



2024 Appropriation Bill of the Federal Government of Nigeria: Perspective from Youth Development

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Acronyms

FRA	-	Fiscal Responsibility Act, 2007
FSP	-	Fiscal Strategy Paper
GDP	-	Gross Domestic Product
MBPD	-	Million Barrels Per Day
MDAs	-	Ministry, Departments and Agency
MTEF	-	Medium Term Expenditure Framework
NDP	-	National Development Plan (2021–2025)
NIS	-	Nigeria Institute for Sports
YDI	-	Youth Development Index

Executive Summary

Although young people account for more than 70% of Nigeria's population, their access to economic opportunities accounts for less than 30%. While efforts have been made to advance their participation in civic and political spaces, their access to public services has remained below expectations. Against a background of the EndSARS October 20 2020 protest, an unstable macroeconomic environment, and high poverty rates, the 2024 Appropriation Bill, being the first full-year budget proposal of the President Bola Ahmed Tinubu administration, therefore offers opportunities to ensure that the budget works for young people.

Using desk review in comparison to the 2022 and 2023 budgets, this report analyzes the 2024 Appropriation Bill with a view to determining how responsive it is to the needs of Nigerian youths. Specifically, the analysis examined the responsiveness of the 2024 budget proposal of the federal government of Nigeria to the needs and priorities of young people. It found that:

i. The 2024 budget is themed **"Budget of Renewed Hope"**. It proposes a planned expenditure of N27.5 trillion, which is 11% higher than the N24.82 trillion budget for 2023. Capital expenditure accounts for 32% of the 2024 budget proposal, compared to 34% of capital expenditure in the 2023 budget.

ii. The proposed total expenditure for 2024 of N27.5 trillion is against a proposed federally retained revenue of N18.32 trillion, thus creating a deficit of N9.18 trillion. The projected deficit of N9.18 trillion in 2024 is 33% less than the deficit of N13.78 trillion in 2023. This implies that the federal government projects a better revenue profile in 2024 compared to what was obtainable in 2023. The projected revenue size creates a lower deficit to GDP ratio of 3.88% in 2024 compared to 6.11% in 2023.

iii. The projected revenue to the federal government of N18.324 trillion is predicated on benchmark assumptions of 1.78 mbpd crude oil production, a crude oil price of US\$77.96 pb, an average exchange rate of N750/\$, a real GDP growth rate of 3.76%, and an average inflation rate of 21.4%. While the performance of these macroeconomic variables for 2023 shows that the attainment of targets is in doubt, the reforms put in place by the present administration towards boosting revenue generation through fiscal policy and tax reforms would need to be accompanied by other reforms that seek to address insecurity, boost local production, and create a favorable macroeconomic environment that will promote and attract investment in the Nigerian economy.

iv. The Ministry of Youths in 2024 is restructured differently from what was available in 2022 and 2023. The name of the ministry also changed from the Ministry of Youth and Sports Development to the Ministry of Youth Development. The Nigerian

Football Federation and the Nigeria Institute for Sports (NIS), which used to be under the Ministry of Youths in 2023 and 2022, have been removed from the 2024 Appropriation Bill of the Federal Government of Nigeria. Although the number of agencies in the Ministry of Youths was reduced in the 2024 budget proposal, the size of its budget increased over 2023 and 2022. This is commendable as it provides a larger fiscal space for the Ministry of Youths in the 2024 fiscal year.

v. Whereas the size of the budget for the Ministry of Youths increased from N193.42 billion in 2023 to N204.69 billion in 2024, its share as a percentage of the total federal government budget declined in the last three years.

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vii. The amount allocated to personnel costs has largely remained the same despite the exclusion of two agencies under this ministry.

viii. The share of capital budgets in the budget of the Ministry of Youth Development has decreased over time, while the share of recurrent expenditures is increasing.

ix. The huge size of recurrent expenditure calls for scrutiny of the personnel and overhead cost components of the ministry's recurrent budget. The National Assembly, in considering the budget of the Ministry of Youths, should not only focus on the capital budget but also scrutinize the proposed allocation for personnel and overhead costs.

x. There are a total of 45 projects in the Ministry of Youths. Whereas, by number of projects, 51% of all projects under the Ministry of Youths are in the Citizenship and Leadership Training Center, and 46% of the amount allocated to projects in the Ministry is allocated to projects under the Headquarters Ministry. The National Assembly committees on youth should scrutinize the allocation in the headquarter ministry as well as the Citizen Center to ascertain the funds proposed for projects.

xi. By youth responsiveness, 27 of the projects are youth neutral, 8 are youth sensitive, and 10 are youth-specific. This implies that only 37% of the projects are youth-specific. By amount allocated, however, these projects amount to N2.099 billion and account for 65% of the total amount for capital projects. This is commendable, as youth-responsive projects accounted for a significant share of the capital projects in the Ministry of Youths.

To facilitate interaction with the Ministry of Youths, the following questions were identified to facilitate the process:

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- i. What is the approved budget for youth for 2023, and what is the level of releases and utilization?
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- ii. Does the Ministry of Youths have projected revenue in 2024? What are the sources of revenue for the Ministry of Youth Development? What was the projected revenue of the ministry in 2023, and how did the ministry perform in that regard?
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- iii. Why has the proposed budget for personnel costs in the 2024 budget remained largely the same as the figures in 2023 and 2022 despite removing the Nigerian Institute for Sports and the Nigeria Football Federation from the Ministry of Youth Development?
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- iv. The allocation for overhead costs for the Ministry increased by 16% in 2023 from the 2022 provision. In the 2024 budget proposal, however, the overhead costs increased by 63%. Why was the proposed allocation for overhead in the Ministry increased by 63% in the 2024 budget proposal when in 2023 it only increased by 16% and had more agencies under it?
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- v. Although the allocation to the Ministry is higher than 2023 and is less than two agencies (that is, the National Institute for Sports and the Nigeria Football Federation), what is the opinion of the minister with regards to the proposed budget for the Ministry of Youth Development in 2024? Should the budget be increased?
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- vi. Assessment of the 2024 budget proposal of the Ministry of Youth Development by the YIAGA Centre for Legislative Engagement shows that about 65% of projects in the Ministry are youth-responsive, with others being youth-sensitive. This is commendable. However, some projects are youth-neutral, having a direct impact on youth. What efforts would the ministry make to ensure that projects and programmes in the ministry are high on youth benefit-incidence?
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- vii. How would you respond if you were asked to trim your personnel and overhead costs so that you could free some resources for capital projects in your ministry?
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- viii. There are other projects in the budget of other ministries, such as education, agriculture, humanitarian affairs, sports, health, information and communication, science and technology, etc., that will enhance the welfare of young people. For instance, some youth's projects in these MDAs amount to N30.6 billion compared to the N2.22 billion proposed for capital projects in the Ministry of Youths. How do you intend to collaborate with these MDAs to help enhance the welfare of women and men alike?

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1. Introduction

Young people are energetic, enthusiastic, ambitious, creative, and promising (Nweke and Nweke, 2020). Unfortunately, they are also faced with high levels of socio-economic uncertainty and volatility, thereby constituting the most vulnerable segment of the population (European Commission, 2022). Although young people account for more than 70% of Nigeria's population, their access to economic opportunities accounts for less than 30%¹. While efforts have been made to advance their participation in civic and political spaces (Itodo, 2023), their access to public services has remained below expectations (Omoju & Abraham, 2014; Brady, Chaskin, & McGregor, 2020). Although the budget, if implemented, would benefit all ages, projects and programmes need to be youth-responsive if life-changing outcomes are to be recorded.

The framework for Youth Responsive Analysis of the 2024 Appropriation Process is the National Development Plan (NDP) (2021–2025), which is anchored on the 2024 Budget Call Circular and, in turn, anchored on the FRA, 2007. The National Development Plan 2021-2025 (page 39) states that “Given the high poverty and unemployment rates among the youth and women in the country, gender and youth-responsive approaches to development will be incorporated into the direct policy interventions of the government and other partners to support the attainment of the relevant Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).” Premised on the Fiscal Responsibility Act, 2007, which provides that the Budget Call Circular and the MTEF and FSP be laid, Section 56 of the FRA, 2007 provides that a budget circular requesting revenue and expenditure estimates of ministries, extra-ministerial departments, and other executing agencies of government for the next financial years be prepared by the Minister for Finance and laid before the National Assembly. The 2024 budget call circular also provides guidelines for the 2024 budget call circular. As such, the 2024 Budget Call Circular provided that the MDAs, in preparing their budget, should align it with the objectives of the National Development Plan 2021–2025 and the 8-Point Agenda of the present administration.

The position of global statistics on youth also paints a worrisome picture for Nigerian youths. According to the 2016 Report of the Global Youth Development Index (YDI), 1.8 billion people in the world are between the ages of 15 and 29. About 87% of people within this group live in developing countries, and 1 in 3 live in Commonwealth countries (including Nigeria). With rising cases of violent conflict and forced migration due to the spread of extremist groups and climate change-related factors, conscious investment is therefore needed to cater for the needs of young people. A situation of planning that fails to accommodate the wellbeing of persons in this group could therefore be devastating to the country's socio-political and economic development.

1 [<https://theconversation.com/nigerias-large-youthful-population-could-be-an-asset-or-a-burden-186574>]

1.1 Objectives

This report analyzes the 2024 Appropriation Bill with a view to determining how responsive it is to the needs of Nigerian youths. Specifically, the analysis ascertained:

- » The Federal government's priority for youth development based on the 2024 budget proposal; and
- » Examined the responsiveness of the budget proposal to the needs and priorities of young people.

1.2 Methodology

This analysis reviews the budget proposal for the federal Ministry of Youth Development as contained in the 2024 budget proposal. It also develops queries that will guide the National Assembly Committees on Youth in scrutinizing the 2024 budget proposal.

2. General Principles of the 2024 Budget

The 2024 budget is themed “Budget of Renewed Hope”. It proposes a planned expenditure of N27.5 trillion, which is 11% higher than the N24.82 trillion budget for 2023. Capital expenditure accounts for 32% of the 2024 budget proposal, compared to 34% of capital expenditure in the 2023 budget.

Fig 1: Share of Recurrent and Capital Expenditure in the 2023 Budget of the FGN

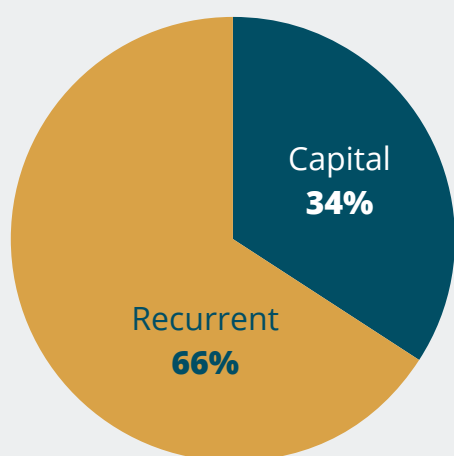
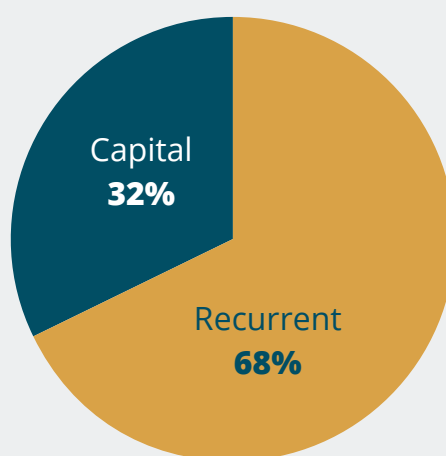


Fig 2: Share of Recurrent and Capital Expenditure in the 2024 Budget Proposal



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Table 1: Federal Government Expenditure, Revenue and Deficit Finance Gap		
	2023 (Approved)	2024 (Proposed)
Federal Government Expenditure (trillion)	24.824	27.503
Federally Retained Revenue (trillion)	11.045	18.324
Deficit Finance Gap (trillion)	-13.779	-9.179
Deficit to GDP ratio 9%)	-6.11%%	-3.88%

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	2022		2023		2024
	Budgeted	Actual	Budgeted	Actual	
Crude Oil Production (mbpd)	1.6	1.24	1.69	1.25 (June 2023)	1.78
Crude Oil Price (US\$)	73	105.88	75	75.89 (Dec 13th, 2023)	77.96
Exchange Rate (N/\$)	410.2	402.28	435.57	870.133 (Dec 14th, 2023)	750
Real GDP Growth (%)	3.55	3.10	3.75	2.51 (June 2023)	3.76
Inflation (%)	16.11	18.77	17.16	28.2 (Nov 2023)	21.4

While the performance of these macroeconomic variables for 2023 shows that the attainment of targets is in doubt, the reforms put in place by the present administration towards boosting revenue generation through fiscal policy and tax reforms would need to be accompanied by other reforms that seek to address insecurity, boost local production, and create a favorable macroeconomic environment that will promote and attract investment in the Nigerian economy.

3. Structure of the 2024 Budget Proposal for Ministry of Youth Development

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Fig 3: Structure of the Ministry of Youths Budget in 2022, 2023 and 2024

Fig 3.1: 2022

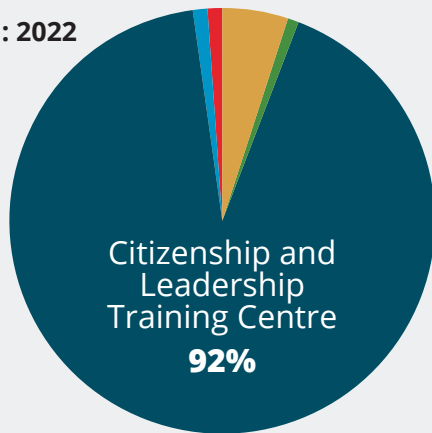
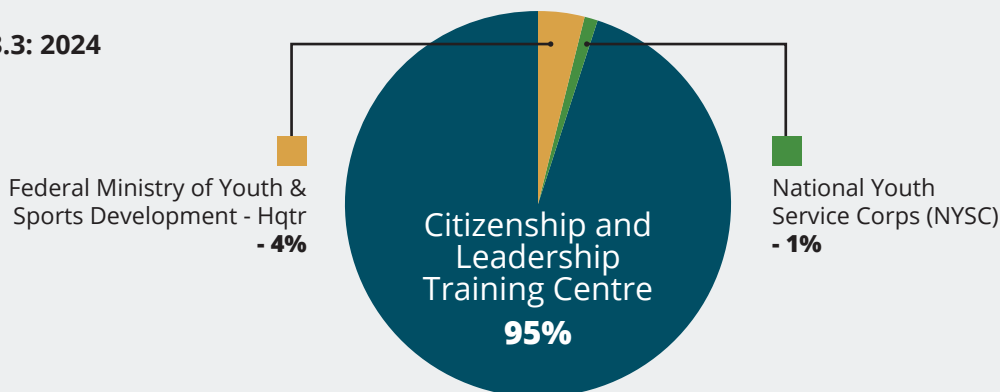


Fig 3.2: 2023



Fig 3.3: 2024



3.1 Size and Share of the Budget to the Ministry of Youths

The proposed total budget for the Ministry of Youths in the 2024 budget is N204.69 billion. This represents an increase of 5.8% over the previous year’s budget to the Ministry of N193.42 billion. Whereas the size of the budget for the Ministry of Youths increased from 2023 to 2024, its share as a percentage of the total federal government budget declined in the last three years.

Fig 4: Budget Size Trend of FGN Budget and Ministry of Youths: 2022 - 2024 (Proposed)

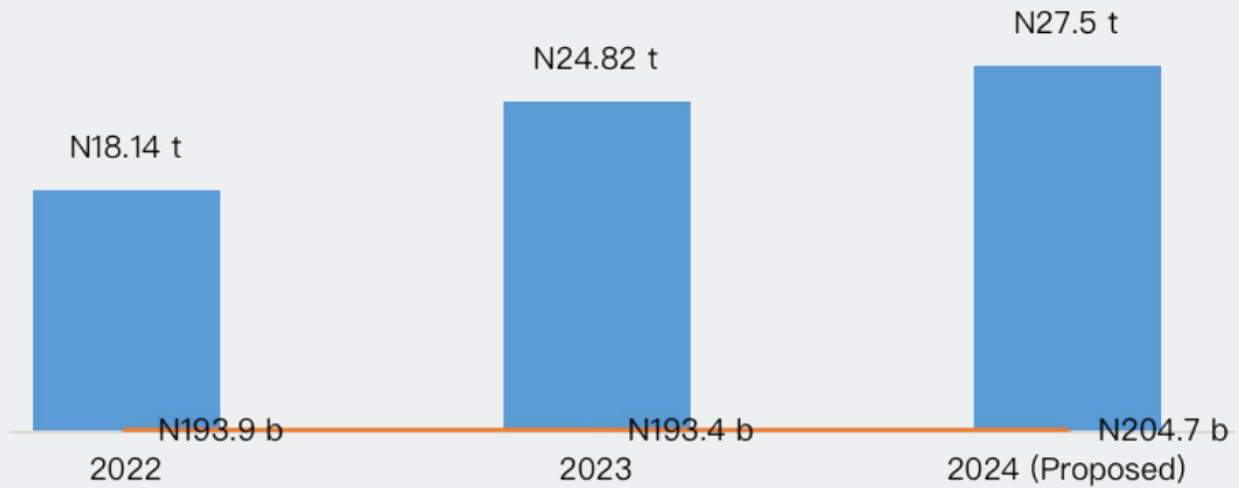
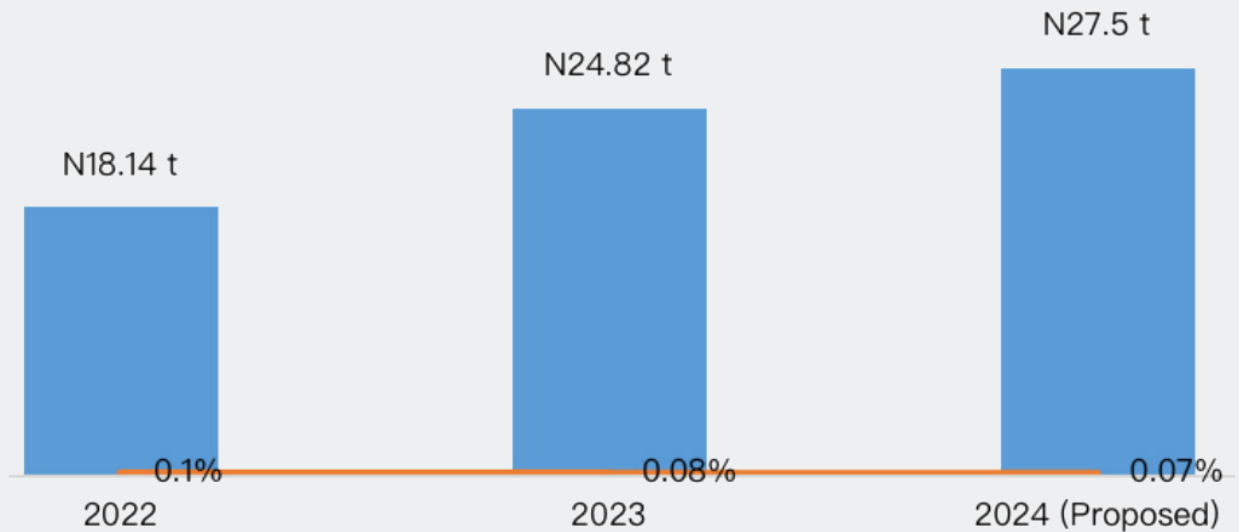


Fig 5: Share of Ministry of Youths in FGN Total Budget and Trend of FGN Budget and Ministry of Youths: 2022 - 2024 (Proposed)



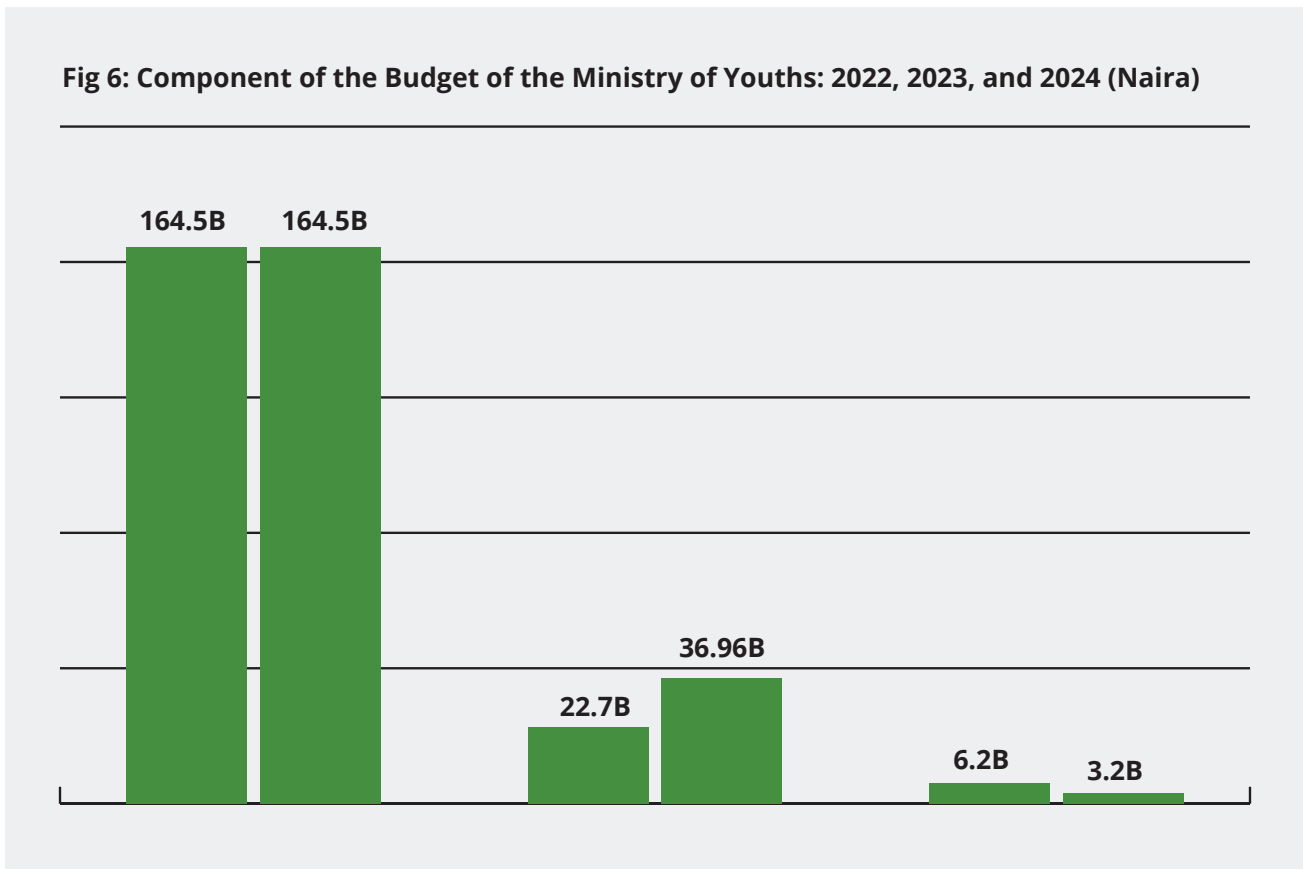
3.2 Composition of the Budget for Ministry of Youths

The budget of the Ministry of Youths is allocated to three budget components: personnel costs, overhead costs, and capital budgets. The allocation for personnel costs in the 2022 budget was N166.006 billion, N164.503 billion in 2023, and N164.507 billion in the 2024 proposed budget.

S/N	Budget Component	2022	2023	2024
1	Personnel Cost	166,006,040,209	164,503,784,407	164,507,218,066
2	Overhead	19,483,062,757	22,690,908,559	36,960,236,686
3	Capital	8,440,222,433	6,223,389,922	3,222,760,038
4	Total	193,929,325,399	193,418,082,888	204,690,214,790

Source: Budget Office of the Federation

The amount allocated to personnel costs has largely remained the same despite the exclusion of two agencies under this ministry. The National Assembly committees on youth should therefore engage the Ministry to explain why this is the case.



The share of capital budgets in the budget of the Ministry of Youth Development has decreased over time, while the share of recurrent expenditures is increasing.

Table 4: % Share of Capital and Recurrent Expenditure in the Budget of Ministry of Youths: 2022, 2023 and 2024 (Proposal)

Year	% Share of Capital	% Share of Recurrent
2022	4%	96%
2023	3%	97%
2024	2%	98%

The huge size of recurrent expenditure calls for scrutiny of the personnel and overhead cost components of the ministry’s recurrent budget. The National Assembly, in considering the budget of the Ministry of Youths, should not only focus on the capital budget but also scrutinize the proposed allocation for personnel and overhead costs.

3.3 Youth Responsive Analysis of the 2024 Budget Proposal for the Ministry of Youths

There are a total of 45 projects in the Ministry of Youths. 11 of the projects are in the Ministry’s headquarters; another 11 are in NYSC; and 23 are in the Citizenship and Leadership Training Center. The distribution of these projects and the amount allocated to them by MDA under the Ministry of Youths are presented below:

Table 5: Number of Projects in the Ministry of Youths by Agency and Amount Allocated

S/N	MDA	No. of Projects	Amount
1	Federal Ministry of Youth Development - HQTRS	11	1,030,124,000
2	NYSC	11	980,831,001
3	Citizenship & Leadership Training Centre	23	211,805,037
Total		45	2,222,760,038

Whereas, by number of projects, 51% of all projects under the Ministry of Youths are in the Citizenship and Leadership Training Center, and 46% of the amount allocated to projects in the Ministry is allocated to projects under the Headquarters Ministry. Likewise, while the

number of projects under the NYSC accounts for 24% of the total number of projects in the ministry, the amount allocated to the projects under the NYSC accounts for 10%.

Fig 7: Distribution of Projects in the Ministry of Youths by Number of Projects

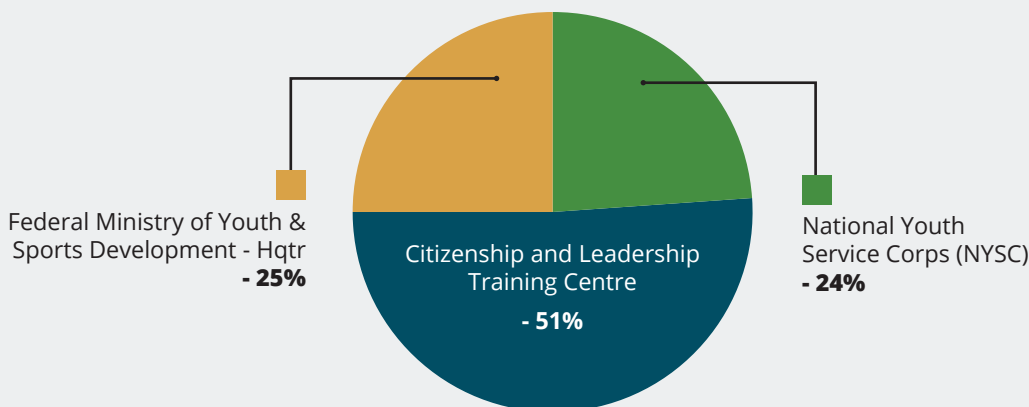
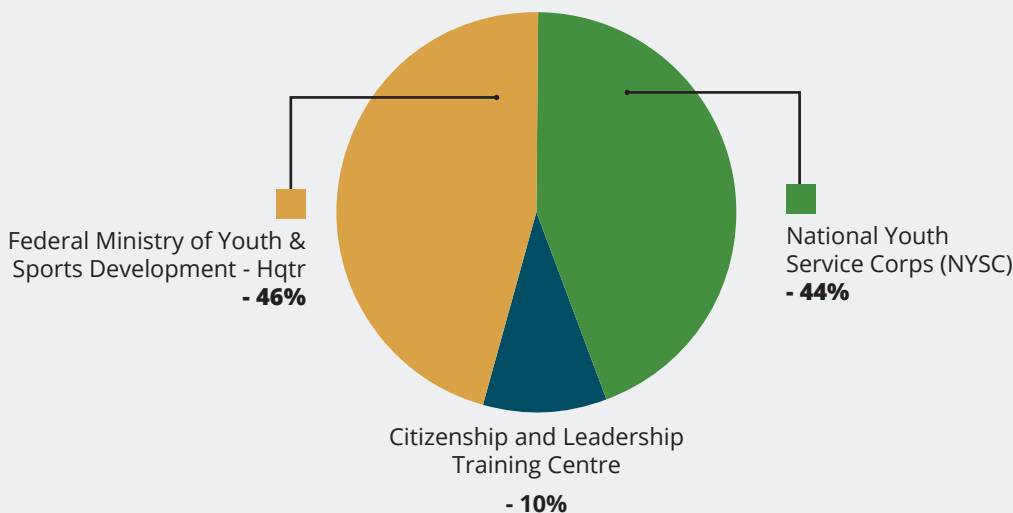


Fig 8: Distribution of Projects in the Ministry of Youths by Amount Allocated for Projects



3.4 Youth Responsiveness of Projects and Programmes in the 2024 Budget for Youths Development

By youth responsiveness, 27 of the projects are youth neutral, 8 are youth sensitive, and 10 are youth-specific. By amount allocated, however, N2.099 billion is allocated to youth-specific projects, N275.847 million to youth-sensitive projects, and N846.95 million to youth-neutral projects.

Table 6: Youth responsive Analysis of Projects in the Ministry of Youths			
S/N	Youth Responsiveness	No. of Projects	Amount
1	Neutral	27	846,951,142
2	Sensitive	8	275,847,331
3	Youth-Specific	10	2,099,961,565

Of the total number of projects in the Ministry of Youths, 60% of the projects are neutral (not directly targeting or benefiting youths). However, by the amount allocated to projects, 65% of the proposed capital expenditures are youth-specific.

Fig 9: Distribution of the Number of Projects by Youth Responsiveness

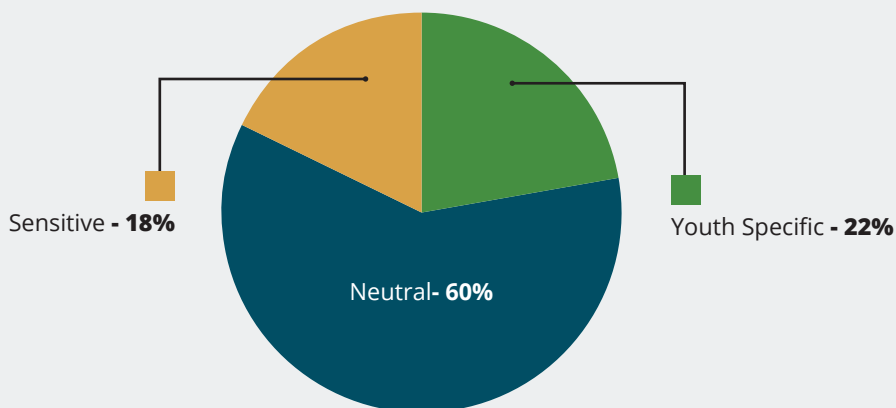
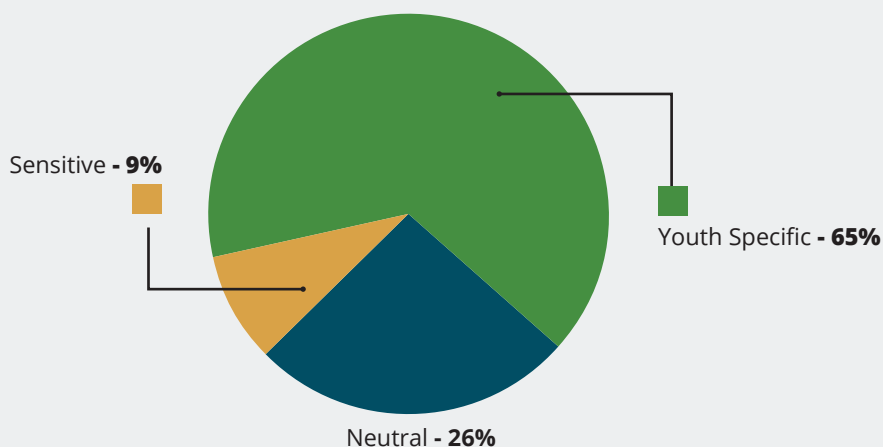


Fig 10: Distribution of Amount Allocated to Projects by Youth Responsiveness



The top 10 projects by size of allocation show that three of these projects are youth-specific. These projects are:

- » Establishment of National Youth Villages / Social Hubs in the Six Geopolitical Zones (ERGP8210557) at N1 billion;
- » Rehabilitation of Youth Development Centres (ERGP8210555) at N800 million; and
- » Establishment of Youth Data Bank (ERGP8210552) at N150 million.

Table 7: Top 10 Projects by Allocation in the Ministry of Youths in the 2024 Appropriation Bill

S/N	MDA	Code	Name of Project	Status	Amount	Youth Responsiveness
1	Federal Ministry of Youth Development - Hqtrs	ERGP8210557	Establishment of National Youth Villages / Social Hubs in the Six Geopolitical Zones	Ongoing	1,000,000,000	Youth Specific
2	Federal Ministry of Youth Development - Hqtrs	ERGP8210555	Rehabilitation of Youth Development Centres	Ongoing	800,000,000	Youth Specific
3	NYSC	ERGP27210736	Procurement of Two Elevators for NDHQ Building	New	300,000,000	Neutral
4	NYSC	ERGP27210726	Procurement of 2000 Double Bunk Beds	Ongoing	174,000,000	Neutral
5	Federal Ministry of Youth Development - Hqtrs	ERGP8210552	Establishment of Youth Data Bank	New	150,000,000	Youth Specific

6	NYSC	ERGP29210749	Procurement of 185 Units of Laptops for Payment and Biometric Capturing of Corps Members	Ongoing	111,925,000	Sensitive
7	NYSC	ERGP27210732	Procurement of 3000 Units of 2.5 X 6 Mattresses	Ongoing	99,000,000	Neutral
8	NYSC	ERGP11210741	Construction of Saed Centres	Ongoing	76,573,131	Sensitive
9	Citizenship & Leadership Training Centre	ERGP30210867	Purchase of Teaching and Learning Aid Equipment to Ten Training Schools	Ongoing	65,093,200	Sensitive
10	NYSC	ERGP30210729	Purchase of 1 Pick Up Van	Ongoing	65,000,000	Neutral

The least 10 projects by allocation, however, are mostly youth-neutral. The projects are also concentrated in the Citizenship and Leadership Training Center. Although these projects may have meager allocations, it is vital to scrutinize them to ascertain the rationale for their inclusion in the 2024 budget proposal. More importantly is the fact that some of the projects bear a resemblance to overhead projects.

Table 8: Least 10 projects in the Ministry of Youths by Allocation in the 2024 Appropriation Bill

S/N	Ministry of Youths	Project Code	Name of Project	Status of Project	Amount	Youth Responsiveness
1	Citizenship & Leadership Training Centre	ERGP30210860	Purchase of Photocopying Machines for Five (5) Training Schools	Ongoing	2,977,097	Neutral

2	Citizenship & Leadership Training Centre	ERGP10210863	Extension of 250 Meters Electrification into the Compound at Training School Ngwo, Enugu State	Ongoing	2,787,120	Neutral
3	Citizenship & Leadership Training Centre	ERGP27210858	Rehabilitation of 6.99 Meters Fence Length at Training School, Otujeremi,, Delta State	Ongoing	2,700,000	Neutral
4	Citizenship & Leadership Training Centre	ERGP27210861	Renovation of One (1) Room and Inner Room of Clinic Block at Training School,Otu-Jeremi, Delta State	Ongoing	2,700,000	Neutral
5	NYSC	ERGP22210738	Purchase of 100 Life Jackets for Corps Members	Ongoing	2,674,100	Youth Specific
6	Federal Ministry of Youth Development - Hqtrs	ERGP8210565	Archiving and E-Documentation of Procurement Process and Documents	New	2,000,000	Neutral
7	Citizenship & Leadership Training Centre	ERGP30210854	Construction of Complete Set of Circuit Training Gadgets at Owode Egba	Ongoing	1,800,000	Neutral

8	Federal Ministry of Youth Development - Hqtrs	ERGP8210551	Government Counterpart Cash Contribution for UNFPA Assisted Programmes on Youth Development and Commonwealth Youth Programme (CYP).	New	1,000,000	Youth Specific
9	Federal Ministry of Youth Development - Hqtrs	ERGP8210558	Expansion and Maintenance of NGOs Registration Portal.	Ongoing	1,000,000	Sensitive
10	Citizenship & Leadership Training Centre	ERGP27210857	Purchase of Office Furniture and Fittings (Fans) for Ten (10) Training Schools	Ongoing	680,000	Neutral

4. Conclusion and Issues for Advocacy

The proposed total budget for the Ministry of Youths in the 2024 budget is N204.69 billion. This represents an increase of 5.8% over the previous year's budget to the Ministry of N193.42 billion. It was observed that the budget for the Ministry of Youths increased in the 2024 Appropriation Bill despite the exclusion of the National Institute for Sports (NIS) and the Nigeria Football Federation.

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All projects in the Citizenship and Leadership Training Center are ongoing. It will be essential to ascertain when these projects were captured as new and what the progress on their implementation was.

5. Questions for Interactive Session with the Ministry of Youths

- » What is the approved budget for women affairs for 2023, and what is the level of releases and utilization?
- » Does the Ministry of Youths have projected revenue in 2024? What are the sources of revenue for the Ministry of Youth Development? What was the projected revenue of the ministry in 2023, and how did the ministry perform in that regard?
- » Why has the proposed budget for personnel costs in the 2024 budget remained largely the same as the figures in 2023 and 2022 despite removing the Nigerian Institute for Sports and the Nigeria Football Federation from the Ministry of Youth Development?
- » The allocation for overhead costs for the Ministry increased by 16% in 2023 from the 2022 provision. In the 2024 budget proposal, however, the overhead costs increased by 63%. Why was the proposed allocation for overhead in the Ministry increased by 63% in the 2024 budget proposal when in 2023 it only increased by 16% and had more agencies under it?
- » Although the allocation to the Ministry is higher than 2023 and is less than two agencies (that is, the National Institute for Sports and the Nigeria Football Federation), what is the opinion of the minister with regards to the proposed budget for the Ministry of Youth Development in 2024? Should the budget be increased?
- » Assessment of the 2024 budget proposal of the Ministry of Youths Development by the YIAGA Centre for Legislative Engagement shows that about 65% of projects in the Ministry are youth-responsive, with others being youth-sensitive. This is commendable. However, some projects are youth-neutral, having a direct impact on youth. What efforts would the ministry make to ensure that projects and programmes in the ministry are high on youth benefit-incidence?
- » How would you respond if you were asked to trim your personnel and overhead costs so that you could free some resources for capital projects in your ministry?
- » There are other projects in the budget of other ministries, such as education, agriculture, humanitarian affairs, sports, health, information and communication, science and technology, etc., that will enhance the welfare of young people. For instance, some youth's projects in these MDAs amount to N30.6 billion compared to the N2.22 billion proposed for capital projects in the Ministry of Youths. How do you intend to collaborate with these MDAs to help enhance the welfare of women and men alike?

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Appendix 1:

Distribution of Capital projects in the Ministry of Youths by Youth-Responsive Classification

S/N	Agencies	Code	Project/ Programme Name	Status	Youth Responsive	Amount
1	Federal Ministry of Youth Development - Hqtrs	ERGP8210557	Establishment of National Youth Villages / Social Hubs in The Six Geopolitical Zones	Ongoing	Youth Specific	1,000,000,00
2	Federal Ministry of Youth Development - Hqtrs	ERGP8210555	Rehabilitation of Youth Development Centres	Ongoing	Youth Specific	800,000,000
3	NYSC	ERGP27210736	Procurement of Two Elevators for Ndhq Building	New	Neutral	300,000,000
4	NYSC	ERGP27210726	Procurement of 2000 Double Bunk Beds	Ongoing	Neutral	174,000,000
5	Federal Ministry of Youth Development - Hqtrs	ERGP8210552	Establishment of Youth Data Bank	New	Youth Specific	150,000,000
6	NYSC	ERGP29210749	Procurement of 185 Units of Laptops for Payment And Biometric Capturing of Corps Members	Ongoing	Sensitive	111,925,000
7	NYSC	ERGP27210732	Procurement of 3000 Units of 2.5 X 6 Mattresses	Ongoing	Neutral	99,000,000

8	NYSC	ERGP11210741	Construction of Saed Centres	Ongoing	Sensitive	76,573,131
9	Citizenship & Leadership Training Centre	ERGP30210867	Purchase of Teaching and Learning Aid Equipment to Ten Training Schools	Ongoing	Sensitive	65,093,200
10	NYSC	ERGP30210729	Purchase of 1 Pick up Van	Ongoing	Neutral	65,000,000
11	NYSC	ERGP25210747	Purchase of 2 Ambulance Buses	New	Youth Specific	63,888,000
12	NYSC	ERGP22210739	Purchase of Skill Acquisition Training Equipment for Skill Acquisition and Entrepreneurship Development (Saed) Training	Ongoing	Youth Specific	63,320,905
13	Citizenship & Leadership Training Centre	ERGP30210866	Purchase of One (1) Project Vehicle	Ongoing	Neutral	35,000,000
14	Federal Ministry of Youth Development - Hqtrs	ERGP8210564	Implementation of the New Performance Management System	New	Neutral	31,124,000
15	Federal Ministry of Youth Development - Hqtrs	ERGP8210568	Procurement of 25 Laptops for Staff Processing Electronic Content Management System	New	Neutral	25,000,000
16	Citizenship & Leadership Training Centre	ERGP10210859	Purchase of One (1) Unit of 135kva Generating Set	Ongoing	Neutral	20,198,000

17	NYSC	ERGP10210725	Purchase of 2 Units of 30 Kva Sound Proof Power Generating Set	Ongoing	Neutral	17,189,865
18	Citizenship & Leadership Training Centre	ERGP27210851	Rehabilitation of Seven (7) Rooms and Three (3) Toilets of Male Hostel Block at Shere Hills, Jos	Ongoing	Youth Specific	10,706,760
19	Federal Ministry of Youth Development - Hqtrs	ERGP8210567	Procurement of Press Equipment	New	Neutral	10,000,000
20	Citizenship & Leadership Training Centre	ERGP27210856	Renovation of Twelve (12) Rooms, Four (4) Toilets, Four (4) Bathrooms and Four (4) Kitchens of Staff Quarters at Owode Egba ,Ogun State	Ongoing	Neutral	9,000,000
21	NYSC	ERGP29210733	Procurement of 100 Units of Scanners for Biometric Capturing of Corps Members	Ongoing	Sensitive	7,260,000
22	Citizenship & Leadership Training Centre	ERGP27210850	Renovation of Five (5) Rooms and Three (3) Toilets of Administrative Block at Kudan, Zaria	Ongoing	Neutral	6,300,000
23	Citizenship & Leadership Training Centre	ERGP27210865	Renovation of Two (2) Multi-Purpose Halls at Training School Kudan, Zaria	Ongoing	Neutral	6,300,000
24	Citizenship & Leadership Training Centre	ERGP30210868	Construction of Wooden Boat at Sea School Apapa Lagos	Ongoing	Neutral	6,300,000

25	Citizenship & Leadership Training Centre	ERGP27210864	Renovation of Four (4) Rooms, Five (5) Toilets and Five (5) Bathrooms of Hostel Block at Training School Kudan, Zaria	Ongoing	Neutral	5,400,000
26	Citizenship & Leadership Training Centre	ERGP27210869	Renovation of Five (5) Rooms Bungalow and One (1) Toilet of Clinic Block at Sea School, Apapa, Lagos	Ongoing	Neutral	5,178,060
27	Federal Ministry of Youth Development - Hqtrs	ERGP8210561	Design, Establishment and Installation of an Electronic Data Management System (EDMS) and Customized Enterprise Content Management (ECM) for Youth Development	New	Sensitive	5,000,000
28	Federal Ministry of Youth Development - Hqtrs	ERGP8210562	Monitoring and Evaluation of Capital Projects/ Programmes,	New	Sensitive	5,000,000
29	Citizenship & Leadership Training Centre	ERGP27210853	Rehabilitation of Seven (7) Rooms and Three (3) Toilets of Clinic Block at Shere Hills, Jos	Ongoing	Youth Specific	4,771,800
30	Citizenship & Leadership Training Centre	ERGP27210768	Rehabilitation of Three (3) Rooms administrative Block, Aluu, Port Harcourt	Ongoing	Neutral	4,617,000
31	Citizenship & Leadership Training Centre	ERGP30210848	Construction of Complete Set of Training Gadgets at Kudan Zaria	Ongoing	Neutral	4,500,000

32	Citizenship & Leadership Training Centre	ERGP28210862	Rehabilitation of Borehole at Ngwo Enugu State	Ongoing	Sensitive	3,996,000
33	Citizenship & Leadership Training Centre	ERGP27210769	Rehabilitation of Three (3) Room Bungalow of Coordinator's Residence/Quarters at Aluu, Port Harcourt	Ongoing	Neutral	3,600,000
34	Citizenship & Leadership Training Centre	ERGP27210845	Rehabilitation of Four (4) Rooms, One (1) Kitchen and Seven (7) Toilets of Multi-Purpose Hall at Owode Egba, Ogun State	Ongoing	Neutral	3,600,000
35	Citizenship & Leadership Training Centre	ERGP27210846	Renovation of Six (6) Rooms and Eight (8) Bath Rooms And Toilets of Female Hostel Block at Owode Egba, Ogun State	Ongoing	Youth Specific	3,600,000
36	Citizenship & Leadership Training Centre	ERGP30210860	Purchase of Photocopying Machines for Five (5) Training Schools	Ongoing	Neutral	2,977,097
37	Citizenship & Leadership Training Centre	ERGP10210863	Extension of 250 Meters Electricitification into the Compound At Training School Ngwo, Enugu State	Ongoing	Neutral	2,787,120
38	Citizenship & Leadership Training Centre	ERGP27210858	Rehabilitation of 6.99 Meters Fence Length at Training School, Otujeremi, Delta Stte	Ongoing	Neutral	2,700,000

39	Citizenship & Leadership Training Centre	ERGP27210861	Renovation of One (1) Room and Inner Room of Clinic Block at Training School,Otu-Jeremi, Delta State	Ongoing	Neutral	2,700,000
40	NYSC	ERGP22210738	Purchase of 100 Life Jackets for Corps Members	Ongoing	Youth Specific	2,674,100
41	Federal Ministry of Youth Development - Hqtrs	ERGP8210565	Archiving and E-Documentation of Procurement Process and Documents	New	Neutral	2,000,000
42	Citizenship & Leadership Training Centre	ERGP30210854	Construction of Complete Set of Circuit Training Gadgets at Owode Egba	Ongoing	Neutral	1,800,000
43	Federal Ministry of Youth Development - Hqtrs	ERGP8210551	Government Counter-Part Cash Contribution for UNFPA Assisted Programmes on Youth Development and Common Wealth Youth Programme (CYP).	New	Youth Specific	1,000,000
44	Federal Ministry of Youth Development - Hqtrs	ERGP8210558	Expansion and Maintenance of NGOs Registration Portal.	Ongoing	Sensitive	1,000,000
45	Citizenship & Leadership Training Centre	ERGP27210857	Purchase of Office Furniture And Fittings (Fans) for Ten (10) Training Schools	Ongoing	Neutral	680,000

Appendix 2:

Youth Related Projects provided for in other MDAs in the 2024 Appropriation Bill of the Federal Government of Nigeria

S/N	MDA	Project Code	Project Name	Status	Amount
1	Service Wide Vote	ERGP22211684	Nigeria Youth Development Fund	New	25,000,000,000
2	Federal Ministry of Agriculture And Food Security - Hqtrs	ERGP1208767	Establishment of Agricultural Marketing Incubation Centres for Youth and Women Across the Six Geo-Political Zones	New	1,501,555,600
3	Smedan - H/ Qtrs	ERGP22213144	Construction and Equipment of Skill Acquisition Centre for Youth and Women in Iperu, Ikenne Lga, Ogun State	New	1,000,000,000
4	Federal Ministry of Agriculture and Food Security - Hqtrs	ERGP30208793	Development of a National Agricultural Mechanisation Enterprise Development Scheme for Youth Agripreneurs towards Increased Productivity of Farms Operations in Nigeria	New	559,319,237
5	Federal Ministry of Humanitarian Affairs and Poverty Alleviation	ERGP18213215	Occupational Training and Skill. Acquisition for Unemployed Youths on Auto Gas Conversion, Liquidity Natural Gas (Lpg) Compressed Natural Gas (Cng) for Improved Energy Security to be Executed By SDG.	New	500,000,000

6	National Productivity Centre	ERGP30211836	Training & Empowerment of Youths in Kwara South Senatorial District	New	350,000,000
7	Federal Ministry of Agriculture and Food Security - Hqtrs	ERGP5213201	Skill Acquisition for Youth and Women in Abak, Etim Ekpo and Ika Local Government Areas of Akwa Ibom	New	250,000,000
8	Federal Ministry of Women Affairs - Hqtrs	ERGP22212305	Training and Empowerment of Women and Youths in Ankpa Federal Constituency, Kogi State	New	250,000,000
9	Federal Ministry of Women Affairs - Hqtrs	ERGP22212305	Training and Empowerment of Women and Youths in Ankpa Federal Constituency, Kogi State	New	250,000,000
10	Centre for Management Development	ERGP30211877	Strategic Economic and Human Development Initiatives for Youth and Women in South East (Ikeduru-Imo) and South South (Akwukwu Igbo-Delta State) Geopolitical Zone	New	200,000,000
11	National Centre for Women Development	ERGP22210062	Provision and Empowerment of Hygiene Products for Women and Youths in Bauchi State	New	176,000,000
12	National Directorate of Employment	ERGP3176685	Skills Impartation and Empowerment of Youths on Intergrated Farming and Acquisition of Related Entrepreneurship Skills in Atakunmosa East/West/ Ilesa East/West	Ongoing	130,000,000
13	National Directorate of Employment	ERGP3176674	Special Vocational Skill Acquisition Scheme for Youths and Women in Akoko-Edo	Ongoing	120,000,000

14	Federal Ministry of Sports Development - Hqtrs	ERGP26191499	National Youth Games	Ongoing	80,000,000
15	New Partnership for African Development	ERGP30195919	Empowerment of Youths and Farmers Across Sokoto South Senatorial District, Sokoto State	Ongoing	66,296,052
16	Industrial Training Fund	ERGP30205577	Empowerment and Capacity Development of 60 Youths on ICT	New	50,000,000
17	Michael Imodu Institute of Labour Studies	ERGP8201536	Acquisition of Skill Equipment in Various Trades for Empowerment of 1000 Youths	New	30,000,000
18	National Institute for Culture Orientation	ERGP22203760	Cultural and Moral Sensittization of Youths Against the Surge of Drugs Abuse, Cultism and Get-Rich Syndrome across the Six Geopolitical Zones	New	25,000,000
19	Federal Ministry of Environment Headquarters	ERGP19192118	Youth and Women Empowerment Through Environmental Management of Waste for the Most Vulnerable Group in the Society (North East)	Ongoing	20,659,936
20	National Agricultural Land Development Authority (Nalda)	ERGP1188979	Skill Acquisition for Woman, Youth and Staff in Selected States	Ongoing	20,000,000
21	Federal Ministry of Labour and Employment - Hqtrs	ERGP8129305	Public Private Partnership on Youth Employment and Skills Development (Ppp-Yesd).	Ongoing	11,500,000

22	Federal Ministry of Science, Technology and Innovation - Hqtrs	ERGP30176263	Production of Technical Guide (Manual) for Skill Transfer Programmer for Youth and Women in the Production of the Efficient Cook-Stove Technology	Ongoing	6,496,597
23	Federal Ministry of Sports Development - Hqtrs	ERGP26191801	African Youth Games	Ongoing	5,000,000
24	Federal Ministry of Humanitarian Affairs and Poverty Alleviation	ERGP22208156	Empowerment Programmes for Women and Youths on Conflict Resolution in Pilot States	New	3,313,110
25	Federal Ministry of Sports Development - Hqtrs	ERGP22191832	Bilateral/Multilateral Relation of Youth And Sports	Ongoing	2,000,000
26	Federal Ministry of Water Resources - Hqtrs	ERGP21174008	Support to end Open Defecation Campaign -Monitoring, Advocacy, Sensitization and Collaboration (Youth Wash Initiatives)	Ongoing	1,880,733

27	Federal Ministry of Humanitarian Affairs and Poverty Alleviation	ERGP22208041	Economic Empowerment/ for Vulnerable Adolescents and Youths on Soap Making, Tie and Dye, Carpentry, Sewing, Weldering, Bee-Keeping, Fish Farming, Piggery, Shoe and Bag Making, Valcanizing Etc. and The Procurement of Empowerment Tools: Weldering and Filling Machine, 50 Sowing Machines, 50 Industrial Weaving Machines, 50 Carpentry Tools, 50 Grinding/Smoothing Machines for Shoe, 50 Chemicals and Fabrics for Soap Making and Tie and Dye, Leather and Threads for Shoe and Bag Making.	New	294,948
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