

**REPORT OF THE CONSULTATIVE/TOWNHALL MEETING OF HIS EXCELLENCY, THE GOVERNOR OF EKITI STATE, DR. JOHN KAYODE FAYEMI WITH STAKEHOLDERS TOWARDS THE PREPARATION OF THE 2020 BUDGET, HELD ON THURSDAY 10<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER, 2019 AT IKERE, IKOLE AND ADO EKITI**

**1.0 ATTENDANCE**

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| i.    | His Excellency, Dr. John Kayode Fayemi  | - | The Governor of Ekiti State   |
| ii.   | His Excellency, Otunba Bisi Egbeyemi  | - | The Deputy Governor of Ekiti State  |
| iii.  | Rt. Hon. Funminiyi Afuye  | - | Speaker, Ekiti State House of Assembly  |
| iv.   | Hon. Femi Ajayi   | - | Hon. Commissioner for Budget and Economic Planning                              |
| v.    | Prof. Adio Folayan  | - | Hon. Commissioner for Local Government & Community Dev.                         |
| vi.   | Professor Bolaji Aluko  | - | State Coordinator, Office of Transformation & Service Delivery                  |
| vii.  | State Executive Council members   | - | ( As contained in the attendance List)  |
| viii. | Honourable Members, Ekiti State House of Assembly ( As contained in the attendance List)                |   |   |
| ix.   | Mr. J.B. Folorunso  | - | Permanent Secretary, (MB&EP)  |
| x.    | Traditional Rulers  | - | ( As contained in the attendance List)  |
| xi.   | Top Government Functionaries  | - | ( As contained in the attendance List)  |
| xii.  | Representatives of various towns and villages In Ekiti State  | - | ( As contained in the attendance List)  |
| xiii. | Local Government Officials  | - | ( As contained in the attendance List)  |
| xiv.  | Representatives of Civil Society Organisations, Non-Governmental Organisations etc, Private individuals | - | ( As contained in the attendance List)<br>(As contained in the attendance List) |
| xv.   | Mr. Sola Akinluyi   | - | Director of Budget  |
| xvi.  | Budget Officers   | - | ( As contained in the attendance List)  |

**2.0 INTRODUCTION**

In fulfilment of the mandate of the present administration to ensure a participatory and all-inclusive budgeting system in the preparation of the State annual Budget, and in line with international best practices, His Excellency, Dr. John Kayode Fayemi held a Consultative/Town Hall meeting with all stakeholders in the various town and communities in Ekiti State on Thursday, 10<sup>th</sup> October, 2019. The meeting was to articulate and collate the needs of the various towns and communities for inclusion in the

proposed 2020 Budget of the State. The consultative/townhall meeting was the second edition in the second term of the present administration. The meetings, which were held at Ikere Ekiti, Ikole Ekiti and Ado Ekiti, across the three Senatorial Districts in the State, were presided over by His Excellency, Dr. John Kayode Fayemi, the Governor of Ekiti State. Other critical Stakeholders at the meetings included His Excellency, Otunba Bisi Egbeyemi, the Deputy Governor of Ekiti State, the Speaker of Ekiti State House of Assembly, Rt. Hon. Funminiyi Afuye, members of the State Executive Council, members of Ekiti State House of Assembly, top government functionaries, traditional Rulers, Representatives of various towns and communities in Ekiti State, Chiefs, Associations, Artisans, Market Women, Professional Bodies, Non-Governmental Organization (NGOs), Civil Society Organizations, among others.

### **3.0 OBJECTIVES OF THE MEETING**

The objectives of holding the consultative meeting were as follows:

- (i) to consolidate on the established principle of consulting the good people of Ekiti State before the commencement of the preparation of the annual Budget for each fiscal year;
- (ii) to present the achievements of the administration vis-à-vis the completed and on-going projects across the sixteen (16) Local Government Areas (LGAs) of the State;
- (iii) to present the future programmes/agenda of government which would impact positively on the people of the State;
- (iv) to create a forum whereby the representatives of all towns and communities in the State could clearly articulate their areas of critical needs;
- (v) to collate the needs for inclusion in the proposed 2020 Budget in line with the five (5) pillars Agenda of the present administration; and
- (vi) to consider and prioritize the needs within the financial capability of the State in the 2020 fiscal year.

### **4.0 BUSINESS OF THE DAY**

#### **4.1 REMARKS BY THE HONOURABLE COMMISSIONER FOR BUDGET AND ECONOMIC PLANNING**

4.1.1 The Honourable Commissioner for Budget and Economic Planning (HCB&EP) welcomed all participants to the meeting. He stated that the Consultative forum was introduced during the first term of the present administration. He expressed appreciation to His Excellency, Dr. John Kayode Fayemi for his support in bringing the consultative meeting on 2020 Budget to fruition.

4.1.2 He also commended the Governor for his resilience to attend the consultative meeting in all the three (3) Senatorial Districts of the State. He affirmed that the State had achieved immensely under the stewardship of the Governor.

4.1.3. Furthermore, he remarked that the present administration would consolidate on the existing practice of bottom-up approach for an all-inclusive budgeting process in Ekiti State with a view to ensuring socio-economic development of the State. He added that the fiscal objectives of the proposed 2020 Budget would be hinged upon the five pillars of the present administration. He wished the participants a fruitful deliberation and enjoined them to make useful contributions which should be in consonance with the agenda of the Government.

## **5.0 BUSINESS OF THE DAY: INTERACTIVE SESSION**

5.1 The interactive session was anchored by the Honourable Commissioner for Budget and Economic Planning. After his opening remarks, he invited the representatives of the various communities to make comments, observation and present needs of their communities. The needs/requests were collated on Local Government basis as follows:

### **EKITI CENTRAL SENATORIAL DISTRICT**

(i) **ADO LOCAL GOVERNMENT:** High Chief Michael Arogundade Olora, on behalf of the Local Government, presented the needs as follows:

- a. completion of Oba's Adejugbe Market
- b. rehabilitation/re-construction and/or dualization of Oke Ila Road – Housing road
- c. reconstruction of Ureje Bridge

(ii) **IJERO LOCAL GOVERNMENT:** Some of the notable requests were:

- a. construction of Oba's Market
- b. rehabilitation of Ijero township roads
- c. construction of Ejjiyan – Odo Owa road
- d. extension of electricity at Ejjiyan Ekiti
- e. rehabilitation of Araromi-Iropora road.

(iii) **IREPODUN/IFELODUN LOCAL GOVERNMENT:** The requests of the communities were:

- a. construction of Town Hall at Iyin Ekiti
- b. construction of Iyin – Ilawe road
- c. rehabilitation of Awo township roads

- d. grading of Iropora- Esure road
- (iv) **EKITI WEST LOCAL GOVERNMENT:** The requests were:
  - a. re-construction of Erijiyan-Aramoko road
  - b. improved power supply
  - c. rehabilitation of feeder roads across Aramoko
  - d. rehabilitation of township roads across all the towns communities in the Local Government Area
- (v) **EFON AALAYE LOCAL GOVERNMENT:** The requests of the LGA centered on the following:
  - a. rehabilitation of Efon-Ipole road
  - b. adequate water supply
  - c. rehabilitation of Efon township road

#### **EKITI SOUTH SENATORIAL DISTRICT**

- (vi) **IKERE LOCAL GOVERNMENT:** The followings were some of the Local Government request:
  - a. grading of Odo-Aro and its environment
  - b. construction of Health Centre
  - c. installation of Transformers
- (vii) **ISE/ORUN LOCAL GOVERNMENT:** Some of the requests of this Local Government include:
  - a. reconstruction of Ise –Agbado road
  - b. completion of Palace Hall, Ise Ekiti
  - c. completion Orun Ekiti township road
- (viii) **GBONYIN LOCAL GOVERNMENT :** The request of the Local Government include:
  - a. reconstruction of Ode – Isinbode – Egbe road
  - b. provision of Secondary School at Isarun – Agbado
  - c. completion of Aisegba – ijesa – Isu road
- (ix) **EKITI SOUTH WEST LOCAL GOVERNMENT:** : Some of the request of this Local Government are:
  - a. rehabilitation of Ilawe township road
  - b. rehabilitation of Ilawe –Erijiyan road

- c. construction of Igbara-odo Bolorunduro village road
- d. clearing of bush from Ogotun to Ipeju ijsha
- (x) **EMURE LOCAL GOVERNMENT:** Highlighted below are some of the request of the Local Government:
  - a. extension of electricity across the Local Government
  - b. provision of bore hole for adequate water supply
  - c. renovation of health centre
- (xi) **EKITI EAST LOCAL GOVERNMENT**
  - a. provision of bore hole for adequate water supply across the Local Government
  - b. renovation of Basic Health Centre
  - c. renovation all primary and secondary schools

**EKITI NORTH SENATORIAL DISTRICT**

- (xii) **IKOLE LOCAL GOVERNMENT:** : Some of the requests of this Local Government are:
  - a. provision of Civic Centre, Gallery to the palace of Elekole and renovation of the palace in Ikole Ekiti
  - b. construction of damaged culvert bridge along Odo-Ayedun/ Ipao road
  - c. rural electrification across Ikole Local Government
- (xiii) **OYE LOCAL GOVERNMENT:** The followings are some of the request of this Local Government
  - a. feeder roads to link villages and farm settlements at Oye Local Government
  - b. dredging of Ayegun river in Irare quarters to control erosion
  - c. renovation of Health Centre at Ire-Ekiti
- (xiv) **OYE LOCAL GOVERNMENT:** The requests of this Local Government include:
  - a. provision of reservoir at Moba Grammar School for adequate water supply
  - b. provision of transformer at Eegun Peere
  - c. construction of Erinmope Ekan –Imoji road
- (xv) **IDO/OSI LOCAL GOVERNMENT:** Some notable requests from this Local Government include:
  - a. construction of Ilagbe Bridge and grading of the road
  - b. grading of Osi/Igede road

c. extension of electricity to new areas

(xvi) **ILEJEMEJE LOCAL GOVERNMENT:** This Local Government requested for the followings:

a. completion of Igede – Iworoko road

b. rehabilitation of Are – Oye road

c. construction of Eyio – Esure – Ifaki road

## **6.0 REMARK BY HIS EXCELLENCY, DR. JOHN KAYODE FAYEMI**

6.1 Mr. Governor thanked all the Traditional Rulers, Community Leaders and other participants for attending the Consultative Forum. He affirmed his commitment to bottom-top approach and inclusive budgeting system. He remarked that all the requests from all towns and communities had earlier been collated on Local Government basis and handed over to him. He expressed his genuine willingness to implement all the requests from the various town and communities.

6.4 Furthermore, His Excellency informed the participants that Government would embark on the following major programmes and projects across the State.

- i. Construction of 1,000km rural roads which would be financed through the Rural Agriculture Assess Marketing Project (RAAMP). Road to be constructed would include Ido-Efon –Ayegunle feeder road, Ile Oyan-Aramoko-Ajebandele road, Oke Imesi –Ila boundary road, among others.
- ii. Reactivation of 5km road construction projects across all Communities in the State
- iii. Combating erosion in towns and communities in Ekiti State
- iv. Improved power supply through collaboration and close monitoring of the Electricity Distribution Company (BEDC)
- v. Implementation of Water Provision Scheme which had commenced in some towns across the State.

6.5 His Excellency, Dr. John Kayode Fayemi stated that the 2019 Budget would be a Budget of deliverables. He assured all Stakeholders that the document would capture the interest of all communities in the State.

## **7.0 CLOSING**

7.1 The meetings ended at Ado-Ekiti, in Ekiti Central Senatorial district with vote of thanks by Chief Kayode Ogunleye. He expressed appreciation to Mr. Governor for bringing governance to their door step. He assured Mr. Governor on the continued and unflinching supports of all the Stakeholders in the State.

7.2. The meetings were rounded off at Ado Ekiti at 6.15pm with recitation of Ekiti State Anthem.