

PRESENTATION OF YEAR 2022 BUDGET PROPOSAL TO THE ENUGU STATE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY BY HIS EXCELLENCY, THE GOVERNOR OF ENUGU STATE, RT. HON. IFEANYI UGWUANYI ON TUESDAY, 7TH DECEMBER 2021

Protocol

It is my profound honour to present to you, the budget proposal of Enugu State for the 2022 Fiscal Year: budget of **"Sustained Growth and Consolidation"**.

Mr. Speaker, other Principal Officers and Honourable Members of this hallowed House, on behalf of the Government and good people of Enugu State I acknowledge that we owe you a debt of gratitude for your outstanding commitment, industry and professionalism in the discharge of your legislative duties and responsibilities. Your performance records in the areas of representation, oversight and legislation are enviable and laudable. In particular, our previous budget proposals had always received expeditious, yet diligent consideration and approval, providing the needed impetus for good governance and optimal service delivery in the state.

In the time-honoured independence of the three arms of government, interdependence is a critical success factor and this underscores our partnership in Enugu State; a partnership that has given us peace and security; a partnership that has produced hundreds of kilometres of asphalt roads and still counting; a partnership that has developed new residential estates/neighbourhoods with thousands of affordable housing units and still counting; a partnership that has provided electricity and potable water to scores of communities and still counting; a partnership that has given a voice to our women and empowered them; a partnership that has created thousands of jobs through SMEs development, Tech innovations and Start-ups; a partnership that has given communities the power to choose and implement their projects with State Government financial grant; a partnership that is re-writing the Enugu Urban Water Supply story through the support of the French Development Agency (AFD); a partnership that has re-tooled our Judiciary and motivated our Judicial officers; a partnership that guarantees regular payment of monthly salary to our Civil Servants and monthly Pensions to our senior citizens; a partnership that is

affording the revered Honourable Members of this House one international leadership training after the other and still counting; a partnership that has earned our administration several laurels and still counting; a partnership that gives greatest good to the greatest number; a partnership that is in the Hands of God; and a partnership that shall end in praise.

On this occasion, the good people of Enugu State deserve no less appreciation for their fidelity to our administration. Your prayers, unwavering support and solidarity have been the wind in our sail. I reiterate the commitment of our administration to always serve in your best interest. This is our mandate, and by God's abiding grace, we shall implement it with our best endeavours.

Review of Year 2021

The year 2021 started on a note of recovery as national and subnational governments embarked on strategic economic engineering, through innovative economic policies, to reflate the Covid-beaten economy of the previous year. Our national Gross Domestic Product (GDP) grew by 0.51% (year-on-year) in real terms in the first quarter of 2021 while we hoped for significant improvement in the coming quarters. The state was fully opened for economic activities as we escalated the vaccination of our populace against the Covid-19 through the support of National Primary Health Care Development Agency and her Partners. Our administration embarked on deliberate measures to bring succour to Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises. Enugu State engaged fully in the preparatory activities for the **Nigeria Covid-19 Action Recovery and Economic Stimulus (NG-CARES) Program for Results**, an initiative of the Federal Government of Nigeria supported by World Bank to mitigate the economic disruption occasioned by the Covid-19 Pandemic by protecting the livelihoods and food security of the poor and vulnerable families while facilitating the recovery of local economic activities in all the participating States. We were smarting from the Covid-19 economic meltdown and looking forward to better days, given the interventions referenced supra, when the South East Geo-Political Zone got engulfed in the worst security crises in the post-civil war period. Regardless that Enugu State had relative peace, every Monday sit-at-home order, sometimes with additional days in the week, and reduced human mobility became a major headwind to our economy,

impeding the envisaged recovery and growth. Businesses were shut down, Public Servants hibernated for their safety and government revenue was sub-optimized for several months, yet the State Government had to meet its financial obligations to Civil Servants and sustain service delivery to Ndi Enugu, albeit with great difficulty. We are just beginning to see the early signs of de-escalation of this menace and we fervently pray for its sustainability.

We thank the God of Abraham, God of Isaac, God of Jacob and awesome God of David for shielding Enugu State from monumental carnage as was seen in other climes within this period; just as **His love** sheltered us from the ravages of **Covid – 19 pandemic**, **His mercy** navigated us through the recent spike of **insecurity**. In every adversity, **He** made us stronger, more peaceful, more united and more determined to succeed as a people; great indeed is **His faithfulness**.

Lately, the world has, once more, been thrown into trepidation with the news of the outbreak of a mutant strain of Covid-19 virus, the **omicron variant**. Some countries have been red flagged by United Kingdom, including Nigeria (as at three days ago). The world is in a quandary as it awaits better understanding of the situation and its implications for the Year 2022 global economy. In the meantime, as we make our Year 2022 budget, we can only pray and hope for the best, trusting, as always, in the amazing grace of the most High God.

2021 BUDGET PERFORMANCE

Mr. Speaker, I invite you to recall that this Honorable House approved a Budget of **N169,845,758,500 (One Hundred and Sixty-Nine Billion, Eight Hundred and Forty-Five Million, Seven Hundred and Fifty-Eight Thousand, Five Hundred Naira)** for the State and for the year ending 31st December 2021. I hereunder present the State's 2021 budget performance as at the end of 3rd quarter of 2021.

Recurrent Revenue

In the 2021 budget, our total recurrent revenue was projected at **N110,080,000,000.00 (One Hundred and Ten Billion, Eighty Million Naira)** whereas, actual revenue collected at the end of the 3rd

quarter of 2021 amounted to **N80,853,031,375.47 (Eighty Billion, Eight Hundred and Fifty-Three Million, Thirty-One Thousand, Three Hundred and Seventy-Five Naira, Forty-Seven Kobo)**, representing 73.44% of the budgeted total recurrent revenue.

Capital Receipts

Our projection in the 2021 capital receipts stood at **N59,765,758,500.00 (Fifty-Nine Billion, Seven Hundred and Sixty-Five Million, Seven Hundred and Fifty-Eight Thousand, Five Hundred Naira)**. Nevertheless, as at the end of the 3rd quarter of 2021, only the sum of **N66,511,764.47 (Sixty-Six Million, Five Hundred and Eleven Thousand, Seven Hundred and Sixty-Four Naira, Forty-Seven kobo)** has been realised, representing 0.1% capital receipt performance.

Total Expenditure

The budgeted total expenditure for the year 2021 was **N169,845,758,500.00 (One Hundred and Sixty-Nine Billion, Eight Hundred and Forty-Five Million, Seven Hundred and Fifty-Eight Thousand, Five Hundred Naira)**. However, the actual total expenditure stood at **N56,305,252,696.69 (Fifty-Six Billion, Three Hundred and Five Million, Two Hundred and Fifty-Two Thousand, Six Hundred and Ninety-Six Naira, Sixty-Nine Kobo)**, at the end of third quarter. This translates to a budget performance of 33.2% as at the end of the 3rd Quarter of 2020.

KEY ACHIEVEMENTS IN THE YEAR 2021

Enugu State Civil Service

- ✓ We have maintained the payment of the Thirty Thousand Naira (**N30,000.00**) Minimum Wage, as at when due, which we commenced in February 2020.
- ✓ The State Secretariat Annex at Nsukka which is now operational has brought Zonal Offices of Ministry of Education; Post Primary Schools Management Board (PPSMB); Science Technical Vocational Schools Management Board (STVSMB); State Audit Department; Local Government Audit Department; Ministry of Commerce and Industry; and Ministry of Lands that were hitherto operating in make-shift structures under one roof.

- ✓ All Permanent Secretaries, Directors, Deputy Directors, select Middle Level Manpower across MDAs, State EXCO Secretariat Staff, New Employees, have engaged in one form of training (ICT, Peer Learning, Knowledge & Experience Sharing, Interactive Sessions) to build capacity required in a modern-day Civil Service.
- ✓ Notably, Three (3) Permanent Secretaries; Thirty-One (31) Directors; and Nineteen (19) Deputy Directors have undergone Four (4) Weeks Policy, Strategy and Leadership Course at National Institute for Policy and Strategic Studies (NIPPS), Kuru, Jos, Plateau State (within three months - 6th September, 2021 to the 27th November 2021).
- ✓ The Civil Service Commission office complex has been reconstructed and it is now wearing a new look.

All these are purposeful human capital investments aimed at building capacities of Civil Servants for enhanced service delivery. It is our sincere wish to bequeath Enugu State Civil Service that is well-equipped and well-motivated for the job in hand.

Continuing Response to Covid – 19/Interventions in the Health Sector

We are yet to fully recover from the negative economic impact of the Covid-19 pandemic and have not rested on our oars in the battle for the containment of this contagion. Within the period under review, we have continued the following interventions:

- ✓ With the receipt of the 1st batch of Oxford-AstraZeneca COVID-19 vaccines from the National Primary Health Care Development Agency (NPHCDA), we flagged off COVID-19 vaccination in the state as one of the potent measures for curbing the pandemic. Vaccination is still ongoing even as we have further received a batch of Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine and I urge all Enugu State residents to avail themselves this opportunity of getting fully vaccinated.
- ✓ The ongoing construction of Amenity facility in Enugu Ezike General hospital, the completed seven (7) Model Type III Primary Healthcare

facilities in Nkanu East, Igbo-Etiti, Igbo-Eze South, Isi-Uzo, Udenu, Ezeagu and Uzo-Uwani LGAs when put into use will boost the delivery of healthcare services in the State.

- ✓ Within the period under view, we attained significant milestones in the development of ESUT College of Medicine and Teaching Hospital, Igbo Eno.
- ✓ The construction of Cottage Hospitals with Isolation Wards in Awgu, Orba, Enugu Ezike and Oji-River have been completed and these will enhance the delivery of secondary healthcare services within their environs.
- ✓ We have successfully installed 100 (One Hundred) units of 200 litres Solar Refrigerators and Freezers at various Health Centres across the State.
- ✓ We are transposing our State Health Systems to provide primary healthcare through the Enugu State Agency for Universal Health Coverage. Under the Enugu State Universal Health Coverage Scheme (ESUHCS), we are targeting the enrolment of all Enugu State residents. This will also facilitate the provision of free healthcare to vulnerable persons in the State. In this regard, the following have been achieved within the period under review:
 - Installation of the state-of-the-art ICT systems for enrolment of beneficiaries and computerisation of service delivery in the State hospitals.
 - One Hundred and Fifteen (115) State Primary Healthcare Centres (PHC), out of the Two Hundred and Ninety-One (291) PHCs in the State, have been accredited by the National Health Insurance Scheme (NHIS) for provision of free services for vulnerable persons under the Basic Health Care Provision Fund.
 - The State has commenced capitation payments to the 115 (One Hundred and Fifteen) accredited PHCs to cover the cost of providing health services for the poor and vulnerable.

- The ongoing enrolment exercise in all the 17 LGAs of the State has so far registered Eighteen Thousand, One Hundred and One (18,101) vulnerable persons that have started receiving free health care from 1st December 2021. The enrolment process is however continuing.

Mr Speaker, despite the slow recovery of the Nigerian economy from the challenges occasioned by the COVID-19 pandemic, we have been able to maintain traction in other sectors.

Infrastructure - Roads

- ✓ We have made substantial progress in the construction of the **first Enugu State Government's Flyover which is progressively taking its pride of place at the T-Junction, Nike Lake Road**. It is a 105 meters bridge section, with ramps measuring 590m in cumulative length and four (4) Service lanes which on completion will enhance traffic flow around Trans-Ekulu, Nike and Nike Lake Resort axis.
- ✓ In keeping with our policy on roads, we continued massive construction of new roads and rehabilitation of existing ones in both urban and rural areas of the state, to ease the movement of persons and materials.

Other Infrastructures

- ✓ Ongoing construction of 600-Seater Event Hall; Lawn Tennis Court; Security Personnel Quarters; and Remodeling of 2 No existing Duplexes; expansive Car Park and landscaping at the old Governor's Lodge.
- ✓ The construction of Nsukka Conference Centre in Nsukka LGA has reached an advanced stage of completion. Upon completion, the facility will provide 5 no. Halls of various seating capacities ranging from 200 to 1,000; a Swimming Pool; Lawn Tennis Court amongst other recreational facilities.

- ✓ We commenced the construction of 194 One Hundred and Ninety-Four (194) Units of Ultra-Modern Bus Shelters in Enugu Metropolis since December 2020. So far, a total of One Hundred and Seven (107) Units of the Ultra-Modern Bus Shelters have been completed.
- ✓ We have continued to procure transformers, construct, extend and boost rural electrification in Communities including Owerre Okpu, Amadim, Ujobo, Umunta/Umunkpume and Anyazuru Orba, Umuokpara Orba, Amalla Orba communities in Udenu LGA as well as in Umuopu Autonomous Community, Enugu Ezike, Igbo-Eze North LGA, amongst others.

Enugu State House of Assembly

In line with our human capital investment drive, we have continued to build and develop the capacities of our valued Legislators, to wit:

- ✓ In August 2021, the revered Members of the Enugu State House of Assembly were in Rwanda for a knowledge sharing, peer learning, capacity building and other enhancements.
- ✓ In November 2021, the esteemed Honorable Members of this House completed an Advanced Leadership Training Programme in the Moller Institute, Churchill College, University of Cambridge, United Kingdom where they obtained an Advanced Leadership Certificate.
- ✓ Besides the human capital investments in our Legislative Arm of Government, infrastructural investment is also receiving adequate attention. The construction of an ultra-modern office building covering 3,500 square metres floor area within the premises of the State House of Assembly has reached an advanced stage of completion.

Judiciary

To ensure speedy dispensation of justice in the State, the following were accomplished during the period under review:

- ✓ Consequent upon the recommendations of the National Judicial Council (NJC), six (6) new Judges were appointed and sworn in

January 2021. This brings the number of Judges that our administration has appointed for Enugu State Judiciary to fifteen (15).

- ✓ Following the retirement of Hon. Justice Ngozi Priscilla Emehelu, the immediate past Chief Judge of Enugu State, from the service of the State Judiciary on 7th September 2021, Hon. Justice Afojulu Raymond Ozoemena was appointed and sworn in as the Acting Chief Judge of Enugu State.
- ✓ We constructed the Enugu State Multi-Door Court House within the period under review to deepen the practice of Alternative Dispute Resolution in the State.

Religious

Enugu State is in the Hands of God. We hold in great awe, the institution of the Church and we cherish the spiritual leadership, the enthronement of moral standards and the pursuit of world peace by this institution. The harmonious working relationship between our administration and the Church is top-class. Within the period under review, we built the first Chapel within the precincts of Enugu State Government House and this has been blessed by the entire Catholic Bishops as well as the Methodist Bishops in Nigeria.

Security

We regret the unfortunate attacks that led to unwarranted loss of lives of Policemen in Nigerian Police Force, Enugu State Command and some private citizens during the recent security crisis. This notwithstanding, Enugu State has remained relatively peaceful and the issue of security has remained top on the agenda of our Administration.

- ✓ We reconstructed some security facilities that were torched in the thick of the recent security crisis.
- ✓ We have continued to support the Security Agencies in the State with operational vehicles, communication gadgets, trainings etc.

- ✓ Our administration's initiatives on security are guided by the resolutions of the South East Governors' Forum and Advisories of well-meaning Nigerians on security matters.
- ✓ We have deepened the collaboration between the Federal Security Agencies in the State and our State's security outfits - **Forest Guards and Neighbourhood Watch groups** - especially in intelligence sharing for enhanced efficiency and effectiveness in security operations.
- ✓ We have continued to support the State's Forest Guards (Security outfit) through regular payment of salaries, trainings and supply of necessary equipment.
- ✓ We have commenced additional works in the premises of **MOPOL 76 Police Mobile Force Squadron**, Nigeria Police Force, Ekwegbe, Igbo-Etiti Local Government Area to provide Commander's House, 2km Perimeter Fence, Parade Ground, Sick bay and other facilities and ensure commencement of operations.
- ✓ We shall continue to support and collaborate with all Security Agencies operating in Enugu State to protect the lives and property of all residents in the State.

Tourism

- **Nike lake Resort**, a flagship Hotel asset of Enugu State Government with serene ambience and beautiful scenery complemented by a natural perennial Lake, is like no other and its capability for offering the comfort of home, away from home, is without doubt. We have almost completed the Turn Around rehabilitation of this magnificent edifice to recover its leadership role in the South East Zone hospitality industry.

Science and Technology

Our leveraging on technology and strong ICT policy-thrusts to reshape the economic future of Enugu State has drawn much admiration and earned us international visibility.

- ✓ We built and inaugurated two (2) Tech Hubs and Youth Innovation Centers, one in Independence Layout, Enugu North LGA, Enugu, and another in Obollo Afor, in Udenu Local Government Area. Services offered include ICT training in Software Development; Website design/Hosting; Linux/Unix systems; Graphic Designs; and Internet of things (IoT). Other services include: Craftsmanship and fabrication; Entrepreneurship development; Innovation programmes; Career enhancement initiatives; Electronics/robotics; and facilitation of Foreign Direct Investments (FDI), amongst others.

Chieftaincy Matters

We have commissioned a Cloud-based storage (online) for gazetted Chieftaincy Constitutions of communities in Enugu State. The Web address is www.mocm.en.gov.ng and offers a wide range of services including the followings:

- ✓ provides storage and easy access to information about communities whose constitutions had been gazetted in the state;
- ✓ Makes the gazetted Chieftaincy Constitutions for all Autonomous Communities in the State available on the internet;
- ✓ Promotes transparency in community leadership & reduces tension that comes with transition,
- ✓ Serves as a tool for dispute resolution in the communities,
- ✓ promotes human rights, community development and community traditions,
- ✓ It will also allow internet search engines like Google, Yahoo, to easily index these Constitutions thereby making them easily accessible on the internet using any search engine.

Agriculture

We have continued to improve on food security from 3 (three) main perspectives. These include:

- ✓ The Agro Processing Productivity Enhancement and Livelihood Improvement Support Project (APPEALS).

- ✓ AFDB Assisted Agricultural Transformation Agenda Support Program Phase-1 (ATASP-1)
- ✓ International Fund for Agriculture (IFAD)/FGN Assisted Value Chain Development Programme (VCDP) in Enugu State.

Agro Processing Productivity Enhancement and Livelihood Improvement Support (APPEALS) Project

- ✓ Under this programme over 1,000 (One Thousand) Farm Groups have indicated interest in the Value Chain Investment Plan (VCIP) for Poultry, Rice and Cassava worth of Five Billion Naira (N5,000,000,000.00).
- ✓ Mobilization of farmers/formation of Commodity Interest Groups for registration as Cooperative Societies with Enugu State Ministry of Human Capital Development have been done.
- ✓ Fifty-two (52) beneficiaries in the Poultry Value Chain Investment Plan, and three (**3**) beneficiaries in Rice Value Chain Investment Plan with a combined worth of Three Hundred and Seventeen Million, One Hundred and Seventy-One Thousand, Five Hundred and Forty-One Naira, sixty kobo (**N317,171,541.60**) have been fully implemented and disbursed.
- ✓ A total of One Thousand, Six Hundred and Fifteen (1615) beneficiaries have been trained in the Women and Youth Empowerment Programme (WYEP) subcomponent for Business Investment Plan (BIP) in Poultry, Cashew, Rice, Aquaculture, and Cassava.
 - CAC (Corporate Affairs Commission) registration is currently being processed for all the trained beneficiaries including eighty-five (85) Persons with Disability and Special Needs (PWDSN).
 - Out of this number, World Bank and State Executive Council approval have been obtained for the empowerment of Two Hundred and Thirty-Two (232) beneficiaries with Four Hundred and Seventy Million, Eight Hundred and Eight Nine Thousand, Seven Hundred and Fifty-One Naira (N470,889,751.00) worth of Business Investment Plan (BIP) in the 1st Batch.

- Business Investment Plan (BIP) is being developed for the remaining One Thousand, Three Hundred and Eighty-Three (1,383) beneficiaries.
- ✓ Fifteen (15) Aggregation and Cottage Processing Centers are to be constructed across the 3 senatorial zones of the state

The AFDB Assisted Agricultural Transformation Agenda Support Program Phase-1 (ATASP-1) is designed to enhance food security, rural income and employment creation through Agri-business development. This programme in achieving its purpose and also providing ancillary facilities to the host communities as follows:

- ✓ Assisting the marketing of farm produce for Farmers through the construction of rice markets with stores/Aggregation centers at Adani rice market and Isu cassava market of Uzo Uwani and Isi-Uzo LGAs, respectively.
- ✓ The drilling of four (4) boreholes in Ezimo Agu (Urukpa); Agu-Orba; and Obollo Afor in Udenu LGA as well as Adani Community in Uzo-Uwani LGA.
- ✓ Construction of two (2) Health Clinics at Ibenda-Obollo and Asaba in Udenu and Uzo-Uwani LGAs.
- ✓ Construction of Obinna Primary School, Adani in Uzo Uwani LGA; Two (2) Classroom blocks with Headmaster's Office and toilet at Peoples Primary School Ezimo-Agu in Udenu LGA; Ngenikpa Primary School Amede in Isi Uzo LGA; Agu-Orba Primary School in Udenu LGA.
- ✓ Construction of 2-span Obinna Bridge and 63km gravel-surfaced roads with 6km double surfaced feeder roads at Adani in Uzo Uwani LGA.
- ✓ Construction of concrete lining of 16.45km main canal and 6km concrete lining of first Secondary canal of Ada Rice Farm.

- ✓ Rehabilitation of various Hydraulic Structures at Ada Rice Farm, Adani, Uzo Uwani LGA to increase cultivation and production of rice all year round.

FGN/IFAD (International Fund for Agricultural Development) Value Chain Development Project (VCPD). Recall that we subscribed and paid counterpart contribution of Ninety-One Million, Five Hundred Thousand Naira (N91,500,000.00) for the FGN/IFAD (International Fund for Agricultural Development) Value Chain Development Project (VCPD) for the year 2019/2020. The programme operating in five LGAs of Enugu State have recorded the following achievements:

- ✓ Aninri: One (1) Market Stall (16 stalls with Office) at Okpanku and one (1) Culvert leading to farm clusters at Oduma Achalla Community
- ✓ Enugu East: one (1) Market Stall (16 stalls with Office) at Ugwogo Nike; one (1) Water Borehole and one (1) Culvert leading to farm clusters at Ogbeke, Nike
- ✓ Isi Uzo: Ten (10) lock-up Stores at Eke Eha-Amufu Rice Market; one (1) Solar-powered Water Borehole at Mbu Cassava Market; and a Mini Bridge at Epeye Farm Road, Amede Eha Amufu.
- ✓ Nkanu East: one (1) Solar Powered Water Borehole at Nkerefi Rice Market and one (1) Culvert at Anaiyi Rice Farm Road
- ✓ Udenu: one (1) Solar-Powered Water Borehole and ten (10) lock-up Stores at Orié Orba Cassava Market; one (1) Ring Culvert constructed at a connecting road to Owerre-Eze Orba Cassava Farms.

Education

Mr. Speaker, recall that our administration, since inception, has hugely demonstrated our commitment to the provision of quality and affordable education in Enugu State. In the period under review, we continued on the part of progress to consolidate our gains in the Education sector.

Basic Education

- ✓ We reconstructed a block of four (4) classrooms that was burnt down at Community Primary School, Ubahu, Nkanu East Local Government Area.
- ✓ At Idaw River Primary School, Enugu South LGA, we reconstructed twenty-seven classrooms, twenty-four offices and other ancillary facilities.

Tertiary Education

- ✓ The Federal Government of Nigeria approved the establishment of a new Federal Polytechnic in Ohodo, Igbo Etiti LGA. We are grateful to the President of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, **His Excellency, Muhammadu Buhari, GCFR**, for approving the establishment of this Polytechnic at Ohodo as well as a take-off grant of Two Billion Naira (**N2,000,000,000.00**) for the new polytechnic, from the Tertiary Education Trust Fund.
- ✓ Notwithstanding the approval of this take-off grant of Two Billion Naira (N2,000,000,000.00), we have provided a temporary site for the take-off of the Polytechnic after undertaking the following works:
 - Reconstruction of 6 classroom block (block 1)
 - Construction of 6 classroom block (block 2)
 - Reconstruction of 5 classroom block (block 3)
 - Reconstruction of science laboratory (block 4)
 - Construction of administrative office block (block 5)
 - Construction of perimeter fence and security house
 - Construction of one (1) electric-powered Borehole and one (1) solar-powered borehole amongst other facilities
- ✓ We commenced the construction of a three (3) Storey Students Hostel Building at Enugu State College of Education (Technical), Enugu North LGA, Enugu State.
- ✓ We have continued to provide required support to all our Tertiary Institutions. Most recently, we supported our foremost University (Enugu State University of Science & Technology) that faced

accreditation exercises to gain full accreditation in eleven (11) Undergraduate Academic Programmes including Medical Laboratory Science, Surveying & Geoinformatics, Economics and three (3) Postgraduate (M.Sc.) Programmes including Accountancy, Insurance & Risk Management and Public Administration.

- ✓ We have equally supported the upgrade of the Moot Court, University of Nigeria, Enugu Campus.

Enugu State Scholarship Scheme

We have continued to ease Education financial burden on parents/guardians and give the less privileged opportunity to go to school and encourage our young ones to work hard through the State's Scholarship schemes. To this end, the following scholarship programmes are currently active for Enugu State indigenes and fully funded by the State Government:

- ✓ Three Hundred and Forty (340) Engineering Students of Enugu State Polytechnic, Iwollo.
- ✓ Three Hundred and Forty (340) Engineering Students of Institute of Management Technology (IMT), Enugu.
- ✓ Seven (7) students of Coal City University, Enugu that scored 250 and above in 2020 JAMB
- ✓ Twenty-five (25) Postgraduate students on International Studies in USA, UK, and France.
- ✓ Twenty-two (22) undergraduate students of University of Mewar, India.
- ✓ Four Hundred and Fifty-Eight (458) JSS 1 students (2019/2020 academic session) in Orba and Mpu Command Secondary Schools.
- ✓ 238 (Two Hundred and Thirty-Eight) students in Tertiary Institutions and Secondary schools across the Country.
- ✓ Thirty-Eight (38) students of Inland Primary School, Imilike Enu, Udenu LGA are on scholarship up to secondary school level.
- ✓ Miss Chinwe Onoduagu, student of Federal Government Girls' College, Lejja, Nsukka LGA who won the 2021 National Mathematics Queen is on scholarship up to University level
- ✓ Ali Cynthia, best performing student in 2016/2017 WAEC is on scholarship up to university level.

- ✓ Chioma Lilian Chinwero of Enugu State University of Science and Technology, (ESUT) who won Maltina Teacher of the Year 2020 Award, is on scholarship for Master's degree.
- ✓ Miss Nneoma Nnadi of Idaw River Primary School, the girl child who was being dehumanized by her guardian and which video / story went viral on the social media, is on scholarship up to University level.
- ✓ Emmanuel Maduabuchi Chukwu and Chukwuebuka Udoye of Government Technical College (GTC), Enugu, Enugu & Anambra born young inventors of two aircraft (Helicopter and Jet Fighter) and MP3 radio set are on scholarship up to university level.

Improvements in Water Supply in Enugu Metropolis

Improvements witnessed in water supply to Enugu Metropolis is as a result of our consistent capital investments in water sector as mentioned hereunder:

- ✓ Emergency rehabilitation of faulty Pumps at Oji Main, Obinofia & Umudim Booster Stations that has improved water Supply from about 5,000m³/day to over 15,000m³/day for Oji Water Augmentation Scheme
- ✓ Emergency rehabilitation of Low Lift and High lift Pumps at the Ajalli Water Scheme that has improved water production from 10,000m³/day to about 30,000m³/day.
- ✓ Extension of new water supply pipelines to 2nd Avenue, Independence Layout; Fidelity Estate; Prison Staff Quarters Off Kingsway Road; GRA; Mbanefo Street, New Haven; Ogui; Trans Ekulu; Abakpa; Emene etc.
- ✓ Rehabilitation of 500,000 Liters Ground Tank, 40,000 Liters Overhead Tank as well as installation of new Booster Pumps, control panel, etc at Trans Ekulu Booster Station.
- ✓ The State Executive Council has also approved the procurement and installation of two (2) new Vertical Turbine Submersible Pumps at Oji Main as quick win while we await the procurement of the works

component of the AFD-funded 3rd National Urban Water Sector Reform Project.

9th Mile Crash Borehole Programme

- ✓ In our unrelenting efforts to improve water supply to Enugu urban we embarked on the rehabilitation of the boreholes at 9th Mile crash Borehole programme which were abandoned for over thirty years.
- ✓ As at today eight (8) Water Boreholes with combined production capacity in excess of 12,000m³/day (in 20hrs) are functional.
- ✓ These eight (8) Water Boreholes, powered entirely by solar energy, will soon be added to existing water schemes to boost water supply to Enugu Urban.

Improvements in Water Supply in Nsukka

The following were done during the year under review:

- ✓ Five (5) Water Boreholes were rehabilitated including the installation of new Submersible Pumps, New Riser Pipes, Panels and a new Booster Pump. This has increased the number of boreholes operational in Nsukka Water Scheme from one (1) to six (6).
- ✓ Water supply pipelines extension works to the following streets and Communities in Nsukka Urban are ongoing: Umudiaka Nru; Ezama Nru; Uwani Nkpuru Ikere; Ndiagu Umuoyo Nru; Achalla Road; Ikpa Market Road; Obollo Road; Amb. Justina Eze Street; St. Theresa/New Anglican Road; Oloto Street; Chinedu Ugwu Street; and Orba Road/Amukwa Junction.

AFD-funded 3rd National Urban Water Sector Reform Project (3rd NUWSRP)

Recall that Enugu State Government signed a Fifty Million Dollar (\$50,000,000) Subsidiary Loan Agreement (SLA) with Federal Ministry of Finance in respect of AFD-funded 3rd National Urban Water Sector Reform Project (**3rd NUWSRP**) in December 2018. The project has a 5-year life span (2018 - 2023) and is on course.

It is designed to deliver an end-to-end solution to Enugu Urban Water Supply problems, from production, transmission to distribution as well as metering of customers. In the period under review, we have attained the following milestones in the implementation of this project:

- ✓ Paid, cumulatively, the sum of Three Hundred and Ninety-Eight Million Naira (N398,000,000.00) as counterpart contribution to this Project since 2020.
- ✓ Procured key consultancy services including, Project Management Support, Detailed Engineering Design of Enugu Urban Water Scheme and Distribution Network, GIS Mapping of underground Enugu Urban Water Infrastructure, Organisational Technical Assistance, and Institutional Technical Assistance. We expect the Tender for the Works components of the project to commence by end of December 2021
- ✓ Expectedly, by the 3rd quarter of 2022, the impact of the 3rd National Urban Water Sector Reform project will start trickling in.

Mr. Speaker, it is self-evident that efforts are in top gear to solve the perennial water problem in Enugu Urban. With God on our side, the problem of water supply to Enugu Urban will soon become history.

Rural and Small-Town Water Sanitation

Our Administration has continued her deliberate efforts to provide water in the rural communities. Thus, within the period under review, the following have been achieved in this regard:

- ✓ Enumeration for comprehensive data on location and status of all Water Boreholes in the State is ongoing to provide the needed data to guide government interventions. To date, 6 (Six) LGAs including Enugu East, Enugu South, Enugu North, Isi Uzo, Udenu, and Aninri have been covered.
- ✓ Rehabilitation of two (2) non-functional water schemes at Isiokwe Akama, Oghe and Imilike-Enu in Ezeagu and Udenu Local Government Areas, respectively.

- ✓ Constructed one (1) motorized and seven (7) Solar-powered water boreholes in the following locations:
 - two Water Borehole projects, located at Eke Ozzi Market, Ogurute, Enugu Ezike in Igbo-Eze North Local Government Area,
 - one (1) Water Borehole in Ezinese Community Square, Agbaja Umumba Ndiuno in Ezeagu LGA,
 - one (1) Water Borehole in Nkwo Ibeagwa Aka Market, Igbo-Eze South LGA,
 - one (1) Water Borehole at Orié Orba Market, Udenú LGA
 - one (1) Water Borehole in Ogige Market, Nsukka, Nsukka LGA
 - Two (2) Water Borehole facilities at Nsukka High Court and Magistrate Court

Human Capital Development, Support to Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises and Job Creation.

Mr Speaker, we understand that our economy cannot recover fully from previous economic disruptions without investment in human capital development and support to Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises. These investment and support have been happening in the following ways:

- ✓ We have keyed into the Agri-Business/Small and Medium Enterprise Investment Scheme (AGSMEIS) to support the Federal Government's efforts and policy measures for the promotion of agricultural businesses and Small/Medium Enterprises (SMEs) as vehicles for sustainable economic development and employment generation.
- ✓ In the period under review, we have, through the Enugu SME Centre, sustained intervention thrusts that have facilitated easier access to resources required by entrepreneurs in the SME bracket and other players in the ecosystem to achieve business sustainability in State. To achieve this, the Agency focuses on the following broad interventions:
 - Corporate Affairs Commission (CAC) Formalization Grant for Enugu Entrepreneurs,
 - Human Capital Development and Job Creation Schemes.
 - Access to Capital,
 - Capacity Development Programs,

➤ Access to Grants and Business Support Services.

Mr Speaker, may I, once more, enjoin the youths in Enugu State to visit the Enugu SME Centre and key-into the numerous opportunities for human capital development, support to Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises, and job creation programmes.

Sports Development.

Our administration has been committed to promotion of grassroots sports, discovery of budding talents, maintenance of physical fitness and creation of economic opportunities for our youths within the Sports sector. In furtherance of this commitment, we have accomplished the following:

- ✓ Constructed and commissioned a standard double Lawn Tennis Court, at Igbo-Eze North Local Government Area Stadium, Ogrute, Enugu Ezike.
- ✓ The construction of five thousand (5,000) seating capacity Township Stadium at Nsukka has reached over 90% completion. Installation of AstroTurf, Tartan Tracks and Seats have been completed, while Flood Lighting and other associated works are underway.
- ✓ We have also commenced upgrading of facilities at the Nnamdi Azikiwe Stadium. Specifically, the installation of 7,900 Square Metres Artificial Grass Carpet Field for FIFA Quality PRO (STAR 1) is ongoing. Nnamdi Azikiwe Stadium, Enugu is among the 6 (Six) Stadia in Nigeria listed and approved by CAF to host Super Eagles Home Games during the upcoming 2022 World Cup Africa Qualifiers.

Privatization and Commercialisation of Enugu State Government Enterprises

Pursuant to the **Enugu State Privatisation and Commercialisation of Government Enterprises Law, 2008**, the **Enugu State Council on Privatization and Commercialization** has approved a concession agreement with **Ellah Lakes Plc**, a renowned agri-business company quoted on the Nigerian Stock Exchange, to jointly expand and further develop the plantation of **Adarice Production (Nigeria) Limited** in Adani, Uzo-Uwani Local Government Area. This will see Adani, Uzo-Uwani

transform into a **Staple Crop Processing Zone (SCPZ)**. Ellah Lakes Plc will produce and process rice, alongside assisting over two hundred (200) Farmers in the local out-grower program. Ellah Lakes Plc will also develop a Feed Mill and Ethanol processing plant on the site in Adani. This development is expected to create a minimum of Five Thousand (5000) jobs over the next twenty-four (24) months. Work is scheduled to begin immediately.

Mr. Speaker, there is no doubt that since the 1st quarter of 2020, our dear Country, Nigeria, has faced unprecedented economic challenges occasioned by covid-19 pandemic, #EndSars protests, insecurity including banditry and kidnapping, unfavourable exchange rate regime etc. Enugu State was not spared these vagaries of the economic scene. Regardless, we have continued to stabilize our polity, stay the course of peace and provide security of lives and property to our people. We have also continued to leapfrog in economic development through fiscal judiciousness, human capital development and infrastructural investments in critical sectors. For these and many more, we have cause to celebrate God's innumerable blessings. We shall continue to rely on the most merciful God to pull us through the finish line of our Administration. We are, therefore, optimistic that in year 2022, we shall find an improved atmosphere to sustain and consolidate on the growth achieved thus far in our administration.

YEAR 2022 BUDGET ESTIMATES

Mr Speaker, with great honour, I present before this Honourable House, the Year 2022 **Budget of "Sustained Growth and Consolidation"**.

Fiscal Assumptions Underpinning the 2022 Budget

The projections for the 2022 Budget of Enugu State are founded on the following economic and fiscal updates:

- ✓ National Inflation Rate of 13%.
- ✓ National Real GDP Growth of 4.2%.
- ✓ Oil Production Benchmark of 1.88 million barrels per day.

- ✓ Oil Price Benchmark of \$57 per barrel.
- ✓ Exchange Rate of N410.15 per US Dollar.

The Medium-Term Expenditure Framework (MTEF) 2022 – 2024 and Fiscal Strategy Paper (FSP) link policy and programme with plans and projections. The fundamentals are designed to strike a balance between revenues, capital receipts and public expenditure.

Our Objectives and Targets:

- ✓ Growing the proportion of IGR in the 2022 total resource envelope by 35%.
- ✓ Upholding Budget Performance at not less than 85%.
- ✓ Maintaining a capital expenditure to recurrent expenditure ratio of 60:40.
- ✓ 100% cash backing of all expenditure approvals.
- ✓ Strong Procurement Process and Certification.
- ✓ Prioritising sectoral budgetary allocation and spending, in line with international benchmarks.

Year 2022 Budget Size

Budget estimates of **N186,635,135,770.00 (One Hundred and Eighty-Six Billion, Six Hundred and Thirty-Five Million, One Hundred and Thirty-Five Thousand, Seven Hundred and Seventy Naira)** only. This is 9.9% higher than our 2021 budget.

Out of the total budget size, the sum of **Seventy-One Billion, Four Hundred and Seventy-Seven Million, Four Hundred and Forty-Nine Thousand, Eight Hundred and Twelve Naira (N71,477,449,812.00)** only, representing 38% of the total budget is for Recurrent Expenditure while the sum of **One Hundred and Fifteen Billion, One Hundred and Fifty-Seven Million, Six Hundred and Eighty-Five Thousand, Seven Hundred and Seventy Naira (N115,157,685,770.00)** only, is for Capital Expenditure, representing 62% of the budget size.

2022 Recurrent Revenue

With an opening balance of **N15 Billion (Fifteen Billion Naira)**, representing 12.83% of the proposed Recurrent Revenue, other sources of Enugu State Government revenue that make up the total Recurrent Revenue of **N116,919,129,000.00 (One Hundred and Sixteen Billion, Nine Hundred and Nineteen Million, One Hundred and Twenty Nine Thousand Naira)** only, are as follows:

N44.3 Billion representing 37.89%, **N20.638 Billion** representing 17.65%, **N34 Billion** representing 29.08%, and **N2.98 Billion** representing 2.55% of the total Recurrent Revenue are from the Federation Account Allocation Committee (FAAC), Value added Tax (VAT), Internally Generated Revenue, and Excess Crude/Other Revenue sources, respectively.

2022 Capital Receipt

Aside from the **N12.557 Billion** expected from internal and external grants, domestic (budget bridge financing) and external borrowing amount to **N47.25 Billion** and **N9.712 Billion**, respectively.

2022 Recurrent Expenditure

A total of **N71,477,449,812.00 (Seventy-One Billion, Four Hundred and Seventy-Seven Million, Four Hundred and Forty-Nine Thousand, Eight Hundred and Twelve Naira)** has been earmarked for Recurrent Expenditure for the year 2022. This is made up of **N28.245 (Twenty-Eight Billion, Two Hundred and Forty Five Million Naira)** representing 39.52% for Personnel Cost; **N23,670,293,000.00 (Twenty Three Billion, Six Hundred and Seventy Million, Two Hundred and Ninety Three Thousand Naira)** representing 33.12% for Overhead Cost; **N6,212,156,812.00 (Six Billion, Two Hundred and Twelve Million, One Hundred and Fifty Six Thousand, Eight Hundred and Twelve Naira)** representing 8.69% for subventions to Parastatals and Tertiary Institutions while **N13.350 Billion (Thirteen Billion, Three Hundred and Fifty Million Naira)** representing 18.68% is for Consolidated Revenue Fund Charges.

2022 Capital Expenditure

In the year 2022, the sum of **N115,157,685,770.00 (One Hundred and Fifteen Billion, One Hundred and Fifty Seven Million, Six Hundred and Eighty Five Thousand, Seven Hundred and Seventy Naira)** which represents 62% of the total budget size of **N186,635,135,770.00 (One Hundred and Eighty Six Billion, Six Hundred and Thirty Five Million, One Hundred and Thirty-Five Thousand, Seven Hundred and Seventy Naira)** only, has been set aside for capital expenditure. This is made up of **N10.47 Billion, N68.588 Billion, N7.221 Billion, N1.221 Billion,** and **N27.658 Billion** for Administration, Economic, Law and Justice, Regional and Social Sectors respectively.

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE 2022 BUDGET:

The 2022 Capital Budget has the following as the key deliverables:

- ✓ Completion of all ongoing projects.
- ✓ Purchase of 10 tractors and other agricultural equipment to assist mechanized farming in Enugu State
- ✓ Establishment of new abattoirs/upgrading of four (4) existing abattoirs (Ogbete, Garrki, Emene and Abakpa) in the State
- ✓ Provision of agricultural inputs, infrastructure and upgrading of wet markets for production and enhanced food processing (NG-CARES).
- ✓ Using the Agro processing, Productivity Enhancement and Livelihood Improvement Support (APPEALS) for Capacity Building, Women/Youth Empowerment, and Development of Farmers' Aggregation and Processing Centres.

- ✓ Purchase of Waste Disposal Compactor Trucks and dumpsters to enhance urban cleanliness.
- ✓ Traders Empowerment scheme, 4th edition, for 57 major urban and rural markets in Enugu State.
- ✓ Establishment of facility centers for industrial processing of value chain for palm oil, cassava and cashew nut in Enugu State.
- ✓ Construction of Ibagwa – Itchi, Iheaka – Iheakpuoka Roads in Igbo Eze South LGA.
- ✓ Rehabilitation of Agbani Road-Police College-Gariki Flyover Road (By Port Harcourt Expressway).
- ✓ Construction of Bridges/River crossings over Ogurugu River, Adada River and River Obinna in Uzo-Uwani LGA; Ike River, Aninri LGA; Ogbafun River, Agu Idume, Nkanu East LGAs amongst others.
- ✓ Rehabilitation of basic schools across the 17 LGAs of the State.
- ✓ Construction of Type III Primary Healthcare Facilities in Oji River, Awgu and Aninri LGAs.
- ✓ Completion of ongoing key infrastructures for the take-off of College of Medicine and Teaching Hospital, Enugu State University of Science & Technology, Igbo Eno.
- ✓ Rehabilitation and upgrading of Recreational Parks (Eze, Onwudiwe and Coal Camp).

- ✓ Drilling, Rehabilitation and Reticulation of Water Boreholes in Communities across the State.
- ✓ Upgrading and improvement of Enugu Urban Water Supply and Distribution System through the AFD-funded 3rd National Urban Water Sector Reform Project (3rd NUWSRP).
- ✓ Construction of Court buildings: three (3) High Court buildings in three (3) Judicial divisions - Udi, Orba and Amagunze, Six (6) Magistrate Courts buildings in Amechi Idodo, Nike, Orba, Nara, Ozalla and Awhum, Enugu State.
- ✓ Perimeter Fencing, Landscaping and Furnishing of thirty-four (34) Customary Courts already built across the State.
- ✓ Bulk Purchase of Electricity Distribution Transformers (500KVA and 300KVA) to upgrade and replace the failed ones in the rural communities of the State.
- ✓ Construction of Oji River Township Stadium, Oji River LGA, Enugu State.
- ✓ Establishment of additional Enugu State Technology Hub and Innovation Centre at 9th Mile, Udi LGA.

Conclusion

Mr. Speaker, other Principal Officers and Members of this hallowed House, it has been a pleasant experience working with you and our administration could not have wished for anything else.

I, therefore, convey my earnest gratitude for the cooperation and legislative support that you have willingly given to our administration since inception. This partnership is working and underlies our modest successes in governance and service delivery.

I deeply appreciate the good people of Enugu State for their fidelity. In good and in difficult times, you neither wavered nor flinched in your support and solidarity. I am grateful for your steadfast love, prayers and wise counsel. Enugu State is our collective heritage, we shall live and be glad in it.

Finally, Mr. Speaker, I thank you for your attention as I lay this 2022 Budget proposal before you, anticipating as usual, that you will, as always, give it expeditious consideration and approval, to enable us hit the ground running in the new year, as we implement our last full year budget.

Please accept my most sincere wishes of a Merry Christmas and a prosperous New Year in advance.

Thank you and God bless.

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