

CITIZEN CONSULTATIVE ENGAGEMENT ON 2021 OYO STATE SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ORGANIZED BY OYO STATE MINISTRY OF BUDGET AND ECONOMIC PLANNING AT IBADAN BUSINESS SCHOOL, BEHIND DAVIS HOTEL AWOLOWO AVENUE, BODIJA IBADAN.

1.0 Prayer

The opening prayer was said by Mr. John Oluwafemi Olla.

2.0 Introduction

The meeting started with the recognition of dignitaries on the other side of the table. The Special Assistant to the Governor on Economic matters, The Permanent Secretary of Ministry of Budget and Economic Planning, Permanent Secretary of Ministry of Finance and the Accountant General for Oyo State.

3.0 Opening Remark

The opening remark was said by the Special Assistant to the Governor on Economic Matters (Mr. Oluwaseyi Ogunsanya). He appreciated the citizen groups and people with disabilities for taking their time to attend the meeting even at short notice. He said their participation was a sign that Oyo state is heading toward sustainable development.

4.0 Welcome Address

The welcome speech was delivered by the Permanent Secretary of the Ministry of Budget and Economic Planning. In his address, he stated that the purpose of the meeting was to engage the citizen in the planning process of the supplementary budget, and which the present administration in the State is known for through the involvement of the government is obliged to involve all the necessary stakeholders. In the budgetary process he further stated that the amount to be supplemented was 50 billion Naira. He went further that the supplementary budget would be financed using the Contract Financing bank loan from the First Bank Plc. To bring clarity to the process he informed the Stakeholders how the supplementary budget would be spent. He stated the supplementary budget would be spent on the Circular Road which will cut across all the length and breadth of Ibadan and two-thirds of the road would be completed before the end of Engr. Seyi Makinde's first term. The fund would also be spent on Iseyin-Oyo-Ogbomosho Road after the state government had secured the approval of the Federal Government on the rehabilitation of the road

which in later time will be refunded to the Oyo State Government. Thirdly, the money would also be spent on the upgrade of Ibadan airport runway of 3.5km in partnership with the Federal Government. This according to him was important because it would expand and upgrade for the airport to be able to accommodate big airplanes (aircraft) and carry out 24/7 operations of airline services which will in turn improve the economic fortune of Oyo state.

5.0 Citizen participation (observation)

- Ibadan North Local Government representative requested to know about the progress and performance of the 2021 budget being reviewed.
- Mr. John Oluwafemi Olla from Act Hub Africa also requested to know whether the state government had any plan to build an economic environment around all these development projects which are meant to contribute to the economy of the state. He cited an example of building an economic corridor around the circular road and the airport in order for the state to fully maximize the benefit of the institution of all the projects.
- The representative of people living with disabilities express their dissatisfaction with the choice of the venue because the venue is not PWD-compliant in any way.

6.0 Responding Response

The Permanent Secretary promised that the citizen would be involved during the 2022 budget process.

On the questions concerning whether the projects would be given to local contractors, he stated the citizen of Oyo state should rest assured that the project would be awarded to competent local contractors to boost the economy of the state.

He stated further that the monitoring process of all the development projects would be all inclusive and participatory and that the citizen would be allowed to be part of the monitoring process because the government has nothing to hide.

On the grievances of people living with a disability concerning the inaccessibility of the venue, he promised that the venue for the next programme event would be accessible for them while, necessary measures would also be put in place to ensure that people with disabilities are well catered for.

On the request raised on the publicity of Oyo State Government activities. He assured that henceforth, the Ministry would be using all electronic media (both radio and television), and other social media platform that showcase the activities, programmes and projects of the State to the citizenry; especially those in the rural communities.

7.0 Vote of thanks

The vote of thanks was said by the Director of Budget.

8.0 Closing prayer

The Stakeholders engagement came to an end at 3.30pm with closing prayer said by Mr. Akinshawe Musa.

9.0 Photographs and Pleasantries

Rapporteur



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