

Your Excellency,

The Executive Governor,
Kebbi State.

**SETTING UP OF DOMESTIC ARREARS COMMITTEE ON STATE FISCAL
TRANSPARENCY, ACCOUNTABILITY AND SUSTAINABILITY (SFTAS)
PROGRAMME (PforR)**

Your Excellency may wish to recall that the Leadership of World Bank in charge of the SFTAS Programme officially visited the state for three days Mission Visit from Sunday 20th to Wednesday, 23rd July, 2019 and trained some selected State's Civil Servants on ways to achieving SFTAS Eligibility Criteria (EC) and Disbursement Link Indicators (DLIs) 7, 8 and 9.

2. Your Excellency may wish to note that Kebbi State has met all the 2018 SFTAS achievable Indicators which qualify the state to receive the Grants attached to these Disbursement Link Indicators (DLIs) with no condition attach to it as regards to expenditure. The Mission Team therefore requested that a Domestic Arrears Committee be established in addition to the already existing SFTAS State Steering Committee headed by Honourable Commissioner/Permanent Secretary of Ministry of Finance. The Domestic Arrears committee will be responsible for: -

- Recording, Verification and Reporting of Domestic Arrears of debt
- Prioritization and Clearance of Domestic Arrears of debt

They also recommended that sub-committees be formed within the Steering and Domestic Arrears Committee and attach each sub-committee to one (1) DLI. These sub-committees will be vested with responsibilities for achieving other DLIs such as: -

- ❖ **Strengthened Internally Generated Revenue (IGR) collection** by establishing an up-to-date consolidated revenue code that includes all the state's and local governments IGR sources and stipulating that the state Board of Internal Revenue is the sole agency responsible for state revenue collection and accounting.
- ❖ **Improved procurement practices for increased transparency and value for money** through the introduction of e-Procurement, establishment of an independent procurement board and should cover all MDAs receiving funds from the state budget. Etc.

3. The proposed Domestic Arrears Committee Members, based on the World Bank guidelines, are as follows: -

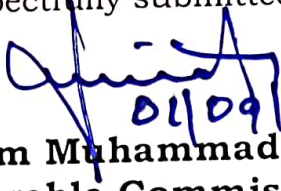
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| i. | Honourable Commissioner Ministry of Finance | Chairman |
| ii. | Permanent Secretary Ministry of Budget | Member |
| iii. | State Accountant General | Member |
| iv. | Director of Finance Pension and Gratuity | Member |

- v. Director Due Process
- vi. Director Incorporated (Internal Auditor)
- vii. SFTAS Focal Person
- viii. Director Debt Management
- ix. Auditor General

Member
Member
Member
Secretary
Observer

4. In view of the above therefore, Your Excellency, may wish to kindly note and approve the setting up of the committee.

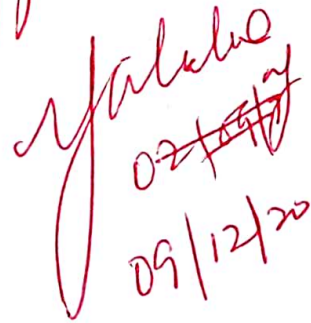
5. Respectfully submitted, please.


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hereby approved


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