As the largest economy, leading oil producer and most populous country in Sub-Saharan Africa, Nigeria faces the unique challenge of having to diversify its economy away from fossil fuels while responding to the unmet energy needs of its growing population. Nonetheless, Nigeria wants to turn this challenge into an opportunity by increasing its use of renewable energy, reducing its carbon footprint, and eliminating gas flaring.

Nigeria committed to a 20%-30% emission reduction by 2030, with a focus on the power, oil and gas, agriculture and land use, transport, and industry sectors. Nigeria adopted the National Adaptation Strategy and Plan of Action on Climate Change in 2011, and the Nigerian Climate Change Policy Response Strategy 2012. These documents are the building blocks of the Nigeria's Nationally Determined Contribution (NDC), which was further developed into an NDC Sectoral Action Plan for the five priority sectors.

The NDC Support Programme will enhance the capacities of key institutions to mobilize finance for the Action Plan; increase private sector participation to catalyze the necessary investments; catalogue climate-related actions undertaken by various parties to measure progress towards the achievement of NDC targets; and help Nigeria inform and raise awareness on the Action Plan among public and private sector actors.
With the goal to foster ambitious progress towards resilient, zero carbon development, the NDC Support programme works with countries to put their climate commitments under the Paris Agreement into action. We thereby help countries pursue a “whole-of-society”, integrated approach that is embedded within national systems to drive transformative sustainable development results. The programme is funded by the European Union and the Governments of Germany and Spain as a contribution to the NDC Partnership.

**FOCUS AREAS**

**Finance and Investment Mobilization**
- Conduct an Investment and Financial Flow Assessment for the five priority sectors to understand the investment needs of the Action Plan and identify domestic gaps in funding;
- Apply gender and social inclusion criteria to the selection of priority measures and in the delivery of capacity-building training;
- Train national actors in the public and private sector on formulating proposals for accessing climate finance.

**Private Sector Engagement**
- Identify and promote investment opportunities widely among project developers and investors;
- Organize events on low-carbon technologies and investment opportunities in the NDC Action Plan during national business forums.

**Monitoring and Transparency**
- Establish a database of current mitigation actions to track progress towards NDC targets;
- The database will be fully integrated in the future national MRV system.

**Awareness and Advocacy**
- Develop a communication strategy to raise awareness among the public and private sectors and civil society about the commitments undertaken by Nigeria under the NDC;
- Target the Office of the Senior Advisor to the President on the SDGs in order to align the achievement of SDGs and the NDC.

**BUILDING BLOCKS**

Important foundations created under the Low Emission Capacity Building (LECB) Programme include:

**Sectoral Plans**
- Completed five sectoral action plans for sectors of priority to NDC implementation. Created sectoral summary documents and associated MRV discussion note;

**Political and Institutional Frameworks**
- Enhanced technical capacities of key ministries for NDC implementation, including the Ministry of Environment and the five ministries associated with the sector action plans (Agriculture, Industry, Power, Transport and Oil and Gas);
- Conducted a detailed assessment of the governance environment and the policies needed to implement the (I) NDC for five priority sectors;

**Awareness and Stakeholder Engagement**
- With extensive stakeholder consultations, created awareness, collected in-depth sectoral insights and secured buy-in for sectoral action plans.

**PARTNER INITIATIVES**

The NDC Programme links closely with complementary projects to strengthen outputs and ensure comprehensive responses to government needs with the **GEF-led Capacity Building Initiative and Transparency (CBIT)**.

At the global level, the Programme is engaged in a range of strategic partnerships including the **IKI NDC Support Cluster**.