

**PRESENTATION TO YENAGOA CLUSTER TOWN HALL
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OUTLINE OF PRESENTATION

- Yenagoa within the context Niger Delta's hubs
- Revamping the social and economic infrastructures of Yenagoa
- Inflow-outflow revenue transparency by states' in the Niger Delta-Bayelsa appealing example
- What are the projects we are looking at for Yenagoa Cluster for the 2013 fiscal year?
- What of Sector Specific indicators
- What comes after?
- Next steps
- Conclusion

YENAGOYA WITHIN THE CONTEXT NIGER DELTA'S HUBS

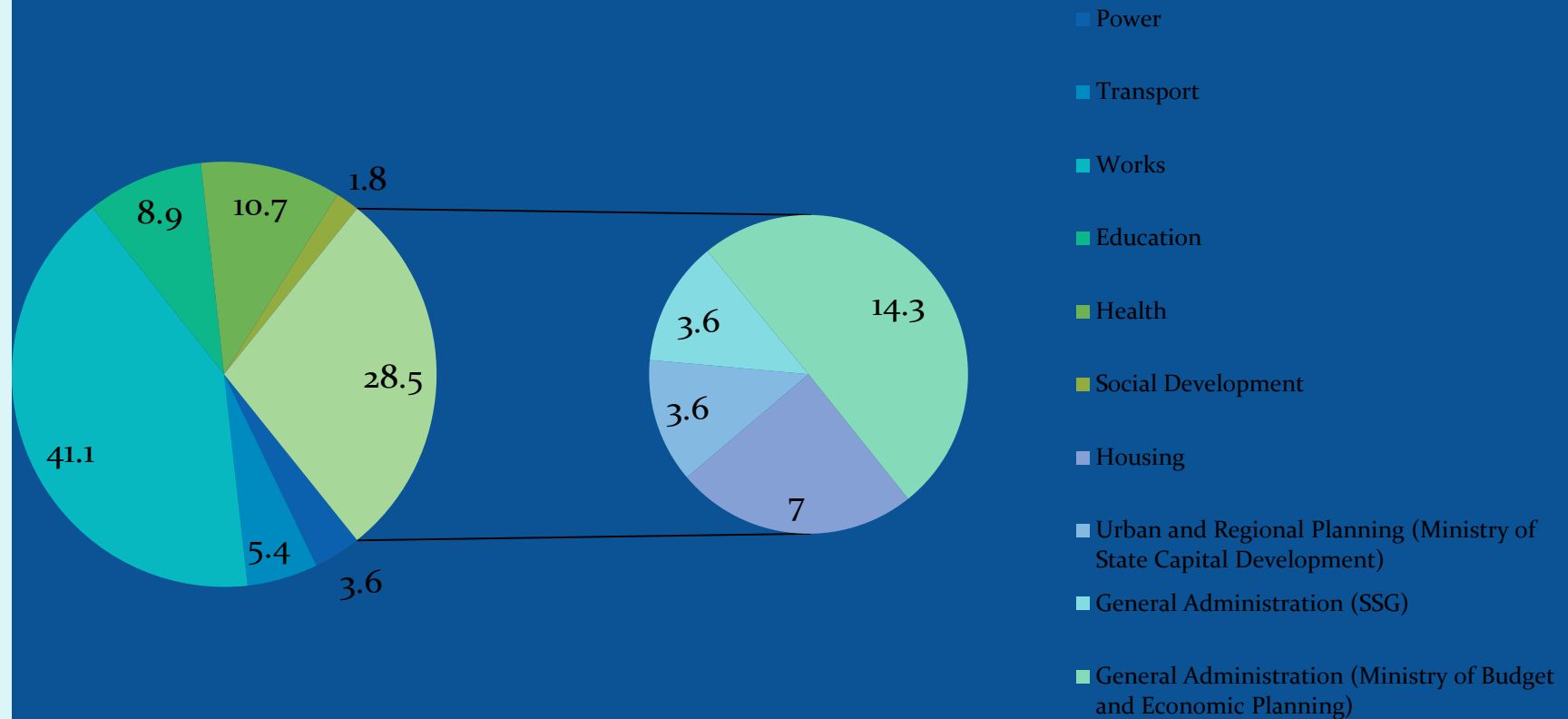
- Yenagoa has the most difficult topography among capital cities across the Niger Delta
- For the first time, Yenagoa as a state capital has been given an infrastructural boost beyond looking like a glorified Local Government Headquarters
- It is commendable to observed human capital development being pursued vigorously along with social infrastructure for the people of the state
- The above should further be consolidated by the full implementation of the Bayelsa State Public Procurement Act and Fiscal Responsibility Act, both, being enactments of the State Government . By such, the Governor shall further endears himself to the people.

INFLOW-OUTFLOW REVENUE TRANSPARENCY BY STATES' IN THE NIGER DELTA-BAYELSA APPEALING EXAMPLE

- The transparency briefing by the Governor should be replicated by all the States in the region.
- Local Governments' Chairpersons across the region should emulate the Bayelsa Government by further disclosing what is shared at JAAC meetings between the Local Governments and the State
- The Bayelsa State Government should go a step further by getting the communities and civil society in the state to be part of impact evaluation for every capital project of the government. It would be a cost saving measures for the state and people in many ways

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

Distribution of Selected Projects by Sector s within Yenagoa Cluster from Bayelsa State 2013 Budget



WHAT OF SECTOR SPECIFIC INDICATORS

- In the “Abridged Factsheet” in your hand, there are 56 capital projects for the Yenagoa Cluster.
- In the 2015 Town Hall Master-List, there are 191 capital projects from the Bayelsa State Budget 2013. Further, NDDC has 57 capital projects and 27 Federal projects.
- These are all projects that affects lives of everyone. However, having the envelopes in the budget does not mean it would be cashed back, hence the need for stakeholders’ follow up at appraising, if there was fiscal accident.

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 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 56 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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