

**PRESENTATION TO ASABA CLUSTER TOWN HALL
MEETING OF 23RD MAY, 2015, DELTA STATE**



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OUTLINE OF PRESENTATION

- The place of Asaba in the context of Niger Delta
- Competitive Capitals but no development
- What are the projects we are looking at for Asaba Cluster for the 2013 fiscal year?
- What of Sector Specific indicators
- What comes after?
- Next steps
- Conclusion

THE PLACE OF ASABA IN THE CONTEXT OF NIGER DELTA

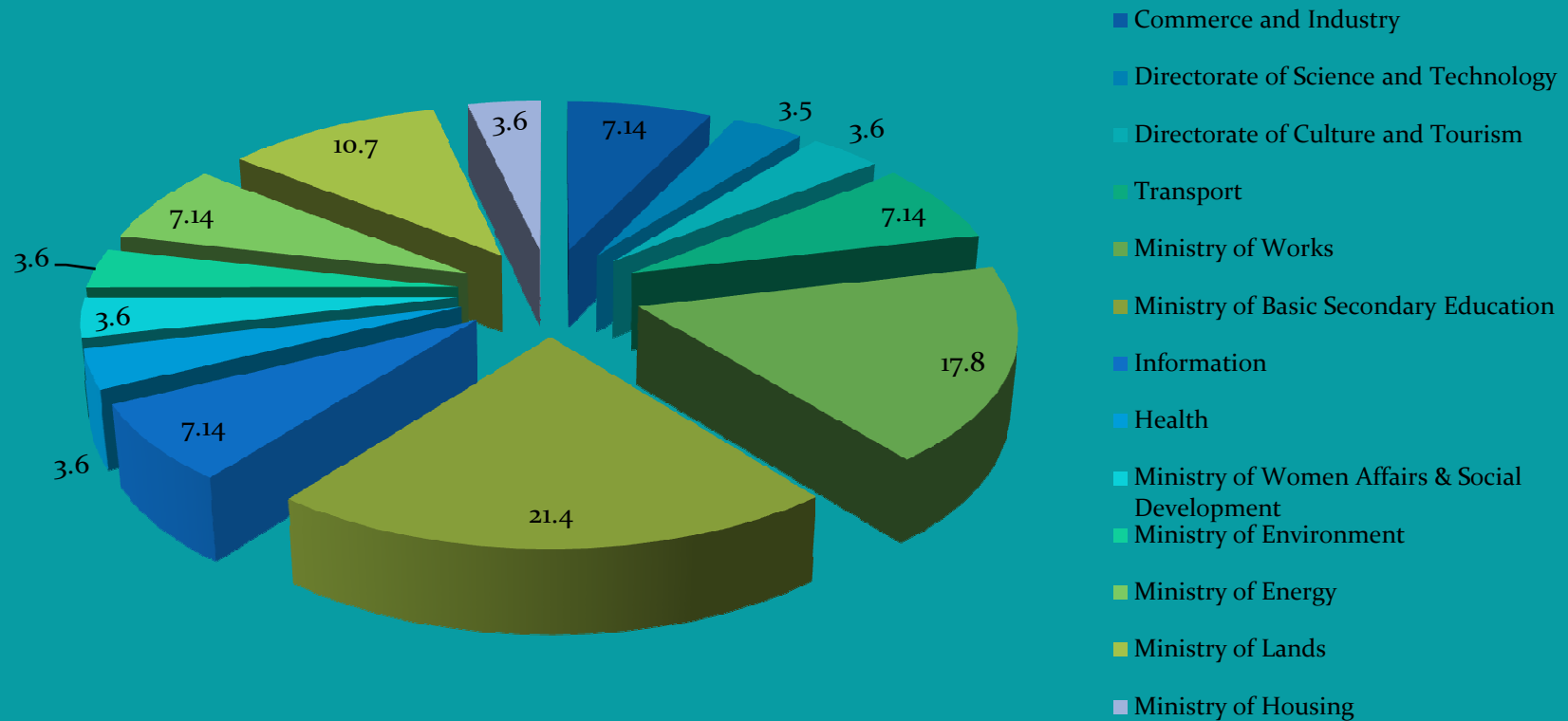
- Asaba is a South-South boundary with Onitsha and a point of entry to the South-South from the East
- A State Capital of one of the envelope draggers of Derivation Principles accruing to the Niger Delta
- Yet to compete with other capitals in the region, no matter how backward others are, with an alarming infrastructural margin

COMPETITIVE CAPITALS BUT NO DEVELOPMENT

- State capitals in the region yet to “**BRACED**” up
- Why among 3 key envelope draggers in the region without corresponding development?
- All capital, one competitive infrastructural demand and *super imposed* citizens’ economic disparity
- Incoming government across the region can write their names in gold, if ...

WHAT ARE THE PROJECTS WE ARE LOOKING AT FOR ASABA CLUSTER FOR THE 2013 FISCAL YEAR?

Sectoral Distribution of Selected Projects by Sector for Asaba, Delta State in FY 2013 Budget



CONT...WHAT ARE THE SECTOR SPECIFIC INDICATORS

- Asaba has 28 projects in the “Abridged Factsheet” in your hand
- However, in the 2015 Regional Town Halls Master-list of the Niger Delta Budget Monitoring Group, Asaba has 291 state projects, 20 NDDC projects and 20 Federal projects.
- These are projects our team selected randomly

WHAT COMES AFTER?

- Yes! Follow us and visit our website for the Master-list and other critical fiscal information concerning the region:
www.nigerdeltabudget.org
- We are unveiling a new website in 2 or 3 weeks time, which you can download information from the Master-list about all our 2015 Town Hall Meetings, which is not uploaded yet at the existing website

NEXT STEPS

- The next presentation shall provide you details of 28 projects encapsulated in the “Abridged Factsheet”
- What we are doing is to empower and encourage our communities to enjoy democratic right and freedom in following their money
- We are inviting you to join the campaign against budget impunity

CONCLUSION

- We are willing to assist our Niger Delta communities follow upon their projects and further serve as a bridge, for the facilitation of interfacing between our communities and the government at all levels.
- Send enquiries concerning information of projects you may wish to know and we shall follow up with the government to provide such information, provided, such enquiry not for single individual personal gain but for the collective benefit of our suffering communities in the Niger Delta
- Enquiries can be sent to: enquiries@nigerdeltabudget.org

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