

**PROJECT PROPOSAL ON IMPROVING THE
RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN PASTORALISTS , FARMERS
AND COMMUNITIES:PILOTING OF A STRATEGY**

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INTRODUCTION

- The activities of pastoralist in Nigeria as of recent time have become a thing of concern. The conflict generated by these activities has led to social and economic instability. These in turn has been aggravating the problem of food security among many others.
- The Nigeria government has an Agricultural development roadmap which includes solving this particular problem. This proposed project is in accordance with the outcome of our National consultation on Food Security and Water, the policy recommendation of CFS, and the WEFEE programme.

PURPOSE AND EXPECTED OUTPUT

- The purpose of the project is to demonstrate a viable strategy for improving the relationship between pastoralists and farming communities in Nigeria.
- The Expected Outputs are:
 - I. The report of a survey of pastoralist, farmer, other natural resource users, their numbers, the pattern of their activities, the location of their activities, the interfacing of their activities, the management of their activities etc in a selected pilot area(s).
 - II. An Action plan for sedentralization developed by the stakeholders in a participatory manner.
 - III. A report on the project outlining lessons learnt which can be applied for up-scaling and replication.

PROJECT RATIONALE AND DESCRIPTION

- The migratory nature of the pastoralist in search of fodder and water bring them into conflict with farmer and communities. The conflicts not only destruct agricultural production but also bring about social and economic insecurity. Fatalities and lost of agriculture produce and properties, damage to ecosystem are usual result of the conflict.
- These phenomena affect 50% of the country. And about 15% of potential crop and livestock production is lost in the process.
- These constitute a serious threat to National Food Security and nutrition.

PROJECT GOALAND AND OBJECTIVES

- The goal to achieve food security in a sustainable and equitable manner in Nigeria.
- The objectives are:
 - To improve the knowledge of the conflicts between the pastoralists and farming communities.
 - To develop best practices in ecosystem management for sustainable pastoralism.
 - To develop a model for improving relationships between pastoralists and farming communities.

PROJECT JUSTIFICATION AND SCOPE

PROJECT JUSTIFICATION

- The rate at which this problem is escalating Nigeria will implode if nothing is done about it immediately.
- Executing this project will make GWPO a highly valued partner of Nigeria.
- Executing this project will immensely contribute to ensuring food security and ecosystem sustainability.

• PROJECT SCOPE

- This will be a project focused on two pilot areas where this phenomenon is obvious and prevalent e.g. Northern part of Benue State and the Jos Plateau Highland. The project is proposed to run for a period of three (3) years.

METHODOLOGY

- Identification of project areas;
- Desk study;
- Field survey to identify stakeholders and their characteristics;
- Facilitating the participation of all stakeholders in consultative processes that will enable them to develop shared understanding, shared vision and objectives;
- Participatory development of an Action plan for improving relationships between all stakeholders.
- Development of a logframe.
- Advocacy for Policy, legal and institutional reforms.
- Implementation of the Action Plan, including M&E.
- Analysis of data gathered, report writing and sharing of knowledge generated.

PROJECT MANAGEMENT

- There would be a Project Management Unit supported by consultancy inputs. The PMU will comprise representatives of line sectors, support and administrative staff.

COST ESTIMATE

• PMU office	=	Euro 52,500
• Personnel Cost	=	Euro 100,000
• Consultancy Cost	=	Euro 150,000
• Logistic	=	Euro 100,000
• Workshops etc and Report Writing	=	Euro 70,000
• Contingencies	=	Euro 27,500
• TOTAL	=	<u>EURO 500,000</u>

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- The cost estimate of this project is based on the Euro 500,000 provided in this WEFE program. Certainly when this project is to be fully developed it will require more funds commensurate with the size of Nigeria.