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Federal Government of Nigeria (FGN) 2017 Approved Budget: A Monitoring Report of Selected Capital Projects across the South-East Geopolitical Zone¹

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LIST OF ACRONYMS

Acronyms	Meaning
CA	Christian Aid
CBMs	Community -Based Monitors
CMD	Chief Me dical Director
CMMs	Community Monitoring Methods
COMEN	Community Empowerment Network
CSJ	Centre for Social Justice
CSOs	Civil Society Organizations
EEDC	Enugu Electricity Distribution Company
EIA	Environmental Impact Assessment
ERGP	Economic Recover y and Growth Plan
FERMA	Federal Road Maintenance Agency
FGGC	Federal Government Girls' College
FGN	Federal Government of Nigeria
HOG-I	Hope Givers Initiatives
JOHESU	Joint Health Staff Union
KPIs	Key Performance Indicators
LGA	Local Government Area
LTD/Ltd.	Limited
MDAs	Ministries, Departments and Agencies
MTEF	Medium -Term Expenditure Framework
MTFF	Medium -Term Fiscal Framework
NA	Not Available
NASS	National Assembly
NAU	Nnamdi Azikiwe University
NDDC	Niger Delta Development Commis sion
NDE	National Directorate of Employment
PHC	Primary Healthcare Centre
PPP	Public -Private Partnership
PTA	Parents' Teachers' Association
SOMIL	Saving One Million Lives
SWF	Sovereign Wealth Fund
UBE	Universal Basic Education
UBEC	Universal Basic Education Commission
V2P	Voice to the People
WACOL	Women Aid Collective

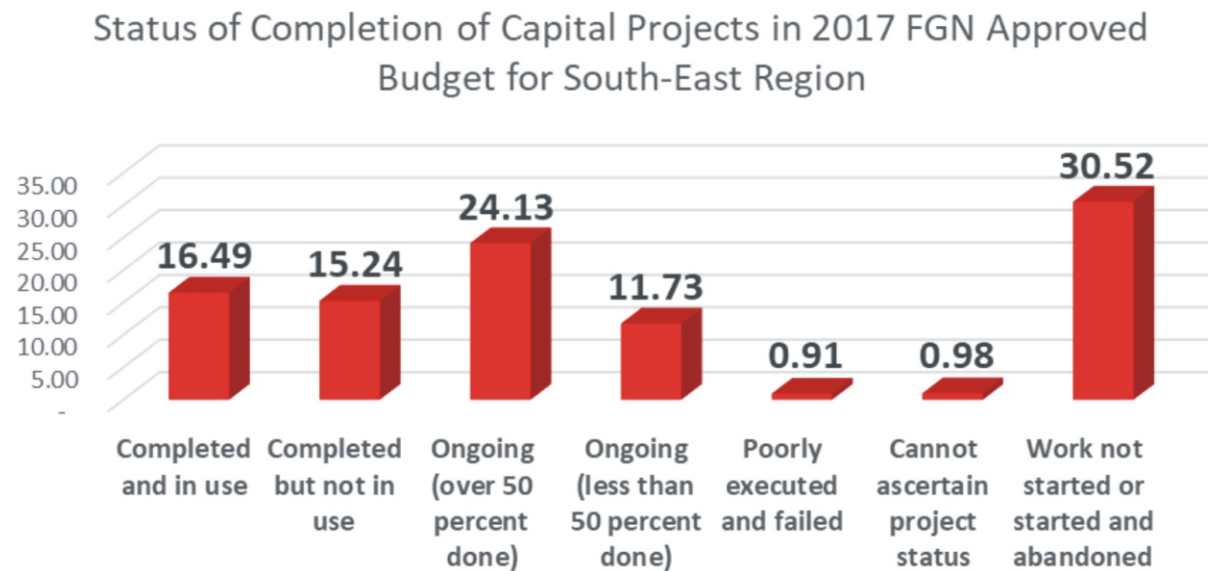


SYNOPSIS

Public finance is at its essence about the generation and use of public resources. Examination of public budgets through monitoring tells whether governments' allocation of public resources is in line with the commitments they have made. Therefore, budgets and public policy matter precisely because they are powerful policy tools with profound implications for poverty reduction and other social equity outcomes. Ordinary citizens have the right to know and determine how public revenues are collected and most importantly if they are spent well (value for money). However, in many countries including Nigeria, budgetary policy debates occur within relative exclusivity, leaving the majority of ordinary citizens, particularly the poor, the physically challenged and women without a direct or sometimes even a representative voice. Sometime even members of parliament have limited influence on decisions around allocation and spending of public resources.

Currently, all over the world, people-centered budgeting and public policy making have become the song on every one year and that has to cover the entire budget cycle. This is the only way states and nations can attain sustainable transparency and accountability as being promoted by the Open Governance Partnership (OGP) which Nigeria has signed on to while so many states including those in South-East doing all they can to be part of. OGP entails that citizens become part of the not just the budget process but all governance process. Citizens monitoring of budgets is part of what OGP stands for and it is unfortunate that the results from 2017 FGN budget implementation in the South-East is like music from a broken metal gong to the ear. This is so because with over one hundred and fifty projects monitored by different communities in the region about 30.52 percent of capital projects included in the 2017 budget for the South-East region have work either started and stopped or entirely abandoned or not started at all as depicted by the figure below.

Different Status of Completion of Capital Projects in 2017 FGN Approved Budget for South-East Region



Source: Author's Computation



This is very worrisome because only about 16.49 percent of over one hundred and thirty projects monitored in the region have been completed and put to use while 15.24 percent, 24.13 percent, 11.73 percent and 0.91 percent of capital projects as contained in the 2017 FGN approved budget are completed but not in use, ongoing (over 50 percent completed), ongoing (less than 50 percent completed) and poorly executed and hence the project has failed respectively.

At the state level, the story is not different as Anambra State top the list of the States with abandoned projects with about 46.81 percent either not started or abandoned followed by Ebonyi, Enugu, Abia and Imo with 44 percent, 30.77 percent, 21.95 percent and 9.09 percent respectively.

On the reflex, Ebonyi State top the chart of projects that are completed and have been put to use with 24 percent followed by Imo, Abia, Anambra and Enugu States with 22.73 percent, 19.51 percent, 8.51 percent and 7.69 percent respectively.

Evidence from the above monitoring exercise have shown that various communities in South-East can actually monitor projects in their respective communities if well guided as have been done by Women Aid Collective and Hope Givers Initiative under the V2P project with technical and financial assistance from the Christian Aid (CA). Therefore, CSOs and the media can utilize the services of effective Community-Based Monitors to improve budget outcomes in particular and the overall governance in general. This can be achieved by educating and sensitizing the public about their rights and entitlements under public programs. When such is done the communities can serve as conduit pipes where the government gets and understands public opinion and local experiences. This can further help in influencing local development policies; and help government and donors fashion a more effective development strategy through strengthening institutions, staff training, and improving management capacity.

Given the diverse geography of Nigeria, and the perceived and actual remoteness of the federal government from areas where government services are most needed, strengthening the linkages between the community level monitors and government at all tiers is a prerequisite to better targeted service delivery. CSOs, and the media can facilitate the strengthening of these linkages and ensure equitable and, in particular, gender and youth sensitive application. Civil society organizations and the media can play an important role in complementing the community and traditional social networks.



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SECTION ONE: INTRODUCTION

1.1 Background and Motivation for the Monitoring Exercise

Project Monitoring is the systematic and routine collection of information from projects and programmes for four main purposes including: To learn from experiences to improve practices and activities in the future; To have internal and external accountability of the resources used and the results obtained; To take informed decisions on the future of the initiative; as well as to promote empowerment of beneficiaries of the initiative. Project monitoring is a periodically recurring task already beginning in the planning stage of a project or programme. Project monitoring allows results, processes and experiences to be documented and used as a basis to steer decision-making and learning processes. Monitoring is checking progress against plans. The data acquired through monitoring is always useful for project evaluation.

Monitoring of projects in the budget monitoring is very key in budgeting. According to IBP, as a way to involve the broader public in overseeing budget execution, Civil Society Organizations (CSOs) can use various Community Monitoring Methods (CMMs), which are participatory methods used to engage communities in analysing government expenditures at the local level and hold government agencies accountable for them. These methods not only can be used to improve budget processes, policies, and outcomes but also can be a means of empowering communities. Different groups of communities use different methods available to them at a time with the utmost goal of the following:

1. Strengthening the oversight process at all level of governance;
2. Identifying problems in service delivery;
3. Uncovering instances of mismanagement, inefficiency, or corruption;
4. Generating evidence to inform ongoing and future budget debates; as well as
5. Increasing the capacity and willingness of ordinary people to engage in the budget process and actively hold their governments to account

Additionally, monitoring of government spending can help to ensure that funds are spent well, and not lost to corruption. It enables communities to ask: 'Are public resources being used as planned? And are they bringing the expected results?' It can lead to better public services for communities, such as health, education, water and sanitation and other sectors. It can also lead to stronger relationships and accountability between communities and people in power. These relationships may give further opportunity for communities to work with any level of government in Nigeria be it local, state and the federal governments to help them to prioritise expenditure to meet the community's greatest needs.

In general, monitoring is integral to evaluation. During an evaluation, information from previous monitoring processes is used to understand the ways in which the project or programme developed and stimulated change. Monitoring focuses on the measurement of the following aspects of an intervention:

- On quantity and quality of the implemented activities in other words outputs
- On processes, inherent to a project or programme referred to as outcomes trying to understand the effects /changes that occurred as a result of the intervention which can be in the form of project or programme
- On processes external to an intervention known as the impact which are long-term effects that were triggered by the implemented activities in combination with other environmental factors.

Evaluation comes after monitoring and it is a process of analysis or interpretation of the collected data which delves deeper into the relationships between the results of the project/programme, the effects produced by the project/programme and the overall impact of the project/programme.

1.2 Goal and Objectives

The monitoring exercise in the South-East geopolitical zone of Nigeria is intended to strengthen the capacity of selected Community-Based Monitors (CBMs) and CSOs across the five (5) states within the South-East region of Nigeria on budget monitoring and report writing as well as using derived results for engagement with relevant stakeholders and duty bearers. The specific objectives were to find the following:

1. Which project(s) in the 2017 FGN approved budget located in the geopolitical zone has been implemented and if so what is the status of implementation;
2. What is the feeling or perception of the community where the project(s) is cited on its implementation
3. Is the project(s) achieving the intended objectives

²<https://www.internationalbudget.org/why-budget-work/budget-execution/community-monitoring/>

SECTION TWO: SCOPE AND METHODOLOGY OF THE STUDY

2.1 Scope and Limitations of the Monitoring Exercise

The monitoring exercise of the 2017 approved Budget of the Federal Government of Nigeria (FGN) in the South-East was targeted at key projects that will have direct impact on the poor and downtrodden within geopolitical zone of the country. Therefore, not all the sectors or MDAs were covered during the monitoring exercise. However, the monitoring exercise covered the 5 major sectors under the Voice to the People project including:

1. Education and skill acquisition;
2. Health;
3. Agriculture;
4. Water and Sanitation; and
5. Infrastructure (Roads, Bridges, Culverts, Drainages and Erosion Control).

Apart from the above sectors identified, monitoring in some states covered rural electrification and market development (building or renovation of markets) since these are also key components of rural empowerment. The monitoring process covered only budget items with clear location and have them selected for monitoring while projects with unclear locations were dropped. The same applies to projects that have a number of states listed as beneficiaries. This is so because, with a lump sum and more than one state, it was difficult to know the actual amount that should be invested in a particular state. The monitoring exercise was done between April and June, 2018. This was to make sure that all capital projects meant for implementation ought to have started. Projects were monitored by senatorial zones by non-experts rather community based groups hence the interest were restricted to quality and results. All projects sites were visited once and do not follow the conventional monitoring which is continuous. The reason behind this is the fact that by the clause attached to the 2017 FGN Appropriation Act, all projects implementation should have up to June 11 as their end of year. It is true that we defined monitoring as routine collection of information from projects and programmes, this exercise is a one-off visit and not routine due to paucity of funds hence the wait towards the end of the budget fiscal year before embarking on the exercise. It should also be noted that the monitoring exercise were done by non-experts but rather community people and this resulted in adhering strictly to the monitoring template. In some instances, some key information requested for were unavailable.

2.2 The South-East Geopolitical Zone

The south-east geopolitical zone (region) of Nigeria is made up of five (5) states, namely, Abia, Anambra, Ebonyi, Enugu and Imo States with eighty-five (85) Local Government Areas (LGAs) and a population of over twenty-two (22) million people dwelling in over ten (10) commercial cities and large towns. Apart from agriculture being the main stay of economic activities for the majority in the rural communities, the zone is also known for its commerce and trading activities with a preponderance of micro, small and medium indigenous industries that are into manufacturing, fabrication and agro-allied produce. Agriculture thrives very well in the area because the zone is endowed with arable land. The main food crops grown in the zone include yam, cassava, rice, cocoyam and maize while the cash crops include oil-palm, rubber, cocoa, banana and various types of fruits. The zone is blessed with solid minerals and natural resources in rich deposits such as crude oil, natural gas, bauxite and iron ore, sand stone, lignite, kaoline, clay, coal, tin, columbite, etc. The zone has high potential to attract investments in the following areas:

- Agro-allied industries (Cassava starch and flour; as well as fruits and vegetable canning);
- Textiles (Cotton Socks, Fishing nets and Mosquito nets);
- Industrial Minerals/Quarrying (Glass industry, Table ware, Aggregate plant including stone crushing plants);
- Plastics Industry (Plastics manufacture, Bottles, flask, cans, tubes and bags tiles); and
- Chemical Industry (Polyethylene, Explosives, Self-Adhesive Tape, Pulp and paper).

2.3 Methodology

Nigeria is a huge country with thirty-six states grouped into six geopolitical zones. Just like the previous years the 2017 approved FGN budget has projects scattered across Ministries, Departments and Agencies (MDAs) of Government with locations not arranged neither by state nor by geopolitical zone.

Step One: The first step in the monitoring exercise was to pull out items (projects) in the budget that have been proposed to be cited within the five states of the South-East zone. The budget pull-out was mainly for capital budget as they are no enough information to guide recurrent budget disaggregation by states or geopolitical zones. This capital budget pull-out which were done by the Centre for Social Justice (CSJ) a knowledge hub based in Abuja was further disaggregated into specific states of the South-East.

Step Two: The second step was a Capacity Building (step-down training) on the basics of monitoring and what is expected for Community-Based Monitors (CBMs). The training sessions focused on Monitoring Methodology and the role of different stakeholders in enhancing public financial accountability and transparency. The capacity building workshops were conducted for CBMs in individual states with the aim of equipping the participants with skills required in budget analysis for them to be able to carry out budget monitoring. The capacity building further allowed participants to reflect on the Nigerian situation and how they would fit into the role of budget monitoring as members of the civil society at large. It also taught CBMs on how to strategize and implement budget monitoring mechanisms at Local Government Councils (LGCs) and State levels to enhance fiscal governance at all levels.

Step Three: CBMS were divided into groups to carry out a pilot monitoring of projects cited at their respective state capitals. Such experience helped the CBMs to understand the challenges and intricacies of project monitoring. They were allowed to share their different experiences for other groups to learn. It was a learning sharing experience which had them prepared for the main field work across their respective States, senatorial zones and LGCs.

The monitoring exercise for Abia was done by Abia State Independent Monitoring Team, Anambra state was done by Community Empowerment Network (COMEN), Ebonyi State was carried out by different Community-Based Monitors (CBMs) with their names in every project monitored, Enugu State was monitored by Project Watch members while Imo State monitoring was executed by Imo Project Watch. These respective groups were trained by Women Aid Collective (WACOL) and Hope Givers Initiative (HOG-I) under the V2P platform with financial and technical support from Christian Aid (CA)

2.4 The Approved FGN 2017 Budget

The 2017 FGN budget was presented to the National Assembly (NASS) on December 15, 2016 and signed into

law on June 12, 2018. Government's priorities in 2017 according to the President Speech was to continue the 2016 plans but adjusted to reflect new additions made in the Economic Recovery and Growth Plan (ERGP). In order to restore growth, the FGN key objective to bring about stability and greater coherence between monetary, fiscal and trade policies while guaranteeing security for all. The effort to diversify the economy and create jobs was emphasised and specific sectors like agriculture, manufacturing, solid minerals and services were targeted. Mid- and Down-stream oil and gas sectors, were also key priority areas while prioritising investments in human capital development especially in education and health, as well as wider social inclusion through job creation, public works and social investments were the focus the major milestone the budget is expected to achieve.

The 2017 Federal Government of Nigeria (FGN) budget, tagged Budget of Recovery and Growth, was a product of the 2017-2019 Medium-Term Fiscal Framework (MTFF) and Medium-Term Expenditure Framework (MTEF). It also reflected the planned reforms and initiatives in the strategic implementation plan (SIP) and the Nigeria Economic Recovery and Growth Plan (ERGP 2017-2020). The budget is crafted with certain key assumptions and projections about the global economic development and the domestic environment in mind. On the global front, there is cautious optimism of a rebound in economic activities from the sluggish growth of 2016. Global GDP growth rate is expected to rise to 3.4 percent in 2017. While the projection for the 2016 global GDP growth rate was put at 3.1 percent, the outcome was largely challenged by the following turn of events in the year:

- Lower than expected level of economic activities in the USA,
- Uncertainties in Europe brought about by BREXIT, the migrant crises, and terror activities,
- Slowdown in China's economic growth
- Weak demand in advanced economies and its spill-over effects
- Geopolitical tensions in several countries especially in the Middle East.

In summary, the 2017 approved but had a total of N7,441,175,486,758 (Seven Trillion, Four Hundred and Forty-One Billion, One Hundred and Seven-Five Million, Four Hundred and Eighty-Six Thousand, Seven Hundred and Fifty-Eight Naira) only, of which, N434,412,950,249 (Four Hundred and Thirty-Four Billion, Four Hundred and Twelve Million, Nine Hundred and Fifty Thousand, Two Hundred and Forty-Nine Naira) only is for Statutory Transfers, N1,841,345,727,206 (One Trillion, Eight Hundred and Forty-One Billion, Three Hundred and Forty-Five Million, Seven Hundred and Twenty-Seven Thousand, Two Hundred and Six Naira) only is for Debt Service, N177,460,296,707 (One Hundred and Seventy-Seven Billion, Four Hundred and Sixty Million, Two Hundred and Ninety-Six Thousand, Seven Hundred and Seven Naira) only is for Sinking Fund for maturing bonds, N2,987,550,033,436 (Two Trillion, Nine Hundred and Eighty-Seven Billion, Five Hundred and Fifty Million, Thirty-Three Thousand, Four Hundred and Thirty-Six Naira) only is for Recurrent (Non-Debt) Expenditure while the sum of N2,177,866,775,867 (Two Trillion, One Hundred and Seventy-Seven Billion, Eight-Hundred and Sixty-Six Million, Seven Hundred and Seventy-Five Thousand, Eight Hundred and Sixty-Seven Naira) only, is for contribution to the Development Fund for Capital Expenditure (exclusive of capital expenditure in Statutory Transfers) for the year ending on the 31st December 2017.

The budget overall goal according to the President was to consolidate on the successes in building a dynamic, competitive economy that will depend on construction of high quality national infrastructure and an improved business environment leveraging locally available resources. The major strategy the budget identified to achieve this was to continue her goal of improving governance by enhancing public service delivery as well as securing life and properties.

SECTION THREE: STATUS OF IMPLEMENTATION OF 2017 FGN CAPITAL PROJECTS IN SOUTH-EAST, NIGERIA

3.1 Introduction


This section presents the status of monitored projects between April and June 2018 across the five states of Abia, Anambra, Ebonyi, Enugu and Imo States. Let's recall that the overall goal of the is intended to strengthen the capacity of selected Community-Based Monitors (CBMs) and CSOs across the five (5) states within the South-East region of Nigeria on budget monitoring and report writing as well as using derived results for engagement with relevant stakeholders and duty bearers.

3.2 FGN 2017 Capital Projects in Abia State


3.2.1 Abia Central Senatorial Zone


Water and Sanitation

PROJECT 1: DREDGING OF RIVER UMUKWU	
CLIENT/SPONSOR: NATIONAL INLAND WATER AUTHORITY	
LGA (Project Location): Isialangwa North	
Contractor: NA	
Community: Umuakwa	
Community: Umuakwa	
2017 Budget Estimate: N200,000.000	
Project Status: Ongoing	
Community Opinion and Observations: The community feels that the project is a good one and pray for more speed for the work to be completed on time. The dredging is a welcome development but the pace which the job is being handled is not encouraging. The community therefore suggest that the contractors should increase their pace.	

PROJECT2: CONSTRUCTION OF UMUWANWA IRRIGATION, EROSION AND FLOOD CONTROL WORKS	
CLIENT/SPONSOR: FEDERAL MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES	
LGA (Project Location): Umuahia South LGA Abia State	
Contractor: NA	
Community: Umuwanwa Umuokpara Community	
2017 Budget Estimate : N20,000,000	
Project Status: It was poorly executed hence it collapsed	
Community Opinion and Observations: The community opinion was that experts must be involved in the construction of the project to avoid recurrence project collapse. The project should be given to a competent hard and more fund should be located for the project.	

Education

PROJECT 3: CONSTRUCTION OF LECTURE HALL	
CLIENT/SPONSOR: FEDERAL MINISTRY OF EDUCATION	
LGA (Project Location): Ikwuano LGA	
COMMUNITY: Michael Okpara University of Agriculture Umudike	
2017 Budget Estimate: N14,598,319,	
Project Status: Ongoing	
Community Opinion and Observations: The fund not enough to complete the project. The project is too big for the amount voted for it	

PROJECT 4: CONSTRUCTION AND FURNISHING OF A BLOCK 3 CLASSROOMS	
CLIENT/SPONSOR: FEDERAL MINISTRY OF EDUCATION - UBEC/FGN/UBEC/2017/Constituency Project	
LGA (Project Location): Umuahia South L.G. A.	
Contractor: Impex Agro Allied Limited	
Community: Umutowe Central School Olokoro Umuahia	
2017 Budget Estimate: N20,000,000	
Project Status: Completed and in use but not according to specification <i>(Note: The project description stated a block of 3 classroom but only 2 classrooms were built)</i>	
Community Opinion and Observations: On arrival to the school, the team found that the project which was tagged a 3 block of classroom was only 2 blocks . The newly rooted developed openings as recorded by the class teachers. Teachers complained about a leaking roof in the new building.	

PROJECT 5: LAND SCALPING/EROSION CONTROL	
CLIENT/SPONSOR: FEDERAL MINISTRY OF EDUCATION	
LGA (Project Location): Umuahia South LGA	
Contractor: NA	
Community: Old Umuahia	
2017 Budget Estimate: N30,395,125	
Project Status: Could not ascertained due to refusal of the authorities to sight it	
Community Opinion and Observations: The operators insisted that a cover letter should be given to the team to enable them have access	

Rural Electrification

PROJECT 6: SOLAR STREET LIGHTS OF IKEALA NSULU AUTONOMOUS COMMUNITY, ABIA STATE

CLIENT/SPONSOR: NATIONAL RURAL ELECTRIFICATION AGENCY

LGA (Project Location):
Isialangwa North
Contractor: NA
Community: Ikeala Nsulu
Autonomous Community
2017 Budget Estimate:
N50,000,000
Project Status: Ongoing



Community Opinion and Observations: The information derived from the community shows that they appreciate and welcome the project and stated the up to 30 solar street light was brought and installed but yet to be connected. They opined that there should be adequate supervision on the project to avoid being abandoned and also to have a quality and sustainable street lighting system

PROJECT 7: SOLAR STREET LIGHT FOR AMUZU UBILUBI UBAKALA ONYECHEFULA IN UMUAHIA SOUTH L.G.A ABIA STATE

CLIENT/SPONSOR: NATIONAL RURAL ELECTRIFICATION AGENCY

LGA (Project Location):
Umuahia South
Contractor: NA
Community: Amuzu
Ubilubi Ubakala
2017 Budget Estimate:
N45,000,000
Project Status: Project is completed



Community Opinion and Observations: Information's obtained shows that the project was carried out in the community. The solar was installed and connected, it was also observed by the team with evidence. Base on observation, the solar street light was installed in the community, as we were able to record up to 21 poles

**PROJECT 8 : RURAL ELECTRIFICATION OF UMUEKE NSULU
CLIENT/SPONSOR: NATIONAL RURAL ELECTRIFICATION AGENCY**

LGA (Project Location):
Isialangwa North
Contractor: NA
Community: Umueke
Nsulu
2017 Budget Estimate :
N40,000,000
Project Status : Almost
completed but has not
been stepped down to
generate light.



Community Opinion and Observations: The contractors did a good job but what is remaining is to generate light. A very impressive job done by the contractors.

**PROJECT 9 : UPGRADE OF IKPUTU NSULU RURAL ELECTRIFICATION PROJECT
CLIENT/SPONSOR: NATIONAL RURAL ELECTRIFICATION AGENCY**


LGA (Project Location):
Isialangwa North
Contractor: NA
Community: Ikputu Nsulu
2017 Budget Estimate :
N35,000,000
Project Status : Completed
but has not been stepped
down and connected to
generate light.




Community Opinion and Observations: The project was properly executed but the transformers needed to be stepped down to give them light . A good job done by the Contractors but they have to step it down

Health

PROJECT 10: COMPLETION AND EQUIPPING OF PRIMARY HEALTH CARE CENTER ABIA STATE	
CLIENT/SPONSOR: NATIONAL PROJECT MANAGEMENT, NATIONAL PRIMARY HEALTH CARE DEVELOPMENT AGENCY.	
LGA (Project Location): Umuahia South	
Contractor: NA	
Community: Ubakala	
2017 Budget Estimate : N20 ,000,000	
Project Status: Presumed completed	
<p>Community Opinion and Observations: Based on information gathered from citizens, the project is seen completed but the equipment meant for the healthcare centre was taken to a different area leaving the building unequipped. So, to an ordinary citizen it is just a building and not a Primary Healthcare Centre (PHC)</p>	

PROJECT 11: EQUIPMENT AND FURNITURE PROCUREMENT AT FEDERAL MEDICAL CENTRE UMUAHIA ABIA STATE	
CLIENT/SPONSOR: FEDERAL MINISTRY OF HEALTH	
LGA (Project Location): Umuahia North	
Contractor: NA	
Community: Federal Medical Centre Umuahia Abia State	
2017 BUDGET Estimate : N40,000,000	
PROJECT STATUS: Cannot ascertain if anything has happened as at May 17, 2018 because of JOHESU industrial action.	
<p>Community Opinion and Observations: We gathered that Joint Health Staff Union (JOHESU) was on strike, so we were unable to get information. The medical director was not on seat to attend to us and every approach made was abortive .</p>	



PROJECT 12: RENOVATION OF MATERNITY WARD AT FEDERAL MEDICAL CENTRE UMUAHIA ABIA STATE	
CLIENT/SPONSOR: FEDERAL MINISTRY OF HEALTH	
LGA (Project Location): Umuahia North	
Contractor: NA	
Community: Federal Medical Centre Umuahia Abia State	
2017 Budget Estimate : N50, 000,000	
Project Status: Cannot ascertain if anything has happened as at May 17, 2018 because of JOHESU industrial action.	
<p>Community Opinion and Observations: The management of the hospital was not forthcoming in giving the team access or relevant information .</p>	

Infrastructure (Works)

PROJECT 13: CONSTRUCTION OF DRAINAGE AT UMUAKWU NBUBO RURAL ROAD, ISIALANGWA NORTH L.G.A, ABIA STATE	
CLIENT/SPONSOR: FEDERAL MINISTRY OF WORKS, POWER AND HOUSING	
LGA (Project Location): Isialangwa North	
Contractor: NA	
Community: Umuakwu Nbubo	
2017 Budget Estimate:	
Project Status: Ongoing	
<p>Community Opinion and Observations: It's a laudable project considering its location advantage which connects the community with Ikwuano allowing room for economic growth. It is also advancing as expected. The monitoring team also believed that the work is advancing speedily considering it only started 3 months ago (February).</p>	



Agriculture

PROJECT 14: DEVELOPMENT OF SEED SYSTEM FOR GINGER, POTATO AND COCOYAM, NATIONAL ROOT CROPS RESEARCH INSTITUTE, UMUDIKE	
CLIENT/SPONSOR: FEDERAL MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE	
LGA (Project Location): Ikwuano	
Contractor: NA	
Community: Umu dike	
2017 Budget Estimate : N71,412,000	
Project Status : Ongoing	
Community Opinion and Observations: Quite timely and would definitely increase /improve agricultural yields. It is a good and well thought out project.	

PROJECT 15: DEVELOPMENT OF HIGH YIELDING AND DISEASE RESISTANT VARIETY OF CASSAVA, SWEET POTATO, COCOYAM FOR PROCESSING AND EXPORT NATIONAL ROOT CROPS RESEARCH INSTITUTE, UMUDIKE	
CLIENT/SPONSOR: FEDERAL MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE	
LGA (Project Location): Ikwuano	
Contractor: NA	
Community: Umu dike	
2017 Budget Estimate : N84,426,100	
Project Status : Completed in terms of planting.	
Community Opinion and Observations: Based on information gathered from staff of the organization using triangulation, the stakeholders are doing their best to ensure that each project approved is carried out as they have succeeded in achieving the project objective. The National Root Crop Research Institute carried out active work plan in achieving or completing this project in our independent opinion.	



PROJECT 16: PERIMETER FENCING OF NATIONAL ROOT CROPS RESEARCH INSTITUTE, EXPERIMENTAL FARM LAND AT UMUDIKE	
CLIENT/SPONSOR: FEDERAL MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE	
LGA (Project Location): Ikwuano	
Contractor: NA	
Community: Umu dike	
2017 Budget Estimate : N205, 476,848	
Project Status: Completed.	
Community Opinion and Observations: According to the staff of the organization, it was obtained that the project was completed last year being 2017 the budget year. Those in charge of the project did a trusted work as it was observed and the monitoring team were informed that the project was completed ahead of time.	




PROJECT 17: ASPHALTING OF INTERNAL ROAD OF NATIONAL ROOT CROP RESEARCH INSTITUTE, UMUDIKE	
CLIENT/SPONSOR: FEDERAL MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE	
LGA (Project Location): Ikwuano	
Contractor: NA	
Community: Umu dike	
2017 BUDGET Estimate N200, 599,222	
Project Status : Completed.	
Community Opinion and Observations: In our Independent opinion, the project will increase accessibility within the root crop institute community . However, we recommend that going forward similar projects should have sign post indicator for easy identification.	

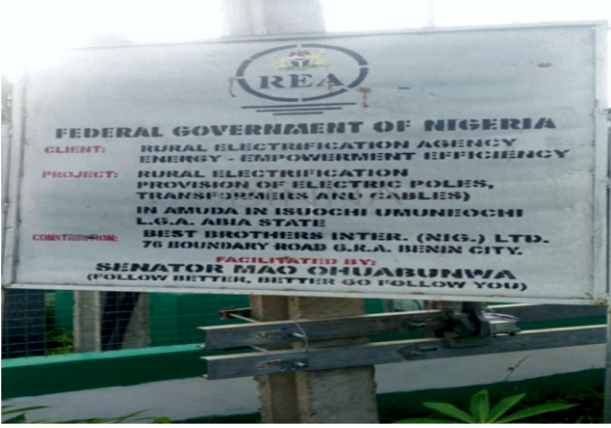
3.2.2 Abia North Senatorial Zone

Infrastructure (Roads, Bridges, Drainages, Culverts and Erosion Control)



PROJECT 1 : EROSION CONTROL/ CONSTRUCTION OF DRAINAGES AND CULVERTS IN UMUOGELE UMUNNEOCHI	
CLIENT/SPONSOR: FEDERAL ROAD MAINTENANCE AGENCY	
Project Number & Title: Erosion Control/Construction of Drainages and Culverts in Umuogele Umunneochi	
Name of Contractor: NA	 <p>EROSION CONTROL AND CONSTRUCTION OF DRAINAGE AND CURVETS IN UMUOGELE</p>
Project Amount in the Budget: N30 ,000,000	
Locations Visited: UMUNNEOCHI (UMUOGELE AMUDA ISUOCHI)	
Dates Visited: 26/05/18	
Members of Team Visiting: Abia State Independent Monitoring Team	
 <p>EROSION CONTROL AND CONSTRUCTION OF DRAINAGE AND CURVETS IN UMUOGELE</p>	 <p>EROSION CONTROL AND CONSTRUCTION OF DRAINAGE AND CURVETS IN UMUOGELE</p>
<p>Pic 3: Yet another view of the erosion site</p> <p>Pic 2: Another view of the erosion site</p>	
<p>Community Opinion and Observation: As at time of this report, there was no work in progress. The team was able to see only the erosion site but no sign of work is seen there. Community is pleading to the concerned authority to intervene before it is too late.</p> <p>Recommendation: The team recommends that the project be given immediate attention because the distance of the erosion to the major road is less than five (5) meters.</p>	

PROJECT 2 : ISUKWUATO/ UTURU ROAD CONSTRUCTION	
CLIENT/SPONSOR: FEDERAL ROAD MAINTENANCE AGENCY	
Project Number & Title:	Isukwuato/Uturu Road Construction
Name of Contractor: NA	 <p>CONSTRUCTION OF UTURU ISUKWUATO ROAD</p>
Project Amount in the Budget: N40,000,000	
Locations Visited: ISUKWUATO/UTURU	
Dates Visited: 26/05/18	
Members of Team Visiting: Abia State Independent Monitoring Team	
 <p>CONSTRUCTION OF UTURU ISUKWUATO ROAD</p>	
<p>Pic 1: A view of the road</p> <p>Pic 2: Another view of the road</p>	
<p>Community Opinion and Observation: As at time of this report nothing has been done on the said road. The contractors were not even on sight. The team was told by community members to see for themselves whether anything like construction was being done on the road. This is to say the two towns expressed their disappointment on the side of the government and their representatives.</p> <p>Recommendation: Proper supervision from the appropriate body of the federal government. A visit to the site has to be done before more funds are released (if funds have been released at all).</p>	


PROJECT 3: CONSTRUCTION OF MBALA - UMUAKU ROAD	
CLIENT/SPONSOR: FEDERAL MINISTRY OF POWER, WORKS AND HOUSING	
Project Number & Title:	CONSTRUCTION OF MBALA - UMUAKU ROAD
Name of Contractor: NA	 <p>CONSTRUCTION OF MBALA UMUAKU ROAD</p>
Project Amount in the Budget: N100 ,000,000	
Locations Visited: UMUNNEOCHI (MBALA - UMUAKU)	
Dates Visited: 25/05/18	
Members of Team Visiting: Abia State Independent Monitoring Team	
 <p>CONSTRUCTION OF MBALA UMUAKU ROAD</p>	 <p>CONSTRUCTION OF MBALA UMUAKU ROAD</p>
	<p>Pic 3: Yet another view of the road</p> <p>Pic 2: Another view of the road</p>
<p>Community Opinion and Observation: As at time of this report nothing has happened on the site. Members of the communities involved (Mbala and Umuaku) are aware of the contract and some of them that spoke to the team were complaining bitterly that the same road project was awarded some years in the past, but the contractors never showed up and the relevant government supervisory agency never did anything.</p> <p>Recommendation: The attention of the relevant authorities involved should be called.</p>	

PROJECT 4: COMPLETION OF RURAL ELECTRIFICATION PROJECTS IN COMMUNITIES IN UMUNNEOCHI LGA, BENDE, OHAFIA, ISUKWUATO, AROCHUKWU	
CLIENT/SPONSOR: FEDERAL MINISTRY OF POWER WORKS AND HOUSING	
Project Number & Title: Completion of Rural Electrification Projects in Communities in Umunneochi LGA , Bende, Ohafia, Isukwuato, Arochukwu	
Name of Contractor: Best Brothers International Nigeria Ltd.	 <p>FEDERAL GOVERNMENT OF NIGERIA <small>CLIENT:</small> RURAL ELECTRIFICATION AGENCY <small>ENERGY - EMPLOYMENT EFFICIENCY</small> <small>PROJECT:</small> RURAL ELECTRIFICATION <small>PROVISION OF ELECTRIC POLES, TRANSFORMERS AND CABLES</small> <small>IN AMUDA IN ISUKWUATO LGA, ABIA STATE</small> <small>CONTRACTOR:</small> BEST BROTHERS INTER. (NIG.) LTD. <small>TO BOUNDARY ROAD O.L.A. BENIN CITY.</small> <small>FACILITATED BY:</small> <small>SENIATOR MAC OBUABUNWA</small> <small>(FOLLOW BROTHER, BROTHER GO FOLLOW YOU)</small></p>
Project Amount in the Budget: N100 ,000,000	
Locations Visited: Umunneochi	
Dates Visited: 27/05/18	
Members of Team Visiting: Abia State Independent Monitoring Team	
	 <p>Pic 1: A view of the electricity project</p> <p>Pic 2: A view of a transformer earlier mounted in the community</p>
<p>Community Opinion and Observation: As at time of this report, no new rural electrification project was seen in the community. It is only the existing one that was observed. The community is hoping that the government should live by her own words.</p> <p>Recommendation: The team recommends that the government should start the project so that it can be fully implemented.</p>	

PROJECT 5: EROSION CONTROL WORK AT NKWO - AGU ISUOCHI UMUNNEOCHI	
CLIENT/SPONSOR: FEDERAL MINISTRY OF NIGER DELTA	
Project Number & Title: Erosion Control Work at Nkwo-Agu Isuochi Umunneochi	
Name of Contractor: BAANGO JENCO LIMITED	
Project Amount in the Budget: N103,000,000	
Contractor: NA	
Locations Visited: Umunneochi (Nkwoagu)	
Dates Visited: 26/05/18	
Members of Team Visiting:	
	
Pic 3: View of the signpost indicating commencement of the project	Pic 1: A view of the erosion site
	
	Pic 2: Construction work going on at the site
Community Opinion and Observation: As at the time of this report, work is ongoing on the site, though the team could not ascertain if the work is in accordance with the project's specifications because the construction design was not available. Community members were happy seeing such intervention on the site, calling it a right step in the right direction.	


PROJECT 6: REHABILITATION OF ENUGU -PORT HARCOURT DUAL CARRIAGEWAY SECTION 1 (LOKPANTA -UMUAHIA)	
CLIENT/SPONSOR: FEDERAL MINISTRY OF POWER WORKS AND HOUSING	
Project Number & Title: Rehabilitation of Enugu- Port Harcourt Dual Carriageway Section 1 (Lokpanta - Umuahia)	
Name of Contractor: Setraco Nigeria Limited	
Project Amount in the Budget: N3,600,000,000	
Contractor:	
Locations Visited: Umunneochi (Lokpanta)	
Dates Visited: 25-26/05/18	
Members of Team Visiting: Abia State	
	
Pic 3: Trips of sand for the reconstruction	Pic 2: The signpost indicating the construction work
Community Opinion and Observation: As at the time of this report, work is seriously going on the road. At the Lokpanta end of the road, community members were happy and urged the government not to suspend or abandon the project based on past experiences they have had.	



Market Development

PROJECT 7: CONSTRUCTION/REHABILITATION OF BETTER LIFE MARKET	
CLIENT/SPONSOR: FEDERAL MINISTRY OF POWER, WORKS AND HOUSING	
Project Number & Title:	Construction/ Rehabilitation of Better Life Market
Name of Contractor: NA	
Project Amount in the Budget: N50,000,000	
Locations Visited: Umunneochi (Lokpanta)	
Dates Visited:	
	Pic 1: A view of the market


PROJECT 7 : CONSTRUCTION/REHABILITATION OF BETTER LIFE MARKET	
CLIENT/SPONSOR: FEDERAL MINISTRY OF POWER, WORKS AND HOUSING	
Members of Team Visiting:	 <p>Pic 2: A view of new blocks being constructed in the market</p>
 <p>Pic 3: Yet another view of the market</p>	
<p>Community Opinion and Observation: As at time of this report two (2) new blocks of 20 numbers of shops are under construction. From the findings of the team, the community credited the project to be a personal project from the sitting House of Representatives member (Umunneochi/Isukwuato constituency)</p> <p>Recommendation: The team recommends that unbiased supervisors from the appropriate MDA of the federal government to visit and inspect the ongoing project so as to ensure full compliance with the budgeted proposal.</p>	

Health

PROJECT 8 : EQUIPPING OF ONUAKU HEALTH CENTER	
CLIENT/SPONSOR: FEDERAL MINISTRY OF HEALTH	
Project Number & Title: Equipping Of Onuaku Health Center	
Name of Contractor: NA	 <p>Pic 1: View of some of the equipment</p>
Project Amount in the Budget : N12,000,000	
Locations Visited: Isukwuato (Onuaku Uturu)	
Dates Visited: 25/05/2018	
Members of Team Visiting: Abia State Independent Monitoring Team	


PROJECT 8 : EQUIPPING OF ONUAKU HEALTH CENTER	
CLIENT/SPONSOR: FEDERAL MINISTRY OF HEALTH	
Members of Team Visiting: Abia State Independent Monitoring Team	 <p>Pic 2: Another view of some of the equipment</p>
 <p>Pic 3: Some of the low-quality chairs and tables brought in</p>	
<p>Community Opinion and Observation: As at time of this report, some of the equipment have been brought in, though not yet complete based on the material list presented to the team. From the assessment of the team, the materials (furniture, tables, cupboard, shelves and benches) are of inferior quality. Most of the old ones are even better than the new ones. Also, some essential things needed/requested were not among the things brought.</p> <p>Recommendation: Serious supervision from the appropriate body of the federal government to the health centre so as to ensure full compliance with the approved budgeted proposal. The staff quarter also needs quick intervention as the roofs are leaking.</p>	


Water and Sanitation


PROJECT: WATER SCHEME AT AMUDA/ NNEATO UMUNNEOCHI	
CLIENT/ SPONSOR: FEDERAL MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES / SENATOR MAO OHUABUNWA	
Project Number & Title: Water Scheme at Amuda/ Nneato Umunneochi	
Name of Contractor: NA	 <p>Pic 1: A view of the water project</p>
Project Amount in the Budget: N50,000,000	
Locations Visited: Umunneochi (Ekeziama Nneato)	
Dates Visited: 25/05/18	
Members of Team Visiting: Abia State Independent Monitoring Team	
<p>Community Opinion and Observation: The project has been completed and commissioned. The community is pleading that the overhead tank (supply tank) be changed to a bigger size so as to contain more volume of water for the community consumption (The team did not send any pictures of the tank).</p>	

3.2.3 Abia South Senatorial Zone


Agriculture


PROJECT 1: CONSTRUCTION OF 10 INCUBATION UNITS IN ABA, ABIA STATE	
CLIENT/SPONSOR: FEDERAL MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY	
Project Number & Title: ELHJV37392536/Construction of 10 Incubation units in Aba, Abia State	
Name of Contractor: NA	
Project Amount in the Budget: N5,000,000	
Locations Visited: Aba	
LGA: Aba North	
Dates Visited: 25 th May, 2018	
Projects Status: Ongoing	
Members of Team Visiting: Abia State Independent Monitoring Team	
<p>Community Opinion and Observation: A visit to incubation centre Aba shows that actually there were some ongoing projects in the 2017 National Budget but the team was not allowed access to the projects spots due to non-availability of the management staff. However, some snapshots were taken indicating that the centre was visited by the team.</p> <p>The people deserve physical projects from government on yearly basis; this is why budget is being proposed on every fiscal year. However, its implementation becomes essential part of justifying the purpose of the budget to give the people the deserved benefit.</p>	

PROJECT 2: PROCUREMENT OF FERTILIZER IN ABA NORTH/ ABA SOUTH FEDERAL CONSTITUENCY ABIA STATE.	
CLIENT/SPONSOR: FEDERAL MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE	
Project Number & Title: FMOAS40445576/Procurement of Fertilizer in Aba North/Aba South Federal Constituency Abia State; Procurement of oil processing Mill in Aba north /Aba south Federal Constituency; Procurement of Tractors in Aba North/Aba South Federal Constituency; as well as Procurement of implements: Plough, Harrow, Trailer, Ridger and Planter in Aba North/Aba South Federal Constituency, Abia State.	
Name of Contractor: NA	
Project Amount in the Budget: N250,000,000	
Project status : Yet to be implemented	
Locations Visited: Communities in Aba North/Aba South Federal Constituency	


PROJECT 2: PROCUREMENT OF FERTILIZER IN ABA NORTH/ ABA SOUTH FEDERAL CONSTITUENCY ABIA STATE.	
CLIENT/SPONSOR: FEDERAL MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE	
LGA: Aba North/Aba South Federal Constituency	
Dates Visited: 24 th May, 2018	
Members of Team Visiting: Abia State Independent Monitoring Team	
<p>Community Opinion and Observation: The communities expect that the ministry responsible for the implementation should consider the importance and do well to translate the project into reality. The projects were well captured in the 2017 National Budget and so should be given the implementation attention they deserve.</p>	


Health


PROJECT 3 EQUIPPING OF PRIMARY HEALTH CENTRE , OMUMAZOR, UKWA WEST	
CLIENT/SPONSOR: FEDERAL MINISTRY OF HEALTH	
Project Number & Title: Equipping of Primary Health Centre, Omumazor, Ukwa West	
Name of Contractor: NA	
Project Amount in the Budget: N12,000,000	
Project status: Not implemented	
Locations Visited: Omumazor, Ukwa	
LGA: Ukwa West	
Dates Visited: 28 th May, 2018	
Members of Team Visiting: Abia State Independent Monitoring Team	
<p>Community Opinion and Observation: Disturbed that such project capable of taking care of health issues are not considered for implementation therefore, calls on the respective Ministry to steps in realizing the purpose of the project.</p>	

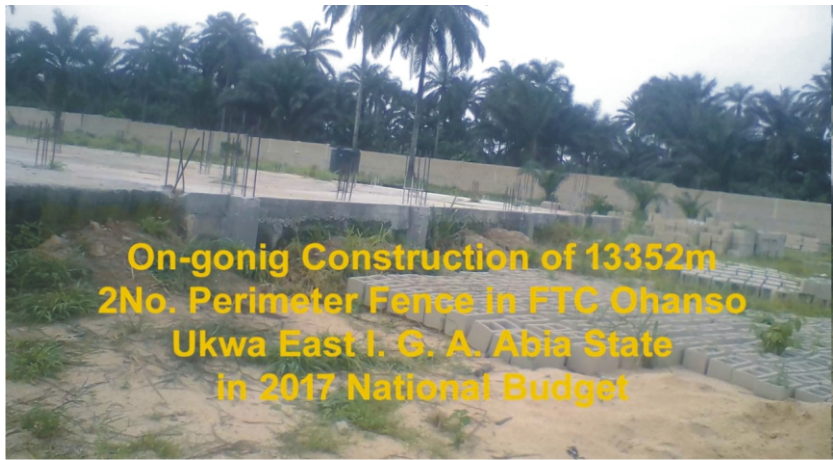
PROJECT 4: REVITALIZATION OF PRIMARY HEALTH CARE CENTRE, AKWETE - UKWA EAST	
CLIENT/SPONSOR: FEDERAL MINISTRY OF HEALTH	
Project Number & Title: Revitalization of Primary Health Care Centre, Akwete- Ukwa East	
Name of Contractor: NA	 <p style="text-align: center;">Akwete Primary Health Care Centre Ukwa East L. G. A., in a Deplorable state but in 2017 National Budget</p>
Project Amount in the Budget: N3,000,000	
Project status: Not implemented	
Locations Visited: Primary Health Care Centre, Akwete- Ukwa East	
LGA: Ukwa East	
Dates Visited: 24 th May , 2018	
Members of Team Visiting: Abia State Independent Monitoring Team	
Community Opinion and Observation: Work is to start. There was no indication that project objective will be met. The attention of the Federal Government should be drawn to effect implementation.	


Education

PROJECT 5: CONSTRUCTION OF 1 NO. 2000 SITTING CAPACITY ASSEMBLY HALL FOR STUDENT, FEDERAL TECHNICAL COLLEGE, OHANSO, UKWA	
CLIENT/SPONSOR: FEDERAL MINISTRY OF EDUCATION	
Project Number & Title: FOYOXZ7487453 /Construction of 1NO.2000 Sitting Capacity Assembly Hall for student , Federal Technical College, Ohanso	
Name of Contractor: NA	 <p style="text-align: center;">Site provided for Construction of 1No. 2000 Sitting Capacity Assembly Hall in FTC Ohanso Ukwa East L. G. A. Abia State in 2017 National Budget</p>
Project Amount in the Budget: N30,000,000	
Project status: Not implemented	
Locations Visited: Federal Technical College Ohanso , Ukwa	
LGA: Ukwa East	
Dates Visited: 24 th May , 2018	
Members of Team Visiting: Abia State Independent Monitoring Team	
Community Opinion and Observation: The school authority has provided land for the project but the contractor was yet to mobilize to site. The community wants the federal Ministry of Education to liaise with the contractor to enable the contractor get to the site.	


PROJECT 6 CONSTRUCTION OF 1NO. 2000 SITTING CAPACITY DINING HALL FOR STUDENT, FEDERAL TECHNICAL COLLEGE, OHANSO	
CLIENT/SPONSOR: FEDERAL MINISTRY OF EDUCATION	
Project Number & Title: FOYOX77220710/ Construction of 1No. 2000 Sitting Capacity Dining hall for student, Federal Technical College, Ohanso	
Name of Contractor: NA	 <p style="text-align: center;">On-going 2000 Sitting Capacity Dining Hall in FTC Ohanso in Ukwa East L. G. A. Abia State in 2017 National Budget</p>
Project Amount in the Budget: N25,000,000	
Project status: Still at infancy level	
Locations Visited: Federal Technical College, Ohanso, Ukwa	
LGA: Ukwa East	
Dates Visited: 24 th May , 2018	
Members of Team Visiting: Abia State Independent Monitoring Team	
Community Opinion and Observation: The project is at DPC level currently. The contractor should be compelled to return to site to complete the project.	

PROJECT 7: CONSTRUCTION OF 1 NO. STUDENTS HOSTEL BLOCK, FEDERAL TECHNICAL COLLEGE OHANSO	
CLIENT/SPONSOR: FEDERAL MINISTRY OF EDUCATION	
Project Number & Title: Construction of 1 No. Students Hostel block, Federal Technical College Ohanso	
Name of Contractor: NA	 <p style="text-align: center;">Site Provided for Construction of 1No. Hostel Block for students in FTC Ohanso Ukwa East L. G. A., Abia State in 2017 National Budget</p>
Project Amount in the Budget: N25,000,000	
Project status: Not implemented	
Locations Visited: Federal Technical College Ohanso, Ukwa	
LGA: Ukwa East	
Dates Visited: 24 th May, 2018	
Members of Team Visiting: Abia State Independent Monitoring Team	
Community Opinion and Observation: The school authority has provided land for the project but the contractor was yet to mobilize to site. The community wants the federal Ministry of Education to liaise with the contractor to enable the contractor get to the site.	


PROJECT 8 : CONSTRUCTION OF 1352M. 2NO. PERIMETER FENCE, FEDERAL TECHNICAL COLLEGE OHANSO	
CLIENT/SPONSOR: FEDERAL MINISTRY OF EDUCATION	
Project Number & Title: FOYOX83991985/Construction of 1352m. 2no. Perimeter fence, Federal Technical College Ohanso	
Name of Contractor: NA	 <p>On-gonig Construction of 13352m 2No. Perimeter Fence in FTC Ohanso Ukwa East I. G. A. Abia State in 2017 National Budget</p>
Project Amount in the Budget: N21,769,710	
Project status : On-going	
Locations Visited: Federal Technical College Ohanso, Ukwa	
LGA: Ukwa East	
Dates Visited: 24 th May, 2018	
Members of Team Visiting: Abia State Independent Monitoring Team	
Community Opinion and Observation: The school board is committed to the completion of the project if more funds are provided.	

PROJECT 9: CONSTRUCTION OF 2 NO. BLOCK OF 6 CLASSROOMS, FEDERAL TECHNICAL COLLEGE OHANSO	
CLIENT/SPONSOR: FEDERAL MINISTRY OF EDUCATION	
Project Number & Title: FOYOX46762251/Construction of 2 No. Block of 6 classrooms, Federal Technical College Ohanso	
Name of Contractor: NA	 <p>Completed 2No. of 6 Classroom Blocks inside the premises of FTC OhansoUkwa East L. G. A. Abia State in 2017 National Budget</p>
Project Amount in the Budget: N20,000,000	
Project status : Completed but not painted yet	
Locations Visited: Federal Technical College Ohanso, Ukwa	
LGA: Ukwa East	
Dates Visited: 24 th May, 2018	
Members of Team Visiting: Abia State Independent Monitoring Team	
Community Opinion and Observation: The school authority provided the land and supported the contractor leading to the early completion of the project.	

Water and Sanitation

PROJECT 10: CONSTRUCTION OF 20 BATHROOMS, 20 TOILETS WITH LARGE AREA FENCED, FEDERAL TECHNICAL COLLEGE OHANSO	
CLIENT/SPONSOR: FEDERAL MINISTRY OF EDUCATION	
Project Number & Title: FOYOX40159363/Construction of 20 bathrooms, 20 Toilets with Large Area fenced, Federal Technical College Ohanso	
Name of Contractor: NA	 <p>On-going Construction of 20 toilets, 20 bathrooms with large are in FTC Ohanso Ukwa East L. G. A., Abia State in 2017 National Budget</p>
Project Amount in the Budget: N10,000,000	
Project status : On-going	
Locations Visited: Federal Technical College Ohanso, Ukwa	
LGA: Ukwa East	
Dates Visited: 24 th May, 2018	
Members of Team Visiting: Abia State Independent Monitoring Team	
Community Opinion and Observation: The contractor should be compelled to return to site to complete the project. This is because the way the project is going it may soon join the league of abandoned projects.	

Rural Electrification

PROJECT 11:UPGRADE OF OHURU RURAL ELECTRIFICATION PROJECT, OBIINGWA LGA	
CLIENT/SPONSOR: FEDERAL MINISTRY OF WORKS, POWER AND HOUSING	
Project Number & Title: NREAG16169377/Upgrade of Ohuru Rural Electrification Project, Obingwa LGA	
Name of Contractor: NA	 <p>On-going Electricity upgrade of Ohuru Community in Obingwa L. G. A. Abia State</p>
Project Amount in the Budget: N75,000,000	
Location Visited: Ohuru	
LGA: Obingwa	
Dates Visited: 25 th May, 2018	
Members of Team Visiting: Abia State Independent Monitoring Team	
Community Opinion and Observation: Transformers have been installed, poles mounted but cables are yet to reach all areas of the community. The contractor should not mandate the community to replace damaged poles.	

PROJECT 12: RURAL ELECTRIFICATION OF ABAM - ABALA NKAMIRI, OBINGWA LGA, ABIA STATE.

CLIENT/SPONSOR: FEDERAL MINISTRY OF WORKS, POWER AND HOUSING

Project Number & Title: NREAG161693778/Rural Electrification of Abam - Abala Nkamiri, Obingwa LGA, Abia State.

Name of Contractor: NA

Project Amount in the Budget: N65,000,000

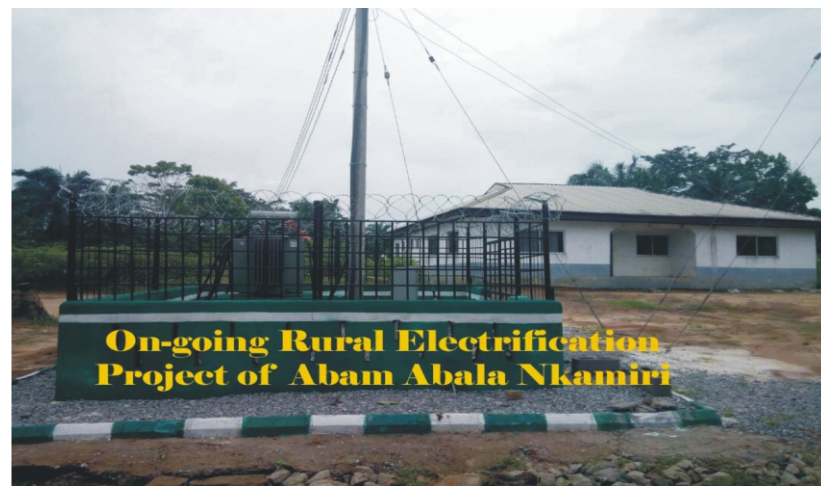
Location Visited: Abam - Abala Nkamiri

Project Status: On-going but an advanced Stage

LGA: Obingwa

Dates Visited: 25th May, 2018

Members of Team Visiting: Abia State Independent Monitoring Team



Community Opinion and Observation: The community worked in synergy with the contractor to ensure the project is completed on schedule as the monitoring team observed that the project has reached advanced stage but the contractor should make efforts to cover all parts of the community as specified.

PROJECT 13: SOLAR STREET LIGHT FOR UMUNWARIE UKWA EAST LGA ABIA STATE

CLIENT/SPONSOR: FEDERAL MINISTRY OF WORKS, POWER AND HOUSING

Project Number & Title: NREAG16169383/Solar Street Light for Umunwarie, Obohia - Ndoki Ukwa East LGA Abia State

Name of Contractor: NA

Project Amount in the Budget: N15,000,000

Location Visited: Obohia-Ndoki

Project Status: Completed

Dates Visited: 24th May, 2018

Members of Team Visiting: Abia State Independent Monitoring Team



Community Opinion and Observation: The corporation of the community and relevant stakeholders provided good atmosphere to realize effective implementation of the project.

PROJECT 14: RURAL ELECTRIFICATION OF VILLAGES IN UKWA EAST

CLIENT/SPONSOR: FEDERAL MINISTRY OF WORKS, POWER AND HOUSING

Project Number & Title: NREAG 16169379/Rural Electrification of Villages in Ukwa East

Name of Contractor: NA

Project Amount in the Budget: N45,000,000

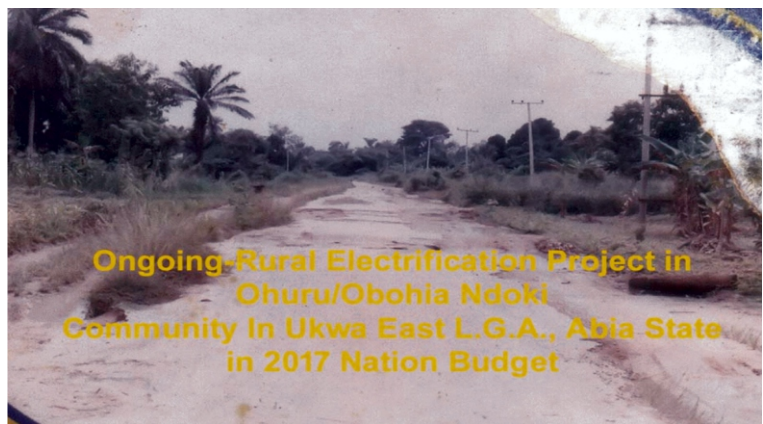
Location Visited: Ohuru and Obohia - Ndoki

Project Status: Ongoing but in an unimpressive way

LGA: Ukwa East

Dates Visited: 24th May, 2018

Members of Team Visiting: Abia State Independent Monitoring Team



Community Opinion and Observation: According to the communities visited and observations, the project is ongoing but in a very poorly state and there is doubt if the project can meet the proposed plan and objectives. The communities and relevant stakeholders promise to provide conducive environment for the contractor to operate freely in other to see that these projects are resurrected and able to meet with the expected objectives.

Infrastructure (Roads, Bridges, Culverts, Drainages and Erosion Control)

PROJECT 15: REHABILITATION OF ABA AZUMINI - OPOBO ROAD

CLIENT/SPONSOR: FEDERAL MINISTRY OF WORKS, POWER AND HOUSING AND NIGER DELTA DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION (NDDC)

Project Number & Title: FMOWP 48616670/Rehabilitation of Aba Azumini - Opobo Road

Name of Contractor: NA

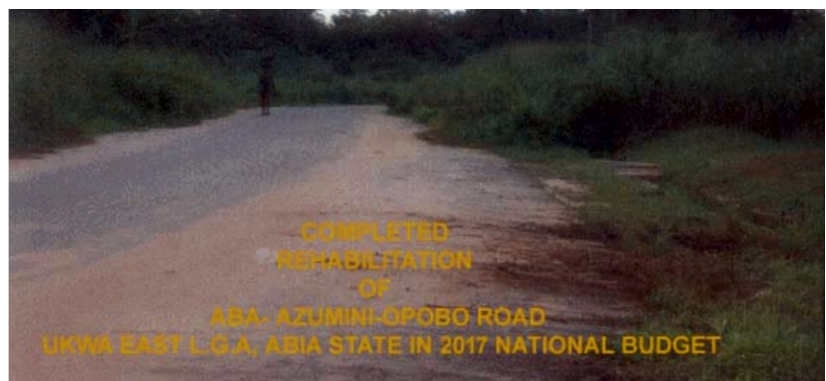
Project Amount in the Budget: N800,000,000

Project Status: Completed

LGA: Ukwa East and Obingwa

Dates Visited: 24th May, 2018

Members of Team Visiting: Abia State Independent Monitoring Team




Community Opinion and Observation: According to community representatives, the completion of the project shows that the project was adequately funded. They further opined that stakeholders collaborated in different ways during the project implementation hence made it very easy to realise the effective implementation of the project. Due to effective completion of the project, it is advised that there shall be dualization of the road from Aba to Azumini round about.

3.3 FGN 2017 Capital Projects in Anambra State

All projects across all senatorial zones in the State were monitored by members of Community Empowerment Network (COMEN), Anambra State

3.3.1 Anambra Central Senatorial Zone

Education and Skills Acquisition

PROJECT 1: CONSTRUCTION OF 4 BLOCKS OF PRIMARY SCHOOL CLASSROOMS IN OBA, IDEMILI SOUTH LGA	
CLIENT/SPONSOR: FEDERAL MINISTRY OF EDUCATION	
Implementation Period: 2017	
Community: Ogwugwu, Oba	
Locations Visited: Oba Community	
Dates Visited: 24 th April 2018	
Members of Team Visiting: COMEN	
<p>Community Opinion and Observation: There is no work on ground to show the project is being executed. According to the Councillor representing Oba Ward 1 (Hon. Mmadueke Mojekwu), a land was mapped out by the community in 2016 for the project. But because the project was not started, the Community's youth started building hall in the land. So, what is presently on ground is a hall being built by the Community's youth.</p>	

PROJECT 2 : COMPLETION AND EQUIPPING OF SKILLS ACQUISITION CENTERS IN ALOR, IDEMILI SOUTH LGA	
CLIENT/SPONSOR: FEDERAL MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT	
Project Number & Title: NDOEF66947742 Completion and equipping of skills acquisition centers in Alor, Idemili South LGA	
Project Duration: 2 Years	
Name of Contractor: CEZIMO LTD (FEROS ² construction company), PLAZA, PLOT 8, BLK 7, ISHAYA SHEKARI CRESCENT, GWARIMPA, ABUJA	
Project Amount in the Budget: 35,550,700	
Locations Visited: ALOR Community	
Dates Visited: 23 rd April 2018	Bill board for the project
Members of Team Visiting: COMEN	

PROJECT 2 : COMPLETION AND EQUIPPING OF SKILLS ACQUISITION CENTERS IN ALOR, IDEMILI SOUTH LGA

CLIENT/SPONSOR: FEDERAL MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT



Back view of the project



Front View of the Building



Materials for the work and evidence that work is in progress



Community Opinion and Observation: Work is ongoing at the site. The project started 3 months (January) and the rate work is moving is very encouraging. The building has been roofed while materials for tiling, plumbing, glass and ceiling have been supplied and according to the site manager, the project will be completed in less than four months' time.

Project 3: COMPLETION OF FACULTY BUILDING FOR EDUCATION, NNAMDI AZIKIWE UNIVERSITY, AWKA

CLIENT/SPONSOR: FEDERAL MINISTRY OF EDUCATION

Project Number & Title:
NAUAE08945583: COMPLETION OF FACULTY BUILDING FOR EDUCATION, NNAMDI AZIKIWE UNIVERSITY (NAU)

Name of Contractor: Not able to ascertain this during the time of visit (Bill board removed according to the Head of Physical Planning Unit, NAU)

Project Amount in the Budget:
N54,008,530

Locations Visited:NAU, Awka - South L.G.A, Anambra State

Dates Visited:19th April, 2018

Members of Team Visiting:COMEN



Pic 1: Frontview of the Education faculty building



Pic 2: Interior view of the building



Pic 3: Interior view of the building

Community Opinion and Observation: Building 75% covered; but no sign of work ongoing during the time of visit. The project is supposed to address needs of the community (institution) if completed. There are inhabitants in the building which is supposed to serve as lecture room, laboratory and office complex. We suspect something is not right according to the Head of Physical Planning Unit, NAU maybe that is why the contractor's signpost was suddenly removed. Information gathered by the team reveals that project foundation was laid since 2008. There is no evidence to suggest that any work has been done in the building in 2017 and 2018.

Healthcare

Project 4 REHABILITATION OF ST JOSEPH HOSPITAL, ADAZI-NNUKWU

CLIENT/SPONSOR: FEDERAL MINISTRY OF HEALTH

Implementation Period: Not able to ascertain during the visit (Contractor or representatives not able to be identified or reached)



Pic 1: Building chosen for Rehabilitation by Ministry of Health



Pic 2: Interior view of the building



Pic 3: Back view of the building

Community Opinion and Observation: The project is supposed to address needs of the community (hospital), but there is no sign of work ongoing at the proposed site. Even the hospital management is not aware of such project.

PROJECT 5 : REHABILITATION OF ENUGWU - AGIDI PRIMARY HEALTH CENTER

CLIENT/SPONSOR: FEDERAL MINISTRY OF HEALTH

Project Number & Title: Rehabilitation of Enugwu- Agidi Primary Health Center.

Project Duration: NA

Name of Contractor: NA

Project Amount in the Budget: N3,000,000

Locations Visited: Enugwu- Agidi in Njikoka L.G.A, Anambra State.

Dates Visited: 20-04-2018

Members of Team Visiting: COMEN



Hollow block window with substandard netting

PROJECT 5 REHABILITATION OF ENUGWU - AGIDI PRIMARY HEALTH CENTER

CLIENT/SPONSOR: FEDERAL MINISTRY OF HEALTH



Completed building with substandard painting

Community Opinion and Observation: The project has been completed since June/July, 2017 so not with the 2017 budget. The rehabilitation process includes changing of about 20 wooden doors to iron doors and painting of 3 buildings. One of the Nurses confirmed that the work was poorly executed considering the fact that some of the new doors don't close, those that closes make a lot of noise and also the toilet facilities weren't fixed. Even with the poor execution, the community believes that the project is addressing the priority needs. Be that as it may, the project executed didn't meet the required standard because it didn't justify the allocated fund in the budget.

PROJECT 6 : REHABILITATION OF NENI COMMUNITY REPRODUCTIVE REFERRAL CENTER

CLIENT/SPONSOR: FEDERAL MINISTRY OF HEALTH

Rehabilitation of Neni Community Reproductive Referral Center

Name of Contractor: NA

Project Amount in the Budget: N6,000,000

Locations Visited: Neni Community Reproductive Referral Health Center, Aniocha L.G.A. Anambra State.

Dates Visited: 19- 04- 2018

Members of Team Visiting: COMEN



Front view of rehabilitated Reproductive Referral Center

PROJECT 6 : REHABILITATION OF NENI COMMUNITY REPRODUCTIVE REFERRAL CENTER

CLIENT/SPONSOR: FEDERAL MINISTRY OF HEALTH



Toilet without window and door at the center

Yet to be plastered fence at the center

Community Opinion and Observation: The chief Medical Officer wasn't on seat when we visited the health centre. A nurse whom we spoke to however indicated that they are not involved in the project, hence she neither knows the name of the contractor involved, nor the sponsoring institution. Consequently, they cannot make input as to the quality of work demanded from the contractor. The project in place is expected to address some concerns and needs of the Reproductive Referral Health Centre according to responses from some of the community people interviewed but still require major interventions in the installation of water which is lacking at the moment. However, work done cannot justify the approved or allocated money in the budget, as it was poorly done.

PROJECT 7: CONSTRUCTION OF HEALTH CENTER WITH MEDICAL EQUIPMENTS AND MEDICAL ACCESSORIES

CLIENT/SPONSOR: FEDERAL MINISTRY OF HEALTH

Project Number & Title:

NPHCD95411833/CONSTRUCTION OF HEALTH CENTER WITH MEDICAL EQUIPMENTS AND MEDICAL ACCESSORIES

Name of Contractor: MCFEM Engineering Services Limited

Project Amount in the Budget: N25,000,000

Contractor: MCFEM Engineering Services Limited

Locations Visited: Umuawulu, Awka South L.G.A.

Dates Visited: 20th April, 2018

Members of Team Visiting: COMEN



Pic 1: Front view of the Health Center at Umuawulu

PROJECT 7 : CONSTRUCTION OF HEALTH CENTER WITH MEDICAL EQUIPMENTS AND MEDICAL ACCESSORIES

CLIENT/SPONSOR: FEDERAL MINISTRY OF HEALTH



Pic 2: Side view of the Health center at Umuawulu

Pic 3: Interior view of the Health Center at Umuawulu

Community Opinion and Observation: Building construction fully completed and painted. The team learnt that construction lasted just 1 month and 2 weeks. Construction started in March 2018. Electrification of the building and environment as well as provision of alternative power supply (generator or solar energy) should be considered for efficient service delivery. Landscaping of the compound should equally be one of the measures to prevent erosion. Community members met around the construction site confirmed that virtually all the work force was provided by Umuawulu people.

PROJECT 8 : CONSTRUCTION AND EQUIPPING OF PRIMARY HEALTH CARE CENTER, UKPO, DUNUKOFIA LGA

CLIENT/SPONSOR: FEDERAL MINISTRY OF HEALTH

Name of Contractor: NA

Project Amount in the Budget:
N30,000,000

Locations Visited: Ukpo Community

Dates Visited: 19th April 2018

Members of Team Visiting: COMEN



Ukpo Primary Health Care which was constructed before 2017

PROJECT 8 : CONSTRUCTION AND EQUIPPING OF PRIMARY HEALTH CARE CENTER, UKPO, DUNUKOFIA LGA

CLIENT/SPONSOR: FEDERAL MINISTRY OF HEALTH



Collapsing and worn out segment of Ukpo Primary Health Care Centre.

Community Opinion and Observation: At the time of the visit, there is nothing going on at the health center. According to the Nurse/Midwife in charge (Mrs' Osakwe F.N.) that the rehabilitation work done in the past was done by the community. She stated that no work was done in 2017 by the federal government. She noted that the only assistance they received in February 2018 was given by SOMIL (Saving One Million Lives). It is equally noteworthy that there is an already existing PHC in the community before the 2017 budget was approved. To this end, it is important to state in clear terms what the project intends to achieve. For example, is another PHC being constructed to augment the services of the first PHC or are they upgrading the existing PHC to ensure more deliverables. At Ukpo, there is no ongoing construction and equipping of Primary Health Care centers. What was seen was a PHC which has been in existence for more than fifteen years now.

Infrastructure (Roads, Bridges, Drainages, Culversts and Erosion Control)

PROJECT 9: COMPLETION OF FEDERAL ROAD MAINTENANCE AGENCY (FERMA) STATE OFFICE, AWKA.

CLIENT/SPONSOR: FEDERAL MINISTRY OF WORKS, POWER AND HOUSING

Project Number & Title:
FRMAA14360666: Completion of Federal Road Maintenance Agency (FERMA) State office, Awka.

Project Duration: NA

Name of Contractor: NA


Project Amount in the Budget:
N20,000,000


Implementation period: 2017

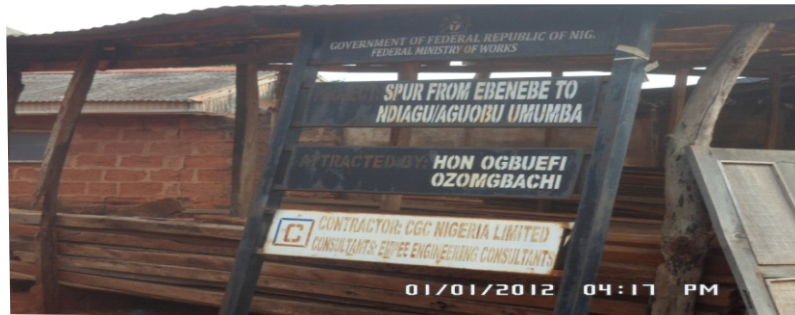



Evidence of abandoned work at FERMA state office

PROJECT 9: COMPLETION OF FEDERAL ROAD MAINTENANCE AGENCY (FERMA) STATE OFFICE, AWKA.	
CLIENT/SPONSOR: FEDERAL MINISTRY OF WORKS, POWER AND HOUSING	
 <p style="text-align: center;">Front view of FERMA state building</p>	
Community Opinion and Observation: The Project has been abandoned, it has been in this state for a couple of years now.	

PROJECT 10 : REHABILITATION OF UMUNA - NDIAGU- AGBA - UNUNA- EBENEBE - AMANSEA AWKA ROAD (AGBA EBENEBE SECTION II)	
CLIENT/SPONSOR: FEDERAL MINISTRY OF WORKS, POWER AND HOUSING	
Project Number & Title: REHABILITATION OF UMUNA NDIAGU-AGBA -UNUNA- EBENEBE - AMANSEA AWKA ROAD (AGBA EBENEBE SECTION II). C/NO6194	 <p>PIC 1: UNANA NDIAGU-AGBA UMUNA - EBENEBE -AMANSI AWKA ROAD (ANAMBRA SECTION)</p>
Project Duration: No signpost indicating the project duration	
Name of Contractor: No signpost indicating the name of the contractor	 <p>PIC 2: UNANA NDIAGU - AGBA-UMUNA- EBENEBE - AMANSI AWKA ROAD (ENUGU STATE SECTION)</p>
Project Amount in the Budget: N100,400,000	
Locations Visited: Ebenebe – Amansi Road, Awka -North L.G.A, Anambra State	
Dates Visited: 19 th April, 2018	
Members of Team Visiting: COMEN	

PROJECT 10: REHABILITATION OF UMUNA - NDIAGU - AGBA - UNUNA - EBENEBE - AMANSEA AWKA ROAD (AGBA EBENEBE SECTION II)	
CLIENT/SPONSOR: FEDERAL MINISTRY OF WORKS, POWER AND HOUSING	
 <p style="text-align: center;">PIC 3: BOUNDARY BETWEEN ANAMBRA AND ENUGU STATE</p>	
Community Opinion and Observation: The project is supposed to address the needs of the community being an agrarian area. it is supposed to aid the movement of agricultural produce but unfortunately there is no sign of construction work ongoing at the proposed site. Community member confirmed that construction firm came around about five (5) years ago and did excavation work only and left. Since then there have been no construction firm around.	

PROJECT 11 :REHABILITATION OF UMUMBA - NDIAGU, AGBA - AMANSI - EBENEBE-AWKA WITH SPUR TO UMUBA NDIUNO UDI ROAD SECTION II UNUNA NDIAGU UMUBA/NKWO EZEAGU - UDI EXPRESS OBELAGU C/NO6169	
CLIENT/SPONSOR: FEDERAL MINISTRY OF WORKS, POWER AND HOUSING	
Project Number & Title: REHABILITATION OF UMUMBA NDIAGU, AGBA - AMANSI EBENEBE - AWKA WITH SPUR TO UMUBA NDIUNO UDI ROAD SECTION II UNUNA NDIAGU UMUBA/NKWO EZEAGU EXPRESS OBELAGU - UDI. C/NO6169	
Project Amount in the Budget: N1,200,000,000	
Contractor: CGC Engineering Nigerian Limited	
Locations Visited: Ebenebe, Awka -North L.G.A, Anambra State	
Dates Visited: 19 th April, 2018	
Members of Team Visiting: COMEN	

PROJECT 11: REHABILITATION OF UMUMBA - NDIAGU, AGBA-AMANSI-EBENEBE - AWKA WITH SPUR TO UMUBA N DIUNO UDI ROAD SECTION II UNUNA NDIAGU UMUBA/NKWO EZEAGU EXPRESS OBELAGU-UDI. C/NO6169

CLIENT/SPONSOR: FEDERAL MINISTRY OF WORKS, POWER AND HOUSING



Community Opinion and Observation: No sign of project ongoing at the site upon visit. Though the contractor signpost was seen but there is no evidence to show any significant progress from Ebenebe and Nkwo Ezeagu angles that there is an ongoing work on the site. Community members interviewed opined that the project has been abandoned as usual.

PROJECT 12: REHABILITATION OF ONITSHA OWERRI ROAD SPUR (NKPOR -UMUOJI)

CLIENT/SPONSOR:

Project Number & Title:
FRMAA14360839 - Rehabilitation of Onitsha - Owerri Road Spur
Name of Contractor: Stefanuti Stock Hapel Nig. (LTD), South Africa -Nigeria
Project Amount in the Budget:
N70,000,000
Locations Visited: Umuoji and Oba Community
Dates Visited: 23rd and 24th April 2018
Members of Team Visiting: COMEN



Road project under construction and the point where there was clash between Nkpor and Umuoji indigenes

Community Opinion and Observation: Work is ongoing at both Umuoji and Oba axis of the road but at a very low pace. Equipment on ground is very scanty while already graded roads have been spoilt by erosion. Again, there is a very big concern as there is a communal clash between the Youths of Umuoji and Nkpor at the site where the project is being carried out. This is in the aspect

PROJECT 12: REHABILITATION OF ONITSHA -OWERRI ROAD SPUR (NKPOR-UMUOJI)

CLIENT/SPONSOR:

of winning peace in area such that frequent communal clash by the youth did not disrupt the work. Due to the communal clash between Nkpor and Umuoji youths at the site, it is difficult to ascertain whether lack of funding is the problem or the implementing MDA or attitude of the contractor is delaying work. It is obvious the communities are not fully involved, because if they were fully involved; they would have provided security, peace and enabling environment that will ensure that the project is successfully completed.

PROJECT 13: COMPLETION OF CONSTRUCTION OF MIXED BUILDING

CLIENT/SPONSOR: FEDERAL MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

Project Number & Title: EDIEA12863878 and Completion of Construction of mixed building
Project Duration: NA
Name of Contractor: NA
Project Amount in the Budget:
N20,066,667
Locations Visited: ELDI Abba in Dunukofia L.G.A, Anambra State.
Dates Visited: 20-04-2018
Members of Team Visiting: COMEN



Completed mixed building at ELDI

Community Opinion and Observation: The building is a necessary structure for ELDI and has been completed



PROJECT 14: CONSTRUCTION OF 500 - SEATER CAPACITY TOWN HALL WITH FURNISHING, PUBLIC ADDRESS SYSTEM AND OTHER ACCESSORIES




CLIENT/SPONSOR: FEDERAL MINISTRY OF WORKS, POWER AND HOUSING

Project Number & Title:
FMOWP51908859/ CONSTRUCTION OF 500 - SEATER CAPACITY TOWN HALL WITH FURNISHING, PUBLIC ADDRESS SYSTEM AND OTHER ACCESSORIES
Name of Contractor: TICAL Engineering Services Limited, No1 Secretariat Road, Aroma, Awka, Anambra State
Project Amount in the Budget: N50,000,000
Locations Visited: Umuawulu, Awka South L.G.A.
Dates Visited: 20th April, 2018



Pic 1: Town hall building construction site at Umuawulu

PROJECT 14 : CONSTRUCTION OF 500-SEATER CAPACITY TOWN HALL WITH FURNISHING, PUBLIC ADDRESS SYSTEM AND OTHER ACCESSORIES	
CLIENT/SPONSOR: FEDERAL MINISTRY OF WORKS, POWER AND HOUSING	
Members of Team Visiting: COMEN	
	
Pic 3: Outside view of the building under construction	Pic 2: Interior view of the town hall building
<p>Community Opinion and Observation: The work is moving at slow pace and work is still at brick laying stage. Work at lantan level during the visit and as at the visiting period work have stopped on the project site. If serious attention is given to the project and completed in record time. It will serve the purpose for which it is being built. The monitoring team were informed that the Igwe of Umuawulu attracted the project among others in his community. Community members seen around confirmed that their people serve as laborers on the site until the project came to a halt</p>	

PROJECT 15 : CONSTRUCTION OF 1 NO BLOCK OF 3-CLASSROOMS, FENCING AND PROVISION OF SOLAR POWERED BOREHOLE	
CLIENT/SPONSOR: FEDERAL MINISTRY OF WORKS, POWER AND HOUSING	
Project Number & Title: FMOWP51908860 / CONSTRUCTION OF 1 NO BLOCK OF 3 - CLASSROOMS AND FENCING AND PROVISION OF SOLAR POWERED BOREHOLE	
Name of Contractor: TICAL Engineering Services Limited, No1 Secretariat Road, Aroma, Awka, Anambra State	
Project Amount in the Budget: N40,000,000	
Locations Visited : Umuawulu, Awka South L.G.A.	
Dates Visited: 20 th April, 2018	
Members of Team Visiting: COMEN	
	
Incomplete Solar powered borehole	Pic 2: Fencing work at Union Secondary School, Umuawulu

PROJECT 15: CONSTRUCTION OF 1 NO BLOCK OF 3-CLASSROOMS, FENCING AND PROVISION OF SOLAR POWERED BOREHOLE
CLIENT/SPONSOR: FEDERAL MINISTRY OF WORKS, POWER AND HOUSING
Community Opinion and Observation: Interview with the school authority reveals there were no consultations with the School (Principal) Authority before choosing the project location. Such lack of consultation resulted in the borehole located far off where it can be easily accessed when completed. Although community leaders said they were partly aware of project but the contractor did not make available project specifications and document such as Bill of Quantity (BIQ) to them.
Other key observations include: Borehole about 50 percent completed; Fencing work ongoing, but slow due to land encroachment by the community people; Class block project yet to commence; contractor unable to provide convincing reason for the delays; Contractor is not considering the needs of the school with regards to the fencing work; as well as the fact that no project bill board was found at the project location.

3.3.2 Anambra North Senatorial Zone

Infrastructure (Roads, Bridges, Drainages, Culverts and Erosion Control)

The projects under the supervision of the Federal Road Maintenance Agency have completion date of three months with most of these projects having about twenty million naira and below. The projects of seventy million naira and above have about six months completion date and all of these projects were awarded in 2018 in the month of February 2018. The bigger amounts beyond these are being handled by the Federal Ministry of Works, Power and Housing. Most of the projects being handled by the Federal Ministry of Works, Power and Housing have more than one year duration period and during the monitoring exercise, the contractors or representatives were hardly found for interviews hence the monitoring team could not get more explanations on the stretch of the work in their portfolio especially within the period. One of the major infrastructure monitored was the second Niger Bridge which have become a reoccurring decimal in the FGN capital budget. The exercise improves the insight of the citizens and the following were found:

- Initial proposed cost of the project in 2013 was ₦117 billion.
- Later adjustments were made on the project to include railing; and the number of lanes were increased from two to three for one way.
- The project which is supposed to have been completed in 4 years after foundation stone laying ceremony in 2013, is still at the preliminary stage of 4 (Early work 4). Progress of work is very slow.
- Although the work was started by Julius Berger, they are yet to be awarded the contract formally; This was the story of the people at the site and was confirmed by the Ministry. We made efforts to speak to the Controller of Ministry of Works, Power and Housing in his office at Awka to clear the matter without success within the time.

Jobs that could be created in the project is yet to be realized as investments in the bridge is being made piece meal and adjoining communities are not benefitting in terms of jobs and other multiplier effects.

- What they described as Early work 1 and 2; early work 3 were funded through Public-Private Partnership (PPP) arrangement. The national Sovereign Wealth Fund (SWF) is also part of consortium.
- The project has moved from being financed through PPP to a purely FG financed project through the Ministry of Power, Works & Housing. What this means is that the government of Nigeria is taking full responsibility in financing the project and no longer through PPP arrangement.
- Total cost of early work 4 was estimated at ₦14 billion but FG paid ₦7 billion, which is the amount in FG 2017 budget.

PROJECT 1: CONSTRUCTION OF 2ND NIGER BRIDGE INCLUDING ACCESS ROADS PHASES 2A & 2B IN ANAMBRA AND-DELTA STATES PHOTO SPEAKS



PROJECT 2: CONSTRUCTION OF INTERNAL COMMUNAL ROADS IN OGBARU

Project at Ose-Osamala road fully completed and contractor demobilized from site. The standard of job done may not stand the taste of time. Asphalt was poorly done and the gravel laid did not bind to the ground.

- Chioma road - ongoing;
- Onwasoanya roads - completed
- At Akili Ogidi, the drainage work is going on while asphaltting the road has been completed.
- The contractor connected with the community stakeholders.
- Community people were engaged as part of the construction workforce.
- Onwuasoanya road is not yet completed.
- The ongoing work from the team assessment does not seem to meet good standards especially in earthwork and asphaltting.

Construction of Internal Communal Roads in Ogbaru LGA – Photo Speaks



PROJECT 3: REHABILITATION OF INKISI-ENUGU FEDERAL EXPRESS ROAD SPUR AT OGBARU/RIVER AND UPPER IWEKA ROADS IN ANAMBRA:

- No sign of work going on. The roads are still the way there were years back.
- Some Indian engineers came in March 2018 and measured the road, starting from 3-3 junction down through Nkisi road. Nkisi road was last worked on in the 80's by Niger Cat construction company.
- Upper Iweka roads, though still motorable needs major rehabilitation work to take care of increasing pot-holes on the roads but no work is going on there

Rehabilitation of Nkisi-Enugu Federal Express Road Spur at Ogbaru/River and Upper Iweka Roads in Anambra State – Photo Speaks



Nkisi roads Onitsha



Upper Iweka road Onitsha

Potholes on Upper Iweka road Onitsha

PROJECT 4: REHABILITATION OF UMUEZE-ANAM-NZAM-KOGI ROAD

- The project which started in 2009, is now 6 years behind schedule.
- Laborers and machines were seen at the project site.
- The work was seriously delayed as a result of inadequate funding according to information available to the visiting team.
- Due to poor funding, lots of youths from the host community have been laid off.
- Between 2010 – 2016 the project was not provided for in the budget; in 2017 the sum of ₦800,000,000

was provided but the workers at the site were of the view that the money may not be enough to complete the work.

- The community was connected by the contractor and they seem to be cooperative from our discussions with them.
- When the site engineer was kidnaped, it was the community vigilante that search and rescued him.
- The Project is a priority need for the community.

Rehabilitation of Umueze-Anam-Nzam-Kogi Road – Photo Speaks



PROJECT 5: CONSTRUCTION OF INTERNAL COMMUNAL ROADS IN OGWARI, ANAMBRA EAST:

- Work is ongoing but poorly executed. The project is still on schedule.
- Rain, flooding and erosion remain a big challenge. Rain and flooding delays the work.
- The drainage system very poorly constructed.
- Some portion of the work washed out by rain and flood. An indication of very poor-quality work.
- The community lacks confidence in the competence of the contractor and are asking for the contractor to be changed.
- Community people and other stakeholders were not connected or carried along.

Construction of Internal Communal Roads in Ogwari, Nsugbe – Photo Speaks



Education sector

PROJECT 6: COMPLETION OF THE CONSTRUCTION OF LIBRARY COMPLEX FOR LATE RT. HON. DR. NNAMDI AZIKIWE (ONITSHA)

The project which was started since 2013 and is near completion as about 75 percent of the work have been done. The library complex is well built and plastered and at the time of site visit, no work was going on but the man in charge told us by phone that work will resume in the next 2 weeks. The last work at the site was in 2017. Funding was mentioned as a major challenge and has been the reason for the slow pace of the work. There is evidence that stakeholders were engaged and Onitsha community and they have been cooperative. Though the project is about building a library but the Ministry in charge is the Federal Ministry of Works, Power and Housing.

Completion of Construction of Mausoleum and Library Complex for Late Rt. Hon. Dr. Nnamdi Azikiwe – Photo Speaks



Late Rt. Hon. Dr. Nnamdi Azikiwe Mausoleum at Onitsha



Late Rt. Hon. Dr. Nnamdi Azikiwe Library Complex at Onitsha

Health Sector

PROJECT 7: REHABILITATION OF PHCS PRIMARY HEALTH CARE (PHCs) IN ONITSHA NORTH AND ONITSHA SOUTH

- Rehabilitation work already completed in PHC Umunna Street Onitsha South, and PHC Court road Onitsha North.
- Work done include: re-painting of the PHC buildings, replacing wooden doors with iron doors, repair of toilets; ceiling fans, window mosquito nets, wall tiles, and sumo installed; water tank and tap installed.
- The work done in PHC court road was not properly executed. The contractor did a shallow job – the roof he worked on is still leaking water at some points within the PHC building, the iron door key cannot lock, water tap not working, and the sumo only worked for few weeks and parked up according to workers at the centre.
- Challenges of the PHCs include: drug availability, delivery couch for pregnant women, weak and fallen fences, no security – PHC at court road has been robbed 7 times, health workers there find it difficult working at night

Rehabilitation of PHCs – Two PHCs in Onitsha North, One PHC in Onitsha South – Photo Speaks



PHC Umunna Street



Renovated PHC Umunna Street, Odoakpu, Onitsha South

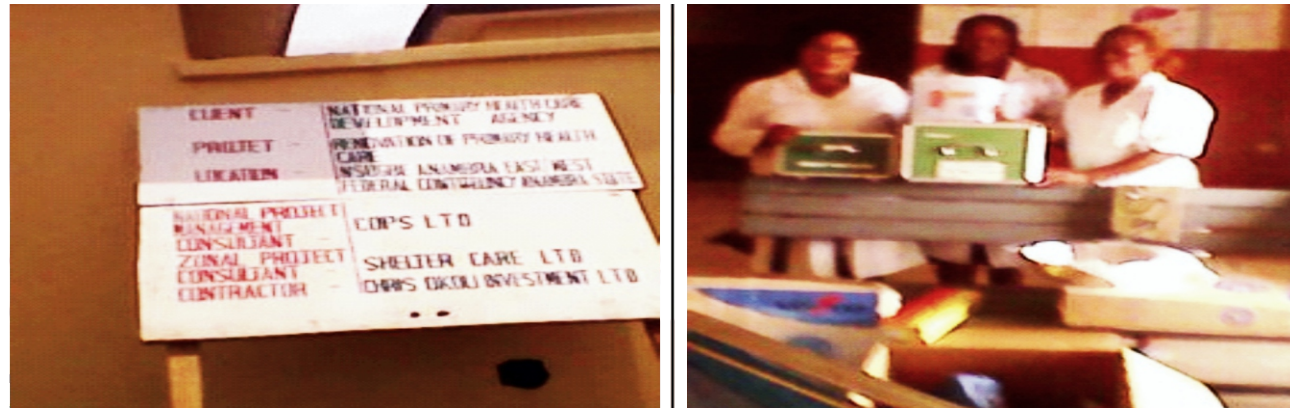


Renovated PHC Court road Onitsha North

PROJECT 8: REHABILITATION AND RENOVATION OF PRIMARY HEALTH CARE (PHC), NSUGBE

- Work progressed to successful completion and the project has been put to use.
- The community people were connected by the engineer and are part of the implementation but not involved in the planning. The traditional ruler (Igwe) provided security to secure the hospital equipments.
- Quality of work done was one of the best, according the PHC staff and community members.
- Work done include re-painting of the PHC buildings, changing of window glasses and supply of hospital equipments.
- The project is addressing the priority needs of the benefiting community.
- Challenges include problem of water supply and security.

Rehabilitation and Renovation Of Primary Health Care (PHC), Nsugbe – Photo Speaks



3.3.3 Anambra South Senatorial Zone

Summary of Projects Monitored in Anambra South Senatorial Zone

S/No	Project Number	Local Govt. of Project Location	Community of Project Location	Project Status	Challenges	Community Opinion
1.	FMOWP51908875	NNEWI SOUTH AND EKWUSIGO	EBENATOR AND OZUBULU	Has been built but no fencing and yet to be equipped, there is bore hole but not splinted and reticulated	The non availability of the contractor is a concern to the project survival.	The people of the community are worried. They want the PHC to be functional
2.	-	NNEWI SOUTH	EKE VILLAGE UKPOR AND UBOMA UKPOR	Nothing was done in this two locations	There is problem if something is not done to appease the community	The community are angry because of Government failure
3.	-	NNEWI SOUTH	ABUBO NNEWI OBI URAGU NNEWI EME COURT RD. NNEWI	Nothing was done in this three PHC's	Eme court PHC needs very serious attention because there is no ward block there	The community inhabitants are angry over this situation
4.	FMOWP51908871	ORUMBA NORTH ORUMBA SOUTH	UMUONYIBA UFUMA AJALI	No community hall was built and no street light was installed.	Not able to determine during this visit because the people we wanted to	The communities are worried but do not know how to approach the

S/No	Project Number	Local Govt. of Project Location	Community of Project Location	Project Status	Challenges	Community Opinion
	FMOWP51908871	ORUMBA NORTH ORUMBA SOUTH ORUMBA SOUTH	UMUONYIBA UFUMA AJALI	No community hall was built and no street light was installed. Nothing was done in Community Sec. School Ajalli. Finally, no solar street light in Amagu	Not able to determine during this visit because the people we wanted to interview failed us. Because nothing was done in these three communities Gov't. should intervene	The communities are worried but do not know how to approach the Government
5.	FMOWP51908802 FMOWP51908803 FMOWP51908804 FMOWP51908805 FMOWP51908806	NNEWI SOUTH	UTUTH OSUMENYI EZINIFITE UMUUKA AKABU	Nothing was done in this five community	Not able to determine on this visit because some people we met there refused to talk to us	
6.	FMOWP9934098 FMOWP9934099 FMOWP9934100	NNEWI NORTH EKWUSIGO NNEWI NORTH	NNEWI OZUBULU NNEWI	Nothing was done in these three communities		Respondents from the communities said that for two years no government has ever remembered the road
7.	NREAG57117437	ORUMBA NORTH	EUGWUABO UFUMA	One 500 KVA transformer was installed.	The challenges are that the transformer needed were supposed to be two but only one was installed.	The community are still expecting the remaining one transformer to be installed
8.	FRMAA14360805	NNEWI SOUTH	EZINIFETE, NNEWI, AMICHI, OSUMENYI ROAD	The work is in progress	As was observed, there is no much challenges as at the time of visit because the work is progress	The communities need the work to be completed in good time

S/No	Project Number	Local Govt. of Project Location	Community of Project Location	Project Statues	Challenges	Community Opinion
9.	NPHCD95431777	ORUMBA SOUTH	EZIAGU	The work has been completed		People living in the community are happy
10.	NAUTH29291594 NAUTH76030401 NAUTH34727527 NAUTH42297756	NNEWI NORTH	NNEWI	Abandoned project all	Urgent attention is needed in the four projects	The Hospital need this project to be completed
11.	NBARR70923356	NNEWI NORTH	NNEWI	Nothing was done		Mr. Ezirim who spoke on behalf of the community said that the traitor was P.A to former government. He also said that the projects has been abandoned since.
12.	NBARR16745522	NNEWI SOUTH	EZINIFITE	2 Bedroom staff quarters is in progress but the fencing of the Hospital was done by the state government		The community wants the government to come and do another project with the money meant for fencing.
13.	NBARR16745523	NNEWI NORTH	NNEWI OKONGWU MEM. GRAMMAR SCHOOL ASSEMBLY HALL	Work in progress	We found that the project original design was a storey building	The principal continues to say that government should come and built upstairs for the school.
14.	NBARR16745532	NNEWI NORTH	NNEWI NWAFOR ORIZU ROADS	In Nnewichi road, nothing was done on the road but Nwafor Orizu road is almost completed		

S/No	Project Number	Local Govt. of Project Location	Community of Project Location	Project Statues	Challenges	Community Opinion
15.	FMOWP51908790	NNEWI SOUTH		The project was done but not in standard condition	We are afraid of what was done on that road because some of the road is pilling now	The road supposes to be revisited
16.	FMOWP51908799	IHALA, EKWUSIGO, NNEWI SOUTH		It was stopped at Hajoks filling station Ukpor and abandoned	We didn't get the opportunity to speak with the contractor to know whether the problem is from funding or any other thing else	The community concerned felt bitterly about these roads because they are the only road that connects these communities.
17.	FMOWP53553886	NNEWI NORTH		Abandoned	No effort is being made to come to the aid of community concerned.	They are not happy over the condition of the road.

PHOTO SPEAKS FROM ANAMBRA SOUTH SENATORIAL ZONE

PROJECTS AT NNAMDI AZIKIWE TEACHING HOSPITAL NNEWI PROJECT DESCRIPTIONS ARE: NAUTH29291594, NAUTH76030401, NAUTH35727527 NOTHING WAS DONE OVER THERE THEY ARE TOTAL BUSHY. THE PROJECT AMOUNTS ARE N21,973,349; N24,581,015 AND N13,818132



In NAUTH42297756 the Monitoring team found that only ceiling and Doors to Iron were changed. An Eye Witness told us that apart from the PVC Ceiling nothing else was done in the Building Block. Project Amount is N24,610,860.00.



Umuoyiba Village Community Hall and installation of street Light were nothing has been done.



FMWOWP51908871. This is Umuonyiba Ufuma in Orumba North. Project Amount is N35M and Nothing has been done.



EZINIFITE NNEWI- AMICHI ROAD (WORK IN PROGRESS)



OKIJA, IHEMBOSI, AFO UKPOR, EBENATOR, EZINIFITE ROAD ABANDONED





PHCs Ebenator & Ozubulu (abandoned no fence, there is borehole but not working)



Two Bedroom for PHC Ezinifite (Work in Progress but no fence)



Umuanuka Road is Exactly Bad. In worst situation as you can see it through the picture. Project Amount is N35M



Construction Ikemba Drive, Nothing has been done concerning the project that leading to the permanent site of Nnamdi Azikiwe Teaching Hospital and Project Amount is N400,000.00 (Abandoned)



Project Description NBARR16745523, Okongwu Assembly Hall in Okongwu Memorial Grammar School Nnewi, Nnewi North is in progress even to the roofing level. Project Amount is N30M.



In Amagu Community in Ajalli Community Sec. Sch, Ajalli, No Classroom Block was built at all, No Solar Street Light was installed anywhere. Project Amount is N70M including Umuonyiba, Ufuma in Orumba North FMOWP51908871

ABANDONED PROJECTS IN NNAMDI AZIKIWE UNIVERSITY COLLEGE OF HEALTH SCIENCES (THEY WERE ALL IN THE 2017 FGN BUDGET)



3.4 FGN 2017 Capital Projects in Ebonyi State

3.4.1 Ebonyi Central Senatorial Zone

Water and Sanitation

PROJECT 1: COMPLETION OF AMUDO CIVIC CENTRE	
CLIENT/SPONSOR: ANAMBRA IMO RIVER BASIN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY, FEDERAL MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES	
Project Number & Title: Completion of Amudo Civic Centre (ARNMF 268 52774)	
Name of Contractor: E -Just Global Ltd. 41 Nelson Mandela Street, Asokoro, Abuja	Pic 1: A front view of the civic centre under supposedly under construction
Project Amount in the Budget: N15,000,000	
Locations Visited: Okpueu Ikwe Amudo Ezza South LGA	
Dates Visited: 24 th April, 2018	
Members of Team Visiting: Ebonyi CBMs	
<p>Community Opinion and Observation: Amudo Civic Centre was abandoned at 20 percent implementation. If executed, the project will be appropriate for the given context and serve important needs, but the contractor in charge of the project misappropriated the project objective. The community members have little information on this project although a sign post was mounted. Coordination with partners needs to be actively improved, so as to serve as galvanising factor in completing the factor. There is also need for significant improvement and inclusion of potential biases and vulnerable groups in the project implementation.</p> <p>Recommendations: The fund Management team or implementing MDA should call the attention of the contractor to go back to the site with immediate effect.</p>	


PROJECT 2: CONSTRUCTION OF BOREHOLE	
CLIENT/SPONSOR: FEDERAL MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES	
Project Number & Title: Construction of Borehole /ARNMF51976027	
Name of Contractor: NA	Pic 1: View of the completed borehole
Project Amount in the Budget: N10,000,000	
Locations Visited: Amaegbu Amagu Nkalaha Ishielu LGA	
Dates Visited: 26 th April, 2018	
Members of Team Visiting: Ebonyi CBMs	<p>Community Opinion and Observation: The contract is implemented but not commissioned yet. The villagers during interview said that their water problem have been solved by 95 percent. Though the project is yet to be commissioned, the villagers have access to the constructed borehole. The stakeholders (community) provided pump operators and security to the borehole site.</p>


Sports Development


PROJECT 3: SUPPLY OF SPORTS EQUIPMENT TO EBONYI CENTRAL ZONE	
CLIENT/SPONSOR: FEDERAL MINISTRY OF YOUTHS AND SPORTS	
Project Number & Title: Supply of sports equipment to Ebonyi Central zone /FMOY026283584	
Name of Contractor: NA	Pic 1: A view of the supplied sports equipment
Project Amount in the Budget: N50,000,000	
Locations Visited: Ezza South, Ezza North & Ishielu LGAs	
Dates Visited: 27 th April, 2018	
Members of Team Visiting: Ebonyi CBMs	<p>Community Opinion and Observation: The sports equipment delayed in coming but it eventually came, which is acceptable. It is also addressing priority needs. However, the level of involvement of</p>


PROJECT 3: SUPPLY OF SPORTS EQUIPMENT TO EBONYI CENTRAL ZONE
CLIENT/SPONSOR: FEDERAL MINISTRY OF YOUTHS AND SPORTS
the community was partial because the legislator who attracted the project took it to be a personal project. There is little synergy and coordination with partners in the project, hence improvements required. The supply of these sporting equipment increased interest in sporting activities in these areas more than before.
Recommendation: Fund Management team should ensure implementation of project as stated in the budget especially in the rural areas. They should also ensure sustainability of the project.


Education

PROJECT 4 CONSTRUCTION OF 10KM LINK ROAD AND DRAINAGES	
CLIENT/SPONSOR: FEDERAL MINISTRY OF EDUCATION	
PROJECT NUMBER & TITLE: CONSTRUCTION OF 10KM LINK ROAD AND DRAINAGES (FUNAI 18525885)	
Name of Contractor: NA	
Project Amount in the Budget: N241,512,292	
Locations Visited: Ndufu Alike Ikwo	
Dates Visited: 26 th April, 2018	
Members of Team Visiting: Ebonyi CBMs	
<p>Community Opinion and Observation: There was no delay in executing the project, the work went successful and completed as when required, and the project is very appropriate for the given context. The University community was also highly involved in its implementation. The visiting team was satisfied with the project because it fully met the standards. The team also found that there was very strong collaboration, information sharing and good synergy with the partners. During the assessment, the team also observed that there were steps taken to identify and assist the vulnerable groups in the project implementation. In summary, the team was glad with the contractor and the University community for following this project to a logical conclusion.</p> <p>Recommendation: Fund Management team should recommend the type of monitoring adopted by the University community and the contractor which made the project successful and met the time frame.</p>	


PROJECT 5: Provision of Solar Street Light	
CLIENT/SPONSOR: MINISTRY OF EDUCATION	
Project Number & Title: Provision of Solar Street Light /FEAHS96385591	
Name of Contractor: NA	
Project Amount in the Budget: N50,000,000	
Locations Visited: Ndufu Alike Ikwo	
Dates Visited: 26 th April, 2018	
Members of Team Visiting: Ebonyi CBMs	
<p>Community Opinion and Observation: This project has been completed as shown in the attached picture. The university community should ensure security is provided to avoid vandalization.</p>	

PROJECT 6: REHABILITATION OF AMANVU PRIMARY SCHOOL NKALAGU	
CLIENT/SPONSOR: FEDERAL MINISTRY OF EDUCATION	
Project Number & Title: Rehabilitation of Amanvu Primary School Nkalagu (UBE 82398928)	
Name of Contractor: NA	
Project Amount in the Budget: N20,000,000	
Contractor: NA	
Locations Visited: Amanvu Primary School	
Dates Visited: 27 th April, 2018	
Members of Team Visiting: Ebonyi CBMs	
<p>Community Opinion and Observation: The project is still on-going as at the time of visiting, and the project is appropriate for the given context. The community is involved in making sure the project is completed and put to use so that the primary aim of the project will be met. As regards the quality and standard of the project, the team could not verify this because although all materials for the building are in place, the team cannot predict what will happen in the site or project when the monitoring ends. Also, the synergy and coordination between the local NGOs, local government and the project area could not be determined during the project visit because some people the team met at the project site said that they do not know how the project was attracted. If the project is not completed on time, it is going to affect the pupils so much especially this rainy season.</p>	

PROJECT 7: REHABILITATION OF UWULE PRIMARY SCHOOL NKALAGU EBONYI CENTRAL DISTRICT	
CLIENT/SPONSOR: FEDERAL MINISTRY OF EDUCATION	
Project Number & Title:	Rehabilitation of Uwule Primary School Nkalagu Ebonyi Central District/UBE 82398929
Name of Contractor: NA	
Project Amount in the Budget: N20,000,000	
Locations Visited: Uwule Primary School Nkalagu	
Dates Visited: 28 th April, 2018	
Members of Team Visiting: Ebonyi CBMs	
<p>Community Opinion and Observation: The contract is implemented and completed, and pupils have started using it as shown in the picture. However, the environment is still over grown with bushes, therefore awaits clearing for the safety of the children. From report gathered, the community has engaged youths to tidy the environment and provide security.</p>	


PROJECT 8: CONSTRUCTION OF 5KM AMANVU EDEMA ROAD	
CLIENT/SPONSOR: FEDERAL MINISTRY OF WORKS, POWER AND HOUSING	
	
<p>Pic 2: Another view of the road being constructed</p>	
<p>Community Opinion and Observation: The Contractor handling the project is very slow and soon may be intercepted by rain. However, the activities are very appropriate to the given context if completed. The community is partially involved since the project is directly from the Federal government, and the team also discovered that there is a little synergy between the contractors and host communities.</p>	
<p>Recommendations: The contractors should be closely monitored because of some of them look for opportunity to collaborate with criminal minded politicians to embezzle fund mapped out for public project.</p>	

Infrastructure (Roads, Bridges, Drainages, Culversts and Erosion Control)

PROJECT 8 CONSTRUCTION OF 5KM AMANVU EDEMA ROAD	
CLIENT/SPONSOR: FEDERAL MINISTRY OF WORKS, POWER AND HOUSING	
Project Number & Title: Construction of 5Km Amanvu Edema Road/ARNMF26852775	
Name of Contractor: NA	
Project Amount in the Budget: N100,000,000	
Locations Visited: Amanvu Edema	
Dates Visited: 27 th April, 2018	
Members of Team Visiting: Ebonyi CBMs	
<p>Pic 1: A view of the road</p>	

3.4.2 Ebonyi North Senatorial Zone

Infrastructure (Roads, Bridges, Culverts, Drainages and Erosion Control)

PROJECT 1 CONSTRUCTION OF 3KM ROAD NETWORK WITH DRAINAGES WITHIN THE FGCC EZZANGBO	
CLIENT/SPONSOR: Ministry of Education	
Project Number & Title: Construction of 3KM road network with drainages within the college / FEAHS74208300	
Name of Contractor: NA	
Project Amount in the Budget: N15,600,000	
Locations Visited: Ezzangbo	
Dates Visited: 26 th April, 2018	
Members of Team Visiting: Ebonyi CBMs	
<p>Pic 1: A view of the road under supposedly under construction</p>	

PROJECT 1: CONSTRUCTION OF 3KM ROAD NETWORK WITH DRAINAGES WITHIN THE FGGC EZZANGBO

CLIENT/SPONSOR: Ministry of Education




Pic 2: Another view of the road

Community Opinion and Observation: No such project was observed in the school. They used about a trip or two of chippings between the gate and the main building, which is not up to a quarter of a kilometre. It, therefore, did not meet the expected standards. If executed, the project will be appropriate for the given context and serve important needs. Since the project was not executed, the level of involvement of the community as well as the synergy between the stakeholders could not be ascertained during the visit.

Recommendations: Close supervision of the project is required.

PROJECT 2: COMPLETION OF ENUGU - ABAKALIKI ROAD IN ENUGU/EBONYI STATES

CLIENT/SPONSOR: Federal Ministry of Power, Works and Housing

Project Number & Title:	Completion of Enugu - Abakaliki road in Enugu/Ebonyi States
Name of Contractor:	
Setraco Nigeria Ltd.	
Project Amount in the Budget: N221,216,094	
Locations Visited: Enugu- Abakaliki road	
Dates Visited: 26 th April, 2018	
Members of Team Visiting: Ebonyi CBMs	

Pic 1: A view of the completed portion of the road

Community Opinion and Observation: This project has been completed prior to 2017 national budget, under the previous administration, between 2014 and 2015, but still appeared in the 2017 budget. Since the completion of the road, life has been easier in terms of transportation from Enugu to Abakaliki. However, the level of involvement of the community in planning and implementing the project could not be ascertained during the visit because the project was not constructed in the period under review. Neither could the degree of the synergy between the stakeholders be ascertained. Those responsible should ascertain whether 2017 project fund was released for that particular project after it has been completed in 2014/2015.

PROJECT 3 FENCING OF FEDERAL SECRETARIAT LAND (PHASE 1) ABAKALIKI, EBONYI STATE

CLIENT/SPONSOR: Federal Ministry of Power, Works and Housing


Project Number & Title:	Fencing of federal secretariat land (phase 1) Abakaliki, Ebonyi State
Name of Contractor: NA	
Project Amount in the Budget: N87,162,276	
Locations Visited: Federal secretariat Abakaliki, Ebonyi State	
Dates Visited: 26 th April, 2018	
Members of Team Visiting: Ebonyi CBMs	

Community Opinion and Observation: There was no new fence built. The secretariat has been fenced before. The level of involvement of the community in planning and implementing the project could not be ascertained during the visit because the project was not located. Neither could the degree of the synergy between the stakeholders be ascertained. The project should be revisited.

Education

PROJECT 4: CONSTRUCTION OF STANDARD COLLEGE GATE AND STUDENTS CHECK IN POINT/STATION AT FGGC EZZANGBO

CLIENT/SPONSOR: Ministry of Education

Project Number & Title:	Construction of standard college gate and students check in point/station / FEAHS96385591
Name of Contractor: NA	
Project Amount in the Budget: N15,500,000	
Contractor:	
Locations Visited: FGGC Ezzangbo	
Dates Visited: 24 th April, 2018	
Members of Team Visiting: Ebonyi CBMs	

Pic 1: A view of the gate/fence

PROJECT 4: CONSTRUCTION OF STANDARD COLLEGE GATE AND STUDENTS CHECK IN POINT/STATION AT FGGC EZZANGBO

CLIENT/SPONSOR: Ministry of Education



Pic 2: Another view of the school gate

Community Opinion and Observation: No new standard gate has been mounted. The gate at the entrance of the college had been the same since the inception of the school. They only repainted it. There is need to have a standard gate and student check in point. The level of involvement of the community as well as the synergy between the stakeholders could not be ascertained during the visit, because the project was not done.

PROJECT 5: CONSTRUCTION OF HIGHER PERIMETER FENCE WITH BARB WIRE AT FGGC EZZANGBO

CLIENT/SPONSOR: Ministry of Education

Project Number & Title: Construction of higher perimeter fence with barb wire at FGGC Ezzangbo / FEAHS39439496

Name of Contractor: NA

Pic 1: View of the perimeter fence with barbed wire

Project Amount in the Budget: N17,987,800

Locations Visited: FGGC EZZANGBO

Dates Visited: 24th April, 2018

Members of Team Visiting: Ebonyi CBMs



Community Opinion and Observation: The fence the team saw had been fenced more than ten years ago. Minimal patches were done here and there, and the barbed wire was mounted by the Parents' Teachers' Association (PTA). The principal refused the team access. The team could not verify the level of involvement of the community in planning and implementing the project since the project was done a long time ago. Neither could the team verify whether there was synergy amongst all the stakeholders. If the project is properly done, it will enhance the security system of the school.

PROJECT : 6 COMPLETION OF HOME ECONOMICS LABORATORY (FEDERAL GOVERNMENT GIRLS COLLEGE, EZZAMGBO)

CLIENT/SPONSOR: FEDERAL MINISTRY OF EDUCATION

Project Number & Title: Completion of home economics laboratory (Federal Government Girls College, Ezzangbo) / FEAHS30149867

Name of Contractor: NA

Project Amount in the Budget: N11,747,200

Locations Visited: FGGC Ezzangbo

Dates Visited: 24th April, 2018

Members of Team Visiting: Ebonyi CBMs

Community Opinion and Observation: Access to the project was not granted by the principal who told the team to obtain permission from the Federal Ministry of Education before any Information could be granted. However, the staff interviewed informed the team that no such project has been executed. The level of involvement of the community in planning and implementing the project could not be ascertained during the visit because the project was not done. Neither could the degree of the synergy between the stakeholders be ascertained. The project should be revisited.

PROJECT : 7 RENOVATION OF 3NO CLASSROOM BLOCKS (FEDERAL GOVERNMENT GIRLS COLLEGE, EZZAMGBO)

CLIENT/SPONSOR: Federal Ministry of Education

Project Number & Title: Renovation of 3no classroom blocks (Federal Government Girls College, Ezzangbo)/ FEAHS02576024

Name of Contractor: NA

Project Amount in the Budget: N11,165,000

Locations Visited: FGGC Ezzangbo


Dates Visited: 26th April, 2018

Members of Team Visiting: Ebonyi CBMs

Community Opinion and Observation: The team could not see any classrooms that were renovated because access to the classrooms was denied. The principal told the team to obtain permission from the Federal Ministry of Education before any Information could be granted. However, the staff interviewed informed the team that no such project has been executed. The level of involvement of the community in planning and implementing the project could not be ascertained during the visit because the project was not done. Neither could the degree of the synergy between the stakeholders be ascertained. The project should be revisited.

Health

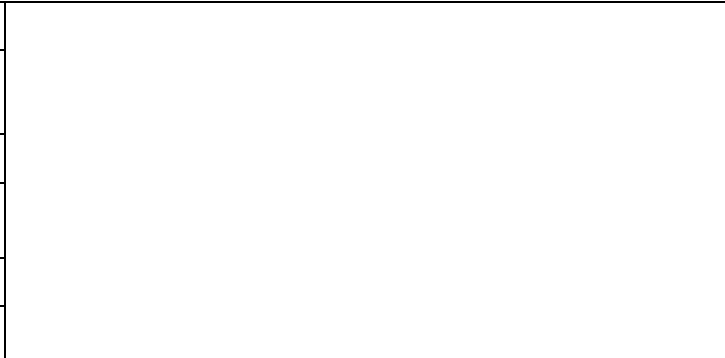
PROJECT 8 : COMPLETING CONSTRUCTION OF ULTRA - MODERN AUDITORIUM AT THE FEDERAL TEACHING HOSPITAL ABAKALIKI

CLIENT/SPONSOR: Ministry of Health	
Project Number & Title: Completing construction of ultra-modern auditorium/FTHAC3975004	
Name of Contractor: NA	
Project Amount in the Budget: N50,188,656	
Locations Visited: Federal Teaching Hospital Abakaliki 1	
Dates Visited: 25 th April, 2018	
Members of Team Visiting: Ebonyi CBMs	

Pic 1: A front view of the project

Community Opinion and Observation: The team sited a very gigantic multipurpose auditorium under construction but nothing seems to be on-going there. Regarding the level of involvement of the community in planning and implementing the project, the Administrative Officer of the hospital, Chief C.C. Ogbu confirmed participation of the different segments of the hospital community in coming up with what was needed. The National industrial strike embarked upon by health workers hampered information as the Director of Administration of the hospital kept directing the team to the Chief Medical Director (CMD). The CMD was away on a meeting at Abuja. The project when completed will be of utmost importance. Therefore, the contractors should go back to the site and complete the project.


PROJECT 9 : COMPLETING CONSTRUCTION OF 200 SITTING CAPACITY LECTURE HALL AT THE FEDERAL TEACHING HOSPITAL ABAKALIKI

CLIENT/SPONSOR: FEDERAL MINISTRY OF HEALTH	
Project Number & Title: Completing construction of 200 sitting capacity lecture hall at the Federal Teaching Hospital Abakaliki / FTHAC 17498148	
Name of Contractor: NA	
Project Amount in the Budget: N17,500,000	
Contractor:	
Locations Visited: Federal Teaching Hospital Abakaliki	
Dates Visited: 25 th April, 2018	
Members of Team Visiting: Ebonyi CBMs	

PROJECT 9 : COMPLETING CONSTRUCTION OF 200 SITTING CAPACITY LECTURE HALL AT THE FEDERAL TEACHING HOSPITAL ABAKALIKI


CLIENT/SPONSOR: FEDERAL MINISTRY OF HEALTH
Community Opinion and Observation: This project could not be located within the hospital complex. The National industrial strike embarked upon by health workers hampered information as the Director of Administration of the hospital kept directing the team to the Chief Medical Director. The CMD was away on a meeting at Abuja. The level of involvement of the community in planning and implementing the project could not be ascertained during the visit because the project was not located. Neither could the degree of the synergy between the stakeholders be ascertained. The project should be revisited.

PROJECT 10: PROVISION AND PIPING OF OXYGEN PLANT TO WARDS AT THE FEDERAL TEACHING HOSPITAL ABAKALIKI

CLIENT/SPONSOR: Federal Ministry of Health	
Project Number & Title: Provision and piping of oxygen plant to wards at the Federal Teaching Hospital Abakaliki / FTHAC 61810218	
Name of Contractor: NA	
Project Amount in the Budget: N40,000,000	
Locations Visited: Federal Teaching Hospital Abakaliki	
Dates Visited: 25 th April, 2018	
Members of Team Visiting: Ebonyi CBMs	


Community Opinion and Observation: This project could not be located within the hospital complex. The National industrial strike embarked upon by health workers hampered information as the Director of Administration of the hospital kept directing the team to the Chief Medical Director. The CMD was away on a meeting at Abuja. The level of involvement of the community in planning and implementing the project could not be ascertained during the visit because the project was not located. Neither could the degree of the synergy between the stakeholders be ascertained. The project should be revisited.

PROJECT 11 : FURNISHING AND PROCUREMENT OF SURGICAL EQUIPMENT AT THE FEDERAL TEACHING HOSPITAL ABAKALIKI


CLIENT/SPONSOR: Federal Ministry of Health	
Project Number & Title: Furnishing and procurement of surgical equipment at the Federal Teaching Hospital Abakaliki/ FTHAC 61810219	
Name of Contractor: NA	
Project Amount in the Budget: N55,000,000	

PROJECT 11: FURNISHING AND PROCUREMENT OF SURGICAL EQUIPMENT AT THE FEDERAL TEACHING HOSPITAL ABAKALIKI	
CLIENT/SPONSOR: Federal Ministry of Health	
Locations Visited: Federal Teaching Hospital Abakaliki	
Dates Visited: 25 th April, 2018	
Members of Team Visiting: Ebonyi CBMs	
Community Opinion and Observation: This project could not be located within the hospital complex. The National industrial strike embarked upon by health workers hampered information as the Director of Administration of the hospital kept directing the team to the Chief Medical Director. The CMD was away on a meeting at Abuja. The level of involvement of the community in planning and implementing the project could not be ascertained during the visit because the project was not located. Neither could the degree of the synergy between the stakeholders be ascertained. The project should be revisited.	

PROJECT 12 : COMPLETING CONSTRUCTION OF 500 SITTING CAPACITY E-LIBRARY AT THE FEDERAL TEACHING HOSPITAL ABAKALIKI	
CLIENT/SPONSOR: Federal Ministry of Health	
Project Number & Title: Completing construction of 500 sitting capacity E-library at the Federal Teaching Hospital Abakaliki/ FTHAC 24373548	
Name of Contractor: NA	
Project Amount in the Budget: N14,378,222	
Locations Visited: Federal Teaching Hospital Abakaliki	
Dates Visited: 25 th April, 2018	
Members of Team Visiting: Ebonyi CBMs	
Community Opinion and Observation: This project could not be located within the hospital complex. The National industrial strike embarked upon by health workers hampered information as the Director of Administration of the hospital kept directing the team to the Chief Medical Director. The CMD was away on a meeting at Abuja. The level of involvement of the community in planning and implementing the project could not be ascertained during the visit because the project was not located. Neither could the degree of the synergy between the stakeholders be ascertained. The project should be revisited.	

PROJECT 13: EROSION CONTROL AT IDOKPO, OGBAGEDE, UKWAGBA ROAD IN OHAUKWU LGA	
CLIENT/SPONSOR: Federal Ministry of Water Resources	
Project Number & Title: Erosion control at Idokpo, Ogbagede, Ukwagba road in Ohaukwu LGA / FMOWR51965726	
Name of Contractor: NA	 <p>Pic 1: A view of the site where the erosion control work is supposed to take place.</p>
Project Amount in the Budget: N200,000,000	
Locations Visited: Idokpo, Ogbagede, Ukwagba road	
Dates Visited: 26 th April, 2018	
Members of Team Visiting: Ebonyi CBMs	
Community Opinion and Observation: As at the time of this visit nothing has been done on the said project. The team drove into all those untarred and long stretch of road into Ukwagba, via Idokpo but saw nothing. One Mr. Elom Solomon, a native of Idokpo and another Mr. Joseph Ebenyi from Aguachi Ukwagba confirmed that nothing of such project had been heard or seen throughout their areas. As nothing has been done it become impossible to determine the level of involvement of community.	

3.4.3 Ebonyi South Senatorial Zone Health

PROJECT 1: Construction of Primary Health Centre at Ukawu , Onicha LGA	
CLIENT/SPONSOR: FEDERAL MINISTRY OF HEALTH	
Project Number & Title: Construction of Primary Health Centre at Ukawu, Onicha LGA	
Name of Contractor: NA	 <p>Pic 1: A view of the old PHC where the new one is to be sited</p> <p>Pic 2: Another view of the dilapidated health centre</p>
Project Amount in the Budget: N3,000,000	
Locations Visited: Ukawu, Onicha LGA	
Dates Visited: 24 th April, 2018	
Members of Team Visiting: Ebonyi CBMs	
Community Opinion and Observation: This project could not be located within the hospital complex. The National industrial strike embarked upon by health workers hampered information as the Director of Administration of the hospital kept directing the team to the Chief Medical Director. The CMD was away on a meeting at Abuja. The level of involvement of the community in planning and implementing the project could not be ascertained during the visit because the project was not located. Neither could the degree of the synergy between the stakeholders be ascertained. The project should be revisited.	

PROJECT 1: Construction of Primary Health Centre at Ukawu, Onicha LGA

CLIENT/SPONSOR: FEDERAL MINISTRY OF HEALTH



Community Opinion and Observation: There is no new PHC under construction rather the old dilapidated PHC. The absence of work going on in the PHC made it more difficult for community members to access health care facility, as lack of hospital equipment in the existing PHC and environment is no longer conducive for patients. Hence, the community members are vulnerable to diseases because of absence of such intervention unit. Worse still, community members are not even aware of the existence of such intervention.

General Remarks: PHC in Ukawu is not under construction, no repair of dilapidated building built in 1976, leaking roof, fallen ceilings, cracked walls, no beds for in patients, no equipment and low patronage by patients. According to the community members interviewed, members of the community assist patients to Uburu Joint hospital in Ohaozara LGA that is 8okm away from Ukawu community.

Recommendations: Since the new PHC in Ukawu is not being constructed, the old one needs to be renovated and equipped with immediate effect since that is the only Health Centre in Ukawu community. Secondly there is no source of water, therefore borehole should be included in the budget.

PROJECT 2: REHABILITATION OF PHC AT NGBOM VILLAGE AFIKPO NORTH LGA

CLIENT/SPONSOR: FEDERAL MINISTRY OF HEALTH

Project Number & Title:	Rehabilitation of PHC at Ngbom Village Afikpo North LGA
Name of Contractor:	
Project Amount in the Budget:	
Contractor:	

Pic 1: A view of the entrance to the PHC

Community Opinion and Observation: A visit to the site by the team showed that no work was going on at the site, and as a result, it is difficult to ascertain whether the contract has been awarded. In fact, the community is not aware of any possible rehabilitation whatsoever. The Officer In Charge, Evelyn, revealed that she had no knowledge of the said project. Not even the community and no visitor has shown and no visitor has shown


PROJECT 2: REHABILITATION OF PHC AT NGBOM VILLAGE AFIKPO NORTH LGA

CLIENT/SPONSOR: FEDERAL MINISTRY OF HEALTH

concern to the health Centre in respect to the said project. The building is old enough to receive government attention. However, the community is still using the old facility on ground. This was confirmed by the SA to the LG Chairman on media Egwu, Emmanuel Ogbonna who brought a patient to the health facility that day.

PROJECT 3: CONSTRUCTION OF PHC AT ISIAMA HEALTH CENTRE, ISIAMA ONICHA LGA

CLIENT/SPONSOR: FEDERAL MINISTRY OF HEALTH

Project Number & Title: Construction of PHC at Isiama Health Centre, Isiama Onicha LGA	
Name of Contractor:	
Project Amount in the Budget:	
Contractor:	
Locations Visited: Isiama Health Centre Isiama, Onicha LGA	
Dates Visited: 24 th April, 2018	
Members of Team Visiting: Ebonyi CBMs	

Community Opinion and Observation: No work has started at the site. Cassava plantation at the site, and the community members are yet to witness any construction of the said PHC, even though they are aware of the said project. Hence, they have approved a portion of land in January 2018 for the construction of the PHC.

General Remarks: At the time of visit, the team saw the old building. The building that serves as the health Centre is an Isiama Town hall building. The community members said they were aware that a health Centre is to be built but has not started. The site was shown. Patients are managing the existing facility for immunization during the time of visit. Though they had all gone before the time of visit.

Agriculture

PROJECT 4: COMPLETION OF 2 KM INTERNAL ROAD AT FEDERAL COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE ISHIAGU

CLIENT/SPONSOR: FEDERAL MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE

Project Number & Title: Completion of 2km Internal Road at Federal College Ishiagu /FCOA 173319356

Name of Contractor: Status Global Ltd

Project Amount in the Budget: N120,000,000

Locations Visited: Federal College of Agriculture, Ishiagu

Dates Visited: 26th April, 2018

Members of Team Visiting: Ebonyi CBMs



Pic 1: A view of the road project at College of Agric. Ishiagu



Pic 2: Another view of the road project

Community Opinion and Observation: Road construction fully completed and in use. In fact, it was completed beyond expectation as the Provost of the school constructed the road beyond two km. During the construction of the project, there were no issues or challenges encountered and the project was completed on schedule (one year). Engagement amongst all stakeholders during the implementation was cordial.

Recommendation: The MDA should adopt the approach of monitoring explored at FUNAI for a continued progress.

PROJECT 5: CONSTRUCTION OF POULTRY PEN BUILDING BLOCK (25M/8M) WITH INSTALLATION OF 3 TIER BATTERY CAGE AT FEDERAL COLLEGE ISHIAGU

CLIENT/SPONSOR: FEDERAL MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE

Project Number & Title: Construction of Poultry Pen Building Block (25m/8m) with installation of 3 tier battery cage

Name of Contractor: GEE Achnal Nig. Ltd.

Project Amount in the Budget: N72,500,000

Contractor: GEE Achnal Nig. Ltd.

Locations Visited: Federal College Ishiagu

Dates Visited: 26th April, 2018

Members of Team Visiting: Ebonyi CBMs

Pic 3: Procurement of Agric input



Pic 1: Front view of the poultry pen building



Pic 2: Ishiagu fish pond



Community Opinion and Observation: The project is 78% completed. The major challenge hampering the completion of the project is fund, and it is unlikely the project will be completed on schedule (one year). N56,635,112.43 has been released for the project so far. More funds are needed. The 3 tier battery is yet to be installed. People still patronize the old pen which is optimally used. However, engagement amongst all stakeholders during the implementation was cordial.

Recommendations: The MDA should adopt the approach of monitoring explored at FUNAI for a continued progress.

Education

PROJECT 6: CONSTRUCTION OF MECHATRONICS WORKSHOP & LABORATORY AT FEDERAL POLYTECHNIC UNWANA AFIKPO NORTH LGA	
CLIENT/SPONSOR: FEDERAL MINISTRY OF EDUCATION	
Project Number & Title: Construction of Mechatronics Workshop & laboratory /FPUXT24939597	
Name of Contractor: NA	
Project Amount in the Budget: N200,000,000	
Locations Visited: Federal Polytechnic Unwana, Afikpo North LGA	
Dates Visited: 28 th April, 2018	
Members of Team Visiting: Ebonyi CBMs	
Pic 3: Another side view of the project	
<p>Community Opinion and Observation: The project started in December 2017 and It is still on-going. It is obvious that the contract is not doing badly. However, the contractor requested that more funds should be released to enable him complete the project within its duration of one year. Materials for construction are littered at the construction site. However, engagement among the stakeholders is cordial and there is adequate supervision by the school community.</p>	

Pic 1: A front view of the project

Pic 2: Another view of the project

PROJECT 7: CONSTRUCTION OF A BLOCK OF TEN CLASSROOMS AT FEDERAL POLYTECHNIC UNWANA, AFIKPO NORTH LGA	
CLIENT/SPONSOR: FEDERAL MINISTRY OF EDUCATION	
Project Number & Title: Construction of a block of ten Classrooms /FPUXT24939595	
Name of Contractor: NA	
Project Amount in the Budget: N122,371,108	
Locations Visited: Federal Polytechnic Unwana, Afikpo North LGA	
Dates Visited: 28 th April, 2018	
Members of Team Visiting: Ebonyi CBMs	
<p>Community Opinion and Observation: The team gathered that the project started in December 2017, but work was paused because of lack of funds. According to A. Inya Ibiam, the Deputy Rector FPU, what they need is fund to roof the building and execute other jobs within the site. However, serious work has been done at the site. Tools, equipment were found on ground. Engagement amongst all stakeholders was cordial. The Rector, Deputy Rector, the contractor as well as the school community were all involved, to ensure the project is completed within schedule which is one year.</p>	
PROJECT 8: AGBANI - NARA - ISU - ONICHA - OKPOSI - UKAWU- ABAOMEGE - OBUBRA FEDERAL ROAD	
CLIENT/SPONSOR: FEDERAL MINISTRY OF WORKS, POWER AND HOUSING	
Project Number & Title: Agbani-Nara-Isu-Onicha-Okposi-Ukawu-Abaomege-Obubra-Federal Road /FMWP51908752; FMOWP51908764	
Name of Contractor: Bulletin Nigeria Ltd.	
Project Amount in the Budget: N170,640,000	
Locations Visited: Onicha-Okposi-Ukawu-Abaomege Federal roads	
Dates Visited: 24 th April, 2018	
<p>Community Opinion and Observation: The project started in December 2017 and It is still on-going. It is obvious that the contract is not doing badly. However, the contractor requested that more funds should be released to enable him complete the project within its duration of one year. Materials for construction are littered at the construction site. However, engagement among the stakeholders is cordial and there is adequate supervision by the school community.</p>	

Pic 1: A front view of the classroom block at Federal Poly. Unwana

Pic 1: Construction work going on the road

PROJECT 8: AGBANI -NARA - ISU -ONICHA -OKPOSI -UKAWU -ABAOMEGE -OBUBRA FEDERAL ROAD

CLIENT/SPONSOR: FEDERAL MINISTRY OF WORKS, POWER AND HOUSING

Pic 3: Another view of the road construction



Pic 2: Bridge construction Abaomege-Okposi bridge

Community Opinion and Observation: Road construction is on-going, and on pace to succeed. The activities going on at the site are very appropriate for the given context. More fundamentally, the community is highly involved in the project and engagement amongst all stakeholders on the site is cordial. There is strong collaboration and information sharing. Also, the project meets the standards fully.

Summary of findings: As at the time of visit, the team started from Abaomege through Ukawu. Ishinkwo river was completed in February 2018. Construction of gutter was ongoing. Concrete base was seen being used to coat the road. Also at Onicha the team saw two bridges under construction Isiama Onicha bridge and Umubo bridge by FERMA. The community members were happy for the on-going project. They were hired for manual labour like tipping of sand, concrete digging of the funnel etc.

3.5 FGN 2017 Capital Projects in Enugu State

3.5.1 Enugu East Senatorial Zone

Infrastructure (Roads, Bridges, Culverts, Drainages and Erosion Control)

PROJECT 1: CONSTRUCTION OF OBOLLOAFOR - IKEM -EHAMUFU- NKALAGU ROAD (SECTION 1)

CLIENT/SPONSOR: FEDERAL MINISTRY OF WORKS, POWER AND HOUSING

Project Number & Title: Construction of Obollo-Afor -Ikem -Ehamufu - Nkalagu Road (Section 1) C/NO.5962

Name of Contractor: Edilizia Construction Ltd

Project Amount in the Budget: N700 ,000,000

Locations Visited: 26/05/18

Dates Visited: Obollo-Afor and Ikem

Members of Team Visiting: Enugu Project Watch



Pic 1: Completed portion of the road



Pic 3: Sign post indicating the contract



Pic 2: A section of the road under construction



Pic 4: A section of the road under construction

Community Opinion and Observation: The work is on-going at the time the team visited the site. The community is happy about the project but prays that it is not abandoned.

PROJECT 2 : CONSTRUCTION OF OBOLLOAFOR- IKEM-EHAMUFU-NKALAGU ROAD (SECTION 2)

CLIENT/SPONSORFEDERAL MINISTRY OF WORKS, POWER AND HOUSING

Project Number & Title: Construction of ObolloAfor-Ikem-Ehamufu-Nkalagu Road

Name of Contractor: Clirax Ventures Ltd

Project Amount in the Budget: N70 0,000,000

Locations Visited: Ehamufu section

Dates Visited: 26/05/2018

Members of Team Visiting: Enugu Project Watch



Pic 1: A view of section of the road



Pic 3: Sign post showing the contract



Pic 2:A view of a section of the road under construction

Community Opinion and Observation: The work is on-going at the time the team visited the site. The community is happy about the project but prays that it won't be abandoned

Health

PROJECT 3 : CONSTRUCTION OF MODEL PRIMARY HEALTH CARE CENTRE, NEKE, ISIUZO

CLIENT/SPONSOR: FEDERAL MINISTRY OF HEALTH

Project Number & Title: Construction of Model Primary Health Care Centre, Neke, Isi-Uzo

Name of Contractor: Shades Udy Ltd.

Project Amount in the Budget: N20,000,000

Locations Visited: Neke, Isi-Uzo LGA

Dates Visited: 26/5/18

Members of Team Visiting: Enugu Project Watch



Pic 1: Front view of the Completed Health Care Centre



Pic 3: Sign post showing the contract



Pic 2: Side view of the completed health centre


Community Opinion and Observation: Project Status: Completed

Community Opinion: The building is at the outskirts of the community, very far from where majority of the people live. While they are happy for the project, they wished it was sited close to where majority of them live.


Comments/recommendations: It is just a building and not yet a health facility as it has not been opened to start serving the health needs of the people. It should be opened and stocked with medicine and hospital equipment. Qualified doctors, nurses/paramedics and other health workers should be employed.

3.5.2 Enugu North Senatorial Zone


Water and sanitation

PROJECT 1: COMPLETION OF ONGOING WATER PROJECT AT ONUBEOGBO NKPOLOGU, UZO UWANI	
CLIENT/SPONSOR: FEDERAL MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES	
Project Number & Title: ARNMF51976005 - Completion of ongoing water project at Onubeogbo Nkpologu , Uzo Uwani	
Name of Contractor: NA	
Project Amount in the Budget: N10,000,000	
Locations Visited: Onubeogbo NKpologu	
Dates Visited: 24/5/18	
Members of Team Visiting: Enugu Project Watch	
<p>Community Opinion and Observation: The project site has been overgrown by weeds. There is an overhead tank, four water taps, no power house or solar to power the water. The people complained that either that the government is not serious about the project or contractor has diverted funds meant for the project.</p> <p>Comments/recommendations: The contractors concerned should be directed to continue work at the site.</p>	

Pic 1: View of the overhead tank mounted at the site


PROJECT 2 : COMPLETION OF ONGOING WATER PROJECT AT UMUEKE, INAMA AND UVURU, UZO UWANI	
CLIENT/SPONSOR: FEDERAL MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES	
Project Number & Title: Completion of ongoing water project at Umueke, Inama and Uvuru, Uzo Uwani	
Name of Contractor: NA	
Project Amount in the Budget: N10,000,000	
Locations Visited: Umueke, Inama and Uvuru	
Dates Visited: 24/5/18	
<p>Community Opinion and Observation: The project site has been overgrown by weeds. There is an overhead tank, four water taps, no power house or solar to power the water. The people complained that either that the government is not serious about the project or contractor has diverted funds meant for the project.</p> <p>Comments/recommendations: The contractors concerned should be directed to continue work at the site.</p>	

Pic 1: View of the sumo mounted at the site


PROJECT 2: COMPLETION OF ONGOING WATER PROJECT AT UMUEKE, INAMA AND UVURU, UZO UWANI	
CLIENT/SPONSOR: FEDERAL MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES	
Members of Team Visiting: Enugu Project Watch	
<p>Community Opinion and Observation: The team saw a sank borehole with a sumo cable. There was no overhead tank, power house or solar panels and no taps. One Mrs Theresa Eze told the team that both the government and the contractors are not serious with the project. When the team asked her about a rickety overhead tank nearby, she said that it was put by NPN government in 1981 and is of no use.</p> <p>Comments/recommendations: The people should be concerned with the borehole project.</p>	

Pic 2: Another view of the site


Infrastructure (Roads, Bridges, Culverts, Drainages and Erosion Control)

PROJECT 3 : DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION OF ROAD FROM NKPOLOGU TO OMOR	
CLIENT/SPONSOR: FEDERAL MINISTRY OF WORKS, POWER AND HOUSING	
Project Number & Title: FMOWP 51908763: Design and Construction of Road from Nkpologu to Omor	
Name of Contractor: NA	
Project Amount in the Budget: 155,160,000	
Contractor:	
Locations Visited: Uzo-Uwani, Enugu State and Aghamelum, Anambra State	
Dates Visited: 24/5/18	
Members of Team Visiting: Enugu Project Watch	
<p>Community Opinion and Observation: The team saw a sank borehole with a sumo cable. There was no overhead tank, power house or solar panels and no taps. One Mrs Theresa Eze told the team that both the government and the contractors are not serious with the project. When the team asked her about a rickety overhead tank nearby, she said that it was put by NPN government in 1981 and is of no use.</p> <p>Comments/recommendations: The people should be concerned with the borehole project.</p>	


Pic 1: View of a graded portion of the road

PROJECT 3 : DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION OF ROAD FROM NKPOLOGU TO OMOR	
CLIENT/SPONSOR: FEDERAL MINISTRY OF WORKS, POWER AND HOUSING	
	
Pic 2: Another portion of the road being graded	
<p>Community Opinion and Observation: Skeletal grading from Nkpologu past Uvuru but not up to Ukpata. One Mr Julius Ekekwe informed the team that it was only ordinary grading that was done on the road, from Nkpologu to Umulokpa. Some even said it was the local government chairman that is grading the road to give it a face lift</p> <p>Comments/recommendations: The contractors concerned should be made to go back to the site.</p>	

Education and Skill Acquisition

PROJECT 4 :CONSTRUCTION AND FURNISHING OF SKILL ACQUISITION CENTRE IN UKEHE, IGBO - ETITI, LGA	
CLIENT/SPONSOR: FEDERAL MINISTRY OF WORKS	
Name of Contractor:	
Project Amount in the Budget: N25,000,000	
Contractor:	
Locations Visited: Ukehe, Igbo - Etit	
Dates Visited: 26/5/18	
Members of Team Visiting: Enugu Project Watch	
Pic 1: A front view of the centre under construction.	

PROJECT 4 :CONSTRUCTION AND FURNISHING OF SKILL ACQUISITION CENTRE IN UKEHE, IGBO - ETITI, LGA	
CLIENT/SPONSOR: FEDERAL MINISTRY OF WORKS	
	
Pic 2: Another view of the centre	
<p>Community Opinion and Observation: It is at the roofing stage, though work stopped in the site for a month and some weeks. It could be that the roofing sheets are being produced.</p> <p>Community Opinion: The community were happy with the project and said it will help many of their youths but complained bitterly about their non-involvement in the execution of the project.</p> <p>Comments/recommendations: The project is still in progress because it has not been completed. It is the opinion of the team that once the members of the community are involved in the project execution, more results will be guaranteed.</p>	

PROJECT 5: PROVISION OF ENERGY EFFICIENT COOKING STOVE TO RURAL DWELLERS AND TRAINING AT NSUKKA/IGBO - EZE SOUTH FED. CONST.	
CLIENT/SPONSOR: FERDERAL GOVERNMENT OF NIGERIA/ NCERD	
Project Number & Title: CFERN84548788 - Provision of Energy Efficient Cooking Stove to Rural Dwellers and Training at Nsukka/Igbo-Eze South Fed. Const.	
Name of Contractor: NA	
Project Amount in the Budget: N35,000,000	
LGA (Project location): Nsukka and Igbo Eze South	
Community: NCERD/ University of Nigeria Nsukka	
Pic 1: A view of the cooking stove	

PROJECT 5: PROVISION OF ENERGY EFFICIENT COOKING STOVE TO RURAL DWELLERS AND TRAINING AT NSUKKA/IGBO - EZE SOUTH FED. CONST.

CLIENT/SPONSOR: FERDERAL GOVERNMENT OF NIGERIA/ NCERD

Members of Team Visiting: PROJECT WATCH NSUKKA ZONE

Project Status: completed



Pic 2:The remaining materials of the fabrication for the energy efficient cooking stokes used for the training.

Community Opinion and Observation: The energy cooking stoves have been fabricated, training of usage for the rural dwellers done and the rural dwellers have been empowered with these energy efficient stoves for usage. Majority of the beneficiaries are women and young girls. The people were actively involved in the project. However, the major challenge was that only 50 percent of the money budgeted for this project was released by the Federal Government and the said amount was used to finance this activity.

PROJECT 5: PROVISION OF ENERGY SAVING/EFFICIENT STOVES TO SELECTED WIDOWS IN NSUKKA/IGBO - EZE SOUTH FED. CONST.

CLIENT/SPONSOR: FEDERAL GOVERNMENT/NCERD

Project Number & Title: CFERN84548789 - Provision of Energy Saving/Efficient Stoves to selected widows in Nsukka/Igbo - Eze South Fed. Const.

Name of Contractor: NA

Project Amount in the Budget: N15,000,000

LGA (Project location): Nsukka and Igbo Eze South

Community: NCERD/ UNIVERSITY OF NIGERIA NSUKKA

Dates Visited: 25/05/2018

Members of Team Visiting: PROJECT WATCH NSUKKA ZONE

Project Status: Completed



Pic 1: View of the fabricated cooking stoves

PROJECT 5: PROVISION OF ENERGY SAVING/EFFICIENT STOVES TO SELECTED WIDOWS IN NSUKKA/IGBO - EZE SOUTH FED. CONST.

CLIENT/SPONSOR: FEDERAL GOVERNMENT/NCERD



Pic 2: Another sample of the energy efficient stoves given to selected widows in Nsukka/Igbo-Eze south

Community Opinion and Observation: Community members were actively involved in the project. They were happy with the project. According to them, the cooking stoves are needed to empower the widows.

PROJECT 6: CONSTRUCTION OF SOLAR THERMAL LAB. PHASE 2

CLIENT/SPONSOR: FEDERAL GOVERNMENT OF NIGERIA/NCERD

Project Number & Title: CFERN84548784 - CONSTRUCTION OF SOLAR THERMINAL LAB. PHASE 2

Name of Contractor: Beez Global LTD.

Project Amount in the Budget: N70,000,000

LGA (Project location): Nsukka

Community: NCERD/UNN

Dates Visited: 25/05/2018

Members of Team Visiting: PROJECT WATCH NSUKKA ZONE



Project Status: Not completed



Pic 1: Pic showing part of the on-going project

Community Opinion and Observation: The community has been actively involved in the execution of the project. However, non-release of fund has undermined the execution of the project as some of the equipment need to be imported. The Solar thermal is for the benefit of the agency and more fund should be released towards its completion.


PROJECT 7: CONSTRUCTION OF PHOTOVOLTAIC LAB PHASE II	
CLIENT/SPONSOR: FEDERAL GOVERNMENT OF NIGERIA/ NCERD	
Project Number & Title: CFERN84548785 - CONSTRUCTION OF PHOTOVOLTAIC LAB PHASE II	
Name of Contractor: Ifeco Tech Ltd	 <p>Pic 1: The completed work</p>  <p>Pic 2: Another view of the completed work</p>
Project Amount in the Budget: N60,000,000	
LGA (Project location): Nsukka	
Community: NCERD/UNN	
Dates Visited: 25/05/2018	
Members of Team Visiting: PROJECT WATCH NSUKKA ZONE	
Project Status: Completed	
Community Opinion and Observation: The community was actively involved in the execution of the project.	


PROJECT 8: PURCHASE OF PROJECT MONITORING VEHICLE	
CLIENT/SPONSOR: NCERD/ FEDERAL GOVERNMENT OF NIGERIA	
Project Number & Title: CFERN57739219 - PURCHASE OF PROJECT MONITORING VEHICLE	
Name of Contractor: NA	 <p>Pic 1: Front view of the project vehicle</p>
Project Amount in the Budget: N10,081,841	
LGA (Project location): Nsukka	
Community: NCERD/UNN	
Dates Visited: 25/05/2018	
Members of Team Visiting: PROJECT WATCH NSUKKA ZONE	
Project Status: Delivered	
Community Opinion and Observation: The project monitoring vehicle has been very useful for the Director of NCERD in monitoring of NCERD projects.	
PROJECT 9: RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMMES	
CLIENT/SPONSOR: FEDERAL GOVERNMENT OF NIGERIA/ NCERD	
Project Number & Title: CFERN84548780 - RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMMES	
Name of Contractor: NA	 <p>Pic 1: View of the uncompleted project</p>
Project Amount in the Budget: N70,818,414	
LGA (Project location): Nsukka	
Community: NCERD/UNN	
Dates Visited: 25/05/2018	
Members of Team Visiting: PROJECT WATCH NSUKKA ZONE	
Project Status: Not completed	
Community Opinion and Observation: The project was done with limited supply of fund, hence its non-completion. The Research programme will be of immense benefits to the agency and the community and more funds should be released towards its completion.	


PROJECT 10: CONSTRUCTION OF 2KM RURAL ROAD AT ITCHI IGBO-EZE SOUTH L.G.A.	
CLIENT/SPONSOR: FEDERAL GOVERNMENT OF NIGERIA/ PROJECT DEVELOPMENT INSTITUTE (PRODA)	
Project Number & Title: PDIEM45288412 - Construction of 2km Rural road at Itchi Igbo -Eze south L.G.A.	
Name of Contractor: K-Class Global Furniture Limited	
Project Amount in the Budget: N50,000,000	
LGA (Project location): Igbo -Eze South L.G.A.	
Community: Itchi	
Dates Visited: 26/05/2018	
Members of Team Visiting: PROJECT WATCH NSUKKA ZONE	
Project Status: Not completed	
	
Pic 3: Another view of the road project	Pic 2: A view of the road under construction
Community Opinion and Observation: The community members said they were told the road was 1km and the road was of low standard, no drainage was constructed on the road which is bad because the rain will cause gully along the road and eventually spoil the road.	
COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:	
The project was not well done. The thickness was low and no drainage was constructed. The road was not even up to 1km. The contractor should be called back to site.	

PROJECT 11: REHABILITATION OF UMUNKANKA ROAD	
CLIENT/SPONSOR: PEACE GROUP	
Project Number & Title: UONNT34344053 Rehabilitation of Umunkanka Road	
Name of Contractor: Wilangy Nig. Ltd	
Project Amount in the Budget: N7,288,475	
LGA (Project location): Nsukka	
Community: Umunkanka	
Dates Visited: 24/05/2018	
Members of Team Visiting: PROJECT WATCH NSUKKA ZONE	
Project Status: Completed	
	
Pic 2: Another view of the completed road project	
Community Opinion and Observation: The community members (Mr. Augustus Nwaninchi, Mr, Godwin Asogwa) said the project was done by Peace Group. The project was done by Peace Group (Dr. Samuel Maduka Onyishi of Peace Mass Transport and other Subsidiaries) instead of the federal Government and the street has also been renamed Dr. Sam Maduka Onyishi Road from Umunkanka Road.	


PROJECT 12: COMPLETION OF THE-REMODELLING OF AKANU IBIAM STADIUM	
CLIENT/SPONSOR:FEDERAL GOVERNMENT OF NIGERIA	
Project Number & Title: UONNT97303271 Completion of the Re-modeling of Akanu Ibiam Stadium	
Name of Contractor: NA	
Project Amount in the Budget: N6,040,832	
LGA (Project location): Nsukka	
Community: University of Nigeria Nsukka	
Dates Visited: 24/05/2018	
Members of Team Visiting: PROJECT WATCH NSUKKA ZONE	
Project Status: Not completed	
	
<p>Pic 3: Another view of the stadium</p> <p>Pic 2: Another view of the uncompleted stadium</p>	
<p>Community Opinion and Observation: The project was abandoned several years ago and there was no work going on site when the team visit.</p>	

PROJECT 13: COMPLETION OF ON -GOING WATER BOREHOLE PROJECT AT AGUIBEJI	
CLIENT/SPONSOR: ANAMBRA/IMO RBDA	
Project Number & Title: ARNMF51976007 Completion of on-going water borehole project	
Name of Contractor: NA	
Project Amount in the Budget: N3,000,000	
LGA (Project location): Igbo Eze North L.G.A.	
Community: Aguibeji Autonomous community	
Dates Visited: 25/05/2018	
Members of Team Visiting: PROJECT WATCH NSUKKA ZONE	
Project Status: Not completed	
<p>Pic 1: A view of the project</p> <p>Community Opinion and Observation: The community thought it was a project by the Catholic Church</p>	


PROJECT14: COMPLETION OF ON -GOING WATER BOREHOLE PROJECT AT ANUKA	
CLIENT/SPONSOR: ANAMBRA/IMO RBDA	
Project Number & Title: ARNMF51976006 Completion of on - going water borehole project	
Name of Contractor: NA	
Project Amount in the Budget: N5,000,000	
LGA (Project location): Nsukka L.G.A.	
Community: Anuka Town	
Dates Visited: 26/05/2018	
Members of Team Visiting: PROJECT WATCH NSUKKA ZONE	
Project Status: Not Completed	
<p>Pic 1: View of the constructed tank for the water project</p> <p>Community Opinion and Observation: The community members were not aware it was meant to be completed before now.</p>	

PROJECT 15: ARNMF51976009 COMPLETION OF ON -GOING WATER BOREHOLE PROJECT AT OGBUFIE EZIMO	
CLIENT/SPONSOR: ANAMBRA/IMO RBDA	
Project Number & Title: ARNMF51976009 Completion of on - going water borehole project	
Name of Contractor: NA	
Project Amount in the Budget: N3,333,333	
LGA (Project location): Udenu L.G.A.	
Community: Ogbufie Ezimo	
Dates Visited: 26/05/2018	
Members of Team Visiting: PROJECT WATCH NSUKKA ZONE	
Project Status: Not completed	
Community Opinion and Observation: The community members said the project has been abandoned for 2years.	

Pic 1: A view of constructed tank of the water project

PROJECT22: COMPLETION OF ON -GOING WATER BOREHOLE PROJECT AT UMU -OGBO INYI	
CLIENT/SPONSOR: ANAMBRA/IMO RBDA	
Project Number & Title: ARNMF51976007 Completion of on-going water borehole project	
Name of Contractor: NA	
Project Amount in the Budget: N3,000,000	
LGA (Project location): Igbo Eze North L.G.A.	
Community: Umu -Ogbo Inyi	
Dates Visited: 26/05/2018	
Members of Team Visiting: PROJECT WATCH NSUKKA ZONE	
Project Status: Not completed	
Community Opinion and Observation: The community members thought the project is from the Catholic church.	

Pic 1:View of the constructed tank for the water project



PROJECT 23: COMPLETION OF ON - GOING WATER BOREHOLE PROJECT AT UNADU	
CLIENT/SPONSOR: ANAMBRA/IMO RBDA	
Project Number & Title: ARNMF51976008 Completion of on-going water borehole project	
Name of Contractor: NA	
Project Amount in the Budget: N5,000,000	
LGA (Project location): Igbo Eze South L.G.A.	
Community: Unadu	
Dates Visited: 26/05/2018	
Members of Team Visiting: PROJECT WATCH NSUKKA ZONE	
Project Status: Abandoned	
Community Opinion and Observation: The community members, including the king, said the project has been abandoned for 2years.	


Pic 1: View of the abandoned water project

3.5.3 Enugu West Senatorial Zone

Infrastructure (Roads, Bridges, Culverts, Drainages and Erosion Control)


PROJECT 1 : UGWUEME-NENWENTA-NKWE-NZERE-AWGUNTA -OBEAGU -MGBIDI-MMAKU ROAD PROJECT	
CLIENT/SPONSOR: FEDERAL MINISTRY OF WORKS POWER AND HOUSING	
Project Number & Title: Ugwueme -Nenwenta-Nkwe- Nzere- Awgunta -Obeagu Mgbidi Mmaku Road Project	
Name of Contractor: MESSRS IDC CONSTRUCTION LTD	 <p>Pic 1: A view of a section road already constructed</p>
Project Amount in the Budget: N1,566,800,000	
Locations Visited: Ugwueme-Nenwenta-Nkwe- Nzere-Awgunta -Obeagu-Mgbidi -Mmaku	
Dates Visited: 26/5/18	
Members of Team Visiting: Project Watch Enugu West	
 <p>Pic 3: Another view of the road under construction</p>	 <p>Pic 2: Another section of the road under construction</p>
<p>Community Opinion and Observation: Project Status: On going Prince Ofokansi Ikemefuna, an indigen of Obeagu community was interviewed and he confirmed that the contractor handling the project is trying and deserves commendation.</p> <p>Comments/recommendations: Communities should be aware of the projects sited in their areas. It is therefore recommended that through the President-General monitor such projects, the contractors as well as the quality of the job. Jobs not done well should be reported to the relevant authorities for action.</p>	

PROJECT 2 : REHABILITATION OF OJI - ACHI, OBEAGU MMAKU - AWGU -NDEABOH - MPU, OKPANKU, AKAEZE ROAD II	
CLIENT/SPONSOR: FEDERAL MINISTRY OF WORKS, HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT	
Project Number & Title: Rehabilitation of Oji-Achi, Obeagu Mmaku -Awgu-Ndeaboh - Mpu, Okpanku, Akaeze Road II	
Name of Contractor: SETRACO NIG LTD	 <p>Pic 1:A section of Mmaku axis of the road</p>
Project Amount in the Budget: N1,700,000,000	
Locations Visited: Awgu/Aninri/Oji River	
Dates Visited: 26/5/18	
Members of Team Visiting: Enugu Project Watch	
<p>Community Opinion and Observation: Project Status: Abandoned Community Opinion: An indigene of the community Okechukwu Ozoemena from Mmaku expressed displeasure over the project that started from the Akaeze end of Aninri LG and was abandoned when it got to the Mmaku axis to Obeagu/Achi/Oji</p> <p>Comments/recommendations: Communities should be aware of the projects sited in their areas. It is therefore recommended that through the president-general they should monitor such projects /contractors as well as the quality of the job. Jobs not done well should be reported to the relevant authorities for action.</p>	
PROJECT 5 : REHABILITATION OF OLD PORT HARCOURT ROAD SPUR	
CLIENT/SPONSOR: FEDERAL ROAD MAINTENANCE AGENCY	
Project Number & Title:FRMAA 14360837 - Rehabilitation of Old Port Harcourt Road SPUR	
Name of Contractor: FERMA	 <p>Pic 1:View of a section of the road under construction</p>
Project Amount in the Budget: N100,000,000	
Locations Visited: Ngene-Ugbo – Mmaku , Awgu	
Dates Visited: 26/5/18	
Members of Team Visiting: Enugu Project Watch	

PROJECT 5: REHABILITATION OF OLD PORT HARCOURT ROAD SPUR	
CLIENT/SPONSOR: FEDERAL ROAD MAINTENANCE AGENCY	
	 <p>Pic 2: Another view of the road</p>
<p>Community Opinion and Observation: Project Status: Ongoing, near completion.</p> <p>Community Opinion: Hyacent Okolie expressed his happiness as the road is being rehabilitated</p> <p>Comments/recommendations: Communities should be aware of the projects sited in their areas. It is therefore recommended that through the president-general, they should monitor such projects /contractors as well as the quality of the job. Jobs not done well should be reported to the relevant authorities for action.</p>	

Water and Sanitation

PROJECT 3: PROVISION OF SOLAR POWERED BOREHOLE AT AWHUM, UDI LGA	
CLIENT/SPONSOR: ANAMBRA/IMO RIVER BASIN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY	
Project Number & Title: ARNMF11976043 - Provision of Solar Powered Borehole	
Project Amount in the Budget:	
N30,000,000	
Contractor: MESSRS BIO NIG Ltd	
Locations Visited: Awhum, Udi	
Dates Visited: 25/5/18	
Members of Team Visiting: Enugu Project Watch	
<p>Community Opinion and Observation: Project Status: Completed</p> <p>Mr Richard Nsonkwu confirm that the project is functioning.</p> <p>Comments/recommendations: Community should be aware that project is sited in their areas. It is therefore recommended that through their president generals, they should monitor the execution of work and the quality of work by the contractors and report to their necessary authority for action.</p>	

PROJECT 4 : PROVISION OF SOLAR POWERED BOREHOLE AT NSUDE, UDI	
CLIENT/SPONSOR: ANAMBRA/IMO RIVER BASIN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY	
Project Number & Title: ARNMF11976043 - Provision of solar powered borehole at Nsude	
Name of Contractor: MESSRS BIO NIG Ltd	 <p>Pic 1: A view of the project under construction</p>
Project Amount in the Budget: N30,000,000	
Locations Visited: Nsude, Udi	
Dates Visited: 25/5/18	
Members of Team Visiting: Project Watch - Enugu West	
<p>Community Opinion and Observation: Project Status: Not completed</p> <p>Community Opinion: Mr Udegwu John, the owner of the land where the project was constructed said that the project was abandoned for four months ago. The reason for abandonment is not known.</p> <p>Comments/recommendations: Community should be aware that project is sited in their areas. it is therefore recommended hat through their president generals, they should monitor the progress of work as well as the quality of their work and report to their necessary authority for action.</p>	

3.4 FGN 2017 Capital Projects in Imo State

Imo State is made up of three senatorial zones including Okigwe, Orlu and Owerri senatorial zones.

3.4.1 Okigwe Senatorial Zone



Health

PROJECT 1: RENOVATION OF UMUEZEALA PRIMARY HEALTH CENTRE EHIME MBANO	
CLIENT/SPONSOR: NATIONAL PRIMARY HEALTH CARE DEVELOPMENT AGENCY	
Project Number & Title: Renovation of Umuezeala Primary Health Centre Ehime Mbano	
Name of Contractor: Jenitor Cleaning and Engineering Ltd	Pic 1: Exterior of the completed PHC, Ehime Mbano 
Project Amount in the Budget: N40,000,000	
LGA (Project location): Ehime Mbano	Pic 2: Interior of the PHC, Ehime Mbano yet to be equipped 
Community: Umuezeala Ehime Mbano	
Dates Visited: 25/05/2018	
Members of Team Visiting: Imo Project Watch	Pic 3: Another view of the PHC, Ehime Mbano 
Project Status: Completed but yet to be equipped.	
Community Opinion and Observation: Community members met appreciate the project and plead that the project should be equipped and a staff of this primary health centre also appreciated the building project but said that the government should not hesitate to equip them in order to save lives.	

PROJECT 2: CONSTRUCTION OF PRIMARY HEALTH CARE TYPE 2, AMUZI OBOWO	
CLIENT/SPONSOR: NATIONAL PRIMARY HEALTH CARE DEVELOPMENT AGENCY	
Project Number & Title: Construction of Primary Health Care Type 2, Amuzi Obowo	
Name of Contractor: Redeemers Tuch Nig Ltd	Pic 1: PHC Type 2, Amuzi Obowo 
Project Amount in the Budget: N50,000,000	
LGA (Project location): Obowo	Pic 2: Inside the premises of PHC Type 2, Amuzi Obowo 
Community: Amuzi Obowo LGA, Imo State	
Dates Visited: 25/05/2018	
Members of Team Visiting: Imo Project Watch	Community Opinion and Observation: Community members are happy over this project but the government and the contractor should as a matter of urgency equip and open the PHC so that it will start functioning. The equipments required by the project should be provided immediately so that it will engage people in their profession and serve the purpose of its establishment.
Project Status: Completed but being overgrown by shrubs for lack of equipment and usage	
PROJECT 3: RENOVATION OF UMUNAHIHIE HEALTH CENTRE AT IHITTE UBOMA	
CLIENT/SPONSOR: NATIONAL PRIMARY HEALTH CARE DEVELOPMENT AGENCY	
Project Number & Title: Renovation of Umunahihie Health Centre at Ihitte Uboma	
Name of Contractor: Mountain Crest Investment Services Ltd	Pic 1: Umunahihie Health Centre at Ihitte Uboma 
Project Amount in the Budget: N30,000,000	
LGA (Project location): Ihitte Uboma	
Community: Umunahihie Amainyi	
Dates Visited: 25/05/2018	
Members of Team Visiting: Imo Project Watch	


Project Status: 90 percent completed
Community Opinion and Observation: Community members are happy over this project but are waiting for the equipment so as to be opened to the public. They can't wait for the project to be put to use.


Infrastructure (Roads)


PROJECT 3 : CONSTRUCTION OF ACCESS ROAD FROM UZZI SPRING WATER JUNCTION TO SACRED HEART COLLEGE, UMUOSINTA, AMUZI OBOWO LGA, IMO STATE	
CLIENT/SPONSOR: FEDERAL MINISTRY OF WORKS, POWER AND HOUSING	
Project Number & Title: Construction of access road from Uzzi Spring water junction to Sacred Heart College, Umuosinta, Amuzi Obowo LGA, Imo State	
Name of Contractor: NA	<p>Pic 1: Access road from Uzzi Spring water junction to Sacred Heart College, Umuosinta, Amuzi Obowo</p>  <p>Pic2: Access road from Uzzi Spring water junction to Sacred Heart College, Umuosinta, Amuzi Obowo</p> 
Project Amount in the Budget: N12,000,000	
LGA (Project location): Obowo	
Community: Umuosinta Amuzi Obowo	
Dates Visited: 25/05/2018	
Members of Team Visiting: Imo Project Watch	
Project Status: Not completed	
Community Opinion and Observation: The community people interviewed pleaded with the contractor to finish up the road in other to make life easier for them. They said that the road will help mostly the farmers and help them to bring their good to the city.	


3.4.2 Orlu Senatorial Zone

Water and sanitation


PROJECT 1: REHABILITATION OF WATER SCHEME	
CLIENT/SPONSOR: FEDERAL MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCE	
Project Number & Title: ARNMF57305560 - Rehabilitation of water scheme	
Name of Contractor: NA	
Date of Visit: 25/5/18	
Group that Monitored the Project: Imo Project Watch (Orlu Zone)	
LGA (Project location): Ohaji/Egbema	
Community: Aba cheke	
Project Status: Not serving	
Community Opinion and Observation: It is not working. Like the community representatives said something was done but since it not serving it means was not done.	

PROJECT 2: REHABILITATION OF WATER SCHEME	
CLIENT/SPONSOR: FEDERAL MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCE	
Project Number & Title: ARNMF 57305560 - Rehabilitation of water scheme	
Name of Contractor: NA	
2017 Budget Estimate:	
Date of Visit: 25/5/18	
Group that Monitored the Project: Imo Project Watch	
LGA(Project location): Ohaji/Egbema	
Community: Etekwuru	
Project Status: Poor	
Community Opinion and Observation: The water is not serving the community. If the pipes were extended or distributed it would be better.	

PROJECT 3: DREDGING AND RESETTLING OF OHAMIRI OGUTA (LAKE) TO NDONI RIVER, RIVER STATE	
CLIENT/SPONSOR: FEDERAL MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCE	
Project Number & Title: ARNMF 26852756/ Dredging and resettling of Ohamiri Oguta (Lake) to Ndoni River, River state	
Name of Contractor: NA	
2017 Budget Estimate:	
Date of Visit: 26/5/18	
Group that Monitored the Project: Imo Project Watch	
LGA (Project location): Oguta	
Community: Oguta	
Project Status: Abandoned since 2012	
Community Opinion and Observation: The community unanimously welcome the project but were not comfortable that EIA (Environmental Impact Assessment) was not made public. The community expressed concern over the destruction of aquatic life esp. fish and vegetables planted by the bank of the river. Since the project was abandoned by the contractors, the area that were dredged are overgrown with seeds.	


PROJECT 4: REHABILITATION OF 1 NO SOLAR POWERED BOREHOLE AT GIRLS SEC SCHOOL, OGUTA	
CLIENT/SPONSOR: FEDERAL MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCE	
Project Number & Title: ARNMF 66315905 Rehabilitation of 1 No Solar Powered borehole at Girls Sec School, Oguta	
Name of Contractor: NA	
2017 Budget Estimate: N8,000,000	
Date of Visit: 26/5/18	
Group that Monitored the Project: Imo Project Watch	
LGA (Project location): Oguta	
Community: Oguta	
Community Opinion and Observation: The community were grateful for the project that have been cited in school. The school has been facing serious challenges on water issues and due to the fact that there's no electricity supply to Oguta community for over 7 years, this solar powered borehole is a big relief to the school.	


Infrastructure (Roads, Bridges, Culverts, Drainages and Erosion Control)

PROJECT 5: REHABILITATION OF EMERGENCY AND SPECIAL RECONSTRUCTION AND COMPLETION IHIALA - ORLU - UMUDIORA ROAD IN IMO STATE	
CLIENT/SPONSOR: FEDERAL ROAD MAINTENANCE AGENCY (FERMA)	
Project Number & Title: FRMAA 14360624/Rehabilitation of emergency and special reconstruction and completion Ihiala - Orlu - Umudiora road in Imo State	
Name of Contractor: FERMA	
2017 Budget Estimate: N65,000,000	
Date of Visit: 26/5/18	
Group that Monitored the Project: Imo Project Watch	
LGA (Project location): Ihiala (Anambra State) Orlu and Umudiora in Imo State	
Community: cut across various communities	
Project Status: Ongoing	
Community Opinion and Observation: The Imo State communities affected by the project expressed delight over the work since they have been suffering due to bad nature of the road.	

Education


PROJECT 6: CONSTRUCTION OF HOSTEL ACCOMMODATION	
CLIENT/SPONSOR: FEDERAL MINISTRY OF WORKS, POWER AND HOUSING	
Project Number & Title: FMOWP51908788/ Construction of Hostel Accommodation	
Name of Contractor: NA	
Date of Visit: 25/5/18	
Group that Monitored the Project: Imo Project Watch	
LGA (Project location): Orlu	
Community: Okporo	
Project Status: Almost Completed	
Community Opinion and Observation: The community expressed their happiness for the project and confirmed that the materials used in the project was of moderate quality.	


PROJECT 7 : CLASSROOM AND NEW ADMINISTRATIVE BLOCK FOR TRINITY HIGH SCHOOL, OGUTA	
CLIENT/SPONSOR: FEDERAL MINISTRY OF WORKS, POWER AND HOUSING	
Project Number & Title: FMOWP 51908790/ Classroom and new administrative block for Trinity High School, Oguta	
Name of Contractor:	
2017 Budget Estimate: N25,000,000	
Date of Visit: 25/5/18	
Group that Monitored the Project: Imo Project Watch	
LGA (Project location): Oguta LGA	
Community: Oguta	
Project Status: Almost Completed	
Community Opinion and Observation: The school authority welcomed the project in the school to reduce accommodation challenges in the school. The monitoring team also observed that the job was not done with quality materials. It has been completed and the Principal expressed delight over the speedy completion of the project. We interviewed some students who also expressed their joy but complained of poor materials used.	


PROJECT 8: CONSTRUCTION OF HOSTEL AT NKWERE SECONDARY SCHOOL, IMO STATE	
CLIENT/SPONSOR: FEDERAL MINISTRY OF EDUCATION	
Project Number & Title: ARNMF 26852870 /Construction of Hostel at Nkwerre Secondary School, Imo State	
Name of Contractor: NA	
Date of Visit: 26/5/18	
Group that Monitored the Project: Imo Project Watch	
LGA (Project location): Nkwere	
Community: Nkwere	
Project Status: Almost completed	
Community Opinion and Observation: The community was satisfied with the execution of the project. The monitoring team observed that a new technology of moulding brick blocks on site. The brick machine using local material was an innovation that drew the attention of the team. Also, other stakeholders like the students were also used as labourers and supplies of some materials in the execution of the project.	


3.4.3 Owerri Senatorial Zone


Education

PROJECT 1: EROSION AND FLOOD CONTROL, REINFORCEMENT OF PRIMETER FENCING AND CONSTRUCTION OF DRAINAGES THROUGHOUT THE COLLEGE	
CLIENT/SPONSOR: FEDERAL MINISTRY OF EDUCATION	
Project Number & Title: FOFMJ26542452/Erosion and flood control, reinforcement of perimeter fencing and construction of drainages throughout colleges	
Name of Contractor: NA	
2017 Budget Estimate: N20,909,713	
Date of Visit: 29 /5 /18	
Group that Monitored the Project: Imo Project Watch	
LGA (Project location): Owerri Municipal	
Community: Federal Govt Girls College, Owerri	
Project Status: 100 percent completed	
Community Opinion and Observation: This has given succor to movement as well as security checks. Few pot-holes observed served should be maintained/ patched.	


PROJECT 2 : RENOVATION OF ADMINISTRATIVE BLOCK OF NGURU UMUARO COMMUNITY SECONDARY SCHOOL	
CLIENT/SPONSOR: FEDERAL MINISTRY OF EDUCATION	
Project Number & Title: NBARR16745488/Renovation of Administrative Block of Nguru Umuaro Community Secondary School	
Name of Contractor: KRISPAL LTD, 7 AGIP ROAD, PH, RIVERS STATE	
2017 Budget Estimate: N20,000,000	
Date of Visit: 28 /5/18	
Group that Monitored the Project: Imo Project Watch	
LGA (Project location): Ngor, Okpala	
Community: Nguru	
Project Status: Completed	
Community Opinion and Observation: Mr Nwandu Genge expressed joy over the building of the administrative block saying that what they used to have with toilet facility, etc while others expressed happiness on the completion of the project	


PROJECT B: COMPLETION OF 1 NO 2 STOREY ADMINISTRATIVE BUILDING AT ALVAN IKOKU COLLEGE OF EDUCATION, OWERRI	
CLIENT/SPONSOR: FEDERAL MINISTRY OF EDUCATION	
Project Number & Title: AICOE 17749085/Completion of 1 No 2 Storey Administrative Building at Alvan Ikoku College of Education , Owerri	
Name of Contractor: NA	
2017 Budget Estimate: N35,652,998	
Date of Visit: 27 /5/18	
Group that Monitored the Project: Imo Project Watch	
LGA (Project location): Owerri Municipal	
Community: Alvan Ikoku College of Education	
Project Status: Block works fully completed remaining plastering and interior decoration	
Community Opinion and Observation: When fully completed, it will create enabling environment for administrative framework. Alvan will have a university status with these facilities in place.	

PROJECT 4 : PROCUREMENT OF 250KVA GENERATOR (NEW) FOR FEDERAL GOVERNMENT GIRLS COLLEGE, OWERRI	
CLIENT /SPONSOR: FEDERAL MINISTRY OF EDUCATION	
Project Number & Title: FOFMJ72711501/ Procurement of 250KVA Generator (New) for Federal Government Girls College, Owerri	
Name of Contractor: NA	
2017 Budget Estimate: N17,500,000	
Date of Visit: 29 /5/18	
Group that Monitored the Project: Imo Project Watch	
LGA (Project location): Owerri Municipal	
Community: FGGC Owerri	
Project Status: Completed	
Community Opinion and Observation: This has reduced the problem of the Enugu Electricity Distribution Company (EEDC) - Epileptic Power Supply in the School and a prelude to conducive learning.	


PROJECT 5 REHABILITATION OF 6 NOS DORMITORIES AT FEDERAL GOVERNMENT GIRLS COLLEGE, OWERRI	
CLIENT/SPONSOR: FEDERAL MINISTRY OF EDUCATION	
Project Number & Title: FOFMJ40571569/ Rehabilitation of 6 Nos Dormitories at Federal Government Girls College, Owerri	
Name of Contractor: NA	
2017 Budget Estimate: N9,860,000	
Date of Visit: 28 /5/18	
Group that Monitored the Project: Imo Project Watch	
LGA (Project location): Owerri Municipal	
Community: FGGC Owerri	
Project Status: Completed	
Community Opinion and Observation: The students felt happy while enjoying their dormitories.	


Market Development


PROJECT 6 : REHABILITATION OF NKWOALA MARKET	
CLIENT/SPONSOR: NATIONAL DIRECTORATE OF EMPLOYMENT	
Project Number & Title: NDOEF70445216/Rehabilitation of Nkwoala Market	
Name of Contractor: SYDSUN Global Services	
2017 Budget Estimate: N15,000,000	
Date of Visit: 28/5/18	
Group that Monitored the Project: Imo Project Watch	
LGA (Project location): Ngor Okpala	
Community: Ezianya	
Project Status: Seem to have been abandoned	
Community Opinion and Observation: Mrs Gift Onyekwenyi is the market-trade and community leader says that the stalls rehabilitation are not in use because of erosion and water logging of the area, request that drainage system be provided. Mr lhechi obioma another trader complained about the style of the rehabilitation market stalls, saying it's not what they want. This market has been abandoned and the contractor should come back to complete the project.	

PROJECT 7 :REHABILITATION OF ORIE NGURU MARKET	
CLIENT/SPONSOR: NATIONAL DIRECTORATE OF EMPLOYMENT	
Project Number & Title: NDOEF70445217/Rehabilitation of Orie Nguru Market	
Name of Contractor: NA	
Date of Visit: 28 /5/18	
Group that Monitored the Project: Imo Project Watch	
LGA (Project location): Ngor Okpala	
Community: Nguru	
Project Status: Out of 9 Lines , 4 were completed.	
Community Opinion and Observation: Mrs Chioma Emmanuella, a community leader said that they are happy and impressed with the renovation work going in that the market was nothing to write home about before this time. However, Pastor George Onyemma called the person concerned to come and finish the remaining part of the job. The community members begged that the NSL blocks should be completed.	

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PROJECT 8: FRMAA 14360786/ ROAD REHABILITATION OF UMMOHIAGU-NNORIE – UMUECHEM IN NGOR OKPALA LGA	
CLIENT/SPONSOR: FEDERAL ROAD MAINTENANCE AGENCY (FERMA)	
Project Number & Title: FRMAA 14360786/ Road Rehabilitation of Ummohiagu - Nnorie – Umuechem in Ngor Okpala LGA	
Name of Contractor: NA	
2017 Budget Estimate: N40,000,000	
Date of Visit: 28 /5/18	
Group that Monitored the Project: Imo Project Watch	
LGA (Project location): Ngor Okpala	
Community: Ummohiagu -Nnorie – Umuechem	
Project Status: Work is yet to start	
Community Opinion and Observation: People from the different communities affected by the road were unhappy to such ugly situation on the road and was of the opinion they should do something about it.	

PROJECT 9 REHABILITATION OF NGURU/UMUOWA HEALTH CENTRE	
CLIENT/SPONSOR: FEDERAL MINISTRY OF HEALTH	
Project Number & Title: Rehabilitation of Nguru/Umuowa Health Centre	
Name of Contractor: SYDSUN Global Services	
2017 Budget Estimate: N12,000,000	
Date of Visit: 28 /5/18	
Group that Monitored the Project: Imo Project Watch	
LGA (Project location): Ngor Okpala	
Community: Nguru/Umuowa	
Project Status: Ongoing	
Community Opinion and Observation: The opinion leader of the communities involved expressed happiness but informed the contractor handling the project to speed up for its completion.	

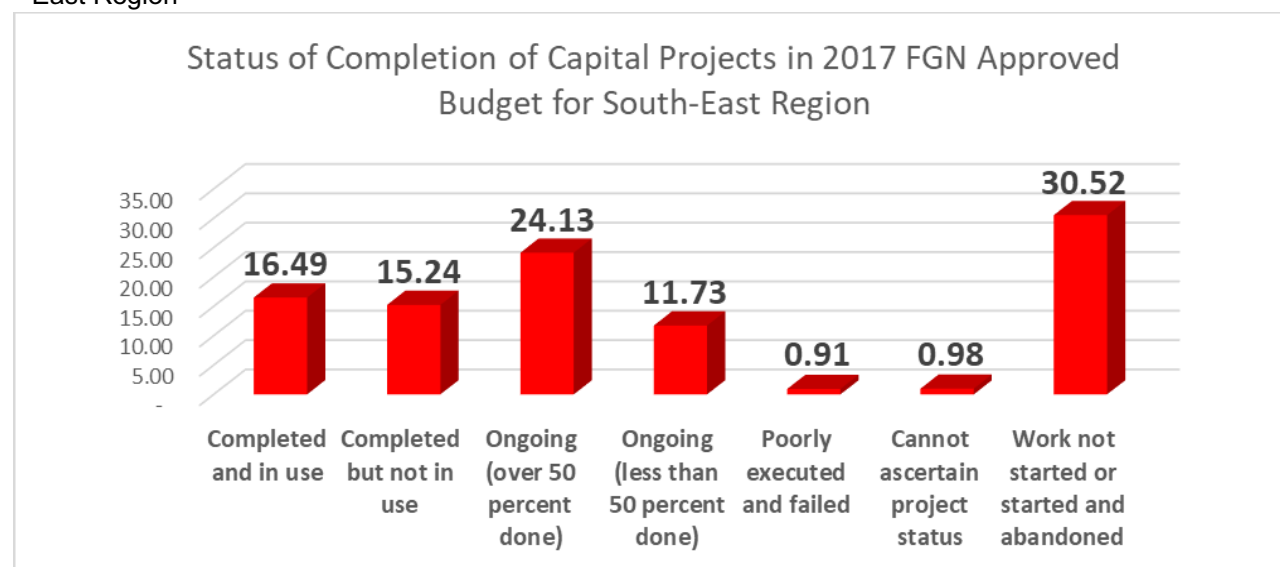
PROJECT 10: REVITALISATION OF PRIMARY HEALTH CENTRE (PHC) IN NDIGBO UVURU	
CLIENT/SPONSOR: NATIONAL PRIMARY HEALTH CARE DEVELOPMENT AGENCY	
Project Number & Title: Revitalisation of Primary Health Centre (PHC) in Ndigbo Uvuru	
Name of Contractor: Kingjen Engineering Ltd	
2017 Budget Estimate: N12,000,000	
Date of Visit: 24 /5/18	
Group that Monitored the Project: Imo Project Watch	
LGA (Project location): Ngor Okpala	
Community: Ndigbo Uvuru	
Project Status: Completed but overgrown with grasses and not yet in use.	
Community Opinion and Observation: Nobody was seen at the site for interview. The area should be fenced round and overgrown grasses be cut down and finally made useful for the community.	

SECTION FOUR: POLICY RECOMMENDATIONS AND CONCLUSIONS

4.1 Summary of Monitoring Findings

Evidence from Community monitoring exercise across all the five states of the South-East reveals that 2017 FGN capital budget performance on ground is not that favourable to the region though there is no effort to make comparisons with other regions for lack of data. Figure 1 below reveals that about 30.52 percent of capital projects included in the 2017 budget for the South-East have work either started and stopped or entirely abandoned or not started at all.

Figure 1: Different Status of Completion of Capital Projects in 2017 FGN Approved Budget for South-East Region



Source: Author's Computation

This is very worrisome because only about 16.49 percent of over one hundred and thirty projects monitored in the region have been completed and put to use while 15.24 percent, 24.13 percent, 11.73 percent and 0.91 percent of capital projects as contained in the 2017 FGN approved budget are completed but not in use, ongoing (over 50 percent completed), ongoing (less than 50 percent completed) and poorly executed and hence the project has failed respectively.

At the state level, the story is not different as Anambra State top the list of the States with abandoned projects with about 46.81 percent either not started or abandoned followed by Ebonyi, Enugu, Abia and Imo with 44 percent, 30.77 percent, 21.95 percent and 9.09 percent respectively. On the reflex, Ebonyi State top the chart of projects that are completed and have been put to use with 24 percent followed by Imo, Abia, Anambra and Enugu States with 22.73 percent, 19.51 percent, 8.51 percent and 7.69 percent respectively. See table 2 below for other details.

Table 2: Different Status of Completion of Capital Projects in 2017 FGN Approved Budget for South-East Region by States

States	Completed and in use	Completed but not in use	Ongoing (over 50 percent done)	Ongoing (less than 50 percent done)	Poorly executed and failed	Cannot project status	Work not started or started and abandoned
ABIA	19.51	14.63	17.07	19.51	2.44	4.88	21.95
ANAMBRA	8.51	6.38	21.28	14.89	2.13	-	46.81
EBONYI	24.00	8.00	12.00	12.00	-	-	44.00
ENUGU	7.69	15.38	38.46	7.69	-	-	30.77
IMO	22.73	31.82	31.82	4.55	-	-	9.09
South-East	16.49	15.24	24.13	11.73	0.91	0.98	30.52

Source: Author's Computation

4.2 Policy Recommendations

Evidence from the above monitoring exercise have shown that various communities in South-East can actually monitor projects in their respective communities if well guided. Therefore, CSOs and the media can utilize the services of effective Community-Based Monitors to improve budget outcomes in particular and the overall governance in general. This can be achieved by educating and sensitizing the public about their rights and entitlements under public programs. When such is done the communities can serve as conduit pipes where the government gets and understands public opinion and local experiences. This can further help in influencing local development policies; and help government and donors fashion a more effective development strategy through strengthening institutions, staff training, and improving management capacity.

Given the diverse geography of Nigeria, and the perceived and actual remoteness of the federal government from areas where government services are most needed, strengthening the linkages between the community level monitors and government at all tiers is a prerequisite to better targeted service delivery. CSOs, and the media can facilitate the strengthening of these linkages and ensure equitable and, in particular, gender and youth sensitive application. Civil society organizations can play an important role in complementing and substituting for the traditional social networks.

The principal activities where CSOs and the media can participate include promoting availability of budget information in a user-friendly manner to these communities to improve budget transparency, and broadening societal participation. They can undertake capacity-building to promote awareness and understanding of public budgets among and citizen groups. Several organizations work to improve budget allocations and outcomes through advocacy work designed to influence budget priorities (allocations between and within major items of expenditure), the quality of implementation (the targeting of expenditures and the proportion of the allocation actually expended) and the utilization of expenditures (how far budget allocations translate into physical outcomes, and the efficiency and effectiveness of expenditures). Summarily, through this means CSOs and the media can have communities directly or indirectly participate in the budget process from the formulation stage through the Implementation and the Monitoring stages. The major focus of civil society with regards to the poverty reduction process is the role of monitoring government commitment to implement

government policies. They can use various community groups to inform its monitoring and advocacy work at less or no cost.

Annual budgets should be guided by a policy in place and such policy must be coherent. Aligning the Economic Recovery and Growth Plan (ERGP) to the overall budget and budgeting process is key. Unfortunately, the 2017 FGN budget was presented in the last quarter of 2016 while the ERGP was concluded in the first quarter of 2017. One wonders if the alignment of the 2017 budget to the ERGP is entirely true and holistic. The country at same time had what it termed Vision 20:2020 which is yet to elapse and all of a sudden, a new policy blue print ERGP 2017-2020 was announced. The non-implementation of most capital projects may simply be attributed to policy inconsistency which if not checked on time may derail the economy from achieving the set goals and targets. Such inconsistencies are very conspicuous in the implementation of the 2017 capital projects as evidenced from the South-East geopolitical zone. The overall 2017 capital budget performance is less than 70 percent hence non-implementation of the capital budget might not be peculiar to the South-East. Policy implementation strategy that fail to link plans and budgets to strategic long-term goals as well as articulating clearly Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) based on expected deliverables and outcomes is faulty and should be discarded. Programmes should be generated from policies while projects should be generated from programmes.

Evidence from the community monitoring exercise in the South-East is a confirmation that the legislative arm of government at the federal level do not take their oversight function seriously. The legislative arm of government both those from South-East and other geopolitical zones should embark on result-oriented monitoring, evaluation and auditing because evidence has shown that available resources management have been marred by inefficiencies from different project implementations across various states in the zone. There are two broad categories of inefficiencies in the actual distribution of public expenditures in Nigeria. The first one is corruption, i.e. leakage of resources to individuals or unintended organizations while the second one is wasting, i.e. inefficient use of resources, such as a mismatch between what facilities are needed and what the government distributes. A perusal of the above project monitoring findings of 2017 FGN budget shows gross wastage and leakage of resources to individuals or unintended organizations and misplaced priorities. Result-oriented monitoring, evaluation and auditing by the legislative arm at all stages of the budget process will improve allocative efficiency, operational efficiency and fiscal discipline.

Legislative oversight is nowhere more important than over the budget. The role of the legislature in Nigeria is to scrutinize and authorize revenues and expenditures, and to ensure that the federal budget is properly implemented. How governance affects the wellbeing of the populace depends on not just tax levels but most importantly the spending patterns. The impact of policies on investment as well as on the ways that domestic priorities and choices interact with international economic and financial trends is very crucial to reducing poverty and inequality which is the aim of the budget in the first place. The constitution gives powers to the National Assembly to undertake investigations into the conduct of affairs of any person, authority, ministry or government department charged, or intended to be charged with the duty of or responsibility for disbursing or administering money appropriated or to be appropriated by the National Assembly with a view to exposing corruption, inefficiency or waste in the execution or administration of laws within its legislative competence and in the disbursement or administration of funds appropriated by it.

If the above trend as observed by different communities continues, budgets and budgeting in Nigeria will become a mere routine activity. There is the need to remember that one of the biggest losses of yesteryears is the confidence in the budget document. There have been so many discrepancies between paperwork and actual work of government during the past fiscal years that the average Nigerian has no interest even in the numbers.

There is therefore, need to restore confidence in the minds of the people on the ability of the government to move from bandying numbers to providing actual infrastructure and support that can move the economy forward.

The National Assembly is still constrained in its oversight function because its Public Accounts Committee depends on the Auditor General's Report as the main basis for its public funds oversight activities. Consequently, when the executive branch does present an inaccurate audit report, legislators would have no independent means of detecting it. It may be then easy to conclude that the legal and institutional frameworks for budgeting are still weak. It is therefore, recommended that relevant institutions such as: Office of the Auditor General of the Federation, whose functions include auditing and reporting the Public Accounts of the Federation and the accounts of all offices and courts of the federation; Code of Conduct Bureau; Council of State; Federal Character Commission; Federal Civil Service Commission; Federal Judicial Service Commission; Independent National Electoral Commission, National Defence Council; National Economic Council; National Judicial Council; National Population Commission; National Security Council; National Police Council; Police Service Commission and the Revenue Mobilization Allocation and Fiscal Responsibility Commission be strengthened and necessary reviews be made in their respective legislations to ensure better transparency in the budgeting process.

In Nigeria, just like most other developing countries, the legislature is constitutionally mandated as the institution through which governments are held to account to the electorate. In doing so, the legislature can use several means, including monitoring reports from various communities in their questioning of senior government officials including ministers as well as the review and confirmation of executive appointments, impeachment and/or the power to dismiss the government, question period, the establishment of parliamentary committees and the formation of commissions of inquiry.

4.3 Conclusion

The financing requirements for realizing the goals and targets of the country are substantial hence any form of wastage, inefficiency and ineffectiveness in budgeting and public spending compounds the problem. All Nigerians need to stand tall and become part of the governance process. The evidence of what the Community-Based Monitors have done in the South-East using the 2017 FGN approved budget is a wake-up call for everyone around the country. The complementary and supporting role of the communities, CSOs, the media, the legislature and the private sector in the provision of basic services in water, land, health, and other infrastructure development that is lacking in Nigeria cannot be ignored. It will take a particular kind of awareness and alertness to achieve the level of economic transformations.

It should also be noted that government budgets have a central role in the planning and control of the country's economic activities and in particular for private sector development, which is necessary for employment creation and generation. Budgets are important tools with profound implications for poverty reduction and social equity issues. Civic engagement can contribute to government accountability by raising awareness and demand for transparency and for improved public service delivery. It also contributes to the integration of a pro-poor perspective into budgets and policies. Civil society and the media should be aware of the needs of the most vulnerable members of society and can be a force of change for budgets to become more responsive to those needs. Civil society and the media can thus effectively complement or assist in overcoming the weaknesses and failures of formal public institutions.