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CONSTITUTION OF THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA 1999
(AS AMENDED)

SSLN. No.....3.....2023

SOKOTO STATE OF NIGERIA
SOKOTO STATE INVESTMENT INCENTIVES ORDER NO. 1, 2023

In the exercise of the powers conferred upon me by section 5(2) of the Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria (as amended) and all other powers enabling me in that behalf, I, Ahmed Aliyu Sokoto *PhD, FCNA*, Executive Governor of Sokoto State of Nigeria do hereby make the following order:

1. This Order may be cited as Sokoto State Investment Incentives Order No. 1, 2023 and shall be deemed to have come into force on the .....day of December 2023.

2. For the purpose of making direct investment in the State easier, some incentives are hereby granted for the benefits of Investors which include the following:

a. Land Concession

i. Description of Benefit: Free land allocation of up to 10 Hectares of land to eligible Investors

ii. Duration: **Up to 15 years**. For Initial period of 10 years and extendable by another 5 years.

iii. Eligibility Criteria: A joint venture or wholly Foreign-owned Company and an Indigenous Company must have a non-current tangible asset of over ₦100,000,000 (One Hundred Million Naira) investment under any of the State's priority Sectors.

iv. Implementing Agency: Sokoto State Ministry of Lands and Housing.

b. A Waiver on Business Premises Registration

i. Description of Benefit: An exemption to investors from payment of business premises registration fees.

ii. Duration: Up to 5 years.

iii. Eligibility Criteria: A joint venture, wholly foreign-owned company or an indigenous company which must have a non-current tangible asset of over ₦25,000,000 (Twenty-Five Million Naira) and a minimum employee size of 15.

iv. Implementation Agency: Ministry of Commerce, Trade and

c. A Waiver on Ground Rent, Premium and Development Levies

i. Description of Benefit: Exemption to investors from payment of Ground Rent, Premium and Development Levies.
ii. Duration: One-off period
iii. Eligibility Criteria: A joint venture or wholly foreign-owned company and an indigenous company must have a non-current tangible asset of over ₦25,000,000 (Twenty-Five Million Naira) investment in any of the State's priority sectors. The investor must not have benefitted from the land concession incentive.
iv. Implementing Agency: Ministry of Lands and Housing shall be the authorizing ministry and Sokoto State Internal Revenue Service shall be the implementing Agency

d. Micro and Small Enterprises Support Fund

i. Description of Benefit: Concessional loans (Interest-free) of up to ₦25,000,000.00 is extended to micro and small enterprises.
ii. Duration: One off/1-year period.
iii. Eligibility Criteria: Registration of business name; payment of business premises fee; and must be in the agro-processing sector.
iv. Implementing Agency: Ministry of Commerce, Trade and Industries.

e. Right of Way Charges

i. Description of Benefit: A downward review of Right of Way charges to ₦145 per linear meter.
ii. Duration: One-off/ 1-year period
iii. Eligibility Criteria: Any registered firm in Networking/ Communication Industry.
iv. Implementing Agency: Sokoto State Urban and Regional Planning Board.

f. Free Access to Information.

i. Description of Benefit: Easy access to information on Raw Materials endowments across the State.
ii. Duration: All year round.
iii. Eligibility Criteria: All investors are eligible.
iv. Implementing Agency: All related Ministries, Department and Agencies of Government.

g. Assistance to Obtaining Permits/ Licenses

i. Description of Benefits: Assistance to obtaining permits/ Licenses such as Export licenses, Mining Licenses e.t.c.
ii. Duration: All year period.
iii. Eligibility Criteria: Public Private Partnership/ with the State Government.
iv. Implementing Agency: All related Ministries, Departments and Agencies.

h. Assistance to Obtaining Permits/ Licenses

i. Description of Benefits: Assistance to obtaining permits/ licenses such as Export Licenses, Mining Licenses, etc.
ii. Duration: All year round
iii. Eligibility Criteria: Public Private Partnership with the State Government.
iv. Implementing Agency: All related Ministries, Departments and Agencies.

i. Provision of Infrastructural Facilities/ Service.

i. Description of Benefits: provision of water supply, electricity, telecommunication facilities and good road Network, Industrial layout and areas of investment within the State.
ii. Duration: One-off/ 1year period.
iii. Eligibility Criteria: Public Private Partnership with the State Government.
iv. Implementation Agency: All related Ministries, Departments and Agencies.

3. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

MADE At Sokoto this 7th day of December, 2023.

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Ahmed Aliyu Sokoto *PhD FCNA*
Executive Governor,
Sokoto State of Nigeria.

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SSLN. No.....4.....2023

SOKOTO STATE OF NIGERIA

SOKOTO STATE PROMOTION OF TRANSPARENCY AND EFFICIENCY IN THE BUSINESS ENVIRONMENT ORDER NO. 2, 2023

In the exercise of the powers conferred upon me by section 5(2) of the Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria (as amended) and all other powers enabling me in that behalf, I, Ahmed Aliyu Sokoto *P.hD, FCNA*, Executive Governor of Sokoto State of Nigeria do hereby make the following Order:

1. This Order may be cited as Sokoto State Promotion of Transparency and Efficiency in the Business Environment Order (NO. 2) 2023 and shall be deemed to have come into force on the .....day of December 2023.

2. For the purpose of making direct investment in the State easier the following Order is hereby made:

   a. All related Ministries, Departments and Agencies of Sokoto State shall publish on the State official website all relevant information on fees, procedures, Service Level Agreements (SLAs), and Grievance Redress Mechanism (GRM) for all core business regulatory processes provided by the MDAs.

   b. The Ministries, Departments and Agencies shall publish on the State Official website advance communication rules of upcoming changes to the information on any of the items in (a) above; any such changes shall only come into effect after a minimum of 30 days' notice of the changes.

c. The Ministries, Departments and Agencies shall provide contact information (telephone or email) which must remain functional during working hours.

d. This Order is applicable to Sokoto the following:-

i. Sokoto State Urban and Regional Planning Board (SSURPB).
ii. Sokoto State Bureau of Public Procurement [SBPP].
iii. Sokoto Internal Revenue Service [SOIRS].
iv. Ministry of Commerce, Trade and Industries [MCTI].
v. Sokoto State Water Board [SSWB].

3. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

MADE At Sokoto this....7TH..... day of December, 2023.

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Ahmed Aliyu Sokoto *PhD FCNA*
Executive Governor,
Sokoto State of Nigeria.

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SSLN. No.....5.....2023

SOKOTO STATE OF NIGERIA

SOKOTO STATE ESTABLISHMENT OF GRIEVANCE MECHANISM ORDER NO. 3, 2023

In the exercise of the powers conferred upon me by section 5(2) of the Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria (as amended) and all other powers enabling me in that behalf, I, Ahmed Aliyu Sokoto *P.hD. FCNA*, Executive Governor of Sokoto State of Nigeria do hereby make the following order:

1. This Order may be cited as Sokoto State Establishment of Grievance Mechanism Order (NO. 3) 2023 and shall be deemed to have come into force on the .....day of December 2023.

2. For the purpose of making direct investment in the State easier the following Order is hereby made:

a. Governance Risk Management (GRM) provisions should cover the following:

i. Purpose: This Executive Order is made to establish or upgrade a Governance Risk Management (GRM) system to ensure effective reporting and management of governance-related issues in Sokoto State

ii. Reporting Mechanism

iii. Scope of Reporting.

iv. Confidentiality

v. Investigation and Resolution

vi. Training and Awareness

vii. Compliance with global best practices

viii. Responsibilities and Reporting Structure

ix. Monitoring and Reporting

x. Penalties and Enforcement

xi. Amendment and review

3. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

MADE At Sokoto this.....7.TH..... day of December, 2023.

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Ahmed Aliyu Sokoto *P.hD FCNA*
Executive Governor,
Sokoto State of Nigeria.