



# NEPAD Agency Interventions and Cumulative Results

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## 1. NATURAL RESOURCES GOVERNANCE AND FOOD SECURITY

### Comprehensive Africa Agriculture Development Programme (CAADP)

The Agency deployed technical and financial support to the Inter-Governmental Authority on Development (IGAD), where Regional Agriculture Investment Plans were developed.

### Gender Climate Change Agriculture Support

IGAD was involved in the consultations that informed the design of the project; and will continue to work closely with NEPAD in up-scaling the project to more African countries.

## 2. REGIONAL INTEGRATION, INFRASTRUCTURE AND TRADE

### Presidential Infrastructure Champion Initiative (PICI)

#### **Project: Dakar-Ndjamena-Djibouti Road/Rail Project**

**Project Status:** The Government of Senegal has prioritized the Dakar-Bamako Rail component of the project as the first phase. This phase entails the construction of a new railway network with standard gauge running through Dakar-Tambacounda-Kedougou in Senegal, Keniebu-Bamako-Bougouni-Sikasso in Mali and Bobo Dioulasso in Burkina Faso. While the West African Economic and Monetary Union has committed to finance all technical studies, the Government of Senegal is negotiating with several potential funding partners, including companies from China to fund project implementation. Project implementation is expected to commence in 2018.

#### **Project: Unblocking Political Bottlenecks for ICT Broadband and optic fibre Projects Linking Neighbouring States**

**Project Status:** The project involves the use of political gravitas and goodwill to unblock and facilitate political bottlenecks affecting the implementation of ICT broadband and optic fibre projects on the continent. The optic project connections were completed in 2013, and subsequently five EAC countries are now interconnected and linked to the sub-marine cables at Mombasa and Dar-es-Salaam. H.E. President Kagame is now providing leadership on the ICT broadband connections.

### **Construction of Navigational Line between Lake Victoria and the Mediterranean Sea**

**Project Status:** This project has various components focusing on water management and intermodal transport. Egypt has successfully completed the pre-feasibility study as per the original schedule, and provides the impetus and as well serves as a good benchmark for preparation of other PICI projects.

### **Lamu Port Southern Sudan-Ethiopia Transport Corridor**

**Project Status:** The LAPSSET Transport Corridor comprises several components, including ports, railway, road, oil pipelines and refinery, airports and resort cities. Its inclusion as a PICI project gives LAPSSET the continental and authoritative recognition needed to strengthen investor confidence and its prioritization in government development agendas and regional and continental infrastructure investment planning.

## Programme for Infrastructure Development in Africa (PIDA)

The NEPAD Agency has **deployed technical experts at 6 RECs** (SADC, EAC, ECCAS, ECOWAS, COMESA, and IGAD) and at the Central Corridor Transit Trade Facilitation Agency (CCTTFA), in addition to two experts in ICT and Energy deployed at the Agency. This, in line with the objective of seeking to build capacity at the RECs-level to accelerate PIDA – Priority Action Plan (PAP). Relatedly, implementation arrangements of PIDA - PAP have been finalised with 6 RECs.

**IGAD Regional Infrastructure Master Plan (IRIMP):** The Agency technical preparations in preparations leading to the development of the IGAD Regional Infrastructure Master Plan (IRIMP).

### **PIDA Projects in IGAD:**

- **Grand Ethiopian Renaissance Dam**

**Project Status:** Construction commenced in April 2011 and is expected to be completed within four to six years, with the first generators operational after 44 months. Financing to the value of USD4.8 billion was secured through a construction contract with Italy, while China has provided USD1.8 billion for the construction of the turbines. In March 2015, Egypt, Sudan and Ethiopia signed a declaration of principles on the dam, agreeing to safeguard the interests of all three countries. The Grand Ethiopian Renaissance Dam, scheduled to be completed in 2017, will be Africa's largest hydroelectric power plant with a storage capacity of 74 billion cubic meters of water. On the Ethiopia-Kenya interconnection Line funding has been successfully completed and construction has started.

- **Project: Beira and North South Corridor Multimodal Development Corridor**

**Project Status:** Work on the pilot on Beira North South Corridor (NSC) based on lessons learnt from the Central Corridor Transit Transport Facilitation Agency (CCTTFA). In that regard, SADC and NPCA convened a Task Force, Senior Officials and Ministerial Meetings from 30th May to 3rd June 2016 to prepare legal frameworks and a detailed road map for that will outline the acceleration process including identification, prioritization consideration and endorsement by the Ministers on 3 June 2016. Thereafter, the

projects were showcased after packaging at a High Level investor Forum in October.

- **Juba Torit Kapoeta Nadapal Eldoret Road Project (DFS)**

**Project Status** Contract type: Build, Maintain Operate; Detail design complete. The first phase of this project (US\$80 million) is being funded by World Bank; because of the outbreak of civil war in South Sudan, the project is yet to be approved by the Bank.

### 3. INDUSTRIALISATION, SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY AND INNOVATION

#### African Medicines Regulatory Harmonisation (AMRH)

The IGAD Member States agreed to establishing a regional MRH Programme with associated instruments including a Steering Committee, TWGs and a Coordinating Unit as part of IGAD Health and Social Development Department. In addition, the NMRAs agreed to:

- i) establish a sustainable financing mechanism for the IGAD Regional program;
- ii) build the capacity of IGAD secretariat and its member states to ensure effective e coordination and implementation of the program;
- iii) establish an integrated information management system that links all authorities and enables joint activities and develop a website for information sharing and exchange;
- iv) initiate a phased approach for harmonization of medicines regulation based on the priorities identified in the IGAD member states; and
- v) support the development of an overarching regional pharmaceutical policy and the adoption of modern legislative frameworks, based on the AU Model Law. Furthermore, it was agreed that the IGAD regional Medicines Regulatory Collaboration and Harmonization Program be hosted by the Government of the Sudan.

### 4. SKILLS AND EMPLOYMENT FOR YOUTH

#### Capacity Development

A targeted analysis and collation of the immediate short-term capacity interventions required by five (5) AU RECs, namely, COMESA, EAC, ECOWAS, IGAD and SADC was undertaken. Subsequently, the IGAD Capacity Development Strategy was developed in alignment with the IGAD 2016-2020 Regional Development Strategy, CD Strategy and Agenda 2063.

