELYN	ELUME
323	OJO	SUNDAY	OGONI-OLOMU
324	OJUGO	S.A. (CHIEF)	EGBO
325	OKEGBA	REGINA	ELUME
326	OKEGBA	DORIS	OKU -ELUME
327	OKEH	CHRISTOPHER	ABAVO
328	OKEH	MARY	ADAGBRASA
329	OKOBIA	ALBERT	MBIRI
330	OKOH	NATHANIEL C	EDO-OGWASHI
331	OKOH	CHRISTOPHER	ABAVO
332	OKOLO	MATTHEW	ISSELE UKWU
333	OKONJI	JAMES	OBOMKPA
334	OKONJI	VIVIAN	COM. FARMS O/UKU
335	OKONNE	TESSY, N. A	ONICHA-OLONA
336	OKONTA	FAITH	ABAVO
337	OKONTA	FRIDAY	ABAVO
338	OKONTA	EMMANUEL	ABAVO
339	OKONTA	ANTHONY	ABAVO
340	OKONTA	FRANCIS	JESSE
341	OKORIE	BONIFACE .C.	UMUNEDE
342	OKORO	BLESSING	OKOLOR
343	OKORO	ALEX	EDUEVU, OGHARA
344	OKORO	GRACIOUS	EDUEVU, OGHARA
345	OKORO	MOSES	EKWUOMA
346	OKORODE	STEPHEN	ALADJA
347	OKPAKO	SOLOMON	ELUME
348	OKPARA	QUEEN	RESERVE
349	OKPARA	SHEDRACK	ACROSS RIVER
350	OKPAYAYE	JOY O.	ADAGBRASA
351	OKPEKORE	GIDEON	OZORO
352	OKPULOR	SAMUEL	UTE - OKPU
353	OKRIKO	JONAH	OFAGBE
354	OKWUBOR	FRANCIS .D	UMUNEDE
355	OKWUCHI	MRS.	IGBODO
356	OKWUCHI	NGOZI	IGBODO
357	OKWUECHIME	SUNDAY, C	IGWUISI FARM RD
358	OKWUONE	PAUL EZE	EZI
359	OLIZE	ISAIAH	OTOR-IGHO
360	OLIZE	FAITH	OTOR-IGHO

S/N	SURNAME	OTHER NAMES	LOCATION
361	OLOGWA	MATHIAS	ABAVO
362	OLOGWA	RAPHEAL	ABAVO
363	OLUMARO	EMMANUEL	EDUEVU, OGHARA
364	OLUMARO	ISAAC	OGHARA
365	OMASHEYE	ONAJITE	ADAGBRASA
366	OMEDIRIN	CHRISTOPHER	ELUME
367	OMEIFE	IKECHUKWU	UTE OGBEJE
368	OMEIFE	NKEMDILIM	UTE OGBEJE
369	OMEZIE	ANDREW	OWANTA
370	OMO-EBOH	EBOH JOSEPH	JEREMI
371	OMOGAGA	JOY	EDUEVU, OGHARA
372	OMORDIA	ADORIE	OWA-EKEI
373	OMOROKPE	EJAITA	ADAGBRASA
374	ONICHAEMEKE	JOSEPH OKELEKE	UGBODU
375	ONIGBOTSERE	GABRIEL	OGHARA
376	ONOMOR	OTIVERE	ELUME
377	ONOSAIGBE	PHILO	OGHARA
378	ONUKWU	ANDREW	COM. FARMS O/UKU
379	ONUKWU	PATRICK	COM. FARMS O/UKU
380	ONWUKA	EUNICE	JESSE
381	ONWUKA	MAXWEL	JESSE
382	ONYEACHOLEM	MICHEAL	IDUMUESAH
383	ONYEAKA	OBIAMMA	OMELIGBOMA
384	ONYEBIGWU	PAUL	MBIRI
385	ONYEKA	NOBAEME	ABAVO
386	ONYEMAKA	OKORO	OWA-OYIBU
387	ONYEORU	ROSALINE	OWA-OYIBU
388	ONYEUGBO	MICHEAL	IDUMUESAH
389	ORELU	BENEDICT	MBIRI
390	ORELU	ONYEMAECHI	MBIRI
391	ORIESAA	ERIC. O.	EMASOROGHO
392	ORISHESHARUWA	COLLINS	ADAHORO
393	ORJI	CHRISTOPHER	OGHARA
394	ORUBOR	DORA	EMADADJA
395	ORUONYEOKWU	CELESTINE	ABAVO
396	ORUVWESE	EVELYN	OGHAREFE
397	OSEMENE	AZUBUIKE	IGBODO
398	OSEMENE	GODWIN	IGBODO
399	OSHA	COMFORT (MRS)	ISSELE UKWU
400	OSIADI	AUGUSTINE	UTE OGBEJE
401	OSIADI	UDOKA	UTE OGBEJE
402	OSIFO	JOY	ELUME
403	OTAKPO	JOHN	UMUNEDE
404	OTEEDE	JOSEPH	OWA-ALERO
405	OTITIGBE	LUCKY	UGHELLI
406	OTODI	FRANCIS	KPAKIAMA
407	OTUAHA	JOHN	UKWU-NZU
408	OTUMUYE	FRANK	OWA-OYIBU
409	OVEH	QUEEN	ELLU
410	OVIEBOR	CELESTINE	MBIRI
411	OVUAKPORIE	ELO	OWHELOGBO
412	OWABOR	ROSE	OWA-OFIE
413	OWAMA	UMERI	OWA-ALERO
414	OWOUFINIERE	OKIDE	KPAKIAMA
415	OYIBO	FAITH	OZANOGOGO
416	OYIBOKA	PHILOMINA	OWA-OYIBU
417	OYIBOKA	OKAFOR	OKO OBI-OKPU
418	OZOR	DENNIS DIKEM	UMUNEDE
419	OZWAKA	LUCKY	DSC
420	PATANI	QUEEN	BOMADI
421	PATANI	PAUL	BOMADI
422	PATANI	TOKEKEMI	BOMADI
423	PATIENCE	T. EJOH	ORHOBVE
424	PATIENCE	MOSHESHE	OGONI-OLOMU

S/N	SURNAME	OTHER NAMES	LOCATION
425	PAUL	ONYEMAECHE	MBIRI
426	PRINCE	LUCKY ORUMA	EVWRENI
427	PRINCE	UBA MATTHEW	EVWRENI
428	QUEEN	AKPOBASAA	ODODEGHO
429	ROBINSON	FRIDAY	EDUEVU, OGHARA
430	SAMSON	REGINA	OTOR-IGHO
431	SAMUEL	NWAORISE	MBIRI
432	SAMUEL	OGBARE	ODOVIE
433	SAMUEL	ENWELIM	IGBODO
434	SAMUEL	JOHN NWOKOLO	EKWUOMA
435	SUCCESS	USIERA	JESSE
436	SUNDAY	UZORMA	MBIRI
437	SUNDAY	EGBUTOM	EKWUOMA
438	TAPINI	GRACE	ELUME
439	TAYE	AMROPHE	EVWRENI
440	TIETIE	REBECCA	OGHARAEMI
441	TUNDE	SUNDAY	AGBOR
442	UBAROJEPHA	ESTHER	ALADIA
443	UDO	MONDAY	ACROSS RIVER
444	UDOKA	ISIBOR	EKWUOMA
445	UDOMO	ONOWEMU JUSTINA	OTOR-IGHO
446	UDUGBA	OGACHUKWU	OWA-ALERO
447	UGBOKO	MICHAEL	EKWUOMA
448	ULORI	BETHEL	AJAGUYIBO
449	UMEBEI	BEN	UTE OGBEJE
450	UNORKIWEDI	JOHN	ISSELE UKWU
451	UNUETARA	ISAAC	RESERVE
452	UNUKEGWO	HAPPY	ELUME
453	UNUTERI	FELICIA	ELUME
454	USIFO	PHILOMINA	AGBOR - OBI
455	USIFO	LOUIS	OGBEISERE
456	UWERU	PATRICK	ABAVO
457	VINCENT	EGBIKUADJE	RESERVE

BENEFICIARIES OF TOMATO EXPANSION SUPPORT PACKAGE

S/N	SURNAME	OTHER NAMES	LOCATION
1	AGADIE	JOHNSON	OWHELOGBO
2	AJOBOKPOKA	ANTHONIA	OWHELOGBO
3	AKPOJENE	LUGARD	OWHELOGBO
4	AKPONWON	PIUS	OWHELOGBO
5	ALAINO	MONDAY	OWHELOGBO
6	DIRISU	DANIEL	UGBOLU
7	ENEH	LAWSON	OWHELOGBO
8	ENIGHENO	COLLINS	OLOMORO
9	EREYUKONHEN		ABAVO
10	ESE	WINNIFRED	ASABA
11	ESESOR	OBIORA FARMS	ISSELE-AZAGBA
12	INANA	BEAUTY	EMEVOR
13	KINGSLEY	ORODE	UGHELLI
14	LUCKY		OKPARE
15	MBAYE	AMAECHE	AGBOR
16	NWAMUDOH	STEVEN	ISSELE-UKU
17	OFFILI	THE BLIND FARMS	ASABA
18	OFUAFO	ANDREW	OWHELOGBO
19	OGBOGU	IFY	ASABA
20	OGIRI	JACOB	OWHELOGBO
21	OKONTA	HENRY	ASABA
22	OKORODUDU	ELOHO	OKPARE
23	OKUGUNI	OKUGUNI	JESSE
24	OMOVIGHO	JOSHUA	OWHELOGBO
25	OYAKPORAYE	EUNICE	OWHELOGBO
26	OWHOBUKOWIYO	ISAAC	OWHELOGBO
27	UGURU	LAWRENCE	OTOWE
28	UTOMI	BLESSED	OGWASHI-UKU
29	UYINO	ENABULELE	AGBOR
30	UZEZI	OCHONOGOR	OWHELOGBO

BENEFICIARIES OF OUTBOARD ENGINE AND FISHING GEARS SUPPORT PACKAGE

S/N	NAME OF GROUP	LOCATION
1	AYRIORITSE MPCs	OGIDIGBEN, WARRI SOUTH WEST
2	EBIDEN FISH FARMERS MPCs	ELOHIM CITY, KALAFIOGBENE, BOMADI
3	EBIDOU MPCs	KUNUKUNAMA, WARRI SOUTH WEST
4	EBIFERE OGBO MPCs	TORU-ANGIAMA, PATANI
5	EWERE MPCs	OBIAYAGHA, UGHELLI SOUTH
6	IBOLOGWU FARMERS MPCs	OKO, OSHIMILI SOUTH
7	NGWU MPCs	OKO, OSHIMILI SOUTH
8	ODINIMA MPCs	ASE, NDOKWA EAST
9	OFORUDU WOMEN MPCs	EKUREDE ITSEKIRI, WARRI SOUTH
10	OGANISU MPCs	ETUA, NDOKWA WEST
11	ONWENEMONE EDI-YERE-OGBO MPCs	KPAKAMA, BOMADI
12	OWEI MPCs	BURUTU
13	OZUKUROMO OGBO WOMEN ALLIANCE MPCs	BURUTU
14	TEBU DEEPSEA FISHING MPCs	TEBU, WARRI NORTH
15	UZERE FISH TRADERS MPCs	UZERE, ISOKO-SOUTH

BENEFICIARIES OF THE TRACTORISATION PROGRAMME

S/N	NAME OF COOPERATIVE	TOWN	COLLECTED
1	AGHAMIHU FARMERS MPCs	BOJI BOJI OWA	1
2	CLERGY WORKERS MPCs	IKA	1
3	DESOPADEK STAFF MPCs	WARRI	2
4	EWOMAKARO MPCs LTD	EGBO-IGBIDE	1
5	EYIME TOMATOES FARMERS MPCs	IGBODO	1
6	EZIGBO FARMERS MPCs	BOJI BOJI OWA	1
7	IGBODO MAIZE FARMERS MPCs	IGBODO	2
8	IGBUKU OUTGROWERS MPCs	OROGUN	1
9	IGBUZOR FARMERS MPCs	IBUSA	1
10	ILOHO ISOKO MPCs	OTOR-IGHO	1
11	IMC STAFF COOPERATIVE SOCIETY	NSUKWA	2
12	MEDEMEDE MPCs	JESSE	1
13	NGO BEST FARMS	EJEME ANIOGOR	1
14	NJEDEH FARMS LIMITED	KWALE	1
15	NKWOR SQUARE MPCs	ASABA	2
16	OFAAC, MPCs,	ASABA	2
17	OFUOMA PROGRESSIVE FARMERS MPCs	UGHELLI	1
18	OGWA MULTIPURPOSE COOPERATIVE SOCIETY	AGBARHA-OTOR	1
19	OLEH DIOCESAN, MPCs	OLEH	2
20	ONYEMEYENIBE MPCs LTD,	OWA ALERO	2
21	OTU-OMA FARMERS MPCs	ABAVO	1
22	OTUWOMA PROGRESSIVE FARMERS MPCs	IRRI	1
23	RAYMOS GUANAH FARMS LTD	UGHELLI	2
24	RELANCE ECONOMIC ADVANCEMENT LTD	ASABA	1
25	SOLUTION TEAM MPCs	OGWASHI-UKU	1
26	SYLVA EJEZIE FARM LTD	ASABA	1
27	UBULU FARMS AND VENTURE LTD	UBULU-UKU	1
28	UMUOKPUE MPCs	UKWUANI	2
29	UMUOSHOMI FARMERS MPCs	ONICHA-UGBO	1
30	URHORHOMU OKPE VISION LTD	OREROKPE	1
31	URHUOKA FADAMA COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION	ABRAKA	1
32	VALOUR STRIDE MPCs	ASABA	1
33	WINNERS MPCs	AGBOR	2
34	WINOSA GLOBAL RESOURCES LTD	ABAVO	1
35	YOUNG FARMERS COOPERATIVE SOCIETY	OTOR-OWHE	1
36	ZION MPCs	WARRI	1
TOTAL			46

SWARAJ TRACTORS ALLOCATION

S/N	NAME OF GROUP	LOCATION	COLLECTED
1	AFRICA CASSAVA RESOURCES LTD	LAGOS	1
2	AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME	ASABA	1
3	AGRICULTURAL SERVICE DEPARTMENT	ASABA	1
4	COMMUNAL TASK FORCE FARMERS	ASABA	1
5	GOVERNMENT HOUSE AND PROTOCOL	ASABA	1
6	MBIRI MPCs	MBIRI	1
7	OPHROMO FARMS ENTERPRISE	UGHELLI	1
8	STEPAT FARMS LTD	UGHELLI	1
9	TRACTOR HIRE AGENCY	ASABA	10
TOTAL			18

BENEFICIARIES OF FISH PROCESSING SUPPORT PACKAGE

S/N	NAME OF COOPERATIVE SOCIETIES	REPRESENTATIVE
1	ABRAKA P.O. MPCs	OKIEMUTE ONOWHAKPO, EIJO IDOGR
2	ABRAKA WOMEN MARKET MPCs	GRACE OMOJUWA, PATIENCE OGAGO
3	ADEJE-OPURAJA WOMEN MPCs	ESTHEROKOMOYAM ONO, GLORIA ATURHOMEMRO
4	AFIESERE UNITED WOMEN MPCs	SUZZY OBIRI, FLORENCE AFORKEYA
5	AGHOGHO MPCs	ANN UDJOR, UGHAGBE KATE
6	AGHOLOKPE WOMEN MPCs	ANGELA OSEAGHWEAKE, HELEN AGBINONE
7	AMUKPE MPCs	EUNICE BOKORO, CHRISTIANA OGURE
8	ARAGBA WOMEN MPCs	COMFORT ONOHWOHOAKPOR, OBIEBI EIJO
9	AYAABARO TRADERS MPCs	QUEEN OKPAKOVWODO, VICTORIA AGAIGO
10	CONFIDENCE SISTERS STORES MPCs	JOSEPHINE EKPO, GRACE URUETSONE
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Commendations

TOMATOES/VEGETABLES FARMERS ASSOCIATION
Delta South (excluded) Farmers (excluded) Only
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Our Ref: _____ Your Ref: _____ Date: _____

Through: _____
 To: The Executive Director,
 Delta State,
 Asaba.

A LETTER OF APPRECIATION

We the undersigned members of the Tomatoes/Vegetables Farmers Association of Delta South (excluded) hereby, with due respect, commendate the state government for the support and assistance rendered to the association since its inception in 2015.

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Yours faithfully,
 For: Tomatoes/Vegetables Farmers Association
 TONY WIKI
 09051363225

EGBOKODO ITSEKIRI COMMUNITY
 P.O. BOX 542, WARRI
 WARRI SOUTH LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Our Ref: _____ Your Ref: _____ Date: 12/04/2018

Through: _____
 To: The Chief Job Creation Officer,
 Asaba, Delta State.

Dear Sir,

LETTER TO SUPPORT THE YAGEP TRAINERS WITH LAND IN EGBOKODO FISH FARM CLUSTER

We wish to use this medium to appreciate the Delta State Government/Job Creation Office for choosing to cluster the YAGEP TRAINERS into cluster groups for the YAGEP PROGRAM.

We are pleased to inform your office that we shall offer the land at request free of charge for the program.

We hope that this kind gesture will give our youths some opportunities and improve the economic standard of living.

We are ready to support the program with land for smooth take off and ensure that this program succeeds in the area.

Thanks in anticipation for the commencement of the program.

Yours truly,
 For: Egbokodo Itsekiri Community
 TONY WIKI
 09051363225

TOMATOES/VEGETABLES FARMERS ASSOCIATION
Delta South (excluded) Farmers (excluded) Only
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Our Ref: _____ Your Ref: _____ Date: 27/11/2015

Through: _____
 To: The Executive Director,
 Delta State,
 Asaba.

A LETTER OF APPRECIATION

We wish to appreciate you for the official handling of the Tomatoes/Vegetables Farmers Association in Delta South (excluded) State on 17th November, 2015, in Delta South (excluded) Local Government Area.

We are pleased to inform you that we have received your letter for Agriculture and Agribusiness Extension.

This is to inform you that we have received your letter and we are happy to accept it.

We are happy to inform you that we have received the official group of planting seeds and fertilizer to start the program. We hope to see more from the government.

We remain true to your commitment.

Yours faithfully,
 For: Tomatoes/Vegetables Farmers Association
 TONY WIKI
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UGBOKODO COMMUNITY
 BARRAGE, First Bank Pls, Shomolu
 POSTAL ADDRESS: Postal Agency Ugbokodo, Via Effurun Oja L.S.A Delta State Nigeria

Our Ref: _____ Your Ref: _____ Date: 24/08/2018

Through: _____
 To: The Chief Job Creation Officer,
 Asaba, Delta State.

Dear Sir,

AVAILABILITY OF LAND SPACE FOR FISH FARM CLUSTER PROJECT

We the undersigned on behalf of Ugbokodo Community joyfully welcome the presence of the proposed state Government fish farm cluster project in our community.

We are ready to willingly provide our land space to the government but please that our children be also considered in the process.

Thanking you in anticipation of a long and fruitful partnership.

Yours faithfully,
 For: Ugbokodo Community
 Pst. Aaron Eduvie Osha
 Farm Manager
 Pst. Osha Stephen
 Secretary to Family

OSHA ROYAL FAMILY, ENHWE EVBA QUARTERS

We the undersigned on behalf of Osha Royal Families express our joy over the government intention to establish fish cluster farm on our land in Enhwe Community, we are willing to release our land free for project.

We will be happy if our children are considered in the empowerment.

Long live Delta
 Long live Governor Oluwalope
 Long live Delta Nation
 Prosperity For all Deltaans

Yours faithfully,
 For: Osha Royal Family
 Pst. Aaron Eduvie Osha
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UREJI AND EGBOKODO FISH FARMERS MPFS LIMITED
 ADDRESS: Ureji/Egbokodo Town, Warri
 Phone No: 08052750074, 07551137594
 Email: ureji_ureji@urejiandegbokodo.com

Cluster 2

Our Ref: _____ Your Ref: _____ Date: 27/11/2015

Through: _____
 To: The Chief Job Creation Officer,
 Asaba, Delta State.

Dear Sir,

LETTER OF APPRECIATION

The entire members of Ureji/Egbokodo Fish Farmers MPFS Ltd wish to appreciate for the letter of the letter which we received on the 17th of November 2015. The reason for this was an award of the high quality seed material as the fish farm cluster project in our community.

We in Cluster 2 district 1 wish to replace these fish farm cluster project in our community as we are not happy to see the government not to replace these fish farm cluster project in our community as we are not happy to see the government not to replace these fish farm cluster project in our community.

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 For: Ureji/Egbokodo Fish Farmers MPFS Ltd
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PHOTOSPEAK



A STEPreneur displays his starter pack & certificate



A trainee in barbing happily displays his starter pack



A trainee under YAGEP in front of his fish pond



A trainee in cosmetology displaying her starter pack



A YAGEPreneur in front of her starter pack



A YAGEPreneur receives fish feeds for his fish pond



Bird feeds for a PPSP beneficiary



CICO Prof. Eric Eboh presenting a melon shelling machine to a beneficiary



CICO Prof. Eric Eboh, signing completion of training certificates



Cross-section of physically challenged persons at a meeting with CICO Prof. Eric Eboh



Cross-section of STEP & YAGEP trainees during their passing out ceremony



Distribution of bird feeds to YAGEPreneurs



Distribution of birds to poultry farmers



Hon. Comm. for Agric & Natural Resources, Mr Austin Chikezie presenting farm input to Mrs Nkem Ofili



STEPreneurs with their starter pack



Distribution of cassava stems & bags of fertilizer in Udu



Trainee in tiling received his starter pack



Jobs. Jobs. Jobs.



Unemployed Delta youths are being empowered to start their own enterprises under the first phase (August 2105 – March 2016) of the Job and Wealth Creation Scheme (STEP & YAGEP).



These entrepreneurs are among the actors that are now driving the economic diversification of Delta State.

Governor Okowa is fulfilling his promise to Deltans.



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