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STATE 2026 BUSINESS ENABLING REFORM ACTION PLAN (BERAP)

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NIGER STATE



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BUSINESS ENABLING REFORM ACTION PLAN 2026

NIGER STATE



IMPROVED LAND ADMINISTRATION AND
LAND INVESTMENT PROCESS

**Institutional G Regulatory
Transparency**

Reform 1



INCREASED FIBER OPTIC NETWORK
DEPLOYMENT AND ACCESS TO
BROADBAND

**Public-Private
Partnerships (PPP)**

Reform 2



INCREASED SUSTAINABLE
LARGE-SCALE INVESTMENT

**Access to Credit G
Financial Inclusion**

Reform 3



ENABLING FIRM OPERATIONS AND
REGULATORY REFORMS

**Land Administration,
FRILIA G Responsible
Investment**

Reform 4



QUICK DETERMINATION OF
COMMERCIAL DISPUTES

**Trade Facilitation G
Export Development**

Reform 5



**Digitization of
Government-to-
Business (G2B)
Services**

Reform 6



**Business Feedback G
Grievance Redress
Mechanisms**

Reform 7



TRANSPARENCY OF FEES AND LEVIES
FOR INTER-STATE TRADE
TRADE AND EXPORTER CERTIFICATION

**Climate G
Sustainability
Integration**

Reform 8

Reform 1: Institutional & Regulatory Transparency

Reform Objective



Strengthen transparency, predictability, and accessibility of business regulations

Deliverables



1. Complete full digitization of all business-related regulations and service processes - **Q1-Q2 2026.**
2. Harmonize regulatory fees, timelines, and requirements across MDAs - **Q2 2026**
3. Publish comprehensive Regulatory Compendium for all business-facing departments - **Q2 2026**
4. Deploy a single online window for regulatory information - **Q3 2026**
5. Train MDA focal persons on regulatory reforms and service standardization - **Q3 2026**

Expected Impact



1. Improved transparency and predictability of business regulations and procedures
2. Reduced regulatory uncertainty and discretion across MDAs
3. Lower compliance costs and time for businesses
4. Increased private sector confidence in government regulatory systems



IMPROVED LAND ADMINISTRATION AND
LAND INVESTMENT PROCESS

Reform 2: Public-Private Partnerships (PPP)



INCREASED FIBER OPTIC NETWORK DEPLOYMENT AND ACCESS TO BROADBAND

Reform Objective



Deepen PPP initiatives and improve transparency and predictability of PPP project development

Deliverables



1. Update and expand Niger State PPP Pipeline (2026) - **Q1 2026**
2. Conduct climate-risk screening for all proposed PPP projects - **Q1-Q2 2026**
3. Strengthen standard PPP procurement procedures in alignment with national best practices - **Q2 2026**
4. Train MDAs on PPP origination, screening, and climate risk assessment - **Q3 2026**
5. Launch quarterly PPP project update bulletins - Starting **Q3 2026**

Expected Impact



1. Improved bankability and credibility of PPP projects in Niger State
2. Increased investor confidence and private capital participation
3. Reduced project development risks through standardized and transparent PPP processes
4. Enhanced alignment of PPP investments with climate and sustainability considerations

Reform 3: Access to Credit & Financial Inclusion



INCREASED SUSTAINABLE
LARGE-SCALE INVESTMENT

Reform Objective



Improve MSME access to affordable, transparent, and climate-resilient financing

Deliverables



1. Expand the 2025 Access to Credit Workshops into 9 LGAs per senatorial zone - **Q1-Q2 2026**
2. Establish state MSME Credit Readiness Clinics - **Q2 2026**
3. Partner with banks to develop collateral-lite lending products - **Q2-Q3 2026**
4. Launch a digital credit information awareness tool - **Q3 2026**
5. Conduct financial literacy and climate-risk insurance sensitization - **Q3-Q4 2026**
6. Support registration of MSMEs on national credit reporting platforms - **Q4 2026**

Expected Impact



1. Improved access to affordable finance for MSMEs
2. Increased financial inclusion and formal participation of small businesses
3. Enhanced creditworthiness and readiness of MSMEs
4. Improved resilience of MSMEs to financial and climate-related risks

Reform 4: Land Administration, FRILIA & Responsible Investment



ENABLING FIRM OPERATIONS AND REGULATORY REFORMS

Reform Objective



Improve transparency, reduce acquisition bottlenecks, and ensure responsible, climate-smart land administration

Deliverables



1. Fully implement FRILIA Toolkit statewide - **Q1–Q2 2026**
2. Train communities, surveyors, MDAs and CSOs on climate-smart land governance - **Q2 2026**
3. Digitize land acquisition stages and automate fee disclosure - **Q2–Q3 2026**
4. Publish land compensation schedules and acquisition procedures online - **Q3 2026**
5. Conduct environmental and social compliance audits quarterly - **Q2–Q4 2026**
6. Standardize timelines for all land issuance processes - **Q4 2026**

Expected Impact



1. Faster, more transparent, and predictable land acquisition processes
2. Reduced land-related disputes and investment bottlenecks
3. Improved investor confidence in land administration systems
4. Strengthened responsible and climate-smart land governance

Reform 5: Trade Facilitation & Export Development



QUICK DETERMINATION OF
COMMERCIAL DISPUTES

Reform Objective



Strengthen export competitiveness of Niger State agribusinesses and SMEs

Deliverables



1. Implement 2025 Export Strategy recommendations - **Q1–Q2 2026**
2. Conduct climate-smart export standards certification for producers - **Q2 2026**
3. Train exporters on export documentation and market entry protocols - **Q2–Q3 2026**
4. Establish Export Information C Advisory Desk - **Q3 2026**
5. Facilitate linkages with logistics, inspection agencies C NEPC - **Q3–Q4 2026**
6. Support formation of product-specific export clusters (sesame, shea, ginger) - **Q4 2026**

Expected Impact



1. Improved competitiveness of Niger State agribusinesses and SMEs in export markets
2. Increased market access for local producers and exporters
3. Reduced transaction costs and delays in export processes
4. Enhanced diversification and sustainability of the state's export base

Reform 6: Digitization of Government-to- Business (G2B) Services



IMPROVED INVESTMENT PROMOTION ENVIRONMENT

Reform Objective



Improve efficiency, accessibility, and reliability of business-facing government services

Deliverables



1. Upgrade all noncompliant MDA websites - **Q1–Q2 2026**
2. Digitize priority services including permits, licensing C tax payments - **Q2–Q3 2026**
3. Deploy digital fee disclosure across MDAs - **Q2 2026**
4. Integrate climate early-warning information on relevant MDA portals - **Q3 2026**
5. Train MDAs on digital service delivery and customer management - **Q3–Q4 2026**
6. Launch a State Digital Service Dashboard for monitoring - **Q4 2026**

Expected Impact



1. Reduced time and cost of accessing government services
2. Improved ease of doing business through digital service delivery
3. Increased transparency and reduced physical interface between businesses and MDAs
4. Improved efficiency and accountability in public service delivery

Reform 7: Business Feedback G Grievance Redress Mechanisms



INCREASED TRANSPARENCY
OF OFFICIAL FEES AND
PROCEDURES

Reform Objective



Strengthen structured engagement between government and private sector

Deliverables



1. Implement digital business grievance portal with tracking features - **Q1–Q2 2026**
2. Conduct quarterly public-private dialogue sessions - **Q2–Q4 2026**
3. Establish grievance escalation protocol across MDAs - **Q2 2026**
4. Train MDA desks on complaint handling - **Q2–Q3 2026**
5. Publish biannual business GRM reports - **Q3 G Q4 2026**
6. Roll out community-level business feedback sessions - **Q4 2026**

Expected Impact



1. Improved government responsiveness to business concerns
2. Increased trust and confidence between the public and private sectors
3. Faster resolution of business-related grievances
4. Stronger accountability of MDAs to service standards

Reform 8: Climate G Sustainability Integration

Reform Objective



Integrate climate resilience into business reforms, public investment, and enterprise support systems

Deliverables



1. Conduct climate-risk audit for business processes across MDAs - **Q1–Q2 2026**
2. Develop climate-smart business operations guideline - **Q2 2026**
3. Train SMEs on climate adaptation, energy efficiency C green opportunities - **Q2–Q3 2026**
4. Support climate-resilient agricultural value chains - **Q3–Q4 2026**
5. Publish Niger State Climate-Smart Business Framework - **Q4 2026**

Expected Impact



1. Increased climate resilience of businesses and public investment decisions
2. Reduced exposure of enterprises to climate-related risks
3. Improved adoption of sustainable and climate-smart business practices
4. Alignment of economic growth with environmental sustainability goals



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