

PULLOUT OF WOMEN IN AGRICULTURE PROJECTS IN THE 2025 ABIA 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 for 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 2025 Abia 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 implementation of the 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 International Budget Partnership presents this Pull Out as a tool for strategic engagement of the 2025 Abia State Agriculture Budget.

MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE				
Programme Code	Project Description	Economic Code & Description	2025 Approved Budget (₦)	Suggested SWOFON Engagement
01030123000100	Raising of 2M genetically Improved Tenera specie Oil Palm Seed	23010127 - Purchase of Agricultural Equipment	75,000,000.00	Mobilize women farmers engaged in oil palm cultivation to apply as beneficiaries for the improved seeds.
01030123000200	Raising of 1M Improved F3 Amazen Cocoa Seedling	23020113 - Construction/Provision of Agricultural Facilities	115,000,000.00	Mobilize women farmers engaged in cocoa cultivation to apply as beneficiaries for the improved seeds
01030223000100	Raising of 40,000 Indigenous Fruit Trees	23020113 - Construction/Provision of Agricultural Facilities	25,000,000.00	Mobilize women farmers engaged in Indigenous Fruit Trees cultivation to apply as beneficiaries for the improved trees.
01030222000100	Liberation Farm for 17 LGAs/Agric Transformation	23020113 - Construction/Provision of Agricultural Facilities	255,000,000.00	Engage for Women farmers/cooperative groups to benefit from the Liberation Farms.
01030323000100	Procurement of NPK and Urea fertilizer for Farmers	23010127 - Purchase of Agricultural Equipment	300,000,000.00	Facilitate access to subsidized fertilizer for women farmers.
01020323000100	Pig Breed Improvement and Production at Okoko Item	23010127 - Purchase of Agricultural Equipment	60,000,000.00	Mobilize women farmers at Okoko Item as possible participants in the project.
01020323000200	Poultry Cluster in Abia North and South Senatorial Zones	23020113 - Construction/Provision of Agricultural Facilities	70,000,000.00	Organize women poultry farmers in the zones to benefit from the facilities.

01020523000100	Cattle Control Post Construction	23020113 - Construction/Provision of Agricultural Facilities	50,000,000.00	Women extension agents can support awareness on control practices
01020323000300	Rehabilitation and Stocking of Poultry Farm	23030112 - Rehabilitation / Repairs - Agric Facilities	170,000,000.00	SWOFON members who run poultry farms should benefit from the stocking exercise.
01030123000300	Expansion of Oyster Mushroom Farm	23010127 - Purchase of Agricultural Equipment	160,000,000.00	Women farmers can participate as beneficiaries of the extension project.
01100124000100	Capacity Building on Nutrition Smart Agric & Biofortified Crops	23050101 - Research and Development	38,000,000.00	An opportunity for enhancement of capacity.
01100123000700	Rehabilitation and stocking fish pond at Ministry HQ	23030112 - Rehabilitation / Repairs - Agric Facilities	21,000,000.00	Monitor project implementation.
01010222000100	Farmers & Cooperatives Database & Analysis	23050103 - Monitoring and Evaluation	105,000,000.00	Ensure SWOFON members are adequately captured in the database
01100123001000	Rehabilitation and expansion of Abia Rubber Estate at Amaeke and Ndi Oji Abam	23030112 - REHABILITATION/ REPAIRS - AGRICULTURAL FACILITIES	125,000,000.00	Mobilize women farmers for rubber cultivation and estate management.
01100124000700	Rehabilitation and expansion of Abia Cocoa Estate at Agbaozu	23030112 - REHABILITATION/ REPAIRS - AGRICULTURAL FACILITIES	60,000,000.00	Monitor project implementation.

01100124000800	Rehabilitation of Abia Cashew Estate at Umunneochi	23030112 REHABILITATION/ REPAIRS AGRICULTURAL FACILITIES	- -	40,000,000.00	Monitor project implementation.
01100123001100	Provision of Requisite Meat Inspection and Surveillance Equipment	23010127 PURCHASE OF AGRICULTURAL EQUIPMENT	- OF	4,000,000.00	Monitor project implementation
01100124000900	Procurement of Anthrax Spore and Antirabies Vaccines for Mass Vaccination	23010127 PURCHASE OF AGRICULTURAL EQUIPMENT	- OF	313,139,100.00	Ensure that animals of SWOFON members are vaccinated. .
01100124001000	Establish an Integrated Sophisticated Modular Feed Meal Green Abia Poultry Feed	23020113 CONSTRUCTION/ PROVISION OF AGRICULTURAL FACILITIES	- OF	110,000,000.00	Engage early for women farmers/entrepreneurs to get allocations or to serve as poultry feed distributors.
01100124001100	Revamping of Ogwe/Nsulu Poultry Cluster	23030112 REHABILITATION/ REPAIRS AGRICULTURAL FACILITIES	- -	310,000,000.00	Empower women in poultry farming, processing and cooperative management.
01100124001200	Special Agro-Industrial Processing Zones (Bende, Ukwu & Umunneochi)	23020113 CONSTRUCTION / PROVISION OF AGRICULTURAL FACILITIES	- / OF	4,400,000,000.00	Position SWOFON members for agro-processing cluster roles as processors, suppliers, etc..
01100124001300	Abia Livelihood Improvement Family	23020113 CONSTRUCTION / PROVISION OF	- / OF	94,000,000.00	Target direct support to women and youth

	Enterprise for Niger Delta (LIFE-ND) GCC	AGRICULTURAL FACILITIES		livelihood programs in the state.
01100125000100	Abia Participating in the ECOWAS Fund Accelerated Fish Production	23050101 - RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT	100,000,000.00	Provide inputs for women farmers; train others in fish farming, pond management and ECOWAS-linked production schemes.
01100125000200	Revolving Agric Loan Scheme to Farmers in the Civil Service	23050112 - SOCIAL WELFARE ACTIVITIES	50,000,000.00	Engage for inclusion of at least 35% women in the loan scheme.
01100125000300	Production of (10,000) Broilers for 4 Cycle in a Year (Ogwe Golden Chicken)	23010127 - PURCHASE OF AGRICULTURAL EQUIPMENT	100,000,000.00	Monitor project implementation and seek possible outsourcing role for women farmers.
01100125000400	Rehabilitation of Goat, Sheep Ranch at Abia Farm, Okoko Item	23010127 - PURCHASE OF AGRICULTURAL EQUIPMENT	150,000,000.00	Monitor project implementation.
01100125000500	Establishment of Commercial Palm Oil Processing Mill at Akaelu Amaedo Lohum	23010127 - PURCHASE OF AGRICULTURAL EQUIPMENT	120,000,000.00	Monitor project implementation and seek participation of women of the value chain of the palm oil processing mill.
01100125000700	Emergency Intervention on Prevention and Control of Animal Diseases Outbreak	23040103 - WILDLIFE CONSERVATION	50,000,000.00	Train women para-vets and mobilize local women for disease surveillance and reporting.
01100125000800	Cultivation of Special Cassava and Maize Variety in the 17 LGAs	23010140 - PURCHASE OF FARM	125,000,000.00	Engage women farmers in improved seed use and

		MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT		coordinate community demonstration farms.
01100125000900	Rehabilitation/Construction of Battery Cages and Raising of Birds in the HQ	23010127 - PURCHASE OF AGRICULTURAL EQUIPMENT	70,000,000.00	Monitor project implementation.
01100125001000	NUT.1.FNS Pro Vit A Cassava Stem Multiplication and Root Production Program	23010127 - PURCHASE OF AGRICULTURAL EQUIPMENT	255,000,000.00	Promote women participation in vitamin-A cassava production and nutrition campaigns.
01100125001100	Procurement of 30 Motorized Sprayers and Disease Control Equipment	23010127 - PURCHASE OF AGRICULTURAL EQUIPMENT	15,000,000.00	Train women in use of mechanized sprayers and safe pesticide application.
01100125001200	NUT.1.FNS Cultivation and Multiplication Fortified Maize Seedlings in 3 Zones	23010127 - PURCHASE OF AGRICULTURAL EQUIPMENT	160,000,000.00	Ensure small scale women farmers get allocations of the fortified maize seedlings. Promote women adoption of fortified maize farming and seed multiplication cooperatives.
01100125001300	NUT.2.CP Rehabilitation, Expansion and Equipping of Creche in MOA	23020101 - CONSTRUCTION/ PROVISION OF OFFICE BUILDINGS	100,000,000.00	Monitor project implementation. Ensure crèche facilities support women staff.
01100125006500	Raising of Special Cattle Breed in the State	23050112 - SOCIAL WELFARE ACTIVITIES	200,000,000.00	Train women in cattle rearing techniques, provide access to veterinary support, and

				promote inclusion in state livestock initiatives.
ABIA AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM				
Programme Code	Project Description	Economic Code and Description	2025 Approved Budget (₦)	Suggested SWOFON Engagement
01100125007000	Purchase of 3 Nos Deep freezer for Women in Agriculture	23010127 - Purchase of Agricultural Equipment	2,000,000.00	Directly beneficial – request for equitable distribution
01100125007400	Establishment of Automated Solar Dryers in the 17 LGAs	23010127 - Purchase of Agricultural Equipment	170,000,000.00	Sensitise women-farmers to take advantage of the solar dryers to reduce post- harvest losses.
01100125006900	Production of Agricultural Extension bulletin	23050111 - Publications/Publicity	2,054,000.00	Sensitize women farmers to use the bulletin to update their farming knowledge.
01100125007100	Establishment of farmer radio station	23050111 - Publications/Publicity	50,000,000.00	Monitor project implementation and listen to the radio when established.
01100125007200	Village Listing Survey (Sustainable Farmers Data base)	23050103 - Monitoring and Evaluation	35,000,000.00	Ensure SWOFON members are captured in the farmer database
MINISTRY OF YOUTHS AND SPORTS DEVELOPMENT				
Programme Code	Project Description	Economic Code & Description	2025 Approved Budget (₦)	Suggested SWOFON Engagement
08100124000700	Youth - General Training of 200 Abia Youth on Agriculture Value Chain	23050108 - Capacity Building	20,000,000.00	Ensure that young women farmers benefit from the training.



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