

STATE BUSINESS-ENABLING REFORM ACTION PLANS (BERAP) & PROGRESS REPORT

State: **AKWA IBOM**

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List of contributing entities: Ministries of Lands & Water Resources, Transport, Trade and Investment, Petroleum Resources, Power, Finance, Economic Development, Rural Development & Cooperatives; Governor's Office, Budget Office, AKICORP, AKWAGIS, UCCDA and AKIRS

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BUSINESS ENABLING REFORM ACTION PLAN (BERAP)

S/N	Business Enabling Reform Areas	Reform Objectives	Action Steps	Description and Key Targets	Beneficiaries	Responsible MDA	Contributing MDAs	Budget	Planned Start Date	Planned End Date
1	Improved efficiency in property registration and other land related matter	Quick intervention for a sustainable land management process	(1) Build enabling systems for validation and verification.	The General Public can apply for Land registration, CofO and Other Land related matters without visiting the related MDA	General public	Ministry of Lands and Water Resources	Office of the State Surveyor General Land Use and Allocation Committee Akwa Ibom Internal Revenue Service Akwa Ibom Geographic Information Service (AKWAGIS)	N65 million	23/01/2023	31/03/2023
(2) Synergize enabling systems										
(3) Reduce in-person contact with MDA Staff.										
(4) Reduce application processing timeframe										
2	Improved investment promotion environment	Improved investment promotion	(1) Implement physical and virtual one-stop Investment Committee	Increase in the level of investment attracted to the State.	Local and foreign investors, general public and entrepreneurs	Akwa Ibom Investment Corporation (AKICORP).	Ministry of Finance; Governor's Office (Foreign Direct Investment Office) ; Office of the Secretary to the State Government; Ministry of Lands; Ministry of Trade & Investment; Ministry of Economic Development; Ministry of Finance (Micro-Credit Scheme); State Budget Office; Ministry of Rural Development & Cooperatives;	N1 billion	Jan-23	Dec-23
(2) Conduct monthly business clinic for Entrepreneurs.										
(3) Maintain a Column (AKICORP Investment Platform) in the Pioneer Newspaper.										
(4) Partner with relevant MDAs to expedite service delivery			Activate a more conducive business environment for both local and foreign investors.							
(5) Provide relevant information needed for investment promotions.										
(6) Training of relevant staff for effective service delivery.										
(7) Provide for equity participation in the Government budget.										
(8) Support to Agro-based /other Cooperative Societies.			Provision of access to credit facility to promote private business investment							

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3	Improved Infrastructure & Security	Create enabling environment for ease of doing business	(1) Provision/ rehabilitation of critical power infrastructure in the State (i.e distribution networks, transformers and injection sub stations, Solar lights, etc.	Achieve improved public power supply that will enhance socio-economic activities	General public	Ministry of Power & Petroleum Development	Ministry of Rural Development & Co-operatives; Governor's Office (Power Sector); Ministry of lands & Water Resources; Ministry of Special Duties; Ministry of Housing	N30 billion	Jan. - 2023	Dec. - 2023
			(2) Improving power generation by increasing the capacity of Ibom Power Company							
			(3) Improving connectivity in the State through construction of new roads, dualization of existing roads and rehabilitation of dilapidated road infrastructure	(2) Achieve a more conducive business environment for both local and foreign investors		Akwa Ibom Investment Corporation (AKICORP); Governor's Office	Ministry of Works; Ministry of Transport; Ministry of Special Duties & Ibom Deep Seaport;			
			(4) Development of Ibom Deep Seaport							
			(5) Acquisition of additional Aircrafts for Ibom Airlines Limited							
			(6) Completion of Repair and Overhaul facility (MRO) & Terminal Building at the Ibom Airport							
			(7) Provision of critical infrastructure to the Security Agencies in the State							
4	Simplified State Business Tax & Levy Collections	Stoppage of illegal collection of taxes and levies as well as enhancing professionalism in the collection of taxes and levies	(1) Harmonization of Road Taxes and levies	Elimination of multiplicity of taxes and touting.	Investors, General public and Business Persons	Akwa Ibom Internal Revenue Service (AKIRS)	Akwa Ibom Investment Corporation (AKICORP); Akwa Ibom Property Investment Company (APICO); Ministry of Lands & Water Resources; Ministry of Trade & Investment; Ministry of Economic Development	N410 million	20/01/2023	31/03/2023
			(2) Electronic payment gateways for ease of payment of taxes and levies							
			(3) Encouragement of voluntary compliance in payment of taxes and levies							
			(4) Publication of approved list of taxes and levies							