

SOKOTO STATE BUSINESS-ENABLING REFORM ACTION PLAN (BERAP) 2025

S/N	Business Enabling Reform Areas	Reform Objectives	Action Steps	Description and Key Targets	Beneficiaries	Responsible MDA	Contributing MDAs	List of Private Sector contributors	Planned Start Date	Planned End Date
1	Improved Land Administration and Land Investment Process	1). Enhance the transparency and efficiency of registering and administering Certificate of Occupancy CofOs with the use of advanced technology. 2). Improve land investment in Agriculture, Industry and Housing in the State.	i. Maintain the use of Ministry of Land and Sokoto Geographical Information System (SOGIS) websites for registration and other land administration in obtaining CofOs. ii. Create a user friendly application system data base for Digital land Tittles. iii. Training Relevant personel (10 Personel). iv. Monitored and evaluate the system operations	i. Reduced processing time for obtaining CofOs from 120 Days to to 60 Days ie 2 Months. ii. Improved accuracy of CofOs processing atleast 90% accurecy. iii. Improved data-centric digital archive of CofOs and building permit by 100%. iv. 100% new CofOs registred during 2025 (1st Jnauary, 2025 to 31st December, 2025) Digitalized and Indexed on an ongoing basis.	Property Developers, Land Owners, Investors and Financial Institutions	Ministry of Land Housing and Survey, Sokoto Geograpgical Information Systeme (SOGIS)	Sokoto Urban and Regional Planning Baord (SURPB), Sokoto Board of Internal Revenue.	1. Estate Managers and Valuers. 2. Members of the relevant professional bodies related to land administration in Nigeria which include COREN (Council for Regulation of Engineering in Nigeria), NSE (Nigeria Society of Engineers), Association of Small Scale Industry Sokoto State, Sokoto State Traders Association, Sokoto Chamber of Commerce Mines and Agriculture.	January, 2025	December, 2025
2	Increase Fibre Optic Network Deployment and Access to	Increase the chances of receiving investment by making the	To compile and publish on the state official website the processes of obtaining ROW including all relevant MDAs time	Transparency and accountability in the processes of ROW with official information online on processes for	Investors, Operators, Businesses and General Public.	Sokoto Urban and regional Planning Board (SUPB)	1. Ministry of Commers, Trade and Industry. 2. Ministry of Works,		January, 2025	December, 2025

	Broadband	process of obtaining Right of Way (ROW) transparent affordable and accountable	frames and cost.	obtaining ROW to continue to guide potential investors. 1)All relevant payments of revenue should completed within 7 Days			3.Ministry of Science and Technology 4. Ministry of Innovation and Digital Economy			
3	Increase sustainable large scale Investment	Stimulate sustainable large scale investment through Public Private Partnership (PPP) and robust investment promotion framework.	i. To provide access to financing for the early-State Development of PPP projects, including feasibility studies, business case analysis and transaction advisory support. ii. Enhance PPP Project viability. iii. Attract Additional funding. iv. Improve infrastructure Delivery. v. Promote innovations.	i. Identification of PPP Projects by MDAs, first Quarter 2025. ii. Define Eligibility criteria first Quarter 2025. iii. Launch funding application processes first Quarter 2025. vi. seek Governors approval first Quarter 2025.	PPP, Investors, Business and General Public	Sokoto Bureau for Public Procurement and Public Partnership, Sokoto Investment Company Limited.	State House of Assembly, Ministry of Justice, EXCO, Chamber of Commerce	PPP Organizations, Due Process Organizations, NGOs, Financial Institutions	January, 2025	December, 2025

4	Enabling firm operation and regulatory reforms	Improve transparency, accountability and efficiency in service delivery of 5 Business Enabling Enterprises state MDAs while promoting openness.	i. The 5 Business Enabling Enterprises (BEEs) namely Bureau for Public Procurement and Public Private Partnership (BPP & PPP), Sokoto Water Board, Sokoto Urban and Regional Planning Board, Internal Revenue Service and Ministry of Commerce, Trade and Industry to continue to publish their processes fees and service level agreement (SLAs). ii. The 5 BEEs to continue in improving their Grievance Redress mechanism by using advance digital technology that will	i. The Process of Obtaining Business premise Registration should within 24 Hours after all relevant payment of Revenue, ii. Obtaining BPPP Clearance and Certification within 48 Hours. iii. Water Borad Permit also within 48 Hours. vi. Revenue Clearance should be within 24 Hours after payment of all revenues. v. Urban and Regional Planing Bord Certification will be processed and issued within 48 Hours. iii. BEEs should ensure the prompt and timely	Investors, Businesses and General Public	SOGIS, Sokoto Interl Revenue, SURPB, SSWB, BPP & PPP and Minitry of Commerce, Ministry off Agriculture	Ministry of Commerce, Trade and Industry	NGOs,	January, 2025	December, 2025
5	<i>Increased transparency of fees and levies for inter-state trade and increased exporter certification</i>	<i>Increase transperancy and numbers of firms that obtained export certificates from NEPC by 20%</i>	i. Standardize fees for inter state trade ii. Create unified system for export certification iii. Implement regular audit.	i. We have 150 registered Exporters to be increased to 200 registered Exporters in the State. li. The process of registration expected to be reduce from one week to real time 24 hours. lii. After the proval the Exporters will be able to generate and print online.	Traders, Exporters, Business, Enterprenuers, Individuals and Communities	Ministry of Commerce, Trade and Industry	Customs Department, IRS, VIO Office	Chamber of Commerce, Banks, Advertizing Agencies, Advertizing Regulatory Boadies	January, 2025	December, 2025

6	<i>Simplification of State and Local Business Tax Regimes</i>	<i>To simplify and make it easy to understand and make payment for taxes in the state through sokoto State Internal Revenue Services.</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Regular Review and revise tax code ii. Implement a unified tax filling system iii. Train tax officials and businesses. iv. Sensitization and public awareness. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Cost of Taxes are available real time (24 Hours) in all our BEEs first Quarter 2025 ii. Generating of payment schedule is also real time (24 hours) in all BEEs, first Quarter 2025. iii. Payment can be made in any available Banks include Online payment 	Business, Individuals, Task Payers and Communities	Internal Revenue Services, Local Government Councils	1. Water Board, Ministry of Commerce, BPP & PPP and SURPB	Task System Development Program	January, 2025	December, 2025
7	Quick determination of commercial disputes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. To Provide Access to Justice to the Parties. ii. Decentralization of the Existing Small Claims Court to each of the Three Senatorial Zones out of the five operations Courts in the 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Sensitization to the public on the existence of the small Claims Courts in the State. ii. Posting of the small claims court judge to each of the senatorial zones by July 2025. iii. Monitoring and evaluation of small claim courts. iv. To determine a small claims suite within the stipulated time per practice 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Dispense at least 100 small claims cases within the year. ii. to increase business confidence in the society by quick dispensation of the small claims cases iii. minimized time and cost with 60 days including appeal resolution. iv. To attract more investors to the State at least 15 per month. 	Business peoples and enterprenuer	Hight court of Justice	Ministry of Justice and State House of Assembly	Legal Aids, Banks and NGOs	Jan-25	Dec-25