



Annex - Plateau State Action plan 2021-2023

As part of the co-creation of the first Plateau State action plan, six commitments were developed. Since the limit of concurrent commitments is five commitments, we have decided in conjunction with our forum and with OGP approval, to save the commitment on Improving Participatory Budgeting and include it as an annex to our plan to be started once one of the initial five commitments has been fully implemented.

1. Commitment Title

Describe the specific action that the commitment will achieve, distinguishing commitment from other commitments in the plan. Example: "Create beneficial ownership register" or "Publish judicial data" or "Improve compliance with RTI law"

Maximum 250 characters

Improving Participatory Budgeting



2. Timeframe

Commitment Start Date (month/year)

TBD

Commitment End Date (month/year)

TBD

3. Lead implementing government agency

<i>Office, Agency or Ministry</i>	<i>Branch of Government</i>	<i>Name of Contact</i>	<i>Title</i>	<i>Email</i>	<i>Role in Implementation</i>
Ministry of Budget and Economic Planning	Executive branch	Hon. Sylvester Wallangko	Commissioner	syjumlangko@yahoo.com	Lead

4. Lead implementing non-governmental stakeholder, if applicable

<i>Name of organization</i>	<i>Name of Contact</i>	<i>Title</i>	<i>Email</i>	<i>Role in Implementation</i>
Wise Youth Development Foundation (WISE-DEF)	O. J. Afwanks	Executive Director	ojafwanks@gmail.com	Lead



5. Other Stakeholders Involved in the implementation of this commitment

(e.g. Government Ministries, Departments, Agencies, Civil Society Organizations, Community Groups, Private Sector, or Working Groups)

Name of organization	Name of Contact	Title	Email	Role in Implementation
Ministry of Finance	Dr Regina Soemlat	Commissioner	bonifaceregina4@gmail.com	Coordinate
Community and Social Development Agency	Felicity Gurumyen	General Manager	fellygurumyen@yahoo.com	Coordinate
Plateau State Bureau of Statistics	Micah Gongden	Director General	gongdenmicah@gmail.com	Support
Ministry of Local Government and Chieftaincy Affairs	Hon. Sylvanus Tapgun	Commissioner	sdtapgum3@gmail.com	Coordinate
Plateau Information and Communication Technology Development Agency	David Daser	Director General	daser@plateaustate.gov.ng	Support
Fahariya Adolescent Development	Zarah Dakun	Program Manager	zeephindo@gmail.com	Support
League for Human Rights	Lawrencia Ngari	Program Officer	Leaguerights@yahoo.com	Support
Social Justice and Human Development for Peace initiative	Rose Ngyou	Director of Programs	rosengyou@yahoo.com	Support



Commitment Description

6. Problem

Describe the economic, social, political, or environmental problem identified that this commitment seeks to resolve. (e.g. 'Misallocation of welfare funds' is more helpful than 'lacking a website'.)

Currently citizen's inputs to budgeting process is not robust enough as town halls are held in only the three major senatorial districts of the State. This limits citizens' access to budgeting processes with many stakeholder groups not carried along. There is a need to deepen the process by extending the engagements to all Local Governments and, possibly, ward levels. Low Citizens representation at the town hall meetings due to poor mobilization, thus, limiting the platform for input and feedback on the budgeting process.

7. Status quo

Describe the current state of the policy issue at the beginning of an action plan. (e.g.: 26% of judicial corruption complaints are not processed currently.)

Currently the budget townhalls are held in only three (3) locations out of the seventeen (17) Local Government Areas and two hundred and seven (207) Wards in the state, which is an abysmal coverage of the state.

8. Action

What is the commitment? Describe what the commitment entails, its expected results, and overall objective.

Devolve participatory budgeting processes via townhall meetings in all 17 Local Government Areas and/or 24 State Constituencies in the State. Deploy interactive technology platform for publishing of budget information to allow for citizens feedback. Production of a simplified "Citizens Budget" to improve access to the budget to all. Leveraging existing CSO and CBO networks to mobilize more citizens from the 207 Wards to participate in the budget development process. Support Local Government Areas and communities to develop Community Development Plans (CDPs) which will inform state budget development.



9. How will the commitment contribute to solving the public problem?

What are the expected outputs and outcomes once the commitment has been implemented?

Budgeting portal for proactive disclosure of budget documents is publicly made available and sustained.
Output: Aggregated CDPs from each LGAs are made available during Budget participatory citizens engagement at the three zonal levels meetings
Output: Copies of infographics are printed and made available to the Communities
Outcome: Equitable distribution of resources and development across all Local Government Areas of the State
Outcome: Increased citizens ability to participate and speak up about their needs and priorities
Outcome: That all citizens across the 17 Local Government Areas and/or 24 State Constituencies are ably represented in budgeting processes
Outcome: Community Development Plans (CDPs) are developed and readily available tools use for extensive advocacy at all levels

10. What long-term goal as identified in your Open Government Strategic Vision does this commitment relate to?

Improved budgeting process for efficient resource deployment, accountability, and impact assurance.

11. Primary Policy Area

Fiscal Openness

12. Primary Sector

Right to Information



13. What OGP value is this commitment relevant to?

Select Value	Why is this commitment relevant to this value?
Civic Participation	The commitment creates the platform for citizens to take part in, and contribute to the development of the state budget The commitment creates the platform for citizens to take part in, and contribute to the development of the state budget.
Public Accountability	The budget town-halls will also be used to present the budget performances to the participantsThe budget town-halls will also be used to present the budget performances to the participants.
Technology and Innovation for Transparency and Accountability	Emails, WhatsApp and other ICT platforms will be deployed both for the dissemination of information and collection of feedbacksEmails, WhatsApp and other ICT platforms will be deployed both for the dissemination of information and collection of feedbacks.

14. What resources are needed to achieve this commitment?

Please include budget, staff, time, and contributions of civil society and other organizations and any other resources required.

Budget <i>(estimated budget allocation and specify currency)</i>	Staff <i>(number of staff required to implement the commitment)</i>	Time <i>(months needed to implement the commitment)</i>	Other resources required <i>(please describe)</i>
NGN160,000,000	21	18	Budget documents and Technical Assistance

15. Are the resources needed to achieve this commitment already secured?

Partially



16. Additional Information [Optional]

Link to the state's budget page <https://plateaustate.gov.ng/budget>

Link to the State MTEF/FSP www.plateaustate.gov.ng