

**REPORT OF ONE (1) DAY CONSULTATIVE MEETING WITH STAKEHOLDERS
ON GOMBE STATE 2023 BUDGET HELD ON 1ST NOVEMBER, 2022 AT THE
CONFERENCE HALL OF GOMBE INTERNATIONAL HOTEL, GOMBE STATE**

Preamble:

As part of adopting global best practice the Gombe State Government since its inception have created an enabling environment where people contribute in all sphere of State affairs particularly the budgeting process. That is why the Ministry of Finance and Economic Development, Budget, Planning and Development Partner Coordination Office in collaborations with our development partners organized a consultative meeting with critical stakeholders in order to shape the 2023 budget proposal to being people oriented as the report below shows:

1. Opening Prayers:

The meeting commenced with opening prayers from two volunteers at about 11:00am followed by national anthem.



2. Welcome Address:

Welcome address was delivered by the Honourable Commissioner Ministry of Finance and Economic Development, **Mallam Muhammadu Gambo Magaji (Yeriman Magajin Garin Dukku)**, who welcomed all especially His Excellency the Governor of Gombe State who was ably represented by His Excellency, the Deputy Governor, Manassa Daniel Jatau PhD for making it to the

occasion despite his tired schedules. He wished all a fruitful discussion as well as meaningful engagement which will translate in pushing the desire of the State Government forward as its pertinent 2023 fiscal year.



3. Goodwill Messages:

Messages of goodwill were delivered by the Hon. Speaker Gombe State House of Assembly **Rt. Hon. Abubakar Muhammed Luggeleru**, followed by House Committee Chairman on Appropriation **Hon. Ali Baba Manu** in their separate messages, they drew the attention of the gathering on the importance Government attached to their active participation as well as suggestions and opinions which will shape the State fiscal plan (Budget) for 2023. They commended the participants' sense of patriotism, commitment and dedication to the progress of the State by honouring the invitation and wish all a fruitful deliberation.



4. Opening Remarks:

The Governor of Gombe State who was ably represented by the Deputy Governor **His Excellency, Manassa Daniel Jatau, Ph.D** stated that, he was delighted seeing the zeal and remarks so far delivered by participants which is in line with the priorities set out by the State Government since it assumed office, therefore thanked the organizers for the opportunity given to deliver an opening remark on the 2023 consultation meeting. This, he emphasized is delightful for him as he represents **His Excellency, the Governor Alh. Muhammadu Inuwa Yahaya (Dan Majen Gombe)** who placed utmost priority to such gathering which offer and opportunity to get feedbacks on policy and programs that, impacted on the lives of the citizenry and to work on projects desired by the people themselves. He stated that, their administration is committed to satisfying the yearnings and aspirations of the people and places high premium to good governance by listening to their voices as drivers of change in the society. The representative of His Excellency, while declaring the occasion open, assured the participants and government officials on their part will continuous supported in every regard.



5. Overview of the Gombe State 2023 Budget:

The Permanent Secretary, Budget, Planning and Development Partner Coordination Office **Alh. Abubakar D. Gadam, (Barden Gadam)** while delivering his paper title "Steps in Budget

Preparations"; stated that, there are steps and milestones to reach in preparations of annual State budget among which are:

- Preparation of the State Medium-Term Expenditure Framework and Fiscal Strategy Paper (MTEF/FSP) Document
- Submission of Medium-Term Expenditure Framework and Fiscal Strategy paper MTEF/FSP to the State Executive Council (Exco) for review and approval.
- Issuance of Fiscal Year (FY) 2023 Budget Call Circular (BCC)
- Submission of Budget proposals to the Budget office by the MDAs
- Bilateral Budget Discussions with MDAs
- Stakeholders consultation (Civil Society Organizations. Other stakeholders)
- Consolidation of MDAs proposals
- Submission of draft 2023 proposed budget to the State Exco
- Exco review and approval of the draft budget
- Presentation of the 2023 proposed budget to the House of Assembly.
- Budget defence by MDAs before the House of Assembly
- Debate and approval of Budget by the State House of Assembly
- The Governor's assent Fiscal Year (FY) 2023 Appropriation Law
- Dissemination of 2023 Budget.



After his presentation, the floor was set for discussions, deliberations, observations, feedback and contributions by the participants.

6. Discussions and Contributions:

- ❖ Stakeholders at the meeting commended the government for having the people at heart by organising such event and giving them the opportunity to contribute.
- ❖ They also thanked the government for giving value to their suggestions by capturing them into the state budget and assured the government of their maximum support and loyalty.
- ❖ Traditional Rulers suggested that the government should provide some operational funds to them on monthly basis to make them function effectively as the task of administration and security issues are high.
- ❖ State government should intensify effort in assisting farmers to venture into dry season farming considering that the rain farming season is winding up and was mostly bedevilled by flood.
- ❖ Small women farmers group solicit for fertilizer subsidy and seedling in addition pray for the change of mode of farming to mechanised.





The participants separately and collectively suggest that State Government undertakes the following projects as priority in 2023 among several others:

AKKO LGA

1. Extension of Gombe water supply to Gombe Airport.
2. Fencing of Jalingo Primary School and construction of more classrooms.
3. Construction of Zongomari road.
4. Construction of hospital at Katam.
5. Upgrading brand-new Kumo General Hospital to a Specialist Hospital.
6. Road construction from Maidugu to Barambu.
7. Construction of road from Gamawa to wuro Yaya to Gadawo

BALANGA LGA

1. Abandon project of Government Technical College Nyuwar.
2. Clearing of cannel in Balanga Dam for easy farming.
3. Construction of Talasse to Dalawaja to Bangu to Wala Lunguda road.
4. Resuscitation of Balanga Dam for dry season farming.

5. Re-award of Talasse-BAlang-Wal Lunguda road.
6. Construction of PHC to address migration of people to Adamawa State.
7. Resuscitation of electricity line at Wala, Lunguda and Bangu.
8. Electricity supply to Fitilai-Kutare-Lakun-mona all in Balanga LGA.

BILLIRI LGA

1. Renovation and construction of one block of classrooms in Government Junior Secondary School, Katau.
2. Renovation and construction of one block classrooms in Government Senior Secondary School, Billiri.
3. Rehabilitation of Billiri General Hospital.

Dukku LGA

1. Government should ensure timely distribution of subsidized fertilizer to farmers so that, it will lead to a successful farming and bumper harvest.
2. Government should make effort in revamping water projects for Dukku town and its environs
3. Construction of and renovation of Government Secondary School Dukku
4. State Emergency Management Agency (SEMA) as a matter of urgency should always be available to provide relief materials to citizens affected by disaster and other misfortunates.

FUNAKAYE LGA

1. Provision of water for the people of Wawa.

GOMBE LGA

1. Sexual and reproductive health right of women and girls with disability should be implemented.
2. Skill acquisition training for people at grassroot.
3. Peace support programs to foster peace and unity.

KALTUNGO LGA

WANGE

1. Provision of electricity at Wange Hospital.
2. Provision of water to Wange town.
3. Provision of electricity and water at Vocational Training College.
4. Construction of road from Wange to Bwelle.
5. Construction of road from Prison to Jalingo.

YIRI

6. Provision palace house.
7. Provision of electricity from Bambam to Yiri.
8. Request for police outpost in Yiri District.

BWELLE

9. Construction of road from Ture-Kaltang-Jalingo.
10. District palace head.

KWAMI LGA

1. Construction of road from Kwami town to Jarkwami junction.
2. Resuscitation of the Gadam water project.
3. Upgrading of PHCC clinic to a Hospital.
4. Construction of road from Gadam-Dawo-Jauro GAmbo-Yane.
5. Renovation of some classroom blocks at GDSS Gadam and fencing of the school.

NAFADA LGA

1. Construction of 5KM road from Nafada town linking Gombe-Potiskum main road.
2. Construction of Skills Acquisition and Development Centres to curb youth vices and create more employment.
3. State Emergency Management Agency (SEMA) as a matter of urgency should always be available to provide relief materials to citizens affected by disaster and other misfortunates.
4. Improvement of irrigation activities in the area.

SHONGOM LGA

1. Construction of roads from: Gwandu-Stock-Bangunji-Zokar
Lapan-Bwall-Askan Gwandu-Lahinhy-askan
2. District head palaces: faceliff of District Head officesinl
Shongom.

3. Maintenance of Filiya - Bangunji road; and culverts and potholes.
4. Allowance for ward heads
5. Earth dams
6. Motorized water boreholes.

YAMALTU/DEBA LGA

1. Construction of maternity/primary health care facility at Wade ward.
2. Creation of Gombe Agro-city alongside the industrial park.
3. Erosion menace to be attended to.
4. Zambuk road to be rehabilitated and toll gate installed for revenue.
5. Increase of security in times of harvest to avoid farmers/herders clash.
6. General Hospital Deba needs upgrade and the hospital's equipment area are obsolete.
7. Quick commissioning of Dadin kowa electric generation station project.
8. Kwadon – Kunji – Sabon gari – Zambuk – Lubo roads.
9. Usage of Hospital, Kwadon



7. **Closing Remarks**

Director General, Debt Management Agency **Alh. Kabiru Tsoho (Falakin Gombe)**, in his closing remarks, he stated that, the meeting which was aimed at getting feedback, views, opinions and contributions are collected and captured in the 2023 budget is a success. He thanked the participants for honouring the invitation and participating actively. The DG while declaring the meeting closed, expressed his gratitude to all, assuring them that their contributions are invaluable and will all be prioritised, considered during harmonization of the 2023 budget. He wishes all journey mercies back to their various destinations.



Sign.....
Mohammed Adamu
DDB

Sign..... 30/11/2022
Ibrahim Yusuf
Chairman CSOs