Minutes of the DACCIMA - DIDA Meeting

Date: October 31, 2024

Venue: Prof. Chike Edonzie Hall, State Secretariat, Asaba

Commencement: 2:15 pm

1. Attendance

1. Chief Anthony Idigbe, SAN, Ph.D. – President, DACCIMA

2. Hon Okolie Peter Isioma JP FIMC

Secretary,

3. Mr. Fidelis Onu – Director General, DACCIMA

4. Director General of DIDA and Team

2. Opening Remarks

The Director General of DIDA welcomed the DACCIMA delegation warmly and acknowledged the need for collaboration, noting that recent interactions with DACCIMA have been fruitful. He emphasized that this meeting was timely, given the importance of strengthening investor relations within the state.

Chief Anthony Idigbe, President of DACCIMA, introduced DACCIMA’s history and vision, sharing insights into its role in supporting business growth in Delta State.

3. Discussion Highlights

The DACCIMA Secretary reminded those present on intended collaboration on the Ease of Doing Business:

The DIDA DG highlighted the importance of a joint effort between DACCIMA and DIDA to improve the ease of doing business within Delta State, making it more attractive to potential investors. He acknowledged that while DIDA has limitations in independently launching initiatives, they are committed to creating an enabling environment to support collaborative efforts.

Sector Focus for Strategic Impact:

The DG suggested that DACCIMA focus on a specific sector to maximize impact. In response, the DACCIMA DG proposed several high-impact sectors, each with strong potential for economic growth, including:

1. Blue Economy

2. Digital Economy

3. Carbon Economy

4. Green Economy

Focus on the Digital Economy:

Chief Idigbe emphasized the potential of the digital economy to engage and empower the youth, contributing to the growth of the state’s GDP. He outlined DACCIMA’s interest in leveraging digital initiatives to build capacity and support entrepreneurial opportunities for young people.

Survey on Ease of Doing Business:

Madam Faith, a Director at DIDA, informed DACCIMA representatives of an ongoing survey to assess the ease of doing business in the state. She encouraged DACCIMA members to participate by completing the survey form, which would be shared electronically to ensure comprehensive feedback.

4. Closing Remarks

Mr. Felix, a Director at DIDA, extended a vote of thanks to all attendees, acknowledging the collaborative spirit displayed and the mutual commitment to fostering economic growth within Delta State.

The meeting concluded at 3:00 pm, followed by a group photograph.