

## National Agricultural Seeds Council (NASC) Mandate, Vision, Mission and Opportunities

Presentation

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#### Introduction

- The National Agricultural Seeds Council (NASC) was established in December, 2007 as an Agency of the Federal Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development in line with the provisions of National Agricultural Seeds Act No. 72 of 1992.
- The NASC is charged with the overall development and regulation of the national seed industry.



#### **NASC's Vision**

• To build a market-driven seed industry for the production and distribution of high quality and improved planting materials that are available, accessible and affordable to all farmers.



#### **NASC's Mission**

• To transform the Nigerian Seed System into a leading seed industry in Sub-Saharan Africa worthy of generating foreign exchange, key employer of labour and contributing positively to the country's economy.



#### NASC's Mandate

- Analyse and formulate programmes, policies and actions regarding seed development and the seed industry in general, including research on issues relating to seed testing, registration, release, production, marketing, distribution, certification, quality control, supply and use of seed in Nigeria, importation and exportation of seeds.
- Design improved management systems and procedures relating to the administration of seed activity.
- Advise the federal Government on the organization, management and financing of seed programmes.
- Analyse the market and price of seeds.
- Enforcement of seed law.



- Advise the national research system on the changing pattern of seed demand and farmer's needs.
- Monitor and evaluate the establishments of the national seed system and recommended improvement.
- Encourage the establishment in Nigeria of seed companies for the purpose of carrying out research, production, processing and marketing of seeds.
- Meeting of partners on the project "Increasing production and dissemination of quality Early Generation Seeds (EGS) to improve income and food security of farmers in Nigeria



#### **OPPORTUNITIES WORKING WITH NASC**

- Authentication and certification of quality seeds to fight fake seeds and seed adulteration.
- Provision of seeds that is free from pest infestation and disease infection.
- Provision of high quality seeds to attain food security and improve income for farmers.
- Easy traceability of seed source.
- Maintenance of quality assurance.
- Management tool for authentication of seeds genuineness by end users (Farmers).



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