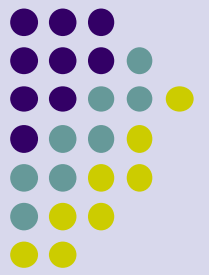


# FEDERAL MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND WATER RESOURCES

## FACTS BEHIND OUR PERFORMANCE

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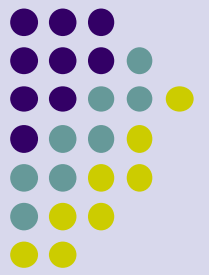
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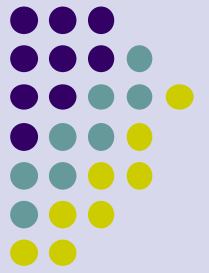


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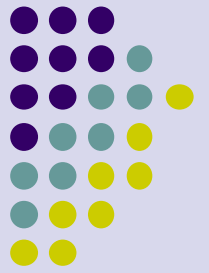
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- The Procurement Department is the instrument through which the Public Procurement Act 2007 is implemented in the Ministry. The Bureau of Public Procurement has established general policies and guidelines relating to Public sector procurement, and for supervising procurement implementation as well as reviewing the Procurement and award of contract procedure of every public entity to which the Public Procurement Act applies, including certifying all procurements prior to the award of contracts.



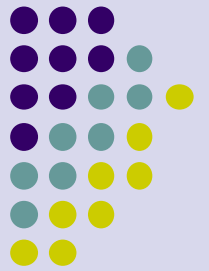
# INTRODUCTION (CONTD)

- The Department, which is made up of two Divisions i.e. Capital and Recurrent is responsible for processing of all the Procurement of Contracts and Services in the Ministry. The department is currently under the Ag. Director (Procurement).



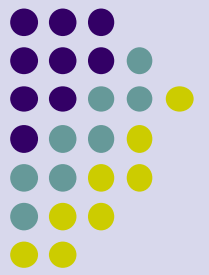
# FACTS BEHIND OUR PERFORMANCE

- Sourcing of a mix of skilled staff to augment the existing ones after the creation of the Department.
- Advantage due to availability of in-house Engineers and professionals including experienced Procurement officers from the hitherto Due Process unit
- Moderate availability of modern tools and equipments for effective service delivery
- Support and cooperation of Management



# FACTS BEHIND OUR PERFORMANCE

- Commitment and support of staff on project implementation despite daunting challenges.
- Early preparation ,commencement, and doggedness in Budget implementation despite conflicts in the various versions of the budget that abound.
- Timely releases of budgeted funds in the FY-2008 greatly aided implementation.

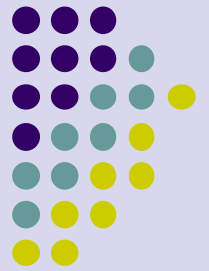


# Challenges

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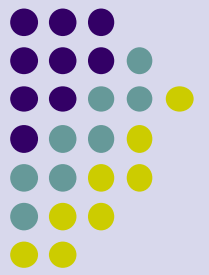
- The procurement process in the Ministry is presently undermined and challenged by resistance to change by officials.
- This is similar in most MDAs

# IMPEDIMENTS:



The Procurement Department being the newest Department within the Public Service is being faced with some teething problems.

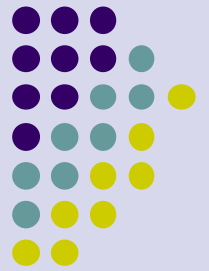
- Zero budgetary provision.
- Lack of sufficient working materials
- Lack of key Personnel
- Erratic and poor power supply
- Lack of Official Vehicles for Monitoring and
- Capacity Building of staff



# Way Forward

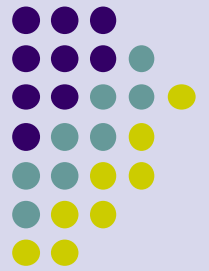
- There is need for adequate budgetary provisions
- Provision of conducive working environment/materials
- Appropriate training and re-training of all staff (Capacity Building)
- Provision of Vehicles for efficient monitoring and evaluation of project execution.

# Summary of 2008 Activities

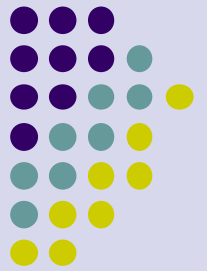


- 26 PPC and MTB Meetings were held in year 2008
- Total Value of contracts Certified/Awarded Amounted to N9,913,985,096.19. i.e below N50m threshold
- These exclude contracts awarded by the Agencies and Parastatals and projects above N50million sent for Review to the BPP.
- Implementation level of approximately 92%
- Payment and Monitoring of On-going projects.
- Supervision of Procurement of Agencies & Parastatals

# 2009-IMPLEMENTATION STRATEGY

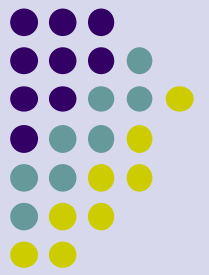


- Procurement work plan for the Ministry and Parastatals
- Review of Adverts for publication
- Fast tracking the Procurement plan in line with the Federal Government directives and revised thresholds
- Training of Officers in the Ministry, Procurement Department and Agencies & Parastatals
- Inauguration of the PPC & MTB – 1<sup>st</sup> meeting already taken place.
- Setting up of Technical & Financial Evaluation Committee
- Early release of funds to Parastatals and Agencies
- Use of BPPs Standard Bidding Documents and
- Compliance with Federal Governments Procurement Guidelines & Circulars



# RECOMMENDATIONS

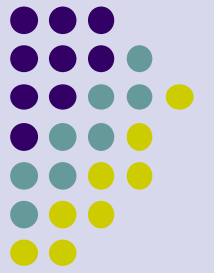
- Need for early approvals of budgets and early release of appropriated funds.
- Proper manning of the Procurement Department with staff skilled in procurement.
- Training of officers and staff of the MDAs
- Early Management approval of MDAs' Work & Procurement plans as provided in the Budget
- Commitment of all to the 4 core objectives of procurement-
- Economy & Efficiency
- Competition
- Value for Money, and
- Transparency
- Effective communication
- Appreciation of the Procurement processes by the Governments Anti-corruption Agencies.



# Conclusion

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- The Public Procurement Act 2007 provides the legal and institutional framework for the entronement of Transparency, Accountability, Value for Money and Efficiency in the procurement of works, goods and services within the Federal Ministries and Extra-Ministerial Depts. With this, the Seven-Point Agenda of the Government shall be delivered for **DIRECT BENEFIT OF NIGERIANS!**



**Thank You!**