



**JIGAWA STATE INVESTMENT
PROMOTION AGENCY
(INVESTJIGAWA)**

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NATIONAL ANTHEM

Arise, O compatriots, Nigeria's call obey
To serve our fatherland
With love and strength and faith
The labour of our heroes past
Shall never be in vain
To serve with heart and might
One nation bound in freedom, peace and unity.

Oh God of creation, direct our noble cause
Guide our leaders right
Help our youth the truth to know
In love and honesty to grow
And living just and true
Great lofty heights attain
To build a nation where peace and justice shall
reign

NATIONAL PLEDGE

I pledge to Nigeria my Country
To be faithful, loyal and honest
To serve Nigeria with all my strength
To defend her unity
And uphold her honour and glory
So help me God.



**His Excellency Muhammadu Badaru Abubakar MON, mni
Executive Governor
Jigawa State**



**His Excellency Umar Namadi
Deputy Executive Governor
Jigawa State**

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1.0 2021 IN SUMMARY

Approx. 10 joint site inspections conducted with investors

Jigawa State ranked 3rd in the PEBC's Ease of Doing Business Subnational Baseline Survey of 2021 with 2nd highest score on the sub-indicator for Investment Promotion.

Small Claims court, business clinics and e-registration platforms established

Pro-Jigawa Investors' Roundtable held with 81 participants

24 aftercare visits to investors

Lease agreement signed with Caraway Africa Nig. Ltd. For 500 ha tomato project

Development of Gagarawa Industrial Park Commences. Sixteen MAN investors allocated attracted

5-year strategic plan developed and presented to Executive Council

About 120 meetings held with MDAs, stakeholders, investors and host communities, and other programmes

21 EoDB Steering Committee meetings, 7 Industrial Park Committee meetings, 4 Investment Appraisal Committee meeting and 3 Investment Intelligence Committee meetings held.

2.0 INVESTJIGAWA TEAM



Furera Isma Jumare
Director General



Jamilah Farouk
Secretary/Legal Adviser



Nafiu Halilu
Head of Investment Facilitation



Binta Yusuf Yawale
Director Admin. And Finance



Rabiu Usman
Snr. Tech. Asst. Stakeholder Mgt.



Ibrahim Mukhtar Baba
Accountant



Abubakar Musa
Tech. Asst. ICT



Usman Muhammad Saudi
Tech. Asst. Investor Relations



Amina Binyaminu Usman
Tech. Asst. Administration

3.0 DIRECTOR GENERAL'S REMARKS



In 2020 the outbreak of COVID 19 virus caused a pandemic across the globe. The world was in turmoil and practically shut down, with businesses closed and travel restricted. Growth in the world economy shrank by 3.5%. The immediate consequences were immense, with Foreign Direct Investments (FDI) projected to drop by thirty to forty percent in 2020/2021 as, according to Nigerian Investment Promotion Commission (NIPC, implementation of on-going projects slowed down, new investment decisions dropped and there was divestment In Nigeria, as in much of the world, there was disruption in trade and supply chains. A 2021

survey by the United National Development Programme and National Bureau of Statistics quoted one in three respondents as stating that they knew a business similar to theirs that had shut down due to COVID 19.

Notwithstanding the difficulties caused by the pandemic, its impact on the Nigerian economy and the expected disruption in FDI flow inwards, we at InvestJigawa continued our quest to attract and onboard more investors, in this case both FDI and domestic investments. Indeed, during the period a lease agreement was signed between Jigawa State Government and Caraway Nigeria Limited, an Olam Group company for a tomato project. By the end of the year, we were also near closure on some of our investors' proposals. In 2022 we intend to engage more potential investors through investment events and targeted outreach. We will also continue to work with stakeholder MDAs to ensure an enabling businesses environment.

Furera Isma Jumare

4.0 INTRODUCTION

In October 2013 Jigawa State Government created the Jigawa State Advisory Council on Economic Management and Investment Promotion. This transmuted into the Jigawa State Investment Promotion Agency (InvestJigawa) in 2016 with the enactment of the Investment Promotion Agency Law No.12, 2016. The Agency was established mainly for investment attraction and facilitation, and for the coordination of all investment promotion activities in the state.

4.1 Functions and Powers of the Agency

- (a) Advise and assist the Government on the implementation of all projects and programmes in the investment promotion roadmap of the State;
- (b) Advise and assist the government in creating an attractive and competitive climate for business that will lead to robust economic activities in the State;
- (c) Identify and advise the Government on the programmes and projects that will exploit the natural resources base of the State and create employment for the citizens of the state;
- (d) Source on behalf of the Government, finance for investment from multilateral and bilateral development partners as well as private investors – both domestic and foreign – through public/private partnership and other financial arrangements;
- (e) Assist the State in building capacity for investment project identification, evaluation, planning, execution and management;
- (f) Develop appropriate institutional and regulatory frameworks for investment promotion and facilitation in the State;
- (g) Advise and assist in the establishment of a framework for monitoring and evaluating the progress of the State's strategic economic investment programmes and projects for effective implementation;
- (h) Establish a framework for identifying and proactively engaging the Federal Government and its agencies in investment promotion drive of the State;
- (i) Articulate clear private sector growth strategies for providing needed support and appropriate incentives to grow the local and private sector and enlarge the economic base of the State;
- (j) Advise and assist the Government in developing and maintaining a comprehensive and reliable database on investment opportunities for effective planning especially in areas where the State has demonstrable comparative and competitive advantages;
- (k) Develop a database of reputable and potential investors both within and outside Nigeria with a view to reaching out to them when opportunities arise;
- (l) Conclude arrangements with any person or authority for the effective implementation of any programme or project and to enter into such other contracts as it may deem necessary to facilitate its functions under this law;
- (m) Publish and periodically revise data and information on the investment status of the State in order to assist prospective investors both domestic and foreign and also to evaluate State's potentials as an investment destination;
- (n) Plan and organise targeted and well-researched investment promotion activities including tours and road shows aimed at promoting specific investment projects in areas where the State has demonstrable comparative and competitive advantages;

- (o) Procure within its budgetary limit, any property or service it may require for the effective discharge of its function under this law and to dispose of any such property or terminate any such service;
- (p) Request the head of any ministry, department or agency of the Government to furnish it with any document, explanation or other information it may require for the due execution of its functions under this law;
- (q) Regulate its own proceedings;
- (r) Do such other things as are necessary and incidental, supplemental or conducive to its function under this law.

4.2 Services

- Provision of information about investment opportunities in key sectors.
- Investment advisory and facilitation.
- Incentives negotiation and facilitation.
- Negotiation of Public-Private Partnership agreements between the state government and private investors.
- Support in accessing land or other state government services.
- Facilitation of contractual arrangements between investors and local producers/suppliers.

4.3 Vision

That Jigawa State shall be the preferred investment destination in Nigeria.

4.4 Mission

To identify, promote and facilitate the exploitation of opportunities for private sector investments that will create jobs for and promote the prosperity and wellbeing of the citizens of Jigawa State.

InvestJigawa in delivering its mandate aims to foster an enabling environment that attracts private sector investments, especially climate-smart investments, and support their growth and impact on the State. From 1st January to 31st December 2021 the Agency embarked on activities that would achieve these objectives. The activities included investor targeting events, town hall meetings, stakeholder forums, aftercare visits to existing investors, as well as reaching out to potential investors and engaging with other stakeholders in both the public and private sectors.

Apart from fulfilling its core functions, InvestJigawa also had other ad hoc assignments that engaged the agency in 2021. Some of these assignments included its role as secretariat for the Ease of Doing Business (EoDB) Steering Committee and the Industrial Park Committee, as well as participation in quarterly meetings of the Infrastructure Concession Regulatory Commission (ICRC)'s Nigeria Public Private Partnership Network (NPPPN) and that of the Presidential Enabling Business Environment Council (PEBEC)'s EoDB Secretariat's Quarterly Meeting of State EoDB Reform Champions.

This report is presented in the following six sections: Agency Administration; Communication and Marketing; Advocacy and Stakeholder Management; Investor Relations; Ad Hoc Assignments and Achievements.

5.0 2021 ACTIVITIES

5.1 Agency Administration

For the first time since the establishment of InvestJigawa by law, a Director General (DG) was appointed in September 2020, in the person of Furera Isma Jumare. Having embarked on



courtesy visits to the emirs of Hadejia, Gumel, Kazaure, Ringim and Dutse, the DG and her team held stakeholder consultation forums with the organised private sector (OPS), state Ministries, Departments and Agencies (MDAs), as well as Federal MDAs and Development Agencies. Also, upon her resumption, there was the realisation that InvestJigawa needed to have an established organisation structure and fully manned departments.

Therefore, going into the first quarter of 2021, InvestJigawa began the development of its five-year strategic plan with the support of the UK Government Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office (FCDO) funded LINKS programme (FCDO-LINKS) from which the Agency was meant to develop its three-year rolling strategy, which is by law required of the Director General. Also, the development of a communication strategy, as well as the upgrading and updating of the Agency's website commenced during the period. By law InvestJigawa must engage external auditors to prepare its financial statements annually. However, this had not been done since the Agency was established in 2016. Therefore, external auditors were engaged to prepare the financial statements for 2017, 2018, 2019, and 2020 financial years.



In the third and fourth quarters of 2021 InvestJigawa concluded some of the activities that had commenced in the previous quarters. These included submission of a draft five-year



strategic plan to the State Executive Council, training of the Agency's staff under Microsoft Office Executive Master Class, and training by FCDO-LINKS on investment promotion and facilitation. FCDO-LINKS also supported InvestJigawa with the training of staff on developing an investment pipeline tracker. Towards the end of the year there were other training for staff to ensure effective service delivery, such as on Information and Communication Technology (ICT) by Kool-Tech Limited.

To boost its staff strength which was inadequate to deliver on its functions, the Agency recruited a Senior Technical Assistance to handle Stakeholder Management, as well as three Technical Assistants to support in administration, ICT and investor relations.



5.2 Communication and Marketing

In its effort to facilitate and ensure the implementation of an effective marketing strategy for investment attraction, on the 18th of March 2021 InvestJigawa conducted an investors' roundtable, titled **ProJigawa- the Investors' Roundtable** in Abuja, Nigeria's capital city. The aim of the event was to showcase the State's potentials in terms of investment opportunities and provide a platform for networking between investors and policy-makers. Eighty-one participants from the private sector, development Agencies, and federal and state government MDAs attended the forum. The highlights of the event were testimonies by existing investors in Jigawa State as to the conducive environment provided by the State government for businesses to thrive, and presentations by federal government agencies such as Nigerian Investment Promotion Commission (NIPC) and Nigerian Export Promotion Council (NEPC), availed investors present more insight into what Jigawa State had to offer. There was immediate positive feedback regarding the event and subsequent engagements with investors such as Caraway Africa Nigeria Ltd. that wanted to have more presence in Jigawa State. At the same time, to ramp up the Agency's social media activities, a capacity assessment was conducted and then training on social media handling and marketing communication.



To ensure a conducive business environment, from the second quarter of the year, InvestJigawa began intensive engagement with PEDEC's EoDB secretariat, state MDAs and other stakeholders. In June PEDEC released its 2021 Subnational EODB Baseline Survey Report, where Jigawa State ranked third amongst the thirty-six states and the FCT. Immediately after the report was released, InvestJigawa intensified meetings of the state's EoDB Steering Committee of which the Agency is the secretariat. This was to make sure implementation of recommendations from outcomes of the survey, would commence in earnest. Meetings were held with consultants on the development of effective e-registration platforms for the three MDAs; Ministry of Land, Housing, Urban Development and Regional Planning (MoLHUD&RP), Ministry of Commerce, Industry, Cooperatives and Tourism (MoCICT) and the Jigawa State Internal Revenue Service (JSIRS). For further support to the private sector the State Government also funded the development of Jigawa Chamber of Commerce, Industry, Mines and Agriculture (JICCIMA)'s e-registration platform.

In an effort to re-strategise and improve on its engagement with the public through the mainstream media, InvestJigawa held meetings with the management of Freedom Radio Dutse and Lawan Yakubu Babura, Director Multimedia, Ministry of Information, Youth, Sports, and Culture, on content development for media and publicity campaigns to be embarked upon by the Agency. By the third quarter, InvestJigawa had developed the **Invest in Jigawa** and Gagarawa Industrial Park brochures, which were used as marketing materials to showcase the opportunities in the state. The Agency also commenced a weekly thirty-minute radio programme, **Da Ruwan Ciki**, with Freedom Radio Dutse and Jigawa Radio.

InvestJigawa continued the radio programme **Da Ruwan Ciki** and sensitisation programmes with the two radio stations. Officers of JIRS, JICCIMA, Corporate Affairs Commission (CAC), MoCIC&T, Standards Organisation of Nigeria (SON), National Agency for Food and Drug Administration and Control (NAFDAC), and the Federal Inland Revenue Service (FIRS) were brought onto the programmes, as guests.

One of the Agency's responsibilities is the establishment of a data base of investors to avail them investment opportunities in Jigawa State, as well as planning and organising well-researched investment promotion activities. While there is an assortment of data and information about Jigawa State's priority sectors and opportunities, there is no one source of ready and up-to-date information for investors to make informed decisions regarding investing in the state. Towards the middle of the year the InvestJigawa team began planning research - a deep dive into each of the priority sectors, which would avail the public detailed information on potential areas for businesses and investors to key into, as well as other information on markets and export potentials. To develop the research proposal InvestJigawa partnered with a team from Federal University Dutse and two external consultants. The goal was to have the proposal approved for funding, to enable commencement of the research early in 2022. By the end of the year approval had not been obtained.

5.3 Advocacy and Stakeholder Engagement

Our work in InvestJigawa entails collaboration with federal and state MDAs. To ensure effective engagement with stakeholders and garner support for our planned activities for 2021 and subsequent years, these collaborations were intensified, with the following being convened regularly:

- Industrial Park Committee meetings;
- Reactivation of meetings of the Investment Appraisal Committee (IAC), of which InvestJigawa DG is the chairman) to work within the provisions of the Land Acquisition and Resettlement Framework (LARF). This committee ensures synergy and collaboration between relevant MDAs of the state when investors seek to enter Jigawa State, and as they establish their investments.
- Investment Intelligence Committee meetings; and
- Courtesy calls on, and consultation with some federal government MDAs, which during the year under review included Nigerians in Diaspora Commission (NIDCOM), Nigerian Import-Export Bank (NEXIM), Nigerian Investment Promotion Commission (NIPC) and Federal Ministry of Aviation.



In addition, regular engagement continued with our State MDA partners such as:

- MoLHUD&RP to facilitate the recommendations of the IAC regarding land to be allocated to investors whose projects had been reviewed;
- Ministry of Women Affairs and Social Development and Ministry of Justice on lease agreement with Tamala Exclusive Services for Dutse Ultra-Modern Children’s Playground;
- Ministry of Works and Transport on Gagarawa Industrial Park; and
- Galaxy Information Technology and Telecommunication (ITT) Ltd. to explore options for partnership to improve service provision. In that regard, DG InvestJigawa met in Abuja with Al-Yah Satellite Communications Company, investors that were interested in a PPP with Galaxy ITT.

The Agency was also busy with the following activities:

- InvestJigawa DG’s attendance at the quarterly meeting of States EoDB Reform Champions organised by PEBEC.
- Development of the Jigawa State Off-Grid Solar Policy. In this case, InvestJigawa led the development of the policy, coordinating all meetings of the technical committee established to develop the policy and liaising with the FCDO-funded Africa Clean Energy Technical Assistance Facility (ACE TAF), which provided technical and financial assistance for the development of the policy.
- Planning of deep dive research/sector scan into Jigawa State’s priority sectors to enable targeted information to specific investors, and developing the proposal with a team of researchers from Federal University Dutse (FUD) and a consultant Kunle Awolowo.
- Visits to Maigatari Export Processing Zone in conjunction with the MoCIC&T to assess facilities with a view to explore ways in which the Agency could support in ensuring an improved business environment that would attract investors, especially exporters.
- Participation in the second FCDO Strategic Dialogue with Jigawa State government, as well as bilateral meetings between FCDO and InvestJigawa on possible areas of support to the Agency.
- Meeting with the Nigerian Stock Exchange on collaboration on radio programmes.

- Meeting with Wise Synergy Company Limited regarding the company's interest in collaborating on developing Gagarawa Industrial Park under a PPP agreement.
- Meeting with Honourable Minister of Aviation in Abuja on utilisation of Dutse International Airport.
- Community engagement with stakeholders at Gagarawa District Head's palace on commencement of scoping and data collection for Gagarawa Industrial Park Environmental and Social Impact Assessment), and subsequently a Joint site visit of InvestJigawa, Ministry of Water Resources and MoLHUD&RP was undertaken to the park.
- Conducted an advocacy visit to Kazaure Emirate Council on Caraway Africa Nigeria Limited (an Olam Group)'s planned tomato project in 'Yankwashi Local Government Area.
- The Agency also participated in the African Continental Free Trade Area (AfCFTA) Subnational Strategy Workshop in Abuja, in November. The workshop was to prepare states to properly key into the initiative that is meant to remove unnecessary tariffs, as well as liberalise and facilitate the movement of people, goods and services across continental Africa, thereby improving trade.



- InvestJigawa attended the Zinder-Daura-Jigawa-Kano Trade Corridor Development Mission to Zinder Niger Republic, which was aimed at strengthening relationships, improving trade and ensuring adequate security between Nigeria's border states and Niger Republic.
- InvestJigawa's DG paid a courtesy call to the Chairman/Chief Executive Officer of the Nigerians in Diaspora Commission (NIDCOM). During the meeting the Chairman/CEO promised to collaborate with InvestJigawa to attract investors to the state, from amongst those living in diaspora.
- The Agency participated in a tour of State Government projects together members of the Nigerian Guild of Editors. Some of the projects visited were specialist hospitals being constructed and the new Jigawa State College of Remedial and Advanced Studies.
- The DG InvestJigawa also visited the Managing Director/Chief Executive of Nigerian Export-Import Bank (NEXIM), Abubakar A. Bello on ways the bank could support InvestJigawa in its quest to work with investors in Jigawa State to enable their products be export ready. At the end of the meeting, it was agreed that InvestJigawa should write to NEXIM with its request. InvestJigawa has done that and is looking to further engagement with NEXIM, on the way forward.
- Before the year closed the Agency also attended signing ceremony of sesame planting cooperation project between Xiangyang Sanzhan Ecological Agriculture Company Limited, Hubei China, and Sahel Blue Seas Company Ltd. of Jigawa State.







5.4 Investor Relations

One of the key responsibilities of InvestJigawa is being the one-stop-shop for investors coming into Jigawa State. The Agency therefore, apart from attracting investors, endeavours to maintain a close business relationship with existing ones. To ensure the maintenance of a conducive environment where investment projects are actualised without hindrance, going into 2021 InvestJigawa embarked on re-engaging with and monitoring the investors in its pipeline, beginning with working visits to Malam Alu Agro Allied Limited at Birnin Kudu LGA and GCC Vanguard Granite factory at Dutse LGA in conjunction with the National Economic Council (NEC) Implementation Monitoring Committee.

Numerous meetings were also held between InvestJigawa, His Excellency the Governor and the State Irrigation Committee on hand and Central Bank of Nigeria (CBN) and Sonia Farms and Integrated Services Ltd. (Sonia) on the other. The meetings were to resolve issues Sonia claimed to be having regarding the supply of water for irrigation in the company's tomato project in Birniwa LGA. Before the end of the year, Government had paid over Twenty-Seven Million Naira to support the Sonia project with excavation of a channel from Kakori River in Yobe State, through which water would flow naturally to irrigate that farm, as opposed to having to procure expensive equipment to pump the water



from River Hadejia. However, just before excavation had begun, in December Sonia requested for the suspension of activities, claiming that they had realised the channelisation would not solve the water problem.

Other engagements with existing investors included that with Great Northern Agribusiness Limited (GNA) in respect of the company's sugarcane project in Gagarawa LGA. This is a project that was established in 2014, comprising a sugarcane plantation and a factory on 12000 ha of land and investment totaling One Hundred Million Dollars. Because of the size of the project different types of meetings were held periodically. These include bi-monthly progress review, local government security and Host Community Committee meetings. When the need arose, special meetings were also held to address specific issues.



For Gagarawa Industrial Park, the Industrial Park Committee and His Excellency the Governor agreed that the Manufacturers Association of Nigeria (MAN) would be offered the right of first refusal for allocation of plots within the park. After numerous meetings and visits to the site together with MAN's Vice President North West and Kaduna Ali Madugu, the Chairman Bompai/Jigawa Sani Saleh, MAN's Secretary and other members, MAN submitted twenty expressions of interest from its member industrialists. The Agency and the MoLHUD&RP conducted due diligence on the companies and sixteen were recommended for plot allocation.





The Agency continued its aftercare engagement with existing investors, visiting Malam Alu Agro Allied Company Limited at Birninkudu LGA, GCC Vanguard Limited, producers of granite tiles at Dutse LGA and Majestik Dairy Product, producers of yogurt, dairy, and rice at Birnin Kudu. Other aftercare visits carried to the following companies; Great Northern Agribusiness Limited (GNA) at Gagarawa LGA, Dangote Rice Mill at Hadin Kaugama LGA, Three Brothers Rice Mill at Hadejia LGA, Jigawa Rice Mill Limited at Gagarawa LGA, and Jigawa Fertilizer Limited at Gagarawa LGA.

Other notable investors InvestJigawa engaged with during the year included:

- Thumos Dantata Agriculture Limited; This is a partnership that had proposed the setting up of a 1000 ha commercial farming project for cotton, groundnut and maize in Jigawa State. Meetings and site inspections carried out to the Dutse International Airport and Maigatari EPZ.



- Sa'ud Integrated Network Company Limited (Sa'ud): Jigawa State Government had offered Jigawa Cassava Products Company Limited at Kila Gwaram LGA, a cassava processing factory, for privatisation. Sa'ud had indicated interested in leasing the

factory to continue the production of cassava flour. Numerous meetings and inspections of the factory had been conducted and a final agreement on terms, about to be reached, but sadly, before the final agreement the company's chief promoter passed away.

- Caraway Africa Nigeria Limited (Caraway): Caraway is an Olam Group company specialising in production of tomato and processing into tomato paste. After numerous meetings and site inspections, InvestJigawa facilitated the signing of a lease agreement between Jigawa

State Government and the company in June, with production commencing immediately after, in 'Yankwashi LGA.

- A series of meetings were convened with Kadume Green Consortium (an amalgamation of Silvex International, Adab Agri-Resource Ltd. and M&A Greenery Ltd.), on the consortium's progress regarding its 900 ha out-grower rice project implemented in Jigawa State, and potential areas of more support that could be given by Jigawa State Government, to improve on the project. Subsequently, the consortium submitted a proposal to InvestJigawa for the development of a 5000 ha nucleus farm. The proposal was reviewed by the IAC, joint site inspections conducted and a recommendation to allocate 1000 ha of land to the consortium was made, which was being processed by the end of the year. InvestJigawa also participated in the flag-off of 900ha rice out-grower scheme by M&A's Greenery Ltd. and Silvex International Ltd. in collaboration with FCDO-LINKS, and subsequently the 2021 Dry Season Farmers' Day organized by Kadume Green Consortium at Gilakocine in Kiri Kasamma LGA.



- Physical and virtual meetings with Comtraex Nigeria Limited in respect of the company's proposal to establish a hibiscus cleaning and processing facility at Maigatari Export Processing Zone.
- Other meetings and site visits were convened with the following companies:
 - HSV Farm Limited on large-scale integrated commercial farming and out-grower scheme.
 - Merivale Consulting Limited on establishing a waste management facility.
 - Agricultural Synergy Limited on the establishment of abattoir in Maigatari LGA. The engagement included visits to Maigatari town and the international livestock market.
 - Crystal Sugar International Limited and MLHUD&RP regarding sugar project in Hadejia LGA.
 - CEO Dutse Standard Schools regarding the lease of Dutse playground.















6.0 AD HOC RESPONSIBILITIES

Apart from its statutory responsibilities as enshrined in the law establishing it, InvestJigawa is the secretariat for two standing committees; the Ease of Doing Business (EoDB) Steering Committee and the Industrial Park Committee. During the year under review the Agency continued to perform these functions, especially with the release of the 2021 Subnational EODB Baseline Survey Report by PEDEC and commencement of the development of Gagarawa Industrial Park.

6.1 EoDB Steering Committee

Jigawa State Government established in 2019 to improve and ensure provision of sound and friendly business environment in the State. The secretariat is responsible for coordinating all meetings, and ensuring the implementation of interventions recommended by the committee and its sub-committees. The EoDB Steering Committee terms of reference are:

1. To ensure that the processes, time and cost of securing approvals, permits and licenses are streamlined;
2. To ensure that those processes are properly tailored to be more efficient and attractive to both MSMEs and large-scale investors alike;
3. To work persistently to facilitate and ensure appropriate implementation of reforms and other related policies that will confirm Ease of Doing Business in Jigawa state; and
4. To make sure that a reliable and accurate data is provided, and collaborate with federal government and World Bank evaluation team during periodic surveys on Doing Business in Nigeria.

Membership of the EoDB Steering Committee include:

Deputy Governor of Jigawa State (Chairman)

Director General, Jigawa State Investment Promotion Agency-InvestJigawa (Secretary)

Honourable Commissioner, Ministry of Information, Youth, Sports, and Culture

Honourable Commissioner, Ministry of Commerce, Industry, Cooperatives, and Tourism

Honourable Commissioner, MoLHUD&RP

Honourable Commissioner, Ministry of Justice

Honourable Commissioner, Ministry of Agriculture and Natural Resources

Honourable Commissioner, Ministry of Environment

Managing Director, Jigawa State Investment and Property Development Company Limited

Director Special Services, Directorate of Special Services and Council Affairs, Office of the SSG

Jigawa State Internal Revenue Service

Chief Registrar, High Court, Jigawa State

Standards Organization of Nigeria

Federal Inland Revenue Service

Nigerian Association of Small-Scale Industrialists

Jigawa Chamber of Commerce, Industry, Mines and Agriculture

Corporate Affairs Commission

Representative of FCDO – LINKS

National Agency for Food and Drug Administration and Control (NAFDAC)

Central Bank of Nigeria (CBN)

Nigerian Bar Association (NBA), Dutse
Small and Medium Enterprises Development Agency of Nigeria (SMEDAN)
Chairman, Manufacturers Association of Nigeria (MAN), Kano/Jigawa Office

6.2 Industrial Park Committee

The Industrial Park Committee was established in 2016 to develop industrial clusters in Jigawa State. Membership of the committee include:

Honourable Commissioner, Ministry of Works and Transport (Chairman)
Honourable Commissioner, MoCIC&T
Honourable Commissioner, Ministry of Water Resources
Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Environment
Director General, InvestJigawa
Director General, Due Process and Project Monitoring Bureau
Permanent Secretary, MoLHUD&RP
Managing Director, Rural Electrification Board (REB)
Director Maintenance, Jigawa Road Maintenance Agency (JIRMA)
Representative of FCDO-LINKS
Head of Investment Facilitation, InvestJigawa (Secretary)

During the year under review the committee committed to the development of Gagarawa Industrial Park in Gagarawa LGA. Managed by the State Government, the park is a 170 ha, 66 plot park that would house Micro, Small, Medium and Large industries. When completed, the park will provide access to local and regional markets, being 125 km to Kano and 52km Maigatari, which houses one of the largest livestock markets in West Africa, and the Maigatari EPZ.

7.0 MAJOR ACHIEVEMENTS

1. Jigawa State ranked 3rd in the PEBEC's Ease of Doing Business Subnational Baseline Survey of 2021 with 2nd highest score on the sub-indicator for Investment Promotion.
2. Facilitated the signing of the lease agreement between the Jigawa State Government and Caraway Africa Nigeria Limited, for the establishment of a 500 ha tomato farm.
3. Facilitated the establishment of Small Claims Court, Business Clinics in Hadejia and Dutse, and the development of e-registration platforms for MoCIC&T, JIRS, MLHUD&RP, and JICCIMA under the sponsorship of the EoDB Steering Committee.
4. Facilitated the development of the Gagarawa Industrial Park, and attracted 16 investors who wished to set up factories through the sponsorship of Manufacturers Association of Nigeria (MAN).

8.0 GOING FORWARD

Going into 2022, we will ensure well-structured agency in InvestJigawa that is able to effectively deliver on its mandate, we plan to have InvestJigawa's five-year strategic plan approved, which would give the Agency the opportunity to also commence the review of the InvestJigawa law, and develop a PPP Policy for the state in line with global best practice. We will continue engaging with stakeholders to ensure synergy as we work to provide the enabling environment for businesses to continue to thrive.

We will continue to showcase our priority sector and being a one-stop-shop for investments in Jigawa State, attracting more investors and closing on some of the engagements that have already begun, signing agreements with them. In the coming year, even though we will continue to welcome all investors, our focus will especially be on those investors interested in value addition and manufacturing. This we believe will contribute the industrialization of our state, with the attendant economic benefits.



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