

Zamracka



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**CONSTITUENCY PROJECTS IN
ZAMFARA STATE**



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INTRODUCTION

Constituency projects tracking in Zamfara state is one of the activities of the Arewa Research & Development Project (ARDP): as one of the MacArthur Foundation's supported programs of the On Nigeria 2.0 Project. The strategic objectives are focused on reducing corruption through assisting community-based programs and efforts that would strengthen and systemize culture of accountability, transparency and popular participation in the conduct of public affairs. One of the key objectives of this activity is to determine the degree of involvement of the respective communities in the origin of the implementation of the constituency projects and their resourcefulness to societal needs. The activity is also expected to institutionalize or scale up citizens' participation in the incubation process of the constituency projects as well as to galvanize community-based drive in the monitoring and tracking of the projects. The activity is anchored by ZamTracka, which is a collaborative partner in Zamfara state.

ARDP is a research-based non-governmental, non-partisan, non-ethnic and non-religious organization dedicated to the study and examination of major contemporary challenges facing Northern Nigeria and its people, and to provide the needed framework for the strategic thinking and practical program of action needed to address those challenges. Its mission is to nurture the economic and social transformation of the region through undertaking projects that seek to bring together all northern social groups; pooling together the human and material resources in a manner that brings about strategic alliance and synergy with governmental and non-governmental organization working for the progress and well-being of the people in the region.

ZamTracka is a civil society organization based in Gusau, Zamfara state which seeks to champion the cause of civic advocacy with a view to entrenching social accountability in the state. Its main activities have been to source and simplify relevant data on the Zamfara state's fiscal budgets and Zonal intervention projects, and to use same to sensitize the public on the critical public information. The objective is to assist the citizens to follow up on the budgetary capital expenditures and other public projects in their respective communities. This is envisaged to create vanguards of active citizens that demand and ensure effective and efficient service delivery by governments and their agents, as well as stimulate and sustain the demand for open government in Zamfara state

Zonal intervention projects (popularly known as constituency projects) are public projects nominated by federal lawmakers to extend the dividends of democratic government to their various constituencies to spur development at the grassroots level of the country. The projects, by practice are recommended by the executive during the budgeting process. Constitutionally, the

national assembly has the oversight obligation on government projects. Given the fact that these projects are nominated by lawmakers, they are morally and even more officially responsible to provide their people with the updates on every project domiciled in their constituency. This is because community member cannot easily access MDAs as they access their elected representatives. Noting that no lawmaker has direct control over the implementation of the projects aside from oversight function, legislators occupy a better position to monitor and proactively ensure the execution of every project by reaching out to the agencies in charge.

In 2022, the total sum of N1.52bn was allocated for constituency projects in Zamfara, the bulk of which are training/empowerment and projects. By way of example, for successive fiscal years, a project titled “Film grants” was nominated as one of the ZIPs in Zamfara state. The state is not known as a hub for film production or distribution to warrant preponderance of such a project in the state.

Capital projects typically involve physical infrastructure development, like building roads or schools, while training/empowerment projects focus on enhancing skills and capacities within a community. In Zamfara State, capital projects contribute to structural improvements, while training/empowerment projects aim to empower individuals and foster sustainable development through skill-building and education. Both play crucial roles in community development, addressing different aspects of growth and well-being. But the crux of the matter in Zamfara State is that the training/empowerment projects are hardly conceived and delivered in the manner to achieve the desired outcomes..

GUSAU/TSAFE FEDERAL CONSTITUENCY

Hon. Kabiru Amadu



03

Projects
nominated

02

Executed

100%

Empowerment
Projects

01

Unexecuted

0%

Capital Projects

Capacity building for women and youth in Gusau/Tsafe Federal Constituency

N40m Executed

This constituency is at the heart of the state with its constituents being urban and semi urban settlers. The project was executed on the 1st November 2022 at the Command Guest House. Conference hall in the outskirts of Gusau. It was initially planned to span for 5 days to finish on the 5th but it only actually lasted for 2 days.

No clarification was given as to why that was the case. The Total number of beneficiaries originally targeted was 500 from the 11 wards in Tsafe Local Government of the constituency. However, the total beneficiaries visible at the training ground were not close to that figure. Also, it was established that most of the beneficiaries sighted were cronies of the lawmaker, party officials, media boys as well as friends and relatives of his associates.

A resource person lectured the beneficiaries on entrepreneurship skills and on how to start and managed small scale business enterprise. At the end of the lecture sessions, each of the beneficiaries received the sum of N50,000 as a startup capital which they are expected to inject into a business idea.

Taking into cognizance the pool of the beneficiaries and the nature of implementation of this projects, it is difficult to evaluate and ascertain the progress or impact of this project.



Capacity building for women and youth in Gusau/Tsafe Federal Constituency

N40m Executed

This project was executed on the 1st November 2022, on the same day as the previous project and at the same venue and at the same time even though it was also originally planned to span for 5 days to finish on the 5th of November, 2022 but it only actually lasted for 1 day. No clarification was given as to why this was the case.

The Total number of beneficiaries originally targeted was 500 from the 11 wards in Gusau Local Government of the constituency. However, only a fraction of this number was visible at the training ground. Also, it was established that most of the beneficiaries sighted were cronies of the lawmaker, party officials, media boys as well as friends and relatives of his associates. Some prominent religious leaders from the local government were also given slots to field in beneficiaries.

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Capacity building for women and youth in Gusau/Tsafe Federal Constituency



Gusau/Tsafe Federal
Constituency

N40m

Not Executed

The field assessors went round the constituency for proof of execution of this project but all responses were negative as constituents could not establish a case for its execution



Additional notes on findings from the tracking of implementation in this constituency

The 3 empowerment projects nominated to be implemented in this constituency were not satisfactorily implemented. Firstly, only two of the three projects nominated were implemented. Also, the two that were implemented were not in tandem with the actual implementation plan with respect to the duration of implementation. Both projects were designed to last for 5 days as duly indicated on the banner but it only lasted for 2 days. Also, both projects were implemented on the same day but with a caveat; two halls were hired with either project implemented in each, respectively with implementation going on concurrently. This can be easily noticed from the two separate banners used. The first day was dedicated for the lecture session and the second day for the disbursement of the N50, 000 to the beneficiaries.

After conducting beneficiary assessment, we realized that a tangible quantum of the beneficiaries were the loyalists of Lawmaker, his media boys as well as associates. The remaining were slotted to party officials, religious leaders as well as others. All these factors among others, further makes the impact of the intervention very difficult of to assess.

BUNGUDU/MARU FEDERAL CONSTITUENCY

Hon. Shehu Ahmed



03

Projects
nominated

03

Executed

75%

Empowerment
Projects

00

Unexecuted

25%

Capital Projects

Supply of fertilizers to Farmers in Maru/Bungudu Federal Constituency



Maru/Bungudu Federal Constituency

N50m

Executed

This project was implemented on the 4th of September, 2022 in the constituency. The beneficiaries were farmers clustered from all the 21 wards in the constituency. Each cluster consisted of 10 farmers with each ward receiving a minimum of 10 and a maximum of 20 bags of fertilizer and a token of N10, 000 per beneficiary.

In terms of impact assessment, the intervention is impactful because the right beneficiaries were targeted for the intervention and thus, it has the potential to improve agriculture.



Renovation of Islamic center and construction of a block of 3 classrooms in Bindin ward in Maru/Bungudu Federal Constituency



Maru/Bungudu Federal Constituency

N21m

Executed

Our field assessors tracked the implementation of this project on the 5th of August 2022. It was implemented in an Islamic school in Furfuri, Bungudu Local Government. It is a block of 3 classrooms without furnishing with chairs. In terms of quality of construction, our team conducted physical examination of the structure and found it satisfactory with the windows and doors both robust and standard. The quality of the building blocks used is difficult to tell since we visited after erection. However, there were no visible cracks and deep scratches on the wall revealed an appreciable degree of structural strength.

The roofing is standard with corrugated sheets used but the ceiling is basic plywood whose quality over time is directly proportional to the quality of the roofing technique used. A close look revealed some degree of corrosion as water from leaks from some points in the roofs is absorbed by the wooden plywood.

The impact assessment is positive as it provides a conducive environment for learning. Also, more students can be enrolled because there is a capacity for that. How the block is maintained overtime is important in ensuring that the effective utilization of the project





Training and empowerment of Women and youths in Maru/Bungudu Federal Constituency

N50m

Executed

The implementation of this project took place on the 20th of August, 2022. A total of 600 beneficiaries mostly youths and women targeted from the twenty one (21) wards from the constituency benefitted from this empowerment project. The beneficiaries were divided into three (3) batches, A, B and C with each batch consisting of Two hundred beneficiaries. They were lectured on entrepreneurship skills and on how to start and manage small scale agro-allied business enterprise. Due to ban on all public gatherings by the government as a measure of addressing the deteriorating state of security in the state, the program was held at The ChimCherry Hotel Conference Hall, in Barnawa, Kaduna State.

At the end of the training, each beneficiary received a certificate of participation with a grant of N10, 000 each as a startup capital which they are expected to inject into a business idea. The lawmaker was present on the day of training to witness the step down and distribute the said items at the end of the session.

On the impact assessment, it is a welcome development even though the training session was too short for the beneficiaries to fully understand. It is also not known whether there is any plan for evaluation and monitoring in order to ascertain the progress or challenges from the delivery of this project.





Additional notes on findings from the tracking of implementation in this constituency

For the first time in the four year tenure of the lawmaker, he has nominated his first capital project in 2022 at the tail end of his tenure which is a welcome development taking into cognizance how his nomination has been wholly Training/empowerment based over the years

Also, the implementation of one of the three nominated projects took place outside the constituency. This was due to ban on all public gatherings by the government as a measure of addressing deteriorating state of security in the state, Thus, beneficiaries were sorted into batches and transported to Kaduna state where the program held at The ChimCherry Hotel Conference Hall, in Barnawa, Kaduna State.

What is not established is whether the remaining batches B and C of beneficiaries on queue were actually also trained and empowered.

BAKURA/MARADUN FEDERAL CONSTITUENCY

Hon. Ahmed Muhammad



03

**Projects
Nominated**

03

Executed

100%
**Empowerment
Projects**

00

Unexecuted

0%
Capital Projects

Sensitization and Empowerment on Motorcycles in Bakura/Maradun Federal Constituency

N30m

Executed

Our field assessors tracked the implementation of this project and reported that it has been duly implemented. It was executed on the 5th of October, 2022 and it was all concluded in a single day.

In total, about 50 beneficiaries were selected from across the constituency with each receiving a motorcycle, Hunter brand. Majority of the beneficiaries were religious leaders as well as chief Imams of some selected Jumu'at mosques in the constituency.

The projects was actually implemented in Gwiwa area in neighboring Sokoto state. This was due to the fact that the contractor insisted on not going into the constituency to deliver the bikes due to the volatility of the security situation in the region at as that time. Thus, the beneficiaries traveled to Sokoto in order to receive the motorcycles.



Sensitization and Empowerment on Motorcycles in Bakura/Maradun Federal Constituency

N30m

Executed

Our field assessors tracked the implementation of this project on 11th of June, 2022. The total number of beneficiaries as well as total number of motorcycles procured were not known as at the time of filing this report.

However, from assessments conducted, it was understood that it was a gratification gesture to the mostly the lawmakers' media boys ahead of the general elections which are just around the corner. It is difficult to establish an impact assessment for this kind of project.



Grants for Youth and Women in Bakura/Maradun Federal Constituency



Bakura/Maradun Federal Constituency

N70m

Executed

This project was implemented ahead of the general elections on 19th November, 2022. A total of 1, 000 people drawn from the two local governments benefitted from the project with each receiving N20,000. The project title indicates that the funds are grants but our field assessors could not ascertain the nature of the grant and what qualifies the beneficiaries to access it.

The beneficiaries were not selected and mapped with respect to any business or skill and thus, the money they received was just a campaign tool to influence voting with elections just around the corner.

With this, the impact of the project can not be effectively established because there is no specificity attached to the grants and thus, it is impossible to have a clue what the funds will be used for by the beneficiaries.





Additional notes on findings from the tracking of implementation in this constituency

All the three projects nominated to be implemented in this constituency are empowerment based projects. The beneficiaries of these projects were targeted without any prior criteria to qualify them for the empowerment. Even the distribution of grants of N20, 000 each to youth and women is without impact and thus, the purpose of the grant cannot be established.

It is fair to say that politics of gratification played a role here as most of the beneficiaries are his loyalists, cronies and media guys. Thus, the impact of the implementation of the projects nominated in this constituency cannot be fully established.

ANKA/MAFARA FEDERAL CONSTITUENCY

Hon. Kabiru Yahaya



04

**Projects
Nominated**

03

Executed

100%
**Empowerment
Projects**

01

Unexecuted

0%
Capital Projects

Training on skill acquisition in Anka/Mafara Federal Constituency



Anka/Mafara Federal Constituency

N30m

Executed

The program was implemented from the 23rd to 25th of November, 2022.. Women are the main target of this project as 200 poor women enlisted from within the constituency were trained on local soap making techniques. The project ran for two (2) days and a female resource person anchored the project.

For practical purposes, all the requisite ingredients needed to produce the products were procured and exhausted for this purpose. the project was actually implemented in the premises of the house of the lawmaker in Mafara Local Government instead of hiring a hall, as duly written on the project flyer.

On the final day of the training, all the women beneficiaries received a certificate of participation and a startup capital of N30, 000 to facilitate their application of training into business.

On the side of impact assessment, the project is targeted at empowering local women to be self-reliant which is needed because the constituency is one of the poorest areas of the state. However, it is also not known whether there is any plan for evaluation and monitoring in order to ascertain the progress or challenges from the delivery of this project.



Supply of Motorcycles to Anka/Mafara Federal Constituency

N21m

Executed

This program was implemented on the 1st of August, 2022 in Mafara and lasted for just 1 day. A total of 25 motorcycles were procured for distribution to a total of 25 beneficiaries from the constituency.

However, from assessments conducted, it was understood that it was a gratification gesture to mostly the lawmakers' media boys ahead of the general elections which are just around the corner. It is difficult to establish an impact assessment for this kind of project.



Supply of Motorcycles to Anka/Mafara Federal Constituency

N30m

Not Executed

The field assessors went round the constituency for proof of execution of this project but all responses were negative as constituents could not establish a case for its execution.

Purchase of fairly used Hilux to Anka/Mafara Federal Constituency

N40m

Executed In a different way

The field assessors went round the constituency for proof of execution of this project but all responses were negative as constituents could not establish a case for its execution. However, a further investigation revealed that the project was actually repurposed away from the initial specifications.

Instead of a Hilux pick up van that was nominated, a bus was actually procured instead and assigned to an orphanage where it will be used in transporting the orphans to and for their school as well as other engagements. Why this change in project specification as well as the initial purpose of use of the vehicle is not known as at the time of filing this report.





Additional notes on findings from the tracking of implementation in this constituency

All the four projects nominated to be implemented in this constituency are empowerment-based projects. The mode of selection of beneficiaries for empowerment training was based on identification by a committee the lawmaker formed to identify, select and draft in beneficiaries. Also, during implementation of the training exercise, the personal apartment of the lawmaker was used as venue for the training with rented canopies and all. This is in contradiction with the venue that is captured in the project implementation documents where a hall was scheduled to house beneficiaries for the training.

Another issue is the repurposing of an entire project into a different project. A Toyoya Hilux pick-up truck nominated for N40m was jettisoned for a Mini Bus which could barely cost half of the nominated project. Furthermore, one out of the 4 projects nominated was not implemented. In fact, there was duplicity of the same project and perhaps, since one had been done, that contributed to outlook that it has been done while in the real sense, they are two separate projects with separate funds for their respective implementation.

GUMMI/BUKKUYUM FEDERAL CONSTITUENCY

Hon. Sulaiman Abubakar



03

**Projects
Nominated**

02

Executed

100%

**Empowerment
Projects**

01

Unexecuted

0%

Capital Projects

Supply of constituency utility vehicle in Gummi/Bukkuyum Federal Constituency.

 Gummi/Bukkuyum
Federal Constituency

N23m

Not executed

The field assessors went round the constituency for proof of execution of this project but all responses were negative as constituents could not establish a case for its execution.

Training and empowerment of Women & Youth in Gummi/Bukkuyum Federal Constituency.

 Gummi/Bukkuyum
Federal Constituency

N50m

Executed

This project was executed on the 25th October, 2022. The target of this project were the internally displaced persons in the constituency whose total number could not be verified as at the time of this report. They were trained on how to make vaseline and liquid detergent and at the end, N10,000 was distributed to each beneficiary.

Taking into cognizance the target audience for this intervention are victims of violence that have lost virtually everything, this intervention if sustained can go a long way towards providing means of livelihood. However, is not known whether there is any monitoring and evaluation framework in place to track and monitor impact in the short to medium term.



Training and empowerment of Women & Youth in Gummi/Bukkuyum Federal Constituency.

N48m

Executed

This project was a training exercise for 21 beneficiaries of a block of shop constructed by the lawmaker as an empowerment intervention for youths with interest in the barbing business. these 21 blocks of shops were built across the constituency, one for each ward.

The beneficiaries of the shops were then trained on barbing skills for a day. After the training, each of them was given barbing kits which were all solar powered and rechargeable to mitigate the issue of power shortage. The kits included a barbing clipper, rechargeable fan, mirror and a charging brick

In terms of impact assessment, this is laudable because it will go a long way to address youth unemployment and social vices. However, it is not known whether there is any plan for evaluation and monitoring in order to ascertain the progress or challenges from the delivery of this project





Additional notes on findings from the tracking of implementation in this constituency

All the three (3) projects nominated to be implemented in this constituency are empowerment-based projects. The mode of selection of beneficiaries for empowerment and training was opaque and difficult to identify. The project to procure a constituency vehicle has not been executed because field assessors cannot find any trace after very exhaustive efforts. The reason to procure a constituency vehicle cannot be established and also in terms of usage and sustainability, the real beneficiaries of this project cannot be determined as well as who shoulders the recurrent needs of maintenance.

On the last project on barbing saloon, it is worthy of noting that no lawmaker has ever embarked on such kind of intervention on that scale having to construct shops, train beneficiaries and also giving them starter kits. This will go a long way in making the beneficiaries dependent on themselves and economically empowered.

KAURA/BIRNIN MAGAJI FEDERAL CONSTITUENCY

Hon. Umar Dan Galadima



03

**Projects
Nominated**

03
Executed

100%
**Empowerment
Projects**

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Unexecuted

0%
Capital Projects

Supply of empowerment materials for youths & Women in Kaura/Birin Magaji Federal Constituency.

N41m

Executed

This project was implemented on the 6th of March, 2022 at the premises of the personal residence of the lawmaker in Igala Quarters, Sokoto Bye pass, Gusau, Zamfara State. In total, 240 beneficiaries were targeted to be recipients of the supplies.

The beneficiaries were enlisted from the 21 wards in the constituency but as a usual trend in the implementation of this kind of project, majority of the beneficiaries are the lawmaker's political associates, media boys and other loyalists. Only a small portion of the lot were outside this pool.

About five (5) different items were supplied for distribution. they included: Fifty (50) motorcycles of different brands; Fifty (50) Chest Freezers; Fifty (50) Sewing machines; Fifty (50) Grinding machines and Twenty (20) Gasoline-powered Electric Generators.

It is easily understood that it was a gratification gesture to mostly the lawmakers' loyalists ahead of the general elections which are just around the corner. It is difficult to establish an impact assessment for this kind of project.



Skill Acquisition Training For Youths & Women in Kaura/Birin Magaji Federal Constituency.

N40m

Executed

Our field assessors tracked the implementation status of this project and reported that it has been executed. Implementation started in the vicinity of the Federal Polytechnic, Kaura Namoda on the 12th September 2022. It was originally designed to last for five (5) days, terminating on the 16th of September, 2022, it only actually held for two (2) days, finishing on the 13th September, 2022.

A total of 150 youths and women sourced from the twenty-one (21) wards of the constituency were trained on local skills for making daily consumables like Vaseline, Air freshener, Perfume and liquid soaps. A transport refund allowance of N2,000 daily was given to each trainee beneficiary

At the end of the training, N20, 000 was given as startup support to all beneficiaries but only a fraction of beneficiaries got starter kits based on what they were trained on. In terms of impact assessment, it is not known whether there is any plan for evaluation and monitoring in order to ascertain the progress or challenges from the delivery of this project.



Training on agribusiness For Youths & Women in Kaura/Birin Magaji Federal Constituency.

N40m Executed

Our field assessors tracked the implementation status of this project and reported that it has been executed. Implementation started on the 12th September 2022 and even though it was originally designed to last for five (5) days, terminating on the 16th of September, 2022, it only actually held for two (2) days, from the 12th to 13th in the halls of the Federal Polytechnic, Kaura Namoda. This project was implemented on the same day with the previous project on skill acquisition and the same venue was utilized as well.

A total of 140 youths and women sourced from the twenty-one (21) wards of the constituency were trained on small scale agro-allied business with emphasis on goat rearing, Poultry business and fish farming. A transport refund allowance of N2,000 daily was given to each trainee beneficiary

At the end of the training, N20,000 was given as startup support to all beneficiaries but no beneficiaries got starter kits based on what they were trained on. Moreover, it is not known whether there is any plan for evaluation and monitoring in order to ascertain the progress or challenges from the delivery of this project





Additional notes on findings from the tracking of implementation in this constituency

All the three (3) projects nominated to be implemented in this constituency are empowerment-based projects. The mode of selection of beneficiaries for empowerment and training was opaque and difficult to identify. However, further examination revealed that party officials and other opinion leaders all have inputs in beneficiary identification.

Also, during implementation of the training exercise, the personal apartment of the lawmaker was used as venue for the housing and sorting of the empowerment materials. Also, it served as the collection point where all the beneficiaries trooped to for their share. Whether that was the venue captured originally could not be identified because the venue was concealed and not clearly specified on the project banner.

Another issue is that after the training, beneficiaries were told they are received startup kits with grants to support their uptake but that was not the case. For the skill acquisition exercise, all received grants but only a fraction received startup kits. While for training on agribusiness, all received grants but none received any startup kits.

The main issue generally with empowerment interventions is the lack of follow up to ensure those that benefitted have actually put to good use, the support they received. the lack of this mechanism makes it difficult to establish an impact assessment.

SHINKAFI/ZURMI FEDERAL CONSTITUENCY

Hon. Bello Hassan



03

**Projects
Nominated**

03

Executed

100%

**Empowerment
Projects**

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Unexecuted

0%

Capital Projects

Supply of customized exercise books to primary and secondary schools in Shinkafi/Zurmi Federal Constituency.



Shinkafi/Zurmi Federal Constituency

N40m

Executed

This project was implemented on the 10th of July, 2022. 40 leaves exercise books that are branded with the lawmaker's insignia on them were distributed to different primary and secondary schools in the constituency. The total number of books distributed as well as the total number of beneficiary schools could not be ascertained.



Supply of Bicycles to students in Shinkafi/Zurmi Federal Constituency.

N40m

Executed

The project was implemented on Saturday, the 17th of June, 2023 at Kasuwa Kura Area, Zurmi Local Government. A total of One Hundred and Ten (110) bicycles were procured for the execution of this project. As per selection of beneficiaries, Ten (10) students/pupils were sourced from the Eleven (11) wards of Zurmi Local Government. Eight (8) beneficiaries were nominated by each ward Chairman, and Two (2) other beneficiaries by the lawmaker's respective ward coordinators.

From our assessment, we were able to establish that the beneficiaries of the intervention were accustomed to long arduous treks to their respective schools and thus, this intervention will ameliorate this hardship and empower their resolve to continue schooling.



Supply of customized exercise books to primary and secondary schools in Shinkafi/Zurmi Federal Constituency.



Shinkafi/Zurmi Federal Constituency

N40m

Executed

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Additional notes on findings from the tracking of implementation in this constituency

All the three (3) projects nominated to be implemented in this constituency are empowerment-based projects. Two (2) projects among them were actually executed at the same time and date: The exercise books as well as the text books were distributed at the same time. What was not established was the mode of selection of beneficiary schools for the educational support.

For the supply of bicycles, there was a clear formula for the sourcing and drafting of beneficiary students and those who actually need it were targeted which will add weight to the overall impact of the intervention.

ZAMFARA NORTH SENATORIAL ZONE

Sen. Sahabi Ya'u



02

**Projects
Nominated**

02

Executed

0%

**Empowerment
Projects**

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Unexecuted

100%

Capital Projects

Construction of solar powered boreholes in various location in Kaura, Birnin Magaji, Shinkafi & Zurmi LGAs of Zamfara North Senatorial zone.

N100m Executed

The implementation of this project began on the 16th of October, 2022 across all the four (4) local governments in this senatorial district. According to the document of locations to benefit from the intervention which our field assessors were able to sight,

Kaura Namoda Local Government benefitted with two of the solar powered boreholes with one each in Katsaura and Bakkyare wards respectively. Shinkafi Local Government also received two (2) of the wells, one in Katuru Galadi Ward and Alkalawa ward respectively. Zurmi and Birnin Magaji Local Governments only were allotted one each, constructed in the General Hospital, Zurmi and Nasarawa Godal in Birnin Magaji LGAs respectively.

Our team of field assessors conducted a basic quality assessment of the project and it was up to standard with a solid structure and connecting materials. The benefitting wards have a perennial problem of shortage of portable water and this intervention goes a long way to addressing this problem. However, it is not known whether a service and repair system are put in place to sustain the project



Construction of hand-pump boreholes in various location in Kaura, Birnin Magaji, Shinkafi & Zurmi LGAs of Zamfara North Senatorial zone.



Zamfara North Senatorial Zone

N100m Executed

The implementation of this project began on the 8th of December, 2022 across all the four (4) local governments in this senatorial district. According to the document of locations to benefit from the intervention which our field assessors were able to sight, a total of Twenty-One (21) hand-pumped boreholes were constructed across the constituency.

Kaura Namoda Local Government got Seven (7) wells located in Tukasu, Gatsaura, Gabaken Mesa, Gabaken Danmaliki, Gegeta, Maguru and Yarima Quarters. Shinkafi Local Government received Five (5) of the wells located in Jageru, Mibiraya, Kagara, Ajiyawa and Kware areas. Zurmi also Five (5) wells in Kabaga, Sabon Fegi, Gidan Zango, Gwargway G/Galadima and Yarkofa bakin Masallaci. While Birnin Magaji got the least with Four (4) wells constructed in Tsamiyar Dutse Bakin Masallaci, Birbit, Gidan Dan jumma and Shiyar Gidan M.AHaruna

Our team of field assessors conducted a basic quality assessment of the project and it was up to standard with a good depth of well. The benefitting wards have a perennial problem of shortage of portable water and this intervention goes a long way towards addressing this problem. However, it is not known whether a service and repair system is put in place to sustain the project





Additional notes on findings from the tracking of implementation in this constituency

This lawmaker's nominations have over the years been nominating capital projects that have a long-lasting impact on the communities impacted. This year alone, all two (2) of his nominations are capital projects which is commendable. From our interactions, we were able to sight the document detailing all the wards that benefitted from the intervention which is rare taking into cognisance how other lawmakers do not make critical information regarding project implementation public which makes it hard for field assessors to effectively track implementation all step of the way.

In terms of impact assessment, water is life they say and all eh communities who were targeted for this intervention have perennial problem of water shortage. Some communities rely on a river for their water which is unhealthy. So this intervention is highly impactful and addresses a realtime problem for thousands of households.

ZAMFARA CENTRAL SENATORIAL ZONE

Sen. Muhammad Hassan



02

**Projects
Nominated**

02
Executed

100%
**Empowerment
Projects**

00
Unexecuted

0%
Capital Projects

Skills acquisition training for Youths & Women in Zamfara Central Senatorial zone.



Zamfara Central Senatorial Zone

N140m Executed

This project was implemented from the 15th of May 2023 to the 18th of May, 2023. A total of 60 beneficiaries were selected from across the four (4) Local Governments that make up the senatorial zone. The beneficiaries were trained on skills for barbing and hair saloon. The modalities adopted for sourcing the beneficiaries cannot be ascertained as at the time of filing this report.

The beneficiaries were trained for two days and on the third and final day, all the beneficiaries received start-up kits. The females received a pack each comprising of an electric hair dryer, combs, a bottle of shampoo and hair oil while their male counterparts received a clipper pack and a set of combs. A certificate of participation in the training was later issued to all beneficiaries.



Training and Empowerment of Youths & Women in Zamfara Central Senatorial zone.



Zamfara Central Senatorial Zone

N100m Executed

This project was implemented on the 16th of May 2023 at the premises of Ja'iz Hotel, Gusau. Beneficiaries sourced from across the four (4) Local Governments that make up the senatorial zone were given cash grants only.

.Our field assessors could establish that there was hierarchy in terms of amount shared as it was not uniform. Some got N10,000, some N20,000 and the highest was N50,000. The reason for this profiling was not clear. However, it was realized that familiarity with the lawmaker or his cronies played a significant role in determining which of the grant categories beneficiaries were placed in.

Moreover, the project title indicates that the funds are grants but our field assessors could not ascertain the nature of the grant and what qualifies the beneficiaries to access it. The beneficiaries were not selected and mapped with respect to any business or skill and thus, the money they received was just a gratification gesture.

The impact of this project cannot be effectively established because there is no specificity attached to the grants and thus, it is impossible to have a clue what the funds will be used for by the beneficiaries.





Additional notes on findings from the tracking of implementation in this constituency

The lawmaker representing this senatorial zone forfeited his seat to fill the vacant seat of the deputy Governor in the state after the impeachment of the elected one. Prior to him leaving, he had already nominated the projects for his zone. After he left, there were genuine concern as to who was responsible for the implementation of the project since the lawmaker was no longer in the chamber. After much doubts, the same lawmaker put in some effort by ensuring that the funds meant for the implementation of the project were released and with that came some changes in the projects' implementation. In the original documents, the Agency slated to implement the projects was the Public Service Institute of Nigeria but they were eventually implemented by Federal Ministry of Science and Technology.

Also, both projects included some sort of training exercise but only one of them conducted training. the last one was in the form of grants distribution because there was no prior training conducted. In the end, the same lawmaker who vacated his seat to become the deputy Governor was the same person who implemented the project, a year after he left. Whether this is normal is up for the debate.

ZAMFARA WEST SENATORIAL ZONE

Sen. Lawali Hassan



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Projects
Nominated

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Executed

100%

Soft Projects

06

Unexecuted

0%

Hard Projects

Film grants for Youths & Women in Anka Local Government of Zamfara West



N50m

Not Executed

The field assessors went round the constituency for proof of execution of this project but all responses were negative as constituents could not establish a case for its execution.

Film grants for Youths & Women in Mafara Local Government of Zamfara West



N50m

Not Executed

The field assessors went round the constituency for proof of execution of this project but all responses were negative as constituents could not establish a case for its execution.

Film grants for Youths & Women in Gummi Local Government of Zamfara West



N50m

Not Executed

The field assessors went round the constituency for proof of execution of this project but all responses were negative as constituents could not establish a case for its execution.

Film grants for Youths & Women in Bukuyyum Local Government of Zamfara West



N50m

Not Executed

The field assessors went round the constituency for proof of execution of this project but all responses were negative as constituents could not establish a case for its execution.

Film grants for Youths & Women in Maradun Local Government of Zamfara West



N50m

Not Executed

The field assessors went round the constituency for proof of execution of this project but all responses were negative as constituents could not establish a case for its execution.

Film grants for Youths & Women in Bakura Local Government of Zamfara West



N50m

Not Executed

The field assessors went round the constituency for proof of execution of this project but all responses were negative as constituents could not establish a case for its execution.



Additional notes on findings from the tracking of implementation in this constituency

No project of this nature has been implemented throughout this senatorial zone and not for the first time. In 2020, similar scenario happened where the lawmaker failed to execute any of his nominated projects. In order to address this recurring trend, we seek to leverage on the FOI act in order to inquire directly from the implementing MDAs in order to get first hand data on status of funding as well as contractor for the projects. The outcome will give us valuable insights regarding budget releases for the projects which will inform our next step towards ensuring that we empower the constituents to demand accountability from the lawmaker.

METHODOLOGY

This looks at whether Citizens' Engagement avenues such as town hall meeting were used to engage citizens in the nomination process.



Any Civic engagement strategy utilized takes 1 point. its absence is an automatic 0.

This reviews the level of execution of all project Nominated by the respective law-makers.



$$\frac{\text{Executed Projects}}{\text{Total Number of Projects}}$$

Index C Looks at the project nomination and draws distinction between capital project and not so impactful Empowerment/Project



$$\frac{\text{Capital Projects Nominated}}{\text{Total Number of Projects}}$$

Lawmaker Performance on **Index A**

Index A looks whether Citizens' Engagement avenues such as town hall meeting were used to engage citizens in the nomination and execution process.

Lawmaker	Index A Rating
Sen. Muhammad Hassan	0
Sen. Sahabi Ya'u	0
Sen. Lawali Hassan	0
Hon. Kabiru Amadu	0
Hon. Shehu Ahmed	0
Hon. Umar Dangaladima	0
Hon. Ahmad Muhammad	0
Hon. Kabiru Yahaya	0
Hon. Sulaiman Abubakar Gummi	0
Hon. Bello Hassan Shinkafi	0

Lawmaker Performance on **Index B**

Index B assesses level of project completion. Lawmakers that rank higher on this index have a higher project completion rate.

Lawmaker	Index B Rating
Sen. Muhammad Hassan	1
Sen. Sahabi Ya'u	1
Hon. Shehu Ahmed	1
Hon. Umar Dangaladima	1
Hon. Ahmad Muhammad	1
Hon. Bello Hassan Shinkafi	1
Hon. Kabiru Yahaya	0.75
Hon. Kabiru Amadu	0.66
Hon. Sulaiman Abubakar Gummi	0.66
Sen. Lawali Hassan	0

Lawmaker Performance on **Index C**

Representatives with a higher ranking on Index C have prioritized capital projects in their nominations. While in contrast, those with lower ranking nominated projects that are not legacy based and whose real impact cannot be fully determined

Lawmaker	Index C Rating
Sen. Sahabi Ya'u	1
Hon. Shehu Ahmed	0.33
Sen. Muhammad Hassan	0
Hon. Umar Dangaladima	0
Hon. Ahmad Muhammad	0
Hon. Bello Hassan Shinkafi	0
Hon. Kabiru Yahaya	0
Hon. Sulaiman Abubakar Gummi	0
Hon. Kabiru Amadu	0
Sen. Lawali Hassan	0

2022 Zamfara Federal Lawmakers' Constituency Projects Performance index

Ranking	Lawmaker	Constituency	Commulative Index Score
1st	Sen. Sahabi Ya'u	Zamfara North Zone	2
2nd	Hon. Shehu Ahmed	Bungudu/Maru	1.33
3rd	Sen. Muhammad Hassan	Zamfara Central Zone	1
3rd	Hon. Umar Dangaladima	Kaura/Birnin Magaji	1
3rd	Hon. Ahmad Muhammad	Bakura/Maradun	1
3rd	Hon. Bello Hassan Shinkafi	Shinkafi/Zurmi	1
7th	Hon. Kabiru Yahaya	Anka/Mafara	0.75
8th	Hon. Kabiru Amadu	Gusau/Tsafe	0.66
8th	Hon. Sulaiman Abubakar	Gummi/Bukkuyum	0.66
10th	Sen. Lawali Hassan	Zamfara West	0

STATISTICAL BREAKDOWN



Total Amount Allotted

N1.52bn

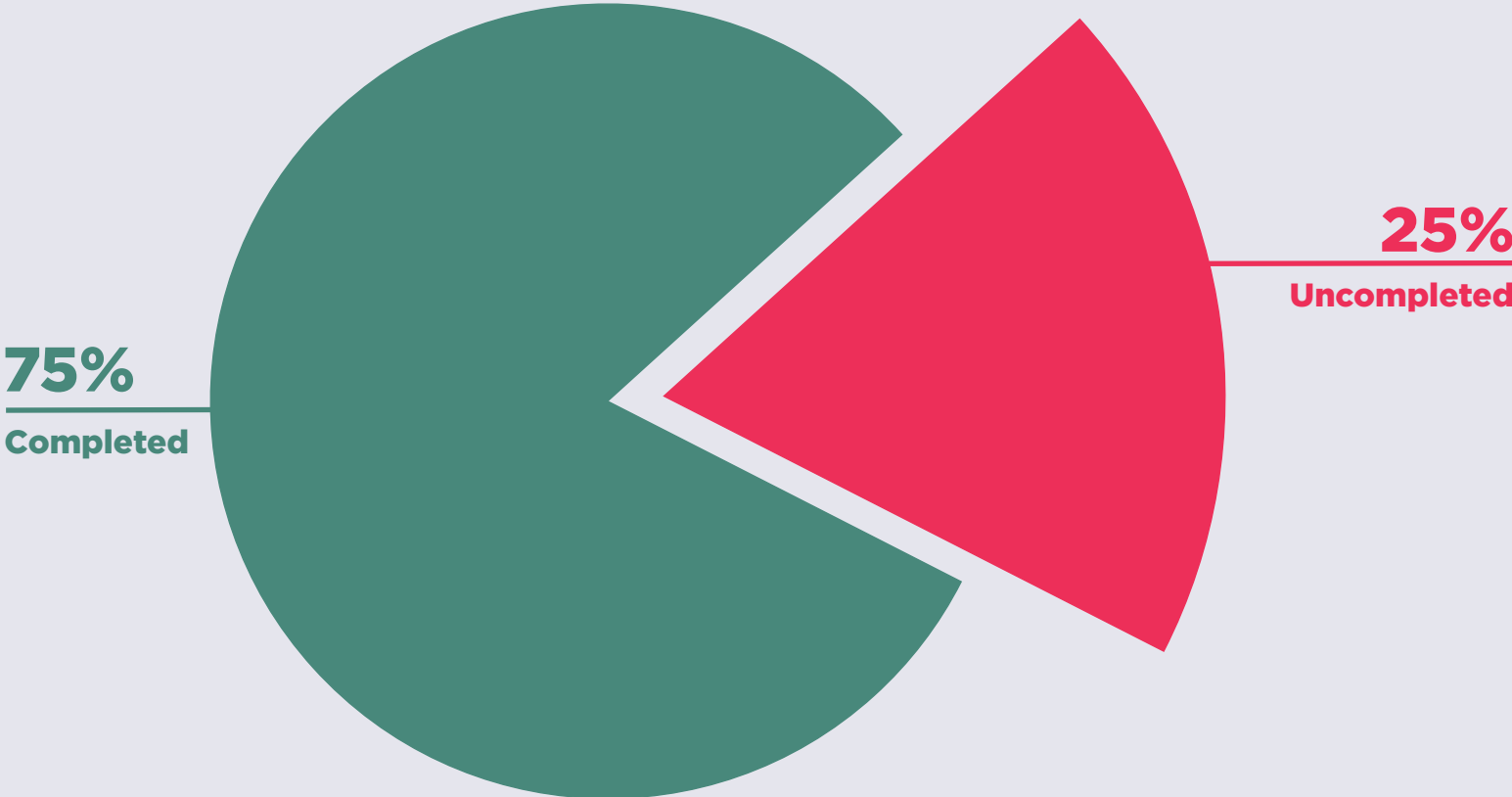
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Soft Projects

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Hard Projects

PERCENTAGE OF PROJECTS' COMPLETION





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