**Agriculture Regulatory**

**Section A: Legal Status**

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| Question | Ministry of Agriculture, Natural Resources and Rural Development | Oyo State Agribusiness Development Agency (OYSADA) |
| What are the mandates of your agency? | * Stimulation of increase in production and improvement in the quality of our traditional crops/ commodities; * To initiate and improve rural institutions like farmers’ groups, cooperative, societies, cluster groups e.t.c; * To mobilize the people including youths for mass production of food by providing rural infrastructure; * To provide necessary training for and supply of subsidized cost, the major farm inputs required by farmers; * To ensure good health for livestock population in the state by diagnosing and treating livestock and prevention of livestock diseases by inoculation and vaccination; * To control pests, supervise storage and ensure proper grading of agricultural produce to bring maximum returns to farmers; * To stimulate efficient agricultural production and improve the income and standard of living of rural farmers in the state through agricultural extension activities. | * To facilitate the private sector investment in the Agricultural Sector * To turn Oyo state to modern Agribusiness hub through development of strategy, coordination and implementation of Agribusiness investment in the state through public, private and development partners ( Technical & Financial development partners) |
| How clear are the mandate of your agency as contained in the law establishing it? | Very clear | Very clear |
| How would you rate the influence your agency has on agriculture and food security policy change processes in Oyo state? | High Influence | High Influence |
| Is there a functional policy framework to promote land administration for agricultural purposes? | Lack Enough Information | Yes, Because we are targeted to change the mindset of the youths on Agriculture and to catch them young. |
| How effective has the policy framework to promote land administration for agricultural purposes? | Not Satisfactory | Satisfactory |

**Section B: Regulatory Policies**

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| **Question** | **Ministry of Agriculture, Natural Resources and Rural Development** | **Oyo State Agribusiness Development Agency (OYSADA)** |
| There are policies to improve the productivity of agriculture and food security in Oyo state? | Strongly Agree | Strongly Agree |
| There is continuous dialogue related to policy on agriculture and / or food security issues between the state representative and other stakeholders? | Strongly Agree | Strongly Agree |
| Stakeholder perspectives in these policy dialogues on agriculture and food security issues are listened to and considered closely by government? | Strongly Agree | Strongly Agree |
| Research and academic institutes effectively participate and are consulted in policy dialogues on agricultural and food security issues? | Strongly Agree | Strongly Agree |
| Policy processes on agriculture and food security issues are timely and focused on addressing pressing and important issues related to the agriculture sector? | Agree | Strongly Agree |
| Policy dialogues on agriculture and food security issues are well-informed with a clear understanding of the feasibility, strengths, and weaknesses of the policy options being considered? | Strongly Agree | Strongly Agree |
| The performance of the agriculture sector is regularly assessed in an open, transparent, and timely manner by the state? | Strongly Agree | Strongly Agree |
| A clearly articulated and broadly understood legal process for developing and approving policy exists? | Strongly Agree | Strongly Agree |
| Capacity exists in the state to effectively conduct independent policy analysis on agriculture and food security policy issues? | Strongly Agree | Strongly Agree |
| Available evidence in the form of data and results of rigorous analysis is frequently used in policy processes on agriculture and food security issues? | Strongly Agree | Strongly Agree |
| An effective system to monitor policy implementation and results in the agriculture sector is in place and functional? | Agree | Strongly Agree |
| An effective system to monitor the results in the agriculture sector is in place and functional? | Disagree | Strongly Agree |
| After a policy decision on an agriculture or food security issue is made, appropriate resources are committed and made available for effective policy implementation? | Strongly Agree | Strongly Agree |
| The government has embark transparency and debate in policy processes and decision making? | Strongly Agree | Strongly Agree |

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| Question | Ministry of Agriculture, Natural Resources and Rural Development | Oyo State Agribusiness Development Agency (OYSADA) |
| Comment generally on how to improve Oyo state agriculture sector in the next 2 years | * Passing relevant bills to effect the policy. * Scheduling efficient implementation strategies for the bills passed e.g cattle ranching/ anti-open grazing laws. * Timely and effective finding of projects/ programmes. * Highlight/prioritize project based on people-oriented basis. * Employment of field officers (Technicians, Technologists and Agric Officers) for extension services and data generations * Purchase of equipment (GPS for measurement data, etc.) | * To scale up farm settlement to other sectorial district- Ogbomosho, Ibarapa, Oke-Ogun 1&2. * Bring the small holders into the process so as to be the supplier in the ecosystem(out grower for the big farms). |

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| **Question** | **Ministry of Agriculture, Natural Resources and Rural Development** | **Oyo State Agribusiness Development Agency (OYSADA)** |
| As a regulator, how would you describe your oversight/ monitoring functions of the public and private agricultural facilities in the state? | Not Efficient  Due to poor motivation of Agric officers e. g. mobility, field offices, labor line, working instrument, Data processing facilities, work environment etc. | Satisfactory  There is Oyo Agribusiness governance and policy programme; Oyo Agribusiness park Programme; Oyo Agribusiness education Development Programme; Youth in Agribusiness programme; Regional Agribusiness Development Programme |
| What are the major challenges hindering your oversight/ monitoring functions of public and private agricultural centers in the states? | Working instrument e.g data processing facilities stationeries, mobility, farm labour line, field offices rehabilitation, capacity development of officers, inadequate staff e.t.c | None. The mandate is clearly stated among different agencies in the sector |
| In what areas do you need more powers to perform your oversight/ monitoring functions of public and private agricultural entities in the state? | Data generation/ records, capacity development of staffs, employment of more Extension staff/agric officers, mobility (4-wheel Drive vehicles and motor-cycles for extension staff) and agric-data officers as well as utility vehicles for Departments/Agencies operations | None |
| What specific means do you utilize to receive feedback from the regulated agencies such as public/ private agricultural centers such as veterinary clinics and other agricultural facilities in the state? | Partnership/ synergies with professional Veterinary Association e.g AFAN,CAFAN, Baale-Agbe in-council across LGAs, synergies with committees if Director of Agriculture at LGAs/ LCDAs. | Meetings, Group discussions, Visitations, WhatsApp, Social Media Platforms |
| In your opinion, do you think policy measures of Governor Seyi Makinde has strengthened the Agricultural sector in the state with respect to personnel, equipment provision, infrastructural support? | With respect to Personnel, the answer is NO.  the reason is in respect to Extension services, the Extension Services, The Extension staff-to –farmer ratio is extremely bad, in the record of 1:17,009 and yet, no additional recruitment has yet being made to improve on this; With respect to Equipment, there has not been procurement of any agricultural equipment to date since 2019; On Infrastructure support, Yes. Improvement is being registered at RCDC, Aawe on youth-in-agriculture, at Fashola and the farm Estates in the State, Training of 10,300 youths in batches of 300 youths at Nazarawa State(Ongoing) and STEP-project respectively. | YES.  Training of Youth Batch by Batch, Improvement is being registered at RCDC, Aawe on youth-in-agriculture, at Fashola and the farm Estates in the State 300 youths at Nazarawa State(Ongoing) and STEP-project |
| In your opinion, how do you think the institutional arrangements to enhance the functionality of the Agricultural sector can be strengthened in Oyo State? | Restructure the institutional structure called the Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development through creation of agencies such as Oyo state agric input supply, Agric Mechanization & training Agency, agricultural Statistics & data Management Agency to complemented the work of the mother Ministry, Ministry of Agricuylture and Rural Development. Other Suggested Agric Agencies and Rural community Development Agency as a training centre and Rural Infrastructure Developmenty Agency respectively. | The out grower should be clustered so as to be able to feed into the ecosystem by making produce available for big farmers. |