

**MINUTES OF THE OGUN STATE TOWN HALL MEETING ON THE 2024 BUDGET
AND MEDIUM-TERM EXPENDITURE FRAMEWORK (MTEF) 2024-2026**

IN

**EGBA DIVISION
(OGUN CENTRAL SENATORIAL DISTRICT)**

HELD ON

TUESDAY, 2ND NOVEMBER, 2023

AT

JUNE 12 CULTURAL CENTRE KUTO, ABEOKUTA, OGUN STATE

CHIEF HOST:

**HIS EXCELLENCY, THE EXECUTIVE GOVERNOR OF OGUN STATE
PRINCE DAPO ABIODUN, CON**

1.0. INTRODUCTION:

- 1.1 The Ministry of Budget and Planning having obtained the approval of the Ogun State House of Assembly for the 2024 - 2026 Medium Term Fiscal Framework (MTFF) and Medium-Term Budget Framework (MTBF) i.e. the top-down phase of the MTEF process, was poised to move on to the bottom-up phase of the MTEF process.
- 1.2 The bottom-up phase includes the Medium-Term Sector Strategy (MTSS), Consultation with Local Government Areas and the Town Hall Meetings.
- 1.3 The Town Hall meetings in respect of the preparation of the 2024 - 2026 Medium-Term Expenditure Framework (MTEF) and year 2024 Budget started on Tuesday 24th October 2023 with Ijebu division and thereafter, the Remo and Yewa divisions on Thursday 26th and Tuesday 31st October 2023 respectively. The last in the series was the Egba division held on Thursday 2nd November 2023 at the Cultural Centre, Kuto, Abeokuta.
- 1.4 The Master of Ceremony, Dr. Adewole Dosunmu of the Ministry of Information and Strategy while awaiting the arrival of His Excellency, apprised the gathering on the importance of the meeting.

2.0 ATTENDANCE AT THE MEETING

- 2.1 The meeting recorded an average of 1,122 participants amongst whom were; Her Excellency, the Deputy Governor of the State, Engr. (Mrs.) Noimot Salako-Oyedele, the Speaker of Ogun State House of Assembly, Rt. Hon. Olakunle Oluomo, the Secretary to the State Government, Mr. Tokunbo Talabi, the Osile of Oke-Ona, HRM, Oba Adedapo Adewale Tejuoso and other Royal Fathers, the Deputy Chief of Staff, Dr. Oluwatoyin Taiwo, the Hon. Commissioner of Finance/Chief Economic Adviser, Mr. Dapo Okubadejo, the Head of Service, Mr. Kolawole Peter Fagbohun, the Hon. Commissioner for Budget & Planning/Host, Mr. Olaolu Olabimtan and other Honourable Commissioners; the Special

Advisers, Chairmen of Parastatals; the Honourable Members of the State House of Assembly; Sen. Olugbenga Obadara, the Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Budget and Planning, Mrs. Olufunmilayo A. Dada, the body of Permanent Secretaries, Representatives of Professional Bodies, Representatives of Youth Organisations, the Religious Leaders, the Civil Society Organisations (CSOs), the Organized Private Sector (OPS), the Market Women, Political Leaders, Artisans, Community Development Association, National Association of Nigeria Students (NANS), Trade Unions and other Stakeholders.

3.0 OPENING

3.1 The meeting commenced at 12.04pm on the arrival of Her Excellency, the Deputy Governor of the State, Engr. (Mrs.) Noimot Salako-Oyedele who represented His Excellency, the Governor of the State, Prince Dapo Abiodun CON, with rendition of the National and the Ogun State Anthems. The Chief Imam of Owu kingdom, Imam Kehinde and Rev. Stephen Adeyemi thereafter said the opening prayers.

4.0. GOODWILL MESSAGE BY THE HONOURABLE COMMISSIONER FOR FINANCE / CHIEF ECONOMIC ADVISER (CEA)

4.1 The Honourable Commissioner for Finance/CEA, Mr. Dapo Okubadejo, standing on the established protocols warmly welcomed stakeholders to the Egba division of the budget Town Hall Meetings on 2024 – 2026 Medium Term Expenditure Framework and year 2024 Budget. While noting that the government was committed to increased transparency, inclusiveness, fiscal discipline, institutionalizing public reforms, good governance and discouraging extra budgetary activities, he added that in a bid to achieve the foregoing on a sustainable level, the present Administration enacted the Ogun State Fiscal Responsibility Law, 2020 (as amended) which highlights roles and functions of all stakeholders and spells out the expected fiscal activities in the State and the annual budget processing.

4.2 Speaking on, he said that the fiscal policy of the present Administration aimed at improving the efficiency and effectiveness of government spending towards

achieving a balance between capital and recurrent expenditure and fiscal consolidation. It also aimed at greater control of the wage bill and boosting of the Internally Generated Revenue (IGR) by blocking revenue leakages and by making public spending consistent with micro economic realities and sustainable debt.

4.3 The Chief Economic Adviser stated that the Administration of Prince Dapo Abiodun CON would continue to encourage inclusiveness and good governance by strengthening public financial assistance in line with the global best practices and by giving dividends of democracy to the entire people of Ogun State. He added that as year 2024 approached, a holistic consideration and judicious allocation of the State's limited resource to areas of the citizens' welfare shall be prioritized.

4.4 On this note, the Honourable Commissioner for Finance/CEA encouraged the good citizens of Egba division to feel free in contributing their needs and requirements for consideration in the preparation of the 2024 – 2026 Medium Term Expenditure Framework (MTEF) and Year 2024 Budget.

5.0. HIS EXCELLENCY'S ADDRESS

5.1 The Deputy Governor welcomed the distinguished Stakeholders and prominent Personalities amongst whom were Royal Fathers and members of the State Executive Council to the Egba Divisional Town Hall Meeting on the 2024-2026 Medium Term Expenditure Framework (MTEF) and Year 2024 Budget.

5.2 Addressing the gathering, the Deputy Governor described MTEF as a multi-year public expenditure plan that sets out the future expenditure requirements for the State's existing services/programs/projects and assesses resource implication of future policy changes and any new programs. She added that Medium Term Expenditure Framework (MTEF) enhances transparency in budget process and documentation whereby policy goals are clearly set out and resources allocated based on priority without prejudice and sentiment to deliver democracy deliverables.

- 5.3 Assuring the gathering of the commitment of the leadership of His Excellency, Prince Dapo Abiodun ~~CON~~ to good governance, transparency and accountability, the Deputy Governor reiterated that the Administration's vision of providing a *focused and qualitative governance*... remained fresh and irrevocable in their hearts propelling the people's oriented and transformational projects.
- 5.4 On this note, Her Excellency Highlighted the Administration's accomplishments through the ISEYA Strategic Pillars in Egba division. In the area of construction and rehabilitation, Her Excellency stated that the following roads were completed in 1st term of the Administration: Onikolobo, Omida, Ibara, Sapon, Olomore, Itaoshin, Aro Hospital roads, Federal Housing Estate Elegu, Obantoko, Olomore Junction-Sanni, Lafenwa, Somorin-Kemta Idi-Aba, Pasenke, Adigbe, Journalist Estate, Elite, Isale-Ake, Lafenwa-Ayetero, Olorunda, Agbeloba roads, etc.
- 5.5 The Administration's interventions in health sector include procurement and distribution of medical equipment across all facilities in the divisions, Emergency Operation Centre, Public Health Laboratory, Blood Transmission Centre at Iyana-Mortuary and Itoko. The Administration also ensured provision of adequate equipment for Primary Healthcare Centres at Wasimi, Ifo, just to mention a few.
- 5.6 In the Education Sector, the Deputy Governor stated that the Administration had approved the permanent employment of additional 1000 Interns in Ogun Tech Program and the engagement of new 2000 Interns to meet the demands for quality teachers across the public schools in the State. Adding to these was the continuous maintenance of school infrastructure and supply of school furniture across the State.
- 5.7 Speaking further, she stated that this Administration remained determined to ease the suffering of the people hence the launching and introduction of the first set of Compressed Natural Gas (CNG) Mass Transit Buses to alleviate the stress of high cost of petroleum products occasioned by the removal of fuel subsidy. She added that Ogun State led other States to implement payment of cash

palliative of ₦10,000 to both the serving public servants and pensioners and distribution of food items to the most vulnerable citizens.

5.8 Her Excellency stated that as part of strategies to sustain the State's pride of being the industrial capital of Nigeria, the Governor, Prince Dapo Abiodun con had secured approvals for the development of dry ports at Kajola and Papalanto airport corridor to further ease our business environment and attract more investors to into our dear State.

5.9 On this point, she commended all the Royal Fathers, Communities Leaders and Security Agencies for their roles in security of lives and property in the division. While imploring youths to shun social vices and embrace the "Omo-'luwabi" way of living, she assured the security agencies of government continued support for security of lives and property in the State.

5.10 The Deputy Governor again welcomed stakeholders and participants to the Egba division of the 2024 Town Hall Meeting on the 2024-2026 Medium Term Expenditure Framework (MTEF) and Year 2024 Budget and invited the Honourable Commissioner for Budget and Planning to make his presentation.

6.0 PRESENTATION BY THE HONOURABLE COMMISSIONER FOR BUDGET AND PLANNING

6.1 The Honourable Commissioner for Budget and Planning, Mr. Olaolu Olabimtan in his presentation noted that the essence of the programme was essentially citizens' engagement/participation/feedback and gathering of citizens' needs for consideration during the budget preparation in line with the Ogun State Fiscal Responsibility Law, 2020 (as amended).

6.2 Recalling the vision and mission statements of the Administration, he revealed the Administration's Strategic Thrust, which are Strategic Pillars (i.e. ISEYA), Strategic Allocation of Resources and Even Distribution of Resources amongst the State's Divisions (Remo, Ijebu, Yewa and Egba). He added that factors like completion of ongoing projects, projects with revenue potential, projects consistent with priorities articulated in the State Economic Development Strategy

vaccination in South West. He added that Ward 4 (Totoro) Abeokuta North did not have a building at all. While noting the new Olomoore PHC, he appealed to the Governor to renovate the existing PHCs and equip them with necessary facilities. On Education, he requested that the D. S. Adegbenro ICT Polytechnic Ilori be monitored with a view to addressing issues of unrest, provide a conducive learning environment and develop its infrastructure.

- 7.3 **Elder Kunle Adesina** commended the State Government for organizing the Town Hall Meeting. He requested for the completion of the Lafenwa - Rounder Road that links Abeokuta with Yewa noting that the one side constructed is already wearing. He finally requested that all Medical Centers in Egba be equipped with drugs and instrument to function properly.
- 7.4 **Chief Joju Fadairo** appreciated His Excellency for his Administration's achievements so far and requested for the construction of Coker Ifo to Igbogbo road where Olabisi Onabanjo University (Ibogun Campus) is located and MAPOLY to the new Prince Court Kobape to further open up the areas.
- 7.5 **Hon. Kikelomo Delano, Chairman, (Ifo Local Government)** representing the Local Government Chairmen in Egba Division appreciated His Excellency and corroborated the comments already made by the royal Fathers and the elders. She however invited attention to the rural roads across the State and approval of landmark project to put an end to the intra and inter boundaries crisis.
- 7.6 **Mr. Samuel Akintunde, former Chairman, Chartered Institute of Personnel Management (CIPM)** appreciated His Excellency for taking care of retirees. He urged His Excellency to scale up the publicity on Health Insurance Scheme for citizens towards improving awareness and quality of health care and service in Ogun State. He also urged His Excellency to intervene further in MAPOLY circumstance for proper assurance and sense of belonging. Conclusively, he called for closer attention on the Public Service Reform Agency.
- 7.7 **Pastor Adeyemi** representing the Christian Association of Nigeria (CAN) appreciated His Excellency especially for skills and empowerment programmes for youths and women in the State. He thereafter reminded His Excellency to

further reduce the approval cost for church building, consider issue of pilgrimage to Jerusalem and come up with programmes with employment opportunities for youths.

- 7.8 **Chief Imam of Owu kingdom, Imam Kehinde** appreciated His Excellency achievements and urged him to honour his open promise in respect of the reconstruction of Saje-Elega-Mokola-Ilugun-Iberekodo-Ibode-Olude road.
- 7.9 **Senator Gbenga Obadara** appreciated His Excellency and requested for the construction of roads leading to the train station, as well as the rehabilitation of Asero-Adatan-Obantoko road that connects the State to Oyo State.
- 7.10 **Mr. Usman Olamilekan** representing **Community Development Association (CDA)** appreciated His Excellency strides and urged him to put all the Local Government roads submitted this year into consideration for reconstruction/rehabilitation. He also requested for the rehabilitation of Social Development Institute at Iperu-Remo and replacement/repair of street security light in the area.
- 7.11 **Market Women** represented by **Iyalaja of Egba Land, Chief Oluwakemi Oloyede** appreciated the present Administration of its good works and urged the State Government to attend to the communities roads. She further informed His Excellency that Igbore and Adigbe bridges needed urgent rehabilitation because they are farmers/market women routes. She also called for maintenance of the Cultural Centre furniture/upholstery. Other requests include construction of toilets and boreholes in market centres, reconstruction of Obada-Ifo road and Carwash-Adatan road. She finally implored present Administration to help review the N3million developers market stall charge downward and to address the issue of high cost of living occasioned by the removal of fuel subsidy.
- 7.12 **Women Council** represented by **Alhaja Allu** appreciated the State Government for Health insurance Scheme slots given to women and called for the establishment of Vocational Centres for training of women noting that the group is made up of various professionals such as Artisans/Lawyers/Doctors etc. She

also requested for financial grants for Petty traders, Lands/equipment for Farmers as well as beefing up of security in farm settlement and rehabilitation of rural roads to urban centre for easy access to market.

- 7.13 **President, People With Disabilities (PWD)**, thanked His Excellency for the good work done so far. He pleaded for the creation of Disability Department in the Ministry of Women Affairs and Social Development and the inclusion of PWD members in his cabinet either as Special Adviser/Honourable Commissioner and provision of mobility bus.
- 7.14 **Francis Adeyemi representing the Student Union** commended the good works of the present Administration. He however appealed to His Excellency by registering the following for proper address: increment in tuition fees, CNG bus operation to be free to PWD and 50% reduced cost for students with means of Identification, immediate employment of qualified graduates, construction of roads leading to the State institutions. Lastly, the ongoing strike at Mapoly.
- 7.15 **Comrade Toyo Abiodun Joseph representing National Youth Council of Nigeria Egba division** commended the good works of the present Administration. He applauded His Excellency for the creation of Ministry Youth and solicit for inclusion of More Youth in His Excellency cabinet. In addition, he requested for the creation of job agencies to look into youth employment, Skill acquisition Centres in the state and also, ensure that officers are deployed to the Ministry of Youth.
- 7.16 **Comrade Olanrewaju Wale representing Nigeria Union of Journalist** Commended His Excellency for all that has been done in terms of development and the cordial relationship enjoyed so far. He spoke about the need for the present Administration to empower the Local Governments to enable them function accordingly most especially in the rehabilitation of Trunk C roads, consideration of social development in the state. He requested for the provision of Journalist Estate. Finally, he solicited that Town Hall Meetings should be held to measure performance.

7.17 **Comrade Akeem Lasisi representing Trade Union Congress** profoundly commended the good works His Excellency. Appealing to His Excellency, he registered the following plights for proper address: good industrial workforce, new minimum wage implementation when finally agreed, increase quarterly gratuity, offset of global deductions should be included in 2024 budget, increasing the minimum fund for all pensioners.

8.0 OTHER COMMENTS/REQUEST FORMS

8.1 **Nigeria Auto Techn. Association Egba Division (NATA)** Appealing for the training of people on conversion of petrol power vehicles to Compressed Natural Gas (CNG) power vehicles. In addition, he requested for the provision of Solar Power light in all mechanic village.

8.2 **Representative of Abeokuta South LGA** requested for the construction of the following roads: Saraki Road (Asiribo), Olokemeji/GRA Road, Olorombo/Junction to Nawair-U-Deen Junction, Isale Oja Kuto through Nawair-U-Deen Bridge, Olokuta-Ide-Abba road to Train Station, Iporo-Ake Sawmill Bridge, Adatan junction, Oke-Iroto Itoko road, Kuto road. In addition, he solicited for streetlights in Abeokuta metropolis, lights under the bridges within Abeokuta especially Kuto under-bridge as well as construction of toilets in the marketplace within Abeokuta. Lastly government should look into MAROLY matters.

8.3 **Somarin Community Development Association (CDC)** commended the good works of this Administration. She solicited for women and youth empowerment, provision of social amenities in our rural areas, rehabilitation of roads in rural areas such as Iberokodo-Opeji road and lastly, provision of pipe burn water in the rural areas.

8.4 **Olatoye Olaitan A., from Obafemi Owode LGA** Pleading to His Excellency Prince Dapo Abiodun for the reduction in the payment of West African Examination Council (WAEC) for the SS3 Students as most parents cannot afford the amount.

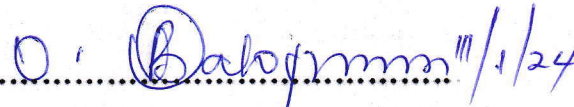
- 8.5 **Akanda Olayinka from Abeokuta North Ward 12** commended the good works of this Administration. Applauded His Excellency for the construction/rehabilitation of Lafenwa-Rounder-Soyoye.
- 8.6 **Hope (International) Women Wing** agitate for power resuscitation, road rehabilitation from Ajitadun to Mokola Elega bridge, women empowerment, fund to be given to Widower.
- 8.7 **Olutayo Muinat A.**, Pleading to His Excellency Prince Dapo Abiodun con for the construction of road especially Obantoko, Moore junction, Car-wash, Elega, Agodo Road.
- 8.8 **Kayode A.M. from Odofin Village, Oduduwa LGA** commended the good works of this Administration. Applauded His Excellency for the rehabilitation of Schools both Primary and Secondary Schools.
- 8.9 **Engr. Adebayo Aleyande from ward 16 Abeokuta North** commended His Excellency for the good work done. Pleading for the completion of the second side of Lafenwa/Rounda Road and ensuring environmental enforcement in that area.
- 8.10 **Alhaji Adewale from Elega Imale Road** thanked His Excellency for all he has done in terms of employment and other areas. He later requested for transformer in their areas.
- 8.11 **Olaniyi Iyabode Ajibola from Sabo Abeokuta North** pleaded for rehabilitation of Lafenwa Sawmill Sabo Road, job creation for people/youth, provision of financial assistance to widows.
- 8.12 **Allison Seyi S. from Onikolobo Abeokuta** implored for alternative routes from town/villages linking Abeokuta main road to be rehabilitated. Likewise, death benefits of Civil/Public Servant in active service should be paid to deceased family as at when due.

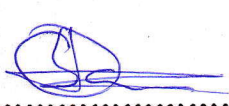
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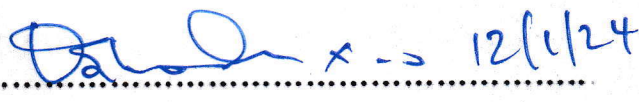
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