

Inception Report on the Promotion of African Rice Development through strengthening coordination between CARD and CAADP for Sub-Saharan African Countries

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Background

- **Estimated national annual demand for rice is put at 5.2 million MT while local annual rice production is estimated at 3.3 MT.**
 - **The demand gap of 1.9 MT is imported, making Nigeria the second largest importer of rice in the world.**
 - **It is projected that annual demand for rice would rise to 36 MT by year 2050**



Characteristics of the Nigerian Rice Sector

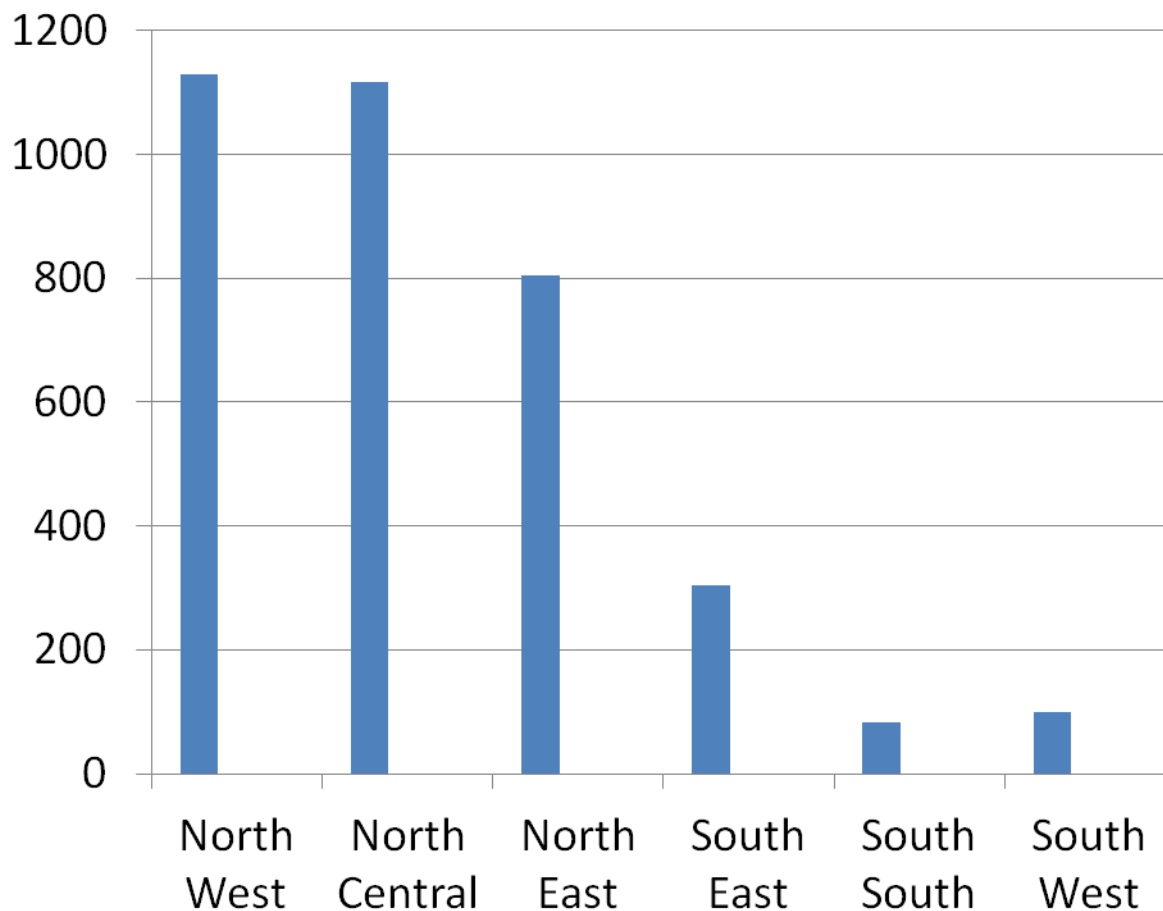
- **High demand for the more expensive parboiled rice against cheaper milled white rice;**
- **Poor competitiveness with imported rice in terms of quality and price because of high production and transaction costs.**
- **Low industrial base (modern mills and organized market) to drive the chain**
- **The rice value chain is highly fragmented from production to marketing, making it difficult to create brands and standards.**



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Characteristics contd

Paddy output by Zones, 2010



■ Paddy production, MT
x1000

PRESENT SITUATION

- **Nigeria is currently implementing an Agricultural Transformation Agenda**
- **Mr. President drives the transformation.....**
- **He chairs the Agricultural Transformation Implementation Council**
- **Builds support from State Agricultural Transformation Implementation Committees**
- **The Honorable Minister is Driving the Agricultural Transformation Agenda**
- **Rice has become a Top Priority Crop and a Rice Value Chain Transformation Agenda (RTA) is now being implemented**



PRESENT SITUATION (contd)



- **All National, Bilateral and Multilateral interventions in the rice sub-sector are now strongly coordinated by the RTA**
- **The Desk Officer of the Rice Value Chain is an important core member of the CAADP and NRDS Task Force and works closely with the Focal Point**
- **The goals set out by NRDS for the development of the rice sub-sector in Nigeria have been fine tuned and streamlined and made the focus of the RTA**

Goal and Objectives

Goal: Self sufficiency in rice production and complete substitution of imported rice by year 2015.

Specific Objectives:

- Develop a vibrant rice value chain that will attract investments for locally produced rice.
- Raise rice production level from current 3.3 million MT to 6 million MT per year to remove the shortfall between demand and production by year 2015.
- Make locally produced rice competitive with imports in terms of price and quality.
- Build a network of paddy producers around rice mills to ensure regular supply of paddy.



Expected Outputs



- **Nigerian parboiled rice highly competitive with import and a sustainable market for white rice.**
- **A viable rice value chain capable of meeting the country's rice demand.**
- **Industrialization of the Nigerian rice Sector.**
- **Conservation of foreign exchange earnings resulting from elimination of rice imports.**
- **Food security resulting from doubling of rice production from 3 MT/ha to 6.0 MT /ha.**
- **Income growth and poverty reduction for rice farmers.**
- **Generation of additional 500,000 jobs in the rural area.**

Strategy



Three complementary interventions will be employed to develop the Nigerian rice sector:

- **Increasing efficiency along commodity chain to reduce production and transaction costs and increase price competitiveness.**
 - **Prioritize rice ecologies on basis of potential output.**
 - **Mechanize land preparation to reduce labor cost and increase farm size per holding.**
 - **Intensify rice production with use of inputs.**
 - **Cluster out-growers around the mills to reduce transaction cost.**

Strategy (Contd)

- **Improving quality management along commodity chain.**
 - **Use of pure seeds of improved varieties.**
 - **Mechanization of harvesting, threshing and paddy to reduce contamination.**
 - **Intensification of crop production through use of inputs for higher yields per unit area.**
 - **Introduction of modern medium to large scale mills to process paddy into high quality rice.**



Strategy (Contd)

- **Creating enabling environment for above changes to happen.**
- **Enactment and consistency of policies on tariff and financing for rice development.**



Implementation

- **Scope:** all the States of the Federation and the FCT.
- **Paddy production**
- **Mechanization**
- **Irrigation**
- **Rice variety and seeds**
- **Processing**
- **Commercialization/Industrialization of Rice Production**
- **New Investors in Rice Processing**





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