

PULLOUT OF WOMEN IN AGRICULTURE PROJECTS IN THE 2024 OYO STATE BUDGET



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INTRODUCTION

Budgets are crafted and approved for the objective of implementing policies and plans. Ultimately, the budget is meant to touch lives, improve livelihoods, promote a higher standard of living, grow the economy and enhance development. For this to happen, policy makers in the executive and legislature, citizens, businesses, households, communities and their organisations need to collaborate to prepare as well as to implement the budget. But the beginning point in implementation is citizen's access to information on what has been provided in the budget. Budget projects have designated beneficiaries and the proposed beneficiaries need to know the specific provisions and the qualifying criteria to become an actual beneficiary of public interventions.

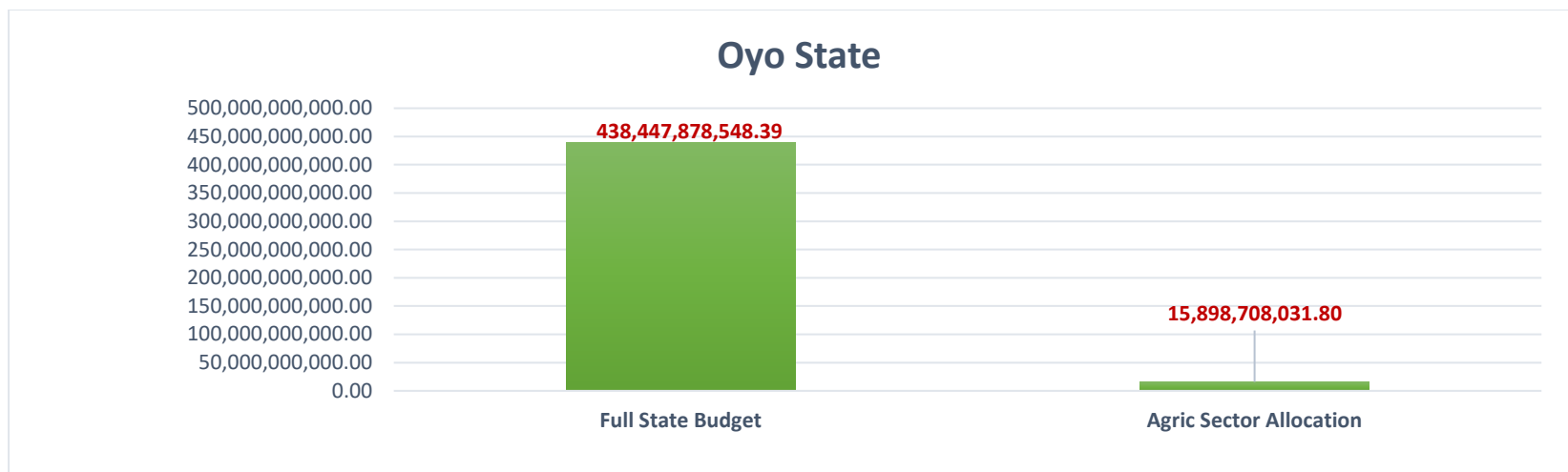
This Pull Out is produced to provide information to Small Scale Women Farmers of Nigeria (SWOFON) of provisions in the 2024 Oyo State Budget containing projects which may be of interest and of benefit to them. This Pull Out therefore serves a couple of purposes. Beyond providing information, it will assist women farmers to hold relevant MDAs to account for the expenditure of state resources. It is also an empowering tool, an advocacy tool based on empirical evidence that tells women farmers of the possibility of engaging MDAs at the budget preparation stage so that their voices can be heard in specific projects that will improve their productivity. It is a call for the full release and utilization of all budgetary allocations to activities specifically targeted at Small Scale Women Farmers.

Small Scale Women Farmers Organization in Nigeria (SWOFON) in collaboration with Centre for Social Justice (CSJ) and the SPARK II Project of the International Budget Partnership presents this Pull Out as a tool for strategic engagement of the 2024 Oyo State Agriculture Budget. The projects herein captured are pull outs from the state budget; they include select capital projects from the State Ministry of Agriculture and Natural Resources, Tree Crops Development Unit and Oyo State Agribusiness Development Agency.

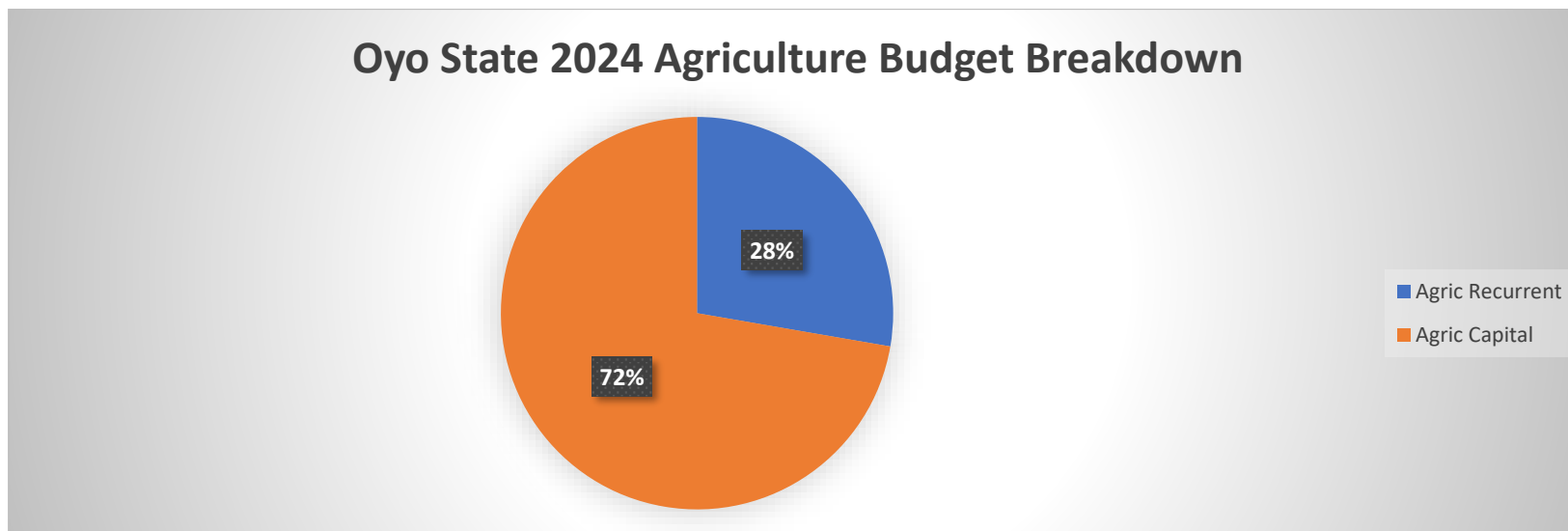
Oyo State 2024 Agriculture Budget Allocation

Location	Full State Budget (₦)	Agric Sector Allocation (₦)	Percentage (%) of Agric to State Budget	Agric Recurrent (₦)	Agric Capital (₦)
Oyo	438,447,878,548.39	15,898,708,031.80	3.63%	4,406,208,031.80	11,492,500,000.00

Source: Oyo State 2024 Approved Budget



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WOMEN IN AGRICULTURE PROJECTS IN THE 2024 OYO STATE BUDGET

This section is the crux of this project. It captures select projects that are of interest to smallholder women farmers. These projects are focal points of their engagement on the 2024 budget. The Capital Budget Pullout for Women in Agriculture, particularly for smallholder women farmers (SWOFON) by design is intended to identify and collate capital projects in the state budget that have potentials to impact their farming activities. It essentially captures projects which the women may have interest in and possibly benefit from. It also features some projects whose impact on the activities of the women farmers may be indirect. While majority of the projects are domiciled in core Agriculture MDAs, it also considered projects outside them for similar reasons.

The Oyo State Government allocated 3.63% of its 2024 budget to the Agriculture Sector. However, the projects pulled out from the state's 2024 budget are from MDAs within the Agriculture sector; including (1) The Ministry of Agriculture and Natural Resources; (2) Tree Crop Development Unit, and (3) Oyo State Agribusiness Development Agency.

MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND NATURAL RESOURCES					
PROGRAMME AND DESCRIPTION	CODE	PROJECT DESCRIPTION	ECONOMIC CODE AND DESCRIPTION	2024 APPROVED BUDGET	ENGAGEMENT FOCUS
01010224000800 Agriculture Coordination Mechanisms	- Sector	Purchase of Pest Control Equipment such as 10-Knapsac	23010127 - PURCHASE OF AGRICULTURAL EQUIPMENT	1,630,000.00	SWOFON should engage for gender friendly equipment and engagement for agricultural input.
01010224000900 Agriculture Coordination Mechanisms	- Sector	Purchase of Agricultural Inputs such as 180MT Granules	23010127 - PURCHASE OF AGRICULTURAL EQUIPMENT	82,350,000.00	SWOFON should engage for inputs that will benefit its members.
01010224002700 Agriculture Coordination Mechanisms	- Sector	Agro-Women Budget line & Empowerment of Women, Youth and PWDs in Partnership with DAWN Commission/LAPDO/US AID	23050109 - SPECIAL AND CROSS CUTTING PROJECT	30,000,000.00	SWOFON should first find out the full details of the project and fully engage for the benefit of its members.

01010224003100 - Agriculture Sector Coordination Mechanisms	Provision Made in The Budget for Promotion and Development of Agriprenuership from (i) Shea butter (ii) Bee-keeping (Apiculture); (iii) Locust beans	23050109 - SPECIAL AND CROSS CUTTING PROJECT	17,000,000.00	SWOFON should first find out the full details of the project and fully engage for the benefit of its members.
01010224002100 - Agriculture Sector Coordination Mechanisms	Repair and overhauling of 16-Tractors for THU (15=Nos)	23030112 - REHABILITATION / REPAIRS AGRICULTURAL FACILITIES	10,000,000.00	SWOFON's engagement should focus on ensuring that the repaired tractors are used by its members to reduce drudgery in farming.
01010224001300 - Agriculture Sector Coordination Mechanisms	Construction of Model Piggery & Rabbit Farms at RCDC Aawe	23020113 - CONSTRUCTION / PROVISION OF AGRICULTURAL FACILITIES	10,000,000.00	The engagement would be of benefit for its members in piggery and rabbit farming especially in the area of knowledge management.
01010224003400 - Agriculture Sector Coordination Mechanisms	Crop Type Multiplication	23050109 - SPECIAL AND CROSS CUTTING PROJECT	25,000,000.00	This will provide seeds, stems and inputs for SWOFON members.
01010224001000 - Agriculture Sector Coordination Mechanisms	Re-establishment of Farm Mechanization Training Center	23020113 - CONSTRUCTION / PROVISION OF AGRICULTURAL FACILITIES	10,000,000.00	This centre will provide training on farm mechanization and as such SWOFON should engage for the benefit of its members.
Sub Total			185,980,000.00	
TREE CROPS DEVELOPMENT UNIT				
01030324000700 - Farm inputs supply and service delivery system (improved seeds,	Production of Seedlings of Tree Crops	23050108 - PRODUCTION OF FARM SEEDLINGS	1,500,000.00	SWOFON should engage for access to tree crop seedlings or the engagement of its

fertilizer, agro-chemicals etc.)				members in the production of nurseries.
01030324000800 - Farm inputs supply and service delivery system (improved seeds, fertilizer, agro-chemicals etc.)	Production of Farm Seedling for the Farmers	23050108 - PRODUCTION OF FARM SEEDLINGS	150,000.00	The engagement is about inputs (seedlings for farmers including SWOFON members.
Sub Total			1,650,000.00	
OYO STATE AGRIBUSINESS DEVELOPMENT AGENCY				
02100124001800 - Societal Re-orientation - General	COVID 19 ACTION RECOVERY AND ECONOMIC STIMULUS (N-CARES SCHEME FOR FARMERS)	23050109 - SPECIAL AND CROSS CUTTING PROJECT	500,000,000.00	SWOFON should engage for access to the stimuli package for farmers. SWOFON should find out the full details of the scheme.
02100124001600 - Societal Re-orientation - General	SEED SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME FOR FARMERS IN THE STATE	23050108 - PRODUCTION OF FARM SEEDLINGS	250,000,000.00	The engagement is about inputs (seedlings for farmers including SWOFON members.
02100124002000 - Societal Re-orientation - General	TARGETTED LIVESTOCK PRODUCTION AND COMMERCIALISATION IN THE STATE	23050109 - SPECIAL AND CROSS CUTTING PROJECT	1,039,000,000.00	SWOFON should engage on behalf of its members in livestock production.
02100124002400 - Societal Re-orientation - General	OYO STATE AGRIBUSINESS AND GOVERNANCE PROGRAMME (INCENTIVES FOR FARMERS)	23050109 - SPECIAL AND CROSS CUTTING PROJECT	9,500,000.00	SWOFON should engage for incentives to its members under the program. SWOFON should find out the full details of the scheme.

02100124001100 - Societal Re-orientation - General	PURCHASE OF AGRICULTURAL EQUIPMENT (TRACTOR 1 IN NO)	23010127 - PURCHASE OF AGRICULTURAL EQUIPMENT	103,000,000.00	The engagement is for access to equipment for the reduction of drudgery in farming.
Sub Total			1,901,500,000.00	

SUMMARY OF FINDINGS FROM PULL-OUT

- 3.63 percent of the entire 2024 state budget was allocated to the agricultural sector.
- Out of the Agriculture sector's **N11,492,500,000** budgeted for capital expenditure, only a meagre **N30,000,000.00** representing 0.26% of these targeted women-specific projects.
- All the projects identified and pulled out from the state's 2024 budget are domiciled within the core Agriculture MDAs. Most of these come under purchase of Agricultural equipment and Special and Cross-cutting projects.
- Substantial sums of the sector's allocation were assigned to procurement of equipment, empowerment and construction/ rehabilitation.
- There are opportunities for engagement on these projects and such engagement fall under at least one of the following target areas of the IBP SPARK II project;
 - Government prioritizes timely release of funds for critical agricultural inputs and gender friendly equipment for smallholder women farmers (*Campaign actions and strategic engagements for systems change*). – Result Area 2
 - Increased participation of SWOFON/ Agency groups in Agricultural budget decision making, implementation and oversight processes (*Strategic engagements to shift PFM system*). – Result Area 3

RECOMMENDATIONS

- ✓ SWOFON should engage towards influencing an increase in the budgetary allocation to the sector and more particularly canvas for allocations for women-specific projects. This can be achieved by strategic engagement at the various stages of the budget cycle.
- ✓ SWOFON to track and follow up on key projects of interest so as to benefit from its implementation. A key step to this is to identify the specific MDA where the project(s) is domiciled and follow them through.
- ✓ SWOFON should leverage provision for empowerment to boost the farm businesses.
- ✓ SWOFON should get the full details of projects without specificity.