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May God reward your efforts richly.



CSOs BUDGET IMPLEMENTATION ASSESSMENT, MONITORING AND EVALUATION COMMITTEE (CBIAPEC)

About US:

As partner in the process of governance to enshrine the principle of transparency and accountability in Government businesses, our duty is to assess, evaluate, and monitor Federal Government projects across the Federation to know the level of public office holders' compliance to laid down procurement procedures, Financial Regulation Act, Public Service Rule (PSR) and responsiveness to FOI Act. We assist in line with world best practices, to make Nigeria succeed in all ramifications.

For the above reasons, the committee has drafted CSOs across the Federation to assess, evaluate, and monitor Federal and State government project implementations and come up with a report on their findings. This will promote real value for monies the government is expending on budget execution across the Federation.

To this effect the Committee Monitoring and Evaluation on Budget Implementation of the **National Agency for the Great Green Wall**, which rounded up the second week of October, 2023, with the submission of report by sister NGOs, members of the committee to the central working committee, for onward submission of the harmonized report to appropriate authorities; Presidency, National Assembly, National Agency for the Great Green Wall and all the antigrant agencies. Part of our civic responsibility as CSOs is to follow up on the budget implementation of the current administration for unbiased independent feedback to the government, which can serve

as one of the instruments for assessing the government's level of performance year in and year out.

We applaud Mr. President's demonstrated commitment towards building a more formidable and resilience economy that meets the needs of the citizens for national growth; we advocate for more funding of critical institutions of government like the National Agency for the Great Green Wall, upon which the burden of securing the ecosystem rest on. To effectively implement her mandate requires adequate funding for her projects across the 11 frontline states. To assess and evaluate the extent of work done so far by the Agency, predicated the need for eleven-member organization of CSOs Budget Implementation, Assessment, Monitoring and Evaluation Committee to embark on an independent Monitoring and Evaluation of the Agency's projects across eleven (11) frontline states, to assist the government of Nigeria track budget execution of **National Agency for the Great Green Wall**, to ensure that they are in tandem with what was budgeted for and what was executed in line the Procurement Regulation Act. All deployed CSOs for independent assessment, Evaluation, and Monitoring of National Agency for the Great Green Wall projects executed across eleven (11) frontline states, upon which report was submitted to the committee for cross examination, which we have harmonized as one comprehensive report.

Considering citizens' participation in CSOs Budget Implementation Assessment, Monitoring and Evaluation Committee on **National Agency for the Great Green Wall**, project execution with respect to tree planting; we thought it most imperative to put a report on the committee's official online portal platform to be accessible to citizens and also be open to useful feedback on the report shared. To mud public opinion with respect to the projects executed by the Agency, matching it with what is expected and with what is already expended so far for the projects, to further mirror back to the society the true picture of the projects executed thus far by **National Agency for the Great Green Wall**.



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ZAMFARA STATE

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 MONITORING AND EVALUATION OF TREE PLANTING
 AND RURAL DEVELOPMENTAL ACTIVITIES CARRIED OUT
 BY NATIONAL AGENCY FOR THE GREAT GREEN WALL IN
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ACKNOWLEDGMENT

The Initiative for Leadership and Economic Watch in Nigeria, wish to acknowledged the efforts of National Agency for the Great Green Wall, for her laudable projects executed in Zamfara State, while appreciating the opportunity given to our organization to carry out on the spot Assessment and evaluation of her projects in Zamfara State. We equally appreciate the Agency's field officer, Mr. Kabiru Abubakar and his team who took us round the projects for us to see what is done so far by the Agency.

INTRODUCTION

Being an assessment, monitoring and evaluation exercise carried out by Initiative for Leadership and Economic Watch in Nigeria on behalf of National Agency for the Great Green wall; the main purpose of the exercise is to ascertained the level of trees planted so far in Zamfara, which is among the 11 frontline States, along with several interventionist projects also carried out across communities in Zamfara State.

The parameter trees planting exercise in Zamfara State, as shelterbelt is billed to mitigate desert encroachment capable of exposing Zamfara ecosystem to danger for continuous depletion which is harmful to the general wellbeing of people living in Zamfara and Nigeria at large.

In the course of the above exercise several local Governments and communities were visited to assess the extent of work done by the Agency Saddled with the responsibility of fencing affected and yet to be affected areas with plenty of trees to formidably build a green wall in those areas to rejuvenate the ecosystem for better health living condition.

Positive intervention was extended to communities in Zamfara during the course of the Agency's Project execution, captured as constituency Projects which was also assessed by Initiative for Leadership and Economic Watch in Nigeria's Monitoring and Evaluation team, to see if Nigeria got value for monies expended for the constituency Projects so far in the Zamfara State.

It is on the strength of the above concerns that we give our eyewitness on the spot assessment of projects executed so far, following what we saw on the ground and correlate it with already expended budget for the projects done in Zamfara state in line with mandate of the agency.

AFFORESTATION IN NIGERIA (A CASE STUDY OF ZAMFARA STATE)

Zamfara is a state in the Northern Nigeria. The capital of Zamfara State is Gusua. Until 1996 the area was part of Sokoto state. Zamfara is a densely populated area with the Hausa and Fulani, and as dominant language spoken in Zamfara, it has a total area of 39.762km² and 15.352qm² agricultural and mining gold are the main State occupation, which is the state central source of income. Irrigation is required for cereals and legumes to yield well in the State, her slogan is “farming is our pride,” over 80 percent of the population are engage in Agriculture. Major farm products include millet, guinea corn maize, rice, groundnut, cotton, Tobacco and bean.

National Agency for the Great Green Wall is a government organization and it is Pan African initiative conceived to address land degradation and desertification and support communities. **Initiative for Leadership and Economic Watch in Nigeria** was mandated to carry out on the spot assessment of projects executed by (NAGGW) in part of Nigeria, with Zamfara as case study in the northwestern Nigeria. The team was headed by Comr. Jibril Ishaq Dangana, Head of Monitoring and Evaluation Unit, along with team members, Comr. Myke Ngbe and Miss Mbakwe Chinoso, all of **Initiative for Leadership and Economic Watch in Nigeria**, undertook a visitation to communities where the agency’s projects were sited and executed.

ON THE SPOT ASSESSMENT EXPERIENCE

Despite the insecurity bedeviling Zamfara State; the people still remained hospitable and accommodating, calm and peace-loving people, **Initiative for Leadership and Economic Watch in Nigeria** embarked on the journey to Zamfara for monitoring and evaluation of Projects executed by **National Agency for the Great Green Wall** on 8/10/2023 arrived State of Zamfara by 5:47 pm on the same day and we were picked by field officers Mr. Kabiru Abubakar who lead us to our accommodation. For about 7:00am the field officers were by the gate on the 9/10/2023, to lead us to various project sites

at different local governments in Zamfara State. On the same day we were able to cover two local government areas, Talata Mafara and Maru local government. We made a move to visit more local government but we are advice. The consequences of going ahead so we stop at Maru local government where we inspect institutional/social forestry at G.S.S Maru, Maru L.G.A Zamfara State.

On 10/10/2023 The Field officers led team to other project sites in various part of Gusau local Government area project site at Geba, Ngaski, and Baguda. Note: other communities of the project sites could not be accessed due to activity of banditry and kidnapping. On 11/10/2023 we left Zamfara for Abuja at about 10:00 Am and arrived at about 8:00 pm.

COMMUNITIES AND PROJECT SITE VISITED

Note that the projects carried out those communities visited are up to 70 to 80% executed, this includes the tree plantation and other community interventions by the National Agency for the Great Green Wall (NAGGW). The following communities were the' projects are sited are listed below:

1. 2km perimeter fencing of shelter belt plantation Zamfara state university. Talata /Mafara
2. Institution planting Talata /Mafara
3. 6HA. Orchard. Dabkadon Daji, Talata /Mafara
4. Tubewalls and solar pump location colony T/Mafara
5. 10HA, woodlots plantation location Mafara T/Mafara
6. 2km shelter belt plantation location Sado, T/Mafara
7. Institutional/ school forestry planting GSS Maru, Maru LGA Zamfara State
8. 5km shelter belt plantation location Baguda LGA Gusau Zamfara State
9. 3 nos motorized Borehole at 5km shelter belt plantation Bauga LGA Gasua
10. 10Ha indigenous tree species plantation location Geba L.G.A Gusua
11. Indigenous tree species plantation (2) Gaba Gusau L.G.A
12. Motorized borehole at 10HA indigenous tree species plantation Geba Gusau

L.G.A Zamfara

13. 10HA indigenous tree species plantation (3) Geba, Gusau LGA

14. 10HA Gum Arabic plantation (2) Ngaski Gusua LGA Zamfara

15. 10HA woodlot plantation, Baguda Gusau LGA Zamfara State
 other intervention include:

- *Training of communities on how to plant the trees is very important for continuous community engagement*
- *Training them on trading*
- *Giving the community dwellers sense of empowerment*
- *Training the community dwellers on how to plant trees to mitigate climate change in order to secure the ecosystem.*
- *Seeding*

CHALLENGES IMPEDED PROGRESS OF THE PROJECTS

The projects commendable as it were, but progress is impeded by the followings;

1. Insecurity/ banding/kidnaping
2. Vandalization
3. Activities of land Grabbers
4. Lack of Good roads to the project sites.
5. Low funding
6. Fuel Scarcity
7. Need for more Man power to able to cover grounds with the shortest possible time to reduce desert encroachment drastically.

RECOMMENDATION

1. The Security coverage of the area should be more and up and doing and very intense.

2. The security should do more to protect the project area of execution.
3. Activities of land grabbers have been reported in the area, so government should do more of intercommunity security work to salvage the situation.
4. Road of the project areas should be constructed for easy accessibility to area.
5. The activities of scavenges or Badan Bola should be ban in the state.
6. Fuel scarcity is been experience in the areas visited, which impede on the movement of field officers.
7. They should be more of man power.
8. The field officers should be commended, rewarded or elevated to high position of responsibility, because fit for the job.
9. Federal government/NAGGW/should be commended for the job well done thus far.

In order to optimally achieve the set goal of the **National Agency for the Great Green wall**, seen by our assessment on her projects across Zamfara State; it is most pertinent that the Agency should be fully funded to be able to efficiently carry out her mandate with respect to tree planting projects, to be able to build great green wall across communities to further mitigate the fast-approaching desert encroachment in Zamfara and the other ten frontline States.

Thanks to Almighty God for journey mercy back to Abuja.

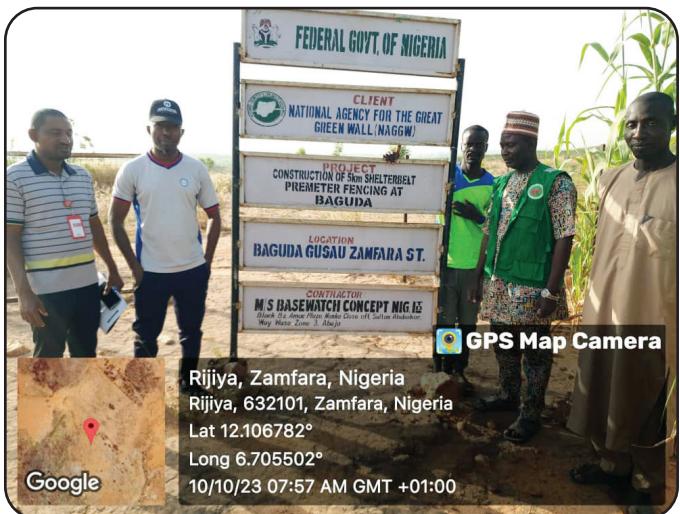
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6. PICTURE GALLERY OF NAGGW PROJECT\SITES VISITED







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KATSINA STATE

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ABSTRACT

The monitoring assessment of tree planting by the NAGGW Katsina Shelter Belt was undertaken by the **Civil Society Groups for Good Governance CSGGG**. Necessitated by an investigative hearing into the “Utilization of ecological funds” released to the National Agency for Great Green Wall from 2015 to date, carried out by the House of Representatives in August 2023 alleged that the Agency mismanaged the funds for the green shelter belt in 11 frontline states in Northern Nigeria.

The lawmakers who spoke during the hearing session, expressed displeasure over conflicting financial reports submitted by the Central Bank of Nigeria, Office of the Accountant General of the Federation and the Agency. According to the lawmakers who spoke after scrutinizing the documents, the sum of

N697,372million and an additional sum of N500million, and as well as N480, 657m spent on renovation of office accommodation, N11.28billion on capital projects as well as claiming ownership of some projects carried out by lawmakers under Constituency Projects as it's projects and exclusion of three states in the tree planting exercise.

The Katsina State Green Shelter Belt is among the eleven frontline states of the Northern Nigeria where the tree planting was undertaken to mitigate against the climate change by the National Agency for Great Green Wall.

In its assessment tour, the **Civil Society Groups for Good Governance CSGGG** undertook a field on-the-spot assessment of projects, trees planted and Rural Development Programmes by the Agency. In the course of our investigation, we discovered that:

- i) *Trees were planted in 17 Local Government Areas of Katsina State*
- ii) *The Agency alleged they covered a total of 150 km shelter belt in Katsina State*
- iii) *The Agency said it covered an expanse of 400 hectares of land*
- iv) *40% of trees planted couldn't survive*
- v) *In most sites visited equipment were either vandalized or stolen*

- vi) Irregular payment of forest guards by the Agency
- vii) Lack of enlightenment campaigns and synergy with the host communities by the Agency
- viii) Unfettered logging of trees for firewood
- ix) Grazing and destruction of green areas by cattle and camels
- x) Irregular or inconsistent watering of nursery and trees
- xi) Physical assault and infliction of injuries on forest guards.



**New Plantation In Mai'Adua
Local Government Area**

INTRODUCTION

i) BACKGROUND

Established by an Act of Parliament in 2015 in line with the United Nations Conventions on Climate Change (UNCCD). The National Agency for Great Green Wall was enacted to improve the livelihoods of affected communities, reduce poverty, and build the resilience of the people against the debilitating effects of climate change.

ii) PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

The House of Representatives' probe into the financial activities of the National Agency for Great Green Wall in August 2023, necessitated the assessment of projects and programs by Civil Society Organizations to set the records straight and scale up efforts of the Agency to meet its mandate.

The Katsina State green shelter belt is among the 11 frontline States in Northern Nigeria where the projects are alleged to be sited. **Civil Society Groups for Good Governance CSGGG** has been in the vanguard for quality leadership through monitoring and evaluation. As part of its mandate CSGGG was mobilized by the Agency to assess the level of work done by the National Agency for Great Green Wall in its tree planting initiatives.

iii) SCOPE OF THE REPORT

CSGGG in its assessment tour encountered some challenges in carrying out its mandate. Aside from other financial implications of covering the 17 LGAs of Katsina State where projects are sited, security was a major challenge as most villages and Local Government Areas are under the stronghold of bandits who kidnap unsuspecting members of the public. Barring security, geographical,

physical and human challenges, **CSGGG** embarked on a field survey using 6 Local Local Government Areas of Kaita, Mashi, Mani, Batagarawa, Daura and Mai' Adua as its sample Area. Community indigenes, volunteers, forest guards, and NAGGW Staff were interviewed. The team visited the Central Nursery in Barawa, Batagarwa LGA, the Makerawa Fruit Orchard in Mashi LGA, and the Rural Development Programs of Solar Homes Systems.

In the course of our investigation, we discovered that 40% of trees planted couldn't survive due to irregular watering and drought. Furthermore, forest guard volunteers are not being paid for up to 11 months which causes the project to suffer neglect.



Rural Development Project At Kayawa Plantation, Kaita Local Govt Area



Rural Development Project in Daura Local Government Area



Community Nursery in Danmawa, Mani Local Government Area



RECOMMENDATIONS

- i) The Agency should first develop a forage grazing reserve for herdsmen to forestall encroachment
- ii) The Agency should embark on aggressive enlightenment campaigns to educate the host communities on the importance of protecting the shelter belts
- iii) Prompt payments of forest guards and volunteers to motivate them
- iv) Stringent punitive measures for wood loggers who pose a potential threat to the project
- v) The Agency should liaise with traditional institutions as Chief Security of their domains
- vi) There should be regular interface between the Agency and the host communities to build synergy
- vii) The Agency should develop a curriculum on tree planting in nomadic education to mitigate friction and noncompliance by herdsmen.

CONCLUSION

We hope that this assessment will form a nucleus for policy implementation by the relevant agency and National Assembly. For proper and wholistic implementation it will be germane for NAGGW to carryout regular project assessment, monitoring and evaluation to mitigate against huge financial loss in budget implementation.



Central Nursery in Barawa, Batagarawa Local Government Area



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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report presents the findings of an independent assessment conducted by three representatives from Integrity Advocacy For Development Initiative in Jigawa State. The assessment was carried out on projects executed by The National Agency For The Great Green Wall in various locations across Jigawa state. We visited multiple project sites and found that the agency has demonstrated exemplary performance and achievement in these projects. Based on our findings, we strongly recommend that the Federal Government releases the Natural Resource Fund to the agency, enabling them to expand their efforts and fulfill their mandate effectively.

Date: October 10th, 2023 - October 12th, 2023

Location: Jigawa State

Prepared by: Integrity Advocacy For Development Initiative

Assessors: Christopher Ofomhi, Igwe Martins, Fatima Mohammed

ASSESSMENT FINDINGS:

During the assessment, we visited several project sites to evaluate the performance and outcomes of The National Agency For The Great Green Wall's projects. The following are the key areas we visited and our observations:

1. 10Ha Woodlot Maifari, Maigatari LGA
2. Uku da Sisi Central Nursery, Babura LGA
3. Babura Farms, Babura LGA
4. 10Ha Woodlot Bakar Kuka, Babura LGA
5. 6Km Shelterbelt Kirilla & Madugumsumi, Birniwa LGA
6. 5Km Shelterbelt Gabasmari, Birniwa LGA
7. 5Km Shelterbelt Girtigini, Kaugama LGA
8. 10Ha Woodlot Motso, Kaugama LGA
9. 10Ha Orchard Marma, Guri LGA
10. 10Ha Indigenous Plantation Gurmina, Birnin Kudu LGA

11. 10Ha Orchard Andaza, Kiyawa LGA

From our visit to these project sites, it is clear that **The National Agency For The Great Green Wall** has shown a strong commitment to its mission and has executed these projects with dedication and excellence. Their work has positively impacted the ecosystem/environment, agriculture, and local communities in Jigawa State. (See Attached Pictures)

Additional Community Benefit Programs:

In addition to the aforementioned projects, NAGGW also conducted various community intervention programs, benefiting several communities within Jigawa State. These programs encompassed a wide range of initiatives aimed at improving the quality of life and livelihoods of local residents. The following is a summary of these intervention programs and the areas that benefited from them:

Babura L.G.A.:

- *Solar Power Systems:* NAGGW distributed solar power systems to provide clean and sustainable energy sources, benefiting the residents of Babura L.G.A.
- *Community Borehole:* The agency implemented the construction of a community borehole, ensuring access to safe and clean drinking water for the community.
- *Training of Women & Youths on Ruminant Animals:* The agency organized training programs for women and youth in Babura L.G.A., imparting knowledge and skills related to the care and management of ruminant animals.

Birniwa L.G.A.:

- *Energy Saver Cooking Stoves:* The distribution of energy-saving cooking stoves in Birniwa L.G.A. aimed to improve cooking efficiency and reduce fuel consumption.
- *Community Borehole:* Similar to Babura L.G.A., the agency provided a community borehole in Birniwa L.G.A. to enhance access to clean water.

Kaugama L.G.A.:

- *Training of Women & Youth on Tailoring:* The agency conducted training programs in

Kaugama L.G.A., equipping women and youth with tailoring skills for potential income generation.

- *Cow Fattening & Beef Production:* Alongside tailoring training, the agency also offered programs in cow fattening and beef production, contributing to livestock management and meat production.
- *Distribution of Solar Powering Systems:* Solar power systems were distributed in Kaugama L.G.A. to improve energy access and reliability in the region.

Kiyawa and Birnin Kudu L.G.As:

- *Training of Women & Youths on Tailoring:* Both Kiyawa and Birnin Kudu L.G.As benefited from the agency's training programs in tailoring, empowering women and youth with skills for self-employment and economic independence.

It is important to note that, at the conclusion of these training programs, all beneficiaries received starter packs or materials to kickstart their respective initiatives. NAGGW's holistic approach not only provides training but also equips the community members with the tools and resources necessary to establish themselves and actively participate in these initiatives. These intervention programs have undoubtedly contributed to the overall welfare and capacity-building of the communities in Jigawa State.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

Based on our assessment, we wholeheartedly recommend that the Federal Government releases the Natural Resource Fund for NAGGW to support its continued efforts in Jigawa State projects, all other projects, and its mandate as a whole. The agency has proven its ability to carry out projects effectively and make a positive impact on the environment and local communities.

CONCLUSION:

Our independent assessment of the projects carried out by NAGGW in Jigawa State indicates a high level of performance and achievement. We are confident that

releasing the Natural Resource Fund to this agency will enable them to further their efforts and fulfill their mandate, benefiting both the environment and the community.

Yours in Nation building.

Signed

Comrade Ofomhi Christopher







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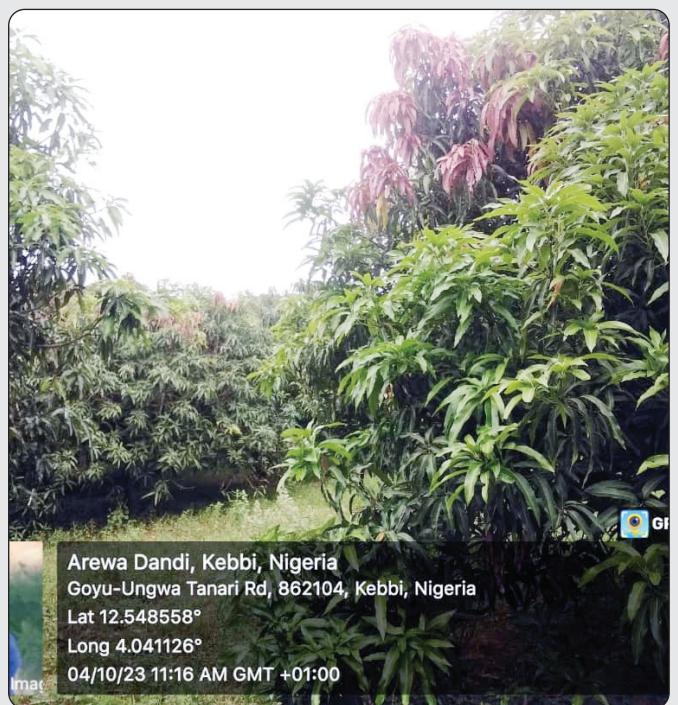
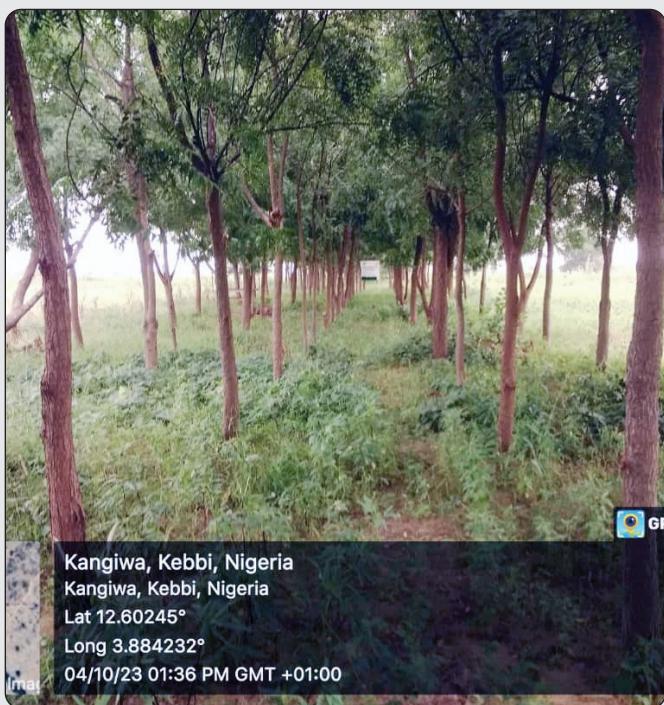
The Center for Peace, Transparency and Accountability conducted an independent on-the-spot assessment of tree planting activities and community developmental projects powered by the NAGGW at Kebbi State- Northwestern Nigeria. In August 2023, the House of Representatives Committee launched an investigative hearing into the alleged misappropriation in “utilization of ecological funds” released to the National Agency for Great Green Wall from 2015 to date. Meanwhile, the said fund are meant to provide green shelter belt in 11 frontline states across Northern Nigeria in order to mitigate the effect of climate change. According to the lawmakers, there was discrepancies as regard to the financial reports submitted by the Central Bank of Nigeria, Office of the Accountant General of the Federation and that of the Agency. After careful scrutiny of the documents, the members of the House Committee revealed that humongous sum of 697.372million in addition to N500million and another N480.657m were claimed to be spent by the agency on renovation of offices accommodation. In the same vein, the agency also emphasized to have spent another N11.28billion on capital projects while at the same time claiming ownership of some constituency projects carried out by the lawmakers. The document further indicated that three states were excluded by the agency on tree planting campaigns for providing shelterbelt. Therefore, it is against this background that the Center for Peace, Transparency and Accountability embarked on an expedition to one of this 11 frontline states- Kebbi from 4th-8th October, 2023 where it conducted an on-the-spot assessment and evaluation of tree planting campaigns and development projects done by the agency across various communities in the state thereby using Arewa-Dandi, Argungu, Gwandu, Kangiwa and Birnin Kebbi LGAs as case studies.

1.1 INTRODUCTION

For many years, the global attention has been shifted towards managing the effect of climate change on the environment which have been manifesting progressively across various nations of the world with African continents

bearing most of the brunt. The main focus of Agenda 13 of the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals for 2030 is to ensure a safer environment by mitigating the effects of climate change globally. The National Agency for the Great Green Wall (NAGGW) was established by Act of Parliament in 2015 to pursue the laudable vision of the African Union and its Heads of State and Governments when they adopted and launched the Great Green Wall in the Sahel and Sahara Initiative (GGWSSI) which initially began in 2007.

The initiative which effectively commenced operations in Nigeria in 2013, is established to combat land degradation, drought and desertification and other menace orchestrated by impacts of climate change and a strive in the implementation process to improve on the livelihoods of the affected communities and reduce apparent manifestation of poverty and building the resilience of the people on the phenomena of climate change. The implementation of the initiative in Nigeria encompasses the eleven frontline states of Adamawa, Bauchi, Borno, Gombe, Jigawa, Kano, Katsina, Kebbi, Sokoto, Yobe and Zamfara.



Plantations at Kanigwa and Arewa-Dandi LGAS

1.2 OBJECTIVES OF THE REPORT

The central goal of the report is to provide the outcomes for on-the-spot independent assessment of tree planting campaigns and community developmental projects carried out by the NAGGW in Kebbi state during the period under review. It can be recalled that in August 2023, the House of Representatives launched a probe aimed at investigating the financial activities of the agency. This development made it necessary for the Center for Peace, Transparency and Accountability to monitor and evaluate the projects conducted by the agency in order to entrench its efforts and capacity towards delivering on its enshrined mandates. Known for its crusade and advocacy campaigns toward deepening transparency and accountability, the NAGGW deemed it imperative to mobilize and dispatch the management team of Center for Peace, Transparency and Accountability to Kebbi state in order to assess the level of progress and quality of projects conducted by the agency, especially tree planting campaigns and other developmental projects across communities in the state.



Potable Water Project at Birnin Kebbi LGA

1.3 SCOPE OF THE REPORT

Occasioned by financial and time constraints coupled with security challenges being currently faced by some communities in Kebbi, the Center for Peace, Transparency and Accountability sampled 5 out of 21 Local Government Areas (LGAs) in Kebbi State as case study for its assessment and evaluation. The four LGAs visited are; Arewa-Dandi, Argungu, Gwandu, Kangiwa and Birnin Kebbi respectively. During the course of the assessment, stakeholders including local indigenes, forest guards, volunteers, community leaders and NAGGW staff were interviewed in order to elicit responses aimed at achieving the goals of the expedition. Plantation, plant nursery, orchard, woodlot plantations and community projects were visited by the management team of Center for Peace, Transparency and Accountability.



A Solar Powered Borehole with Overhead Tank at Gwandu LGA

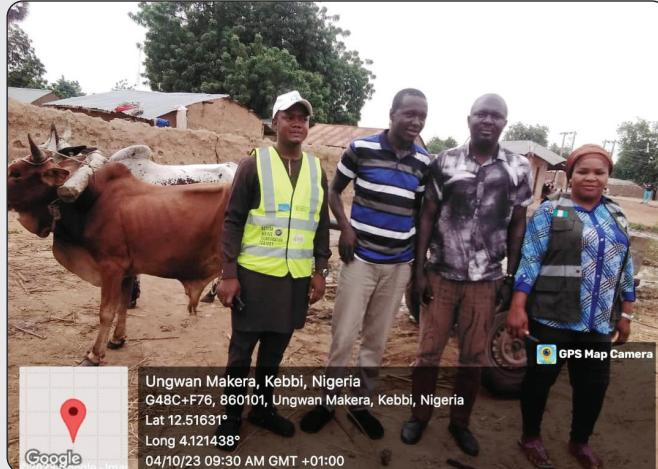
1.4 OUTCOMES/FINDINGS

Kebbi, a Northwestern state in Nigeria is one of the 11 frontline states where the National Agency for Great Green Wall provided a Green Shelter Belt in order to combat the effects of climate change in the country. Based on the independent assessment, monitoring and evaluation of activities of NAGGW in the state conducted by the management team of Center for Peace, Transparency and Accountability, the following revelations were found out;

- i) The agency was able to conduct tree planting exercise across the 21 LGAs of the state.
- ii) Host communities are supporting the agency in taking good care of the shelterbelts which helps in cushioning the effect of desert encroachment and equally provide them with source of livelihoods
- Provision of solar powered boreholes to the community for constant supply of water
- iv) Provision of overhead tank for watering the nursery and the entire plantation
- v) A plantation of about 8,000 plant species including economic trees were established by the agency
- vi) Invasion of the shelterbelts by livestock for grazing
- vii) Illegal cutting down of trees from the shelterbelt by some people in the community
- viii) There is considerable level of collaboration between the agency and the host communities
- ix) Permanent perimeter fencing of 15ha woodlot plantation at Gulma, Augie LGA
- x) The nursery plantations are in good shape due to proper management



Management team of CPTA alongside forest guards (L) and NAGGW staff inspecting a project at Tsulawa Community, Kangiwa LGA



Management team of CPTA in one of the host community (L) and in company of the forest guards (R) inspecting a plantation at Kangiwa LGA

RECOMMENDATIONS

Subject to the outcomes of the on-the-spot assessment, the followings recommendations were made;

- i. The Agency should channel more efforts in providing economic trees across the plantations aimed at generating income
- ii. Agency should collaborate with the host communities in taking good care of the plantations, nurseries and equally use the resources generated in fixing problems associated with the intervention projects such as solar powered boreholes
- iii. The agency should take proactive measure against cutting down of trees for firewood by sanctioning erring individuals
- iv. There is need to embark on enlightenment campaigns in order to sensitize the host communities on the environmental advantage of continued existence of the shelterbelts
- v. Synergizing with traditional rulers and community leaders in protecting the shelterbelts
- vi. The agency should put more efforts in enhancing good rapport with the host communities
- vii. Permanent perimeter fencing of the plantations is very essential
- viii. Prompt and regular payments of volunteers and forest guards is very imperative toward motivating them to discharge their duties diligently.

CONCLUSION

The present on-the-spot independent assessment has enriched the scope of our knowledge in understanding the tree planting campaigns and community developmental projects conducted by the NAGGW across Kebbi State. These intervention projects were found to be impacting positively on the lives of the host communities while at the same time mitigating the effect of the climate change. Nevertheless, it is hope that this exercise will serve as a clarion call to NAGGW towards ensuring a prudent financial spending so as to achieve proper budget implementation, monitoring and evaluation aimed at enhancing accountability and transparency.



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Special appreciation goes to the Director General and management of the National Agency for the great Green wall for giving us this opportunity to visit their sites in Sokoto State. We also appreciate the field officer of Sokoto State Mr. Kabiru Salihu Koko, his colleague Mr. Yakubu Aminu Dalhatu and the proficient driver Mr. Nura Muhammad.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

We arrived in Sokoto via the Sultan Sadiq Abubakar III International Airport on Sunday 1st of October 2023 at exactly 7pm and was received by the representatives of the Great Green Wall Agency led by Mr. Kabiru Salihu Koko who also doubled as the field officer of the agency for Sokoto State.

We were then chauffeured driven on a black hilux belonging to the agency to a hotel were we lodged for the duration of our stay in Sokoto state. The assessment was basically an engagement as we saw first hand the innovative tree planting system called 'half-moon' system introduced by the current Director General of the agency Dr. Bukar Yusuf.

We saw the nursery Orchid and water reticulation works among other investments of the agency in remote communities in Sokoto State.

From our assessment, over 1000 ha of land has so far been cultivated with economic trees of great value such as Gum Arabic, Neem, Mahogany, indigenous spp such as 21 ziphus, pekia, baoba, khaya, senegalenes, philistigma etc.

The sites visited were all fenced with barb wires and with each location having an orchard for nursery equipped with borehole and other facilities and locals managing and providing security for the sites.



SITES VISITED

The tours to various sites was done within 4days with the field officer taking us to various locations were we saw huge investments of the agency in tree planting. The sites visited include the following:

1. *Kwar Kwar Magaji Community of Kware Local Government were we saw the nursery with species of mangoes and other economic trees.*
2. *Gunduga Alkali Community in Kwale Local Government with its solar powered lighting in the nursery.*
3. *Rigiyar Dono Community, Yabo Local Government was also a good site with the nursery and the kilometers of trees planted including a water reticulation system for the local community.*
4. *Sanyinna Community, Tambuwal LGA was also visited where we saw the half-moon planting system that allow retention of water and good for arid environment like northern Nigeria.*
5. *Bulbuli community Yabo LGA was also visited.*
6. *Balle community in Gudu LGA was another wonderful site with its fine nursery.*
7. *Wurno community, Wurno LGA.*
8. *Gidan Yalo Community in Kware LGA was also visited.*
9. *Sakkwai Tangaza LGA.*
10. *Saida Community in Tambuwal LGA and*
11. *Gidan Dukko Kware Local Governments were inspected by our team.*

GENERAL INFORMATION ON THE FIELD INSPECTION

From our interaction with the field officer Mr. Kabiru Salihu it was revealed that the projects on ground actually commenced since 2020 and over 60ha of shelterbelt was established. 50 ha of wood lots, 50 ha of Gum Arabic plantation, institutional planting, large scale restoration and establishment of community boreholes including establishment of orchards with perimeters fencing were executed in the aforementioned year. These projects are still much on ground.

In 2021 about 50km of shelterbelt was established, 50ha of wood lots was planted; 50ha of Gum Arabic plantation was achieved coupled with 50ha of orchards and community boreholes to supply water for the orchards.



CHALLENGES

From physical inspections one can see the various challenges faced by the agency which requires concerted efforts in remedying them. These challenges are:

1. BUSH FIRE: The field officer narrated to us how bush fire has damaged some of the plantation and the consequences of these fire outbreak which as an agency they are handicap in remedying. The need to carry out more enlightenment in the local communities is very important because of the economic cost this investment is to the federal government and Nigeria in general.

2. THEFT AND VANDALISM: There are areas we saw that the perimeters fences have been cut and destroyed by vandals. The need to recruit more guards on the facilities of the agency should be top priority. We implore the agency to set up a special vigilante squad in partnership with the communities to police the agency's facilities.

3. DEFORESTATION: This are manmade occurrences that the management should look into as the target of the agency is to restore back the forest region in the Sahel basin and there is need for more sensitization for the local communities to see the importance of planting and keeping trees.

4. INSECURITY: Some areas were considered insecure for us to visit and the field officer told us that the challenges of insecurity and bandits invasion of some communities has led to the abandonment of those areas. This is also taking a toll on the livelihood of the state as goods and services are very expensive in Sokoto State.

5. ACTIVITIES OF HERDERS: There are also the negative activities of herders especially grazing on already cultivated lands. We witnessed one of such situation in Tambuwal Local Government and the field officer have to mobilize some locals to drive the herders from the location.



RECOMMENDATIONS

The following recommendations are recommended to the agency for effective operations:

1. That the agency has developed so much orchards for nursery and should begin to commercialize these tree seedlings to state governments and the private sectors in other to achieve her target of massive tree planting in Northern Nigeria and others states as well outside their scope.
2. That the half-moon technique of planting trees should be fully embraced by the agency and also introduced to government agricultural institutions across the country.
3. That the agency should open its doors for other agricultural institutions for

research and development in areas of tree planting and nursery.

4. That more funding should be advocated by the agency through direct engagements with stakeholders especially state governors in areas of infrastructural developments in communities where these trees are planted.

CONCLUSION

The team was received and taken through the sites across the state except to areas where it was considered unsafe due to banditry activities. The position of the team is that the agency is doing a very important and economic activity that requires more funding, hence, the need to advocate for more funding of the agency activities.

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SUMMARY REPORT

The report of the finding presents an independent assessment conducted by the three representatives from the **Committed Advocate of Integrity Initiative** in Bauchi State. The assessment was carried out on projects executed by **The National Agency for The Great Green Wall** in various communities across Bauchi State. The agency has demonstrated exemplary performance in executing the projects in all the project sites that were visited.

However, based on our findings, we discovered that the agency needs the support of the Federal Government to release funds to enable them to expand and carry out their mandate effectively.

Date: October 4th, 2023 - October 7th, 2023

Location: Bauchi State

Prepared by: Committed Advocate Integrity Initiative

Assessors: Balogun M. York, Folorunsho E., Faith Anthony

FINDINGS

The Committed Advocate Integrity Initiative was at the various locations of the project sites of the National Agency for the Great Green Wall for assessment and evaluation. The key areas visited are listed below as follows with our observations:

Situation Report on NAGGW projects in Bauchi State field office

1. Five (5) Community Nurseries across the Bauchi state field office.

- *Gadau Community, Itas Gadau Local Government Area*
- *Katabji Community, Zaki Local Government Area*
- *Tattije Community, Katgum Local Government Area*
- *Samo Community, Gamawa Local Government Area*
- *Garuza Community, Dambam Local Government Area*

Observations: The community nursery across Bauchi state field office is currently functional, but as per the Bolehole status, the Agency needs to look into the functionality of some of them.

2. Woodlot plantation across the Bauchi State field office.

- *Zindiwa community, Gamawa Local Government Area – 5HA*
- *Bangaza community, Katagum Local Government Area – 5HA*
- *Lafiya community, Misau Local Government Area – 5HA*
- *Guda community, Jama'are Local Government Area – 5HA*
- *Garin babani community, Jama'are Local Government Area – 5HA*
- *Jambure community, Katagum Local Government Area – 5HA*
- *Gadiya community/ Gamawa Local Government Area – 5HA*
- *Garuza community/Dambam Local Government Area – 5HA*
- *L.G.A Katabji community, Zaki Local Government Area – 5HA*

Observations: The species are well established in all the communities mentioned above but insecurity issues in some areas particularly in Lafia community in Misua LGA need to be looked into. In addition, a total of 45HA land was used for woodlot Plantation across Bauchi state.



3. Institutional planting

- *Gamawa Eid Ground, Gamawa Local Government Area – 2HA*
- *Udubo Eid Ground, Gamawa Local Government Area – 1HA*
- *Dogon Jeji, Jama'are Local Government Area – 1HA*

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4. Perimeter fencing

- *Gadiya community, Gamawa Local Government Area*
- *Garuza community, Dambam Local Government Area*
- *Guda community, Jama'are Local Government Area*
- *Garin Babani community, Jama'are Local Government Area Jambure community, Katagum Local Government Area*
- *Kataji Community, Zaki Local Government*

Observations: In some of the communities the cattle fencing wire was vandalized, Gadiya community in Gamawa Local Government Area and Garin Babani community in Jama'are Local Government Area need repairs, while others are in good shape.

5. Shelterbelt plantation

- *Kari Gwacca/ Darazo Local Government Area – 5KM*
- *Fate Community/ Darazo Local Government Area – 5KM*
- *Gabarin community/ Darazo Local Government Area – 5KM*
- *Jauro community, Toro Local Government Area – 2KM*

Observations: In this case, survival rates are 30-40% in all the Shelterbelt Plantations except in Kari Gwacca, Darazo Local Government Area.

6. Community Orchard

- *Kore community/ Gamawa Local Government Area – 3HA*
- *Jalam community/ Dambam Local Government Area – 3HA*
- *Takanda community/ Toro Local Government Area – 6HA*

Observation: Community Orchard are well here, sites are well established, about 70-80% survival rate.

7. Skills Acquisition Center

- Chinade community, Katagum Local Government Area

Observations: Here, schooling takes place. It needs renovation though, of course, there are activities going on. The site is well equipped in another toymaker it is more functional and efficient.

On our visit to these community project sites, it is clear that we are now aware that **The National Agency For The Great Green Wall** has shown a strong dedication to its mission and has executed these projects with commitment and excellence. Their work has positively impacted the agriculture, ecosystem/environment, and local communities in Bauchi State.

COMMUNITY BENEFIT PROGRAMS

The National Agency for Great Green Wall also conducted various community intervention programs, benefiting several communities within Bauchi State. These programs encompassed a wide range of initiatives aimed at improving the quality of life and livelihoods of local residents.

The following is a summary of these intervention programs and the areas that benefited from them:

Toro Local Government Area:

- *Community Boreholes:* The agency implemented the construction of community boreholes, ensuring access to safe and clean drinking water for the communities.



- *Solar Power Systems:* NAGGW distributed solar power systems to provide clean and sustainable energy sources, benefiting the residents of Toro Local Government Area.



Katagum Local Government Area:

- *Training of Women & Youths on Ruminant Animals:* The agency organized training programs for women and youth in Katagum Local Government Area, imparting knowledge and skills related to the care and management of ruminant animals.
- *Community Borehole:* Similar to Toro Local Government Area, the agency provided a community borehole in Katagum Local Government Area to enhance access to clean water.



- *Training of Women and youth on Tailoring:* The agency conducted training programs in Gamawa Local Government Area, equipping women and youth with tailoring skills for potential income generation.
- *Cow Fattening & Beef Production:* Alongside tailoring training, the agency also offered programs in cow fattening and beef production, contributing to livestock management and meat production.



Zaki Local Government Area:

- *Training of Women & Youths on Tailoring:* Both Zaki L.G.As benefited from the agency's training programs in tailoring, empowering women and youth with skills for self-employment and economic independence.
- *Distribution of Solar Powering Systems:* Solar power systems were distributed in Zaki Local Government Area to improve energy access and reliability in the region.



It is important to note that, at the conclusion of these training programs, all beneficiaries received starter packs or materials to kickstart their respective initiatives. NAGGW's holistic approach not only provides training but also equips the community members with the tools and resources necessary to establish themselves and actively participate in these initiatives. These intervention programs have undoubtedly contributed to the overall welfare and capacity-building of the communities in Bauchi State.





RECOMMENDATIONS

We therefore recommend based on our assessment that Ecological Funds be released by the Federal Government to support the efforts of the Bauchi State projects and its mandate as a whole. Also, we recommend the provision of an enabling environment to the agency in terms of security in order to carry out their duties without fear.

CONCLUSION

Our independent assessment of the projects carried out by NAGGW in Bauchi State is an indication of a high level of execution and achievement because the agency has proven beyond reasonable doubt its capacity to effectively carry out a positive impact on the environment and the local communities. The release of Ecological Funds to the agency will further improve its operations in carrying out its mandate both to the environment and communities at large.

Yours in Nation building,

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1.0. INTRODUCTION

The Vision-One Leadership Development Initiative (VOLDI) and National Council for Civil Society Organizations (NACCSO) were assigned to embark on monitoring and evaluation of trees planting, level of infrastructures used in growing the trees and the overall performance of the **National Agency for the Great Green Wall**.

The Kano Team which comprises of **Emmanuel Johnny, John Chia and Joy Ebere** arrived in Kano on **Monday 2nd October, 2023** and was received by the Kano State field officer representing the National Agency for the Great Green Wall, **Ahmed Muktar**.

After the arrival of our team on Monday 2nd October, 2023, our team proceeded to the fields on Tuesday 3rd October, 2023.

The following projects of the National Agency for the Great Green Wall were inspected:

1. NURSERIES AND ORCHARDS ESTABLISHED

S/NO	LOCAL GOVT	NAME OF COMMUNITY	ORCHARD	NURSERY	SOLAR POWERED BOREHOLE	REMARKS
1	Danbatta	Gwaleda	2Ha	1Ha	yes	
2		Tona	2Ha	1Ha	"	
3		Marini	2Ha	1Ha	"	
4		Mahuta	3Ha		Motorized borehole	
	Makoda	Kadandani	2Ha	1Ha	"	
6		Gatsika	2Ha	1Ha	"	
7		Rade	2Ha	1Ha	"	
8		Tukurwa	5Ha	--	Uses stream water	Forest reserve
9		Mahuwa		3Ha	Solar powered borehole	Central nursery
10	Gabasawa	Badawa	2Ha	1Ha	Solar powered borehole	
11		Yadai	2Ha	1Ha	yes	Everything vandalized by community
12		Zakirai	2Ha	1Ha	"	Everything vandalized by community
13		Kumbo		3Ha	"	Central nursery
14	Kunchi	Gwamai	2Ha	1Ha	"	

2. WOODLOTS ESTABLISHED

S/NO	LOCAL GOVT	COMMUNITY	EXTENT	STATUS OF FENCING	REMARKS
1	Makoda	Dunawa 1	5Ha	Fenced	2015
		Dunawa 2	5Ha	"	2020
		Mahuwa 1	5Ha	"	2015
		Mahuwa 2	10Ha	Fenced	2021
		Mahuwa 3	10Ha	"	2021
		Mahuwa 4	10Ha	"	2021
2	Danbatta	Dawan Dambatta	5Ha	Fenced	2015
		Kwasauri	5Ha	"	2020
		Dungurmi	2.5Ha	Fenced	2015
		Fagwalawa 1	10Ha	"	2020
		Fagwalawa 2	10Ha	Fenced	2021
3	Gabasawa	Gumawa I	2.5Ha	Fenced	2015
		Gumawa II	5Ha	Fenced	2015
		Kumbo	5Ha	Fenced	2019
		Jijitar	5Ha	Fenced	2019
		Fangan	10Ha	Fenced	2019
		Kumbo 1	10Ha	Fenced	2021
		Kumbo 2	10Ha	"	2021
		Kumbo 3	10Ha	"	2021
		Magama 1	10Ha	"	2021
		Magama 2	10Ha	"	2021
		Magama 3	10Ha	"	2021
		Takalmawa 1	10Ha	"	2021

		Takalmawa 2	10Ha	"	2021
		Takalmawa 3	10Ha	"	2021
		Dawan Adam 1	10Ha	"	2021
		Dawan Adam 2	10Ha	"	2021
		Dawan Adam 3	10Ha	"	2021
		Dawan Adam 4	10Ha	"	2021
		Dawan Adam 5	10Ha	"	2021
4	Minjibir	Kwanar goda	2.5Ha	Fenced	2015
		Gidan Gabas	2.5Ha	Fenced	2015
5	Ajingi	Gurduba 1	7Ha	Fenced	2015
		Gurduba 2	5Ha	"	2019
6	Kunchi	Gwarmal	2.5Ha	Fenced	2015

3. SHELTERBELTS ESTABLISHMENT

Shelterbelts (2014)

S/NO	LGA	Community	EXTENT	REMARKS
1	Makoda & Gabasawa	Dunawa, Yama & kumbo	22km(66Ha)	Fenced but most part of the fence has been vandalized.

Shelterbelts 2021

1	Dambatta, Makoda & Gabasawa	Kumbo, Takalmawa, Dagar, Jijitar, Fagwalawa & Mahuwa	50Km(150Ha)	Fenced
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Some of the pictures of the activities of the CSOs in Kano State.


RECOMMENDATION

1. The Management of the National Agency for the Great Green Wall should consider seeking the Nigeria Security and Civil Defence Corps to establish Anti-Forest Infrastructures Vandals Special Squad to protect the infrastructures of NAGGW.
2. More forest Guards should be recruited to protect the infrastructures of the agency.
3. The agency should meet the Chairmen, Senate and House Committees on environment and ecology to raise the issues of vandalism of Forest Infrastructures in the red and green chambers, thereby proposing a bill for an Act the establishment of National Forest Guards Agency, with aim of protecting forest infrastructures; farmers and farm produce.
4. The Agency should consider the use of technology to monitor and protect its forest infrastructures
5. Community involvements in planting and protecting the trees is necessary
6. The Agency should consider yearly or quarterly Town Hall Meeting with Communities to know the important of protecting the forest infrastructures of the agency.
7. The agency should consider meeting with the National Assembly to make law and fix a particular day as National Tree Planting Day.
8. The Agency should seek partnership with State Government on tree planting, maintenance and protections
9. The CSOs should always be carried along in every activity.

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INTRODUCTION

International Organization of United Nations Volunteers (IOUNV) is a Non-Governmental Organization (CSO). The group was found in 2013 by Amb. Cosmos Yahzitere. The primary objective is to promote the ideals of Community Volunteering and the promotions of UN peace objective. Hence, the body is composed of both accredited and nonaccredited Volunteers globally and open to people of all ages and genders.

Presently, IOUN Volunteers is led by. Amb. Cosmos Yahzitere and Amb. Luke Jacob the Director Volunteers Affairs who is presently heading the organization of UN Volunteers Nigeria

STRUCTURE AND MANAGEMENT

International Organization of United Volunteers is mechanically designed to cover continental, Continental Regions, National, Regions, States, Districts and Community's units for voluntary works. All of the units are led by Coordinators and Executive Members who jointly participate on weekly online meeting to brainstorm on ways forward of the group.

The IOUN Volunteers Forum is presently led by Amb. Salome Mula (National Coordinator for

Zimbabwe).

OBJECTIVES OF IOUN

International of United Volunteers is obligated to promote the following objectives.

- 1) To promote the ideals of Community Volunteering.
- 2) To educate and enlighten the masses on voluntarism.

- 3) To bring together accredited and nonaccredited Volunteers for humanitarian works.
- 4) To partner with Government, NGOs and other Agencies to engage on peace building and dispute resolutions in Communities.
- 5) To provide succor to less privileged persons through Community Volunteering.
- 6) To join up other NGOs to promote United Nations International Observance Days and mobilize members to participate.
- 7) To encourage Communities to play active and positive roles on developments.
- 8) To promotes the UN sustainable development Goals.
- 9) To bring people, groups or organizations closer to United Nations.

PURPOSE AND BENEFITS

IOUN Volunteers is poised to enlighten members and indeed the entire humanity on issues relating to volunteering. As an NGO under UN DESA, IOUN Volunteers is built to awaken the consciousness of voluntarism. It achieves this feat through following up with activities of Un Volunteers activities. It educates people on UN Volunteers registration, engagements and accreditations as well gives coverage for members with UN Volunteers Roaster Numbers. IOUN Volunteers apportions

Members to Community units as Cooperative Societies to serve people of their locations as well benefits from the services.

COMMUNITIES & ACTIVITIES

- 1) **BOJUDE, KWAMI LGA: 2021**
 Construction of 5HA perimeter fencing of woodlot, Neem, Mahogany and establishment of 5 HA woodlot plantation of Eucalyptus: - (Neem-Azadirachta Indica) (Mahogany – khaya Senegalensis).
- 2) **BOZONSHULWA, DUKKU LGA: 2022**
 Construction of 5km shelterbelt perimeter fence, the plantation is yet to be established
- 3) **HASHIDU DUKKU LGA: 2019**
 Establishment of community Nursery at Hashidu Dukku LGA, Nursery is where seedlings are raise for planting activities each year, the establishment has a solar power Borehole and steel tank with capacity of 22000 cubic meter (cm³) it also has a building of two offices and two toilets and Nursery shade.
- 4) **LAFIYA TALE DUKKU LGA: (NUSERY) 2019**
 Establishment of community Nursery at Iafiya Tale Dukku LGA, Nursery is where sidelines are raise for planting activities each year, the establishment has a solar power Borehole and steal tank with capacity of 22000 cubic meter (cm³) it also has a building of two offices and two toilets and Nursery shade
- 5) **TALE COMMUNITY OF DUKKU LGA IN GOMBE STATE: 2021**
 Construction of one solar power
- 6) **TALE DUKKU L.G.A:2020**
 Construction of 5HA perimeter fencing of woodlot, Neem, Mahogany and establishment of 5 HA woodlot plantation of Eucalyptus: - (Neem-Azadirachta Indica) (Mahogany – khaya Senegalensis).
- 7) **GOMBE ABBA DUKKU L.G.A:2016**
 Establishment of 2HA woodlot and orchard, the orchard comprise plantation was cashew 2HA with Borehole and steel tank
- 8) **JAMARI DUKKU LGA: 2019 Nursery**
 Nursery is where sidelines are raise for planting activities each year, the establishment has a solar power Borehole and steal tank with capacity of 22000 cubic meter (cm³) it also has a building of two offices and two toilets and Nursery shade
- 9) **JAMARI DUKKU L.G.A :2017**
 Establishment of 3HA community orchard at jamari Dukku LGA. The plantation comprises of citrus Mango, cashew.
- 10) **WAWA FUNAKAYE L.G.A 2022**
 Establishment of 5km shelterbelt Neem, Azadirachta Indica, Mahogany- Khaya sengalensis, Dovowa – parkia Biglohosa
- 11) **BIRINBOLANA NAFADA : L.G.A 2017**
 Establishment of 2HA woodlot and 2HA

orchard, with solar borehole and steel tank the plantain comprises of cashew and Neem (woodlot)

12) **BIRIN BOLANA NAFADA L.G.A: 2022**
 Establishment of 5km shelter belt and construction of perimeter fence, the plantain comprises of Neem, Mahogany, Diriwa.

13) **SORODO, NAFADA L.G.A: 2023**
 Construction of 2km perimeter fencing of shelterbelt plantation Neem, Mahogany, this was established 2023.

14) **WURO BAKI & YABULUS NAFADA L.G.A :2021**
 Construction of 5HA perimeter fencing both at wuro baki and yabulus and also establishment of 5HA woodlot each which comprises of Neem and mahogany.

15) **GARIN YABULAS NAFADA L.G.A :2022**
 Establishment of 3HA orchard plantation with perimeter fence and gate house the plantation comprises of mango, citrus, date palm.

16) **KADUBU COMMUNITY NURSERY NAFADA: 2019**
 Nursery is where sidelines are raise for planting activities each year, the establishment has a solar power Borehole and steel tank with capacity of 22000 cubic meter (cm³) it also has a building of two offices and two toilets and Nursery shade.
 There was a serious vandalism and theft of submersible pump, windows, doors and all Nursery Equipment.

17) **BARWO NASARAWO NURSERY NAFADA L.G.A :2019**
 The establishment has nursery where sidelines are raise for planting activities each year, the establishment has a solar power Borehole and steel tank with capacity of 22000 cubic meter (cm³) it also has a building of two offices and two toilets and Nursery shade.
 There was a solar power borehole but the water table does not provide water, there has to be another construction of new borehole.

18) **BARWO WINDE NAFADA L.G.A. :2018**
 Establishment of 3HA woodlots with borehole and steel tank

19) **MUNDA NAFADA: 2020**
 Establishment of 5HA woodlot with perimeter fencing, the plantain comprises of Neem & Eucalyptus just two species.

20) **NJALKAM NAFADA :2018**
 Establishment of 5HA Neem.

21) **NJALKAM NAFADA :2017**
 Establishment of 5HA Neem.

22) **JIGAWA NAFADA :2018**
 Establishment of 3HA of NEEM and mahogany.

23) **SHOLE NAFADA: 2018**
 Establishment of 5HA woodlot with steel tank borehole the plantation comprises of Eucaliplus.

24) **SHUWE DUKKU LGA: 2021**
 Establishment of 5HA woodlot

perimeter fencing of Mahogany and Neem.

25) KAKIDIGA DUKKU L.G.A. : 2021

Establishment of 5HA woodlot with perimeter fencing Neem, mahogany.

26) BAJOGA FUNAKAI L.G.A : 2020

Establishment of 5HA woodlot of Gum Arabic plantation with perimeter fencing the situation in this location was worrisome because the establishment totally vandalized.

27) RIBADU FUNAKA LGA : 2020

Establishment of 5HA woodlot plantation with perimeter fence the plantation with perimeter fence the plantation comprises of Neem and Mahogany, there was total vandalization of the establishment in this location.

28) WURE NAFADA LGA : 2021

Establishment of 5HA of woodlot plantation with perimeter fencing the

plantation comprises of Neem and Mahogany

29) DEBA YAMALTU DEBA L.G.A. : 2023

Establishment of 6HA community orchard with borehole, steel tank the plantation comprises of citrus, mango, cashew datepalm.

30) BANGH KALTUNGO LGA. :2023

Establishment of 10HA woodlot plantation, neem, Mahogany parakia.

31) AMADA AKKO LGA. : 2023

Establishment of 5HA woodlot plantation Neem, mahogany.

32) JAMARI DUKKU LGA. :2023

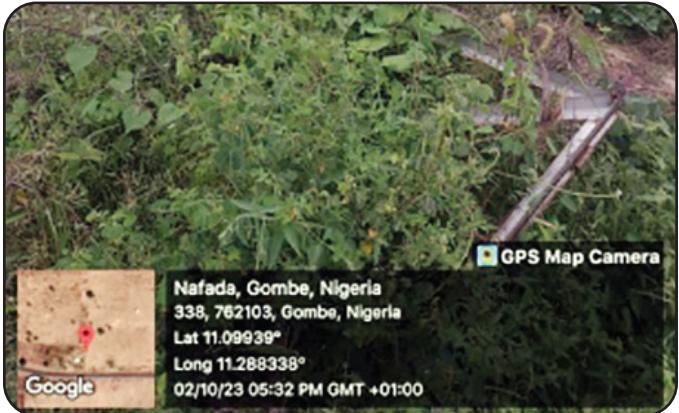
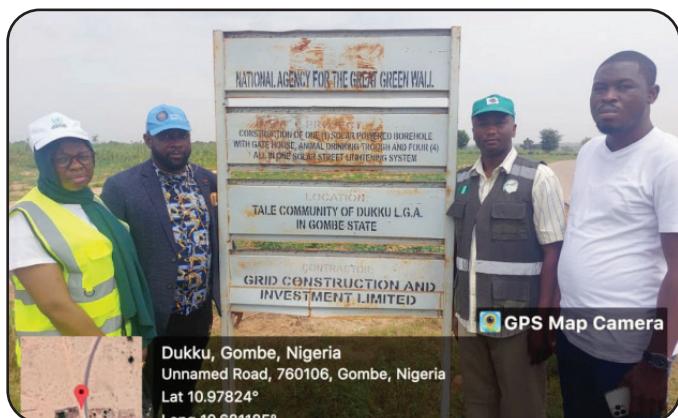
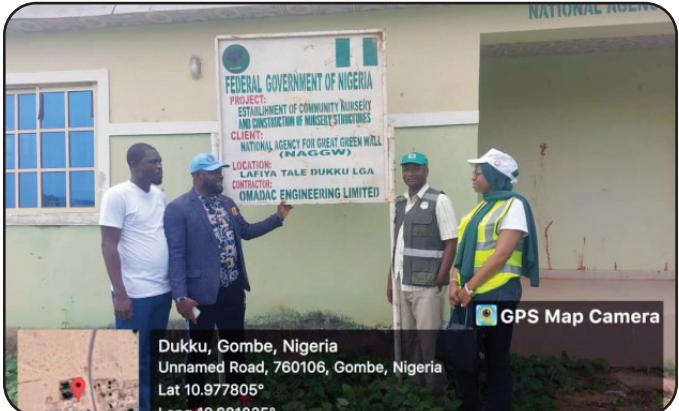
Establishment of 5HA woodlot Neem and Mahogany.

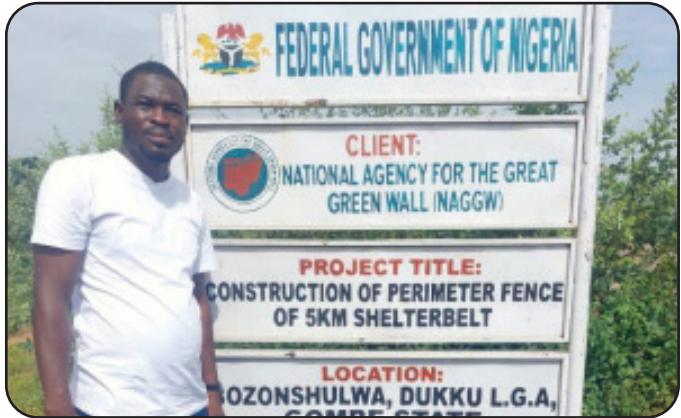
33) TIPPI KWAMI LGA. : 2023

Establishment of 6HA community orchard, the plantation comprises of citrus, mango, and cashew.

RURAL DEVELOPMENT AND EXTENSION SERVICES PROJECTS FROM 2015 TO DATE

S/N	PROJECT DESCRIPTION	LOCATION	YEAR
1.	Construction of Solar Powered Borehole	Ruhan Sanyi, Dukku LGA	2020
2.	Construction of Solar Powered Borehole	Wuro Abba, Funakaye LGA	2021
3.	Construction of Solar powered Borehole	Wuro Dama, Dukku LGA	2021
4.	Construction of Solar Powered Borehole	Tale, Dukku LGA	2021
5.	Construction of Solar Powered Borehole	Garaye Mango, Funakaye LGA	2021
6.	Construction of Solar Powered Borehole	Daban Fulani, Kwami LGA	2021
7.	Construction of Solar Powered Borehole	Jurara, Kwami LGA	2021
8.	Provision of 200 Solar Home Lightening system	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ Lafiya Tale, Dukku LGA ➢ Jamari, Dukku LGA ➢ Hashidu, Dukku LGA ➢ Kadubu, Nafada LGA ➢ Borwo Nasarawo, Nafada LGA 	2020
9.	Provision of 250 Solar Home Lightening system	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ Yabulas, Nafada LGA ➢ Sudigo Birnin Fulani, Nafada LGA ➢ Jamari, Dukku LGA ➢ Malala, Dukku LGA ➢ Bajoga, Funakaye LGA ➢ Deba, Yamaltu Deba LGA 	2021
10.	Training of Thirty (30) women and Youth on skills Acquisition (Tailoring, Knitting, Soap and Perfume making).	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ Lafiya Tale, Dukku LGA ➢ Jamari, Dukku LGA ➢ Hashidu, Dukku LGA ➢ Kadubu, Nafada LGA ➢ Borwo Nasarawo, Nafada LGA 	2020
11.	Skills Acquisition Training of 20 Participant on Ruminant Animals	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ Dukku LGA ➢ Nafada LGA ➢ Funakaye LGA ➢ Gombe LGA 	2021
12.	Skill Acquisition training on small ruminant farming	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ Kumo, Akko LGA ➢ Zambuk, Yamaltu Deba LGA ➢ Hashidu, Dukku LGA ➢ Bage, Funakaye LGA ➢ Biri, Nafada LGA 	2022
13.	Skill Acquisition training on small ruminant farming	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ Amada, Akko LGA ➢ Munda, Nafada LGA ➢ Deba, Yamaltu Deba LGA ➢ Ngaltu, Dukku LGA ➢ Bajoga, Funakaye LGA 	2022
14.	Skills Acquisition Training on Tailoring	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ Gamadadi Akko LGA ➢ Bojude, Kwami LGA ➢ DAwaki, Gombe LGA ➢ Kurjale, Yamaltu Deba LGA ➢ Jamari, Dukku LGA 	2022





Recommendation:

- Educating the community of the benefit of the project
- Strengthen the forest guard
- Prompt payment of Salaries and all related benefits
- Replacing vandalized properties in some of the establishment
- We request the government to increase the budget of the agency so as to cover more communities of the State (Gombe State).



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1. KONGDUGA LGA

1A. UNIVERSITY PREMISES:

The field office took us to the site in University new site where they planted some Gum Arabic and Acacia Senegal and dig boreholes and also build some perimeter fence to prevent the animals from destroying the trees.

CHALLENGES: Thieves will enter the farm and took away their water tank and vandalize the borehole instrument that they use in pumping water. So the Employed the security men to guide the place in the day time, even one GP tank were recovered from the vanders.

1B. PLANTATION AT JIMTILO:

Where they the plant shelter belt one kilometer each with borehole and G.P tanks to supply water to the plant. And in this area some of tree plant do not survive because of the dryness of the ground but the use the borehole to supply water to them and some that are dead are being replanted in the same place.

1c. STATE UNIVERSITY OF MAIDURUGRI: There is some plantation in the premises of the state university that is just two weeks old. And they are shelter belt, to help the environment in the compound

1d. **YAWAL AUNO:** There are plantation of shelter belt in this area and also numbers of boreholes that are mounted to help supply the plant to grow but the iron tap head they use in pumping water are being vandalized, so they decide to dismantle it after using it.

1e. **MASHAMARI COMMUNITY:** This place is where the plant woodlock and some fruit trees like mango, cashew, orange in this Community many things are be done for them, including boreholes, solar panel and generators, all for the trees and their farms so the people are happy for what the Federal Government is doing for them and they appreciate and want more.

1f. **AUNO YARI COMMUNITY:** Where they plant Barn alight trees with boreholes to help the plantation to grow and the environment.

2. UBA LGA

2a. **ASKINA UBA LGA:** Shelter belt plantation in this area and boreholes G.P. tanks to help the plant.

And in case of the dead plant they will still come back and replant them. But the big challenge the have was that the vanders vandalize the sign post and some borehole materials.

2b. **WOMDEO UBA:** Plantation of woodlock and Oraches trees were planted in this community and to help the environment with the supply of water from the boreholes the trees are doing well

2c. **NURSING PLANTATION:** They have about seven area were the have nursery plant depot and in each seven local government area in the state have nursery site location to grow this plant.

3a. **NGAMDU COMMUNITY:** In this area there are different site with different plantation of Oraches, Shelter belt and woodlock etc. The trees are doing well with help of the boreholes in this areas supplying water to the plant.

Challenges they have is the vanders vandalising the iron for the fence and sign post. In process of inspecting the site there is a checking point in front of the site where the Borno State

civilian JTF and the military testify how they do arrest some of the vanders and took them to police station and also some woman will be cutting the trees at a younger stage.

3b. TASU KAWU COMMUNITY: In this area there are many plantation of shelter belt in different sizes and they are doing well with help of the boreholes supplies water for the trees.

In this area some people are employed to take care of the plantation. I must sincerely score the field officer in Borno State with highest mark in the Job assign to him.

4. MAFA LGA

4a. MAFA LGA: In this area there are many site of NAGGW were shelter belt, woodlock, oraches are planted and boreholes and G.P tanks were mounted to supply water for the plants. And also in MAFA LGA they have a nursery depot where they grow this plant in tender stage before taking to be planted in the site. And in this nursing depot a borehole and a big tank build with iron sheet is mounted in the place to help in supplying water to the nursery plant to grow.

5. GUMO LGA

5a. AL-ANSUR UNIVERSITY CAMPUS IN GUMO LGA: In the campus and in the front of the university are shelter belt planted in uniform and a perimeter fence was put in place. Also gum Arabic trees planted inside the campus of the University.

There are some LGA area we could not go because of security challenges, which we come in understanding with the field officer. And he told us that in those LGA.

The NAGGW site are located in them and the last time he visited there, the plant are ok and they are growing well. We the CSOs send by the Agency believe him base on all the places we have gone with him and things on ground that we see by ourselves. No doubt the field officer have done well and recommended to be promoted and in all, their staff are in line with the field officer to make the work easier.

BORNO STATE OFFICER OF THE NAGGW: Their offices are well furnished and neat and the have about 10 staff and in their store, they have generators, pumping machine, rolls of pipes, and other equipment.

Signed by Comrade



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INTRODUCTION

After the mobilization of the 3 members team for the accomplishment of the project monitoring and evaluation in Adamawa State, The team coordinator Comr. Success Uko and the other two members travelled to Adamawa on Wednesday 4th October, 2023. On arriving Jimeta, Yola North L.G.A, Adamawa State Capital, the monitoring and evaluation of the project kick started the following morning after the arrival of the field officer Mr. Suleiman Abubakar and the driver.

The team started the tour at the site of the project from the farthest distance LGA which was Michika, where we stopped at the forest site dilichim Tudun Wada Baza Michika LGA. We saw tree's planted in 10 hectares of land in different years as follows, 2013, 2015, 2018, 2019 and 2020 set of trees, all the trees are doing well as many of them that were planted on 2013 have really grown to maturity.

We proceeded to the second site at Kudzum still in Michika as led by the field officer and the forest guard, there we saw trees that were planted in 5 hectare's of woodlot and the trees are also doing well.

Another site we move to after concluding at Michika LGA was 10 hectare's woodlot at Pella Hong LGA where we saw nursery trees planted in the early

part of this year. From Pella, Hong LGA we headed to nursery site at mothol were we saw trees that were planted in the early part of the year too.

From Mothol we proceeded to another nursery site at Dagla that was planted earlier this year, after monitoring and evaluating the levels of work done in that site we had some group pictures with the field officer and the forest guard.

After we were done at Dagla we moved to Dulbani 2km shelter belt plantation.

All together at Hong LGA we visited 4 plantation sites.

From there the next stop was at the only site at song LGA (Loko Song) where the field officer told us that the trees were planted this year but as the trees were not growing as at the time they supposed to grow, the agency did not pay the contractor that planted the trees and that the trees will be replant during next year rainy season . So as a results to that effect there's no tree alive in Loko Song LGA site.

From Loko Song our team next stop was at 6 hectares community orchard in mayin Njitin, fufure LGA where both the forest guard and the community leaders were on ground to received us and took us to the site, their spirit were high with happiness in their faces as they took us around the site with great enthusiasts showing us through the trees that was planted earlier this year. Most of the trees there are economy trees like Mango's, Quaver's, Tangerine etc.

Our team proceeded to Mayo-Belwa LGA, there we learnt that the sign post in the farm was blown off and destroyed by the wind but we were taken to nursery trees planted this year in an estimated land scape of 5 hectares.

As we conclude the monitoring and evaluation at Mayo-Belwa LGA. We moved to the last site at Yola south LGA. At Yola South LGA we monitor another hectares of land where the trees were being planted earlier this year.

SUMMARY

The trees on all the Sites are growing well, except that of Loko Song LGA where all the trees planted were eaten off by animals and they were all dead, because of that effects the Agency didn't pay the Contractor who planted the trees, because before the trees gets to the level of payment they were already dead. But the field officer informed us that the agency will replant the trees during next year 2024 raining season.

We commend all members of staffs of the National Agency for the Great

Green Wall for staying true to deliver on the mandates of the establishment.

APPRECIATION

We appreciate the DG for always innovating good policies that is making the agency to achieve its core values.

Also appreciates the Field officer, the Driver, the Forest Guards and the entire members of staffs of National Agency For the Great Green Wall who took us round the sites and for their hospitality all through our stay in Adamawa.



o Song LGA Site Adamawa



tol Hong LGA Adamawa S



At Dilikhim Site



Belwa LGA Site Adama



Elga Site LGA Adamawa St



Elga Site LGA Adamawa S



At Pella Hong LGA



Budzum Michika LGA Adamawa State



At Fufure LGA Site Adamawa



At Fufure LGA Site Adamawa



At Kotto Hong LGA Adamawa State



At Kotto Hong LGA Adamawa State



At Kudzum Nursery Michika LGA



At Dilikhim Site 2

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God bless us all!

God bless National Agency For The Great Green Wall !

God bless the Federal Republic of Nigeria !!!



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INTRODUCTION

The Ibom Future Leaders Forum, along with other Civil society organizations were officially engaged by the Agency to carry out an independent monitoring and Evaluating of Projects execute done the 29th of September, 2023.

The Ibom Future Leaders Forum Team arrived in Damaturu, the Yobe State Capital on Sunday, 1st October, 2023 and was received on arrival by the Agency's State Field coordinator, Abdullahi Saminu.

On Monday, 2nd of October 2023, the team embarked on monitoring and Evaluation Tour of Yobe State project sites and below is our assessments and Reports.

During the Assessments, the following areas are used as the yard stick for the monitoring and evaluation exercise

A-State

B-Local Government Area

C-Community

D-Coordinate/GPS Location

E-Type of Project e.g ShelterBelt, Woodlock, orchardseed nursery, waterborehole.

F-Size of the Land/LandMass

G-Year of Plantation

On arrival to the site, signboards, plantations, etc are been snapped so as to serve as evidence as pre attached at back cover of the report.

Monday, 2nd of October, 2023, our first place of inspection is **Jakusko Local Government Area Marcha Community**

Coordinate Position-Latitude 12.01921

Longitude 10.96282

Type of Project-Woodlock

Size of the Project-15 Hecters of land

Date of commencement of the project, 2023

ASSESSMENT

The plantation is visible with a functional Borehole and overhead tank. The species planted are Gliricidia Sepium. However, the watering point is not positioned outside the Gate as is supposed to be therefore, the community people in search of water gain entrance to the plantation farm there by marching and destroying the plantations. The Farm is securely fenced.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The water flashpoint or watering point need to be relocated from the present position to outside the entrance gate.



FIKA LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA

Community-Fika(Outside)
 Coordinate/GPS Location-
 Latitude11.15945
 Longitude11.35015
 Project Type-Orchard
 Size of the Farm-
 5HectersofLand
 Project Date-2023

ASSESSMENT

The farm land is fenced and secured but awaiting Borehole installation, as such no plantation on the ground. According to the field officer, plantation will take place after the rain season.

OBSERVATION/ RECOMMENDATIONS

The Project seems challenged in term of timing for transplanting the seedlings. All transplanting is supposed to have commenced and completed between May to June Latest so that they will have adequate rainfall which can sustain the plants for at least three (3) month ie from May-September. This is because almost all parts of Yobe State are Severely dried during the dry season and the chances of plant survival is 40/60.



POTISKUM LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA

BIMA FARM-Potiskum Community

CoordinatePosition-Latitude11.60977

Longitude11.05046

Project Type-Orchard

Size of the Farm-15Hecters

Project Date-2023

ASSESSMENT

The Farm project is meant for planting economic trees comprising of Mango, Cashew and Orange. The Farm is securely fenced but plantation couldn't take place for one reason or the other. Borehole is not also been installed.

RECOMMENDATION

The team observed that there is negligence on the part of the Agency's management for Failure to adequately supervise contract and drilling of boreholes to ensure they keep to the time frame of the contract agreement. You don't expect transplanting to take place in a farm project when there is no facilities for watering the plants. By Failure to complete the Borehole, it automatically spilled over the project date of commencement to 2024.



POTISKUM LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA:

Fika Government Secondary School Community
 Coordinate/gps Position-Latitude11.70686
 Longitude11.05256
 Project Type-Solar Powered Motorized Borehole
 Project Date-2022 initiative

ASSESSMENT

The Project is fully functional providing water supply to both the school and the neighbouring communities.

Although the fencing Pump was once tempered with, analumni (OldStudent) of the school came to their aid by providing a new one and install it. according to the principal of the school.

The Borehole is now fully securely fenced with the Pump deeply rooted and hidden underground to avoid been tempered with by thieves.


POTISKUM LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA

Kokoriya Community
 Coordinate Position-Latitude11.70966
 Longitude11.12027
 Type of Project-Solar Powered Borehole
 Project Date-2022 Project

ASSESSMENT

The Semi-cable Pump destroyed by thief's including the flashing/watering points vandalized.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Urgent replacement/Repairs are urgent by needed. There is also need to employ securityguards whose responsibility are to ensure the safety of the project. There is need to adequate secure the borehole through well fencing.



FUNE LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA YAZARA COMMUNITY

YAZARA FARMS

Coordinate/GPS Location-Latitude 11.69976
 Longitude 11.71534
 Type of Project-Orchard Farm
 Farm Size-15 Hecters
 Project Date-2023

ASSESSMENT

The Orchard Farm was established without

Water Supply. The project is there for awaiting pump installation. Like some of other subsequent projects with the same water problem the date of commencement of the project maybe the same since without water or Borehole the chances of plants survival may be less than 30/70.

RECOMMENDATION

There is urgent need to provide water without which the chance of plant survival not predictable.

DAMATURU LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA

Damaturu Community

Coordinate/GPS Location-Latitude 11.72599
 Longitude 11.86397
 Type of Project-Woodlock (Gum Arabic/Acacia Senegal)
 Farm Size-15 Hecters
 Project Date-2023

ASSESSMENT

The Farm is securely fenced with adequate water provision.

DAMATURU LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA

DAMATURU COMMUNITY

Coordinate/GPS Location-Latitude 11.68092
 Longitude 11.9100
 Type of Project-Woodlock i.e HYBIZ GUM Arabic Farm
 Farm Size-15 Hecters of Land
 Date of Commencement-2023

OBSERVATIONS

The Gum Arabic has fully grown and is ripe for tapping. This is part of the seinherted projects from other sister organizations.



DAMATURU LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA
DAMATURU COMMUNITY MDG NIG.LTD
FARM

Coordinate/GPS Location-Latitude 11.67197

Longitude 11.90623

Type of Project-Orchard Farm

Farm Size-15 Hectares of Land

Date of Commencement-2023

OBSERVATION/RECOMMENDATION

The land is well secured through adequate fencing but surprisingly, the farm which was meant for Mango, Orange and cashew plantation is taken over by the owner of the farm by making Banana plantation. It appears that there is no proper understanding or agreement between the farm owner and the agency staff. For this year therefore this particular farm's plantation has been practically impossible thereby need to get another position on the farm or transplant in between the Banana plantation against next year.


GAIDAM LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA
Balle Community

Type of Project-Balle Community Central Nursery

Size of the Project-4 Hectares

Date of Commencement-2019

Coordinate/GPS Location-Latitude 12.82632

Longitude 11.69938

OBSERVATION/RECOMMENDATIONS

The Nursery has a solar powered borehole with overhead tank plant

The following species are available in large stock

- Gum Arabic
- Parkia Biglobosa
- Khanya Senegalensis
- Azalwachtaindeca
- Jathropha
- Acacia Auriculiformis
- Adansonia digitata

The nursery is very impressive and well taken care of however, there is a need of tour gently to look for a way to transplant the large stock of utilized species of plants listed above because they are becoming overgrown for transplanting.



GAIDAM LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA GONORI COMMUNITY

Project type-Ochard

Size of the Farm-5Hecters

Date of Commencement-2018

Coordinate/GPS Location-Latitude12.9458

Longitude11.9135

species of fruits available in the Farm includes

- Mango
- Citrus Fruit
- Guava and
- DatePalms

The Species are all producing fruits

OBSERVATIONS/RECOMMENDATIONS

Due to difficulties occurred in watering them during the dry season to high prize of PMS/ Petroleum and other lubricants, there is need for the Agency to quickly look into the way of assisting the host community handling those fruit in order to avoid losing them. Right now according to Alhaji Goni one of the pioneer participants handling the Orchard, the chances of the fruits during the dry season is 40/60 ratio



YUNUSARI LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA MAZAGUN COMMUNITY

Type of Project-Indigenous Improved Fruits

Species Orchard

project

Date of Commencement-2022

Coordinate/GPS Location-Latitude12.9214

Longitude11.8803

OBSERVATION/RECOMMENDATION

The farm land is been watered through Tap wells Solar Radiculation System sand is mainly meant for mango and orange production. There is need to improve on the post plant management because it seems this part is been neglected.



YUNUSARI LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA
Kargi Community

Project type-5km Shelter Belt

ie.NeemTreePlantation

Date of Commencement-2019

Coordinate Position-Latitude13.1047

Longitude11.7938

OBSERVATION AND RECOMMENDATION

As far as Desert and Desertification control of which the main purpose of establishing these Agency is concern, this is the most impressive project/shelter Belt Plantation that is really stopping major sand dunes encroachment and help in reducing the temperature humidity. We there fore strongly recommend that the Kargi 5km Shelter Belt Project should serve as an eye opener and adopted in all the Yobe North Senatorial District and other environments.

YUSUFARI LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA
Yusufari Community

Project Type-Central Nursery

Size-4Hectors

Project Date-2020

Coordinate Position-Latitude13.0571

Longitude11.1734

OBSERVATION AND RECOMMENDATIONS

The Nursery is well taken care of with very impressive stock of the following neutralized varieties of plants.

- Gliricidia Sepium
- Acacia Nilotica
- Azadira ditaIndica
- Acacia Auriculoform's
- Adansonia Digitata
- Dathropha Carcus
- Khayan Senegalensis
- Moringa Oleifaraand;
- Acacia Senegal

In order to avoid waste of species and resources, there is need to make adequate urgent arrangement to transplant them. More boreholes need to be drilled along with overhead tanks, preferable solar powered boreholes in order to sustain the ShelterBelt plantations during the dry seasons.



YUSUFARI SKILLS ACQUISITION CENTRE, PROCUREMENT AND INSTALLATION OF 14 NOSALL-IN-ONE SOLAR POWER SLIGHT SYSTEM.

The project/programme is meant to train the community in different trade e.g Handcraft, Soap and many more, Orchard and other Agricultural training likewise tailoring.

OBSERVATION AND RECOMMENDATION

As a community social responsibility project the

project has a good purpose intending to enhance the community with skills acquisition in various field, same date economically empowering the people.

Despite that the training programme is worth doing, there is need to empower the trainers with trade materials/equipment's after under group the skills acquisition programme so as to avoid waste of knowledge acquired without putting it into practice.



BADE LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA

The committee in continuation of its monitoring and Evaluation Tour paid a courtesy visit to the Chairman Bade Local Government Councils, Hon.Ibrahim Baba Gana at his Office in Gashua. Receiving the delegation, the Council Chairman express his dissatisfaction over the non availability of the Agencies Projects in the Local Government Area. He emphasized that like other Local Government Areas in the Yobe North Senatorial District, It is seriously facing desertification threat particularly around Guoi Kura , Gashua-Yusufari Road and at Bade West Electoral Constituency. The Chairman therefore solicited for the Extension and inclusion of Bade Local Government Area in the Agency subsequent projects so as to rescue the communities from the threat of desertification.

He then express the councils appreciation over the courtesy call by the Monitoring and Evaluation Team. Earlier in his brief remark, the committee Team Leader, Mr. Victor Udoh said that, the mandate of the committee is to independent Monitor and Evaluate the Agency, projects and report back to the Agency and the National Assembly, its findings observations and Recommendation. however he promised to forward the council, Chairman's complain to the Agency's management for fourther inclusion for subsequent future projects.

MACHINA LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA

Garande Community

Coordinate Position–Latitude13.0149
 Longitude10.2278
 Project Type–3km Shelter Belt Plantation
 Date of the Project–2020

OBSERVATION

The plantation for the Shelter Belt has a lot left to be desired. There is need to greatly pay more attention to the plants because there is a

problem of post plantation management. There is also need to re-transplant there is already dead plants.

MACHINA LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA

Garande Community

Project Type–Establishment Garanda
 50,000seedlings capacityCommunity Nursery
 Coordinate Position–Latitude13.0737
 Longitude10.2319
 Date of the Project–2020

OBSERVATION/RECOMMENDATION

The Agency need to make more effort in seeing that the large stock of seedlings left unplanted by immediately transplanted so as to avoid waste.

NGURU LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA

Community–Government Science Technical College
 Project Type–2km Shelter Belt
 Project Date–2019
 Coordinate Position–Latitude12.8934
 Longitude10.42796

OBSERVATION

The project is very compressive and serving the purpose it is meant for.

NGURU LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA

Community–Government College Nguru
 Project Type–2km Shelter Belt(6Hecters)
 Date of the Project–2019
 Coordinate Position–Latitude12.8707
 Longitude10.4287

OBSERVATION

The plantation are ok and well secured been situated within the school premises.

NGURU LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA

Community–Government Girls Secondary

School, Nguru

Type of Project-1.5km Shelter Belt

Date of Project-2019

Coordinate Position-Latitude 12.8719

Longitude 10.4682

OBSERVATION

The plantation is very much impressive except for the post management problem.

NGURU LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA

Dogon Kuka Community

Type of Project-M.I.S Orchard Farms

Project Size-5 Hecters

Coordinate Position-Latitude 12.88471

Longitude 10.55324

Date of Project-2023

OBSERVATION

The project is yet to take up, awaiting transplanting the contractor just fixed up the overhead tank but the borehole perimeter fencing is not properly made unless the burglary is been properly fixed it can fall down

KARASUWA LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA

Community-Karasuwa Galu

Project Type-Improved fruits species

Orchard Farm

Size-10 Hecters

Project Date-2022

Coordinate Position-Latitude 12.9060

Longitude 10.5971

OBSERVATION

The Orchard Farms is mainly made up of citrus fruits. Although transplantation was made, the postplanting management is lacking. And unless there is a very good post management teams in place, most of the fruit sis left in bushes, will open to infections from insects.

KARASUWA LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA

Community-Government Secondary School,

Jajimaji

Project Type-2 Shelter Belt

Size of the Project-2km(6 Hecters)

Project Date-2019

Coordinate Position-Latitude 12.89789

Longitude 10.82712

GENERAL OBSERVATION

The project/plantation are in good condition.

1. After concluding the Monitoring and Evaluation tour of the Agency's projects below are our findings, observations and recommendation

2. In most of the projects, the timing for transplanting is very poor. There is need for adhering to good timing management in order to get the desired results. Timing of Plantation is very important, the timing management should cover the seed collections, planting, growing and transplanting

3. Inadequate water supply. Some of the orchards/plantation are established with water provision for water supply. This will seriously affect the existence of the plants. The management should consider it as a matter of urgency to provide solar-powered motorized boreholes where none exist.

4. Unplanted seedlings are leftover growth there by needed urgent transplanting so as to avoid waste of resources.

5. Windbreakers (Shelter Belts) are not sufficiently planted to prevent the serious desert encroachment threats particularly in the Yobe North Senatorial District which is most affected by desertification.

6. The team observed that there exist no postplantations. Since the post transplanting management is been neglected, the chance of plant survival and yielding the desired results will be limited. We therefore

strongly recommend that a posttransplanting management team be established with staff to manage those farms.

7. Lack of forest guards. We observed with this project executed particularly in 2023 were left without providing forest guards thereby exposing them to vandalism by criminal that may result to the Agency losing a lot of money, plantation sand dunes lead to the per failure of the project.

8. Yobe been one of the 5 Sahel Savanna states need to be provided with adequate budgetary allocation if the desertification is to be effectively tackled separately observed by Yobe State Commissioner, Ministry of Environment, Hon. Sidi Yakubu Karasuwa and the Mai Machina.

9. Probably Payments of those to maintain the shelter belt plantation left due to non payment of their entitlements according to Hon. Sidi Yakubu Karasuwa the state commissioner for environment. There is therefore need to address this issue.

10. The quality of contract execution by contractors particularly the drilling, installation and fencing of the project sites need to be

seriously monitored to avoid poor quality of the work.

11. If the project is to survive the post management staff and forest guards should be employed within the committees where the projects are sited so as to commit them into the success of the projects. This will also bring about the connectivity of the project to the beneficiaries (Community).

12. Community Mobilization and enlightenment is lacking. There is therefore need for the Agency to embark upon public enlightenment and community mobilization towards the success of the project.

13. There is need to establish synergy between the National Agency for the Great Green Wall and the State Ministry of Environment. This is very important because the Hon. Commissioner complains of lack of briefing and information to the Ministry on the activities of the Great Green Wall by the Agency Staff. Synergy between NAGGW will bring mutual understanding and collaborative efforts that will enhance the success of the projects both at the initiation and implementation thereby leading to success for the

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CONCLUSION

It is our honour to feed back the relevant authorities on the outcome of the independence assessment of the **National Agency for the Great Green** wall of what we saw on ground during the assessment. We unequivocally state that the committee went to the field to see the extent of trees planted by the Agency across the six states visited by the committee out of the 11 frontlines states; we use the medium to express satisfaction over the work done so far the agency and to call for more funding to help the agency sustain the tempo of progress and continue to do more secure the ecosystem.

Long live Federal Republic of Nigeria.

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