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Response to Drugs and Related Organized Crime in Nigeria



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The Concept

Response to Drugs and Related Organized Crime in Nigeria is a 53-month (January 2013-May 2017) European Union (EU) funded project being implemented by the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC) to support Nigeria's efforts to tackle drug-related challenges using a multi-faceted approach.

Project Objective

To support the Nigerian Government in its efforts to fight illicit drug production, trafficking and use, and to curb related organized crime, including counterfeit narcotics and psychotropic substances.

Project States

Project activities are delivered at the federal level, the Federal Capital Territory Abuja and in the 36 states of Nigeria.

Funding Level: EUR 34,500,000

Project Outcomes

1. Information and evidence base on drug use, drug crime and policy impact are improved and used for policy and programming.
2. Enhanced technical and operational capacity in frontline agencies and services, leading to targeted interventions on drugs and related organized crime in Nigeria as well as improved internal scrutiny processes.
3. The capacity to manage drug treatment, rehabilitation and prevention is improved through the creation of a reliable network of quality drug treatment service providers available for drug users.

Key Partners

- National Drug Law Enforcement Agency (NDLEA)
- National Agency for Food and Drug Administration and Control (NAFDAC)
- The Nigeria Police Force (NPF)
- Nigeria Customs Service (NCS)
- Nigeria Immigration Service (NIS)
- Federal Ministry of Health (FMOH)
- Federal Ministry of Justice (FMOJ)
- Federal Ministry of Education (FMOE)
- The Judiciary
- Civil society organizations (CSOs)

Key Milestones to Date (as of June 2015)

Endorsement of the National Drug Control Master Plan (NDCMP) 2015-2019

The National Drug Control Master Plan (NDCMP) 2015- 2019 was endorsed by the President of Nigeria on 22 May 2015. This policy and strategy document will provide a roadmap on drug control for all ministries, departments and agencies in Nigeria and help to strike a balance between drug supply suppression and drug demand reduction actions. To facilitate implementation of the Plan, the project has worked with member agencies and ministries of the Inter-Ministerial Committee on Drug Control to develop a costed operational plan and a monitoring and evaluation framework for the master plan.

Other project activities in progress

1. Assessment of the legal framework for drugs and related organized crime in Nigeria, along with witness protection legislation and access to legal aid for drug arrestees successfully completed and draft report produced.
2. Assessment of the cooperative arrangements between agencies in responding to drugs and related organized crime successfully completed and report produced.
3. Assessment of NDLEA drug counselling centers has been completed and report disseminated to NDLEA.
4. Assessment of drug treatment services in Nigerian prisons was conducted and a report produced.
5. An assessment of drug prevention, treatment and care services provided by civil society organisations was conducted and a draft report produced.
6. Assessment of current drug treatment data collection practices, including a workshop to develop a National Drug Monitoring System was undertaken and a report produced.
7. Ten training courses on 'Treatnet' drug treatment delivered to health professionals.
8. Commencement of implementation of pilot school-based drug prevention program called 'Unplugged'; four training courses have been conducted with a view to adapt standard prevention materials for Nigeria.
9. Six training courses delivered to build the capacity of intelligence and investigative operatives within partner law enforcement agencies in order to transform their operating models from reactive to intelligence-led.
10. Implementation of the NDLEA Change Management Program with the delivery of training sessions for senior management staff.
11. Commencement of the Strategic Intelligence Development Program to train NDLEA, NAFDAC, NCS, NIS, and NPF operatives in the development of crime thematic assessments. Three two-week sessions have been held out of a total of five.
12. The national guidelines for quantification of narcotics and the national guidelines for estimation of psychotropic substances and precursors have been agreed and produced.
13. Six hundred and eighty-two persons were trained between January and June 2015, which is more than the total number of trainees (285) in 2014.

