

Ebonyi State Government of Nigeria

Citizens' Accountability Report

For the Year Ended 31st December, 2022



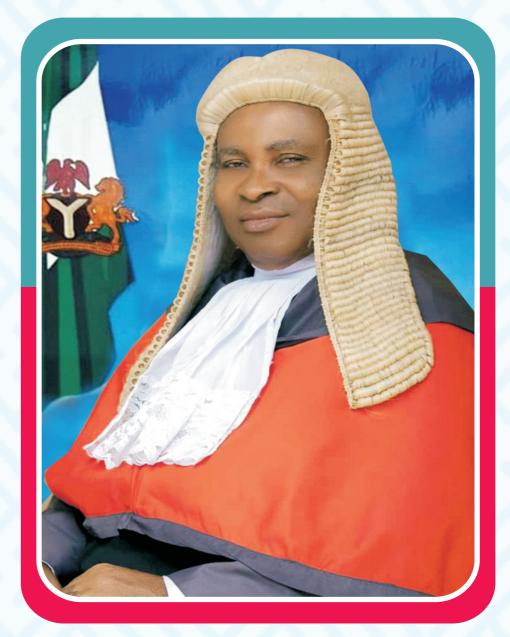
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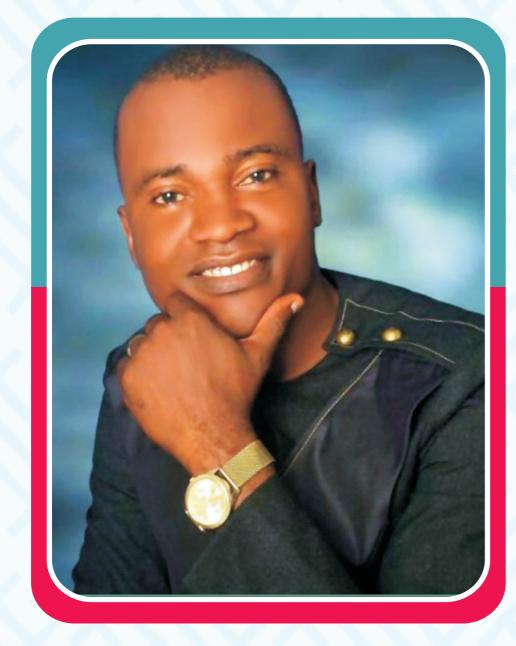
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2022 Budget: Budget of Latter Rain

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About the Citizens Accountability Report

A Citizens' Accountability Report (CAR) is a series of graphic and tabular illustrations of the contents of the Audited Financial Statements prepared by Office of the State Auditor-General on behalf of the government of Ebonyi State to the citizens to ensure accountability of public funds. This report details the government's performance in carrying out the duties assigned to it and the utilization of funds in the coffers of the government. This accountability report is based on the financial statements for the Financial Year (FY) 2022 and reports on State budget, revenue and expenditure for 2022.

Explanation of Key Terms used in this Report:

- x Budget unless otherwise stated, the budget refers to the Final Budget (i.e. the original budget, plus any adjustments that have been made via a supplementary budget / revised budget).
- x Actual –this is the actual amount of revenue collected or expenditure incurred over the course of the year.
- x Variance –for revenue items, this is calculated as Actual minus budget a negative variance for revenues and inflows means actual fell below budget, and vice versa for a positive variance. For expenditure, variance is calculated as budget minus actual a negative variance for expenditures means actual expenditure was above budget, and vice versa.
- X Performance this refers to the actual revenue / expenditure as a percentage of the budget. A performance of 100% means the full budgetary allocation was collected (revenue) or spent (expenditure). A performance of less than 100% means the full level of revenue collection or expenditure was not achieved. A performance of more than 100% means more revenue was collected than anticipated, or more money was spent than anticipated in the budget.

Executive Summary

The 2022 Budget of Ebonyi State, the Budget of Latter Rain, was passed on 23rd December, 2021 and budget implementation commenced on 1st January, 2021.

Aggregate revenue performance was 79.7% of the budgeted N173.8 billion in the final budget. On the expenditure side, the actual total expenditure was N119.49 billion or 61.3% of the budgeted amount which was N194.81 billion for the year.

Capital Expenditure performed at 56.8% for the year. The Recurrent Expenditure for the year were within budgets at 73.1% and 72.0% performance for Personnel Costs and other Recurrent Expenditure respectively.

Office of the Secretary to the State Government enjoyed the highest proportion of recurrent expenditure (25.9%) while Ministry of Infrastructural Development for Concessioning received the highest proportion of Capital Expenditure (30.23%).

Of the ten top value projects of the State for year 2022, six Projects had implementation cost overruns. The overruns range from the 1.58% of budget to 321.37% of approved budget for the year. The projects have been completed except the Construction of a New Stadium in the Capital Territory and the Dualization of Abakaliki-Enugu Express way which are still ongoing.

The material audit findings related to non-retirement of Direct Labour advances, loss of revenue through the non-deduction of relevant taxes and levies, Internally Generated Revenue spent at source and payment documents not provided for Audit.

Section 1 Budget Outturn

The revenue performance (Outturn) shows the aggregate revenue performance of 79.7% for the year. This means an aggregate revenue of N136.4 billion in addition to the opening Cash and Cash Equivalent of N2.2 billion.

This is 20.30% less than the anticipated (budgeted) revenue of N173.8 billion for the year. Of the budgeted sources of revenue only loans achieved and even surpassed its budget for the year (106.7%) Performance on the other sources were 98.5% for FAAC Revenue, 71.8% for IGR, 44.2% for Aids and Grants, 8.3% for other Revenue.

On the expenditure side, the actual total expenditure for the year is N119.9 billion which is N75.4 billion less that the total expenditure budget of N194.9 billion. Out of this total, N78.2 billion or 65.41% was spent on capital projects. The N78.2 billion spent on Capital Projects represents a capital budget performance of 61.3%.

Recurrent expenditure for the year amounted to N41.3billion or 34.59% of the total expenditure budget. All recurrent expenditure were within budget limits in the year with budget performance for each component as detailed below:

Personnel Costs (Salaries and Wages)-73.1%

Other Recurrent Expenditure (including Pensions & Gratuity) 72.0%

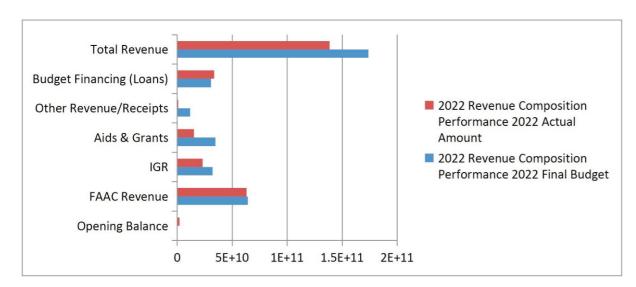
Also included in other Recurrent Expenditure are, Overheads and Public Debt Charges.

Table 1 Budget Outturn

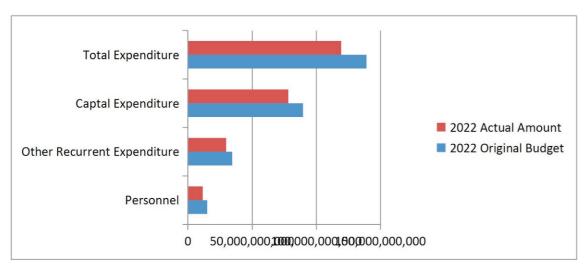
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Budget Outturn (Originally Approved vs Actual)					
2022 Revenue Composition Performance					
2022 Aggregate Revenue Composition	2022 Original Budget	2022 Final Budget	2022 Actual Amount	Variance*	Performance (%)*
Opening Balance			2,156,655,411	2,156,655,411	
FAAC Revenue	57,470,000,000	64,200,000,000	63,234,557,074	965,442,926	98.5%
IGR	22,078,431,502	32,249,177,093	23,169,358,284	9,079,818,809	71.8%
Aids & Grants	29,462,760,943	34,703,330,943	15,350,400,464	19,352,930,479	44.2%
Other Revenue/Receipts	2,941,360,000	11,941,360,000	985,305,380	10,956,054,620	8.3%
Budget Financing (Loans)	30,705,336,104	30,705,336,104	33,687,780,087	2,982,443,983	109.7%
Total Revenue	142,657,888,549	173,799,204,140	138,584,056,700	35,215,147,440	79.7%
2022 Expenditure Performance by Economic Type					
2022 Aggregate Expenditure Composition	2022 Original Budget	2022 Final Budget	2022 Actual Amount	Variance*	Performance (%)*
Personnel	14,937,298,743	15,762,059,231	11,522,071,891	4,239,987,340	73.1%
Other Recurrent Expenditure	34,510,728,081	41,375,402,815	29,807,182,410	11,568,220,405	72.0%
Captal Expenditure	89,763,717,206	137,716,636,900	78,156,276,599	59,560,360,301	26.8%
Total Expenditure	139 211 744 030	194.854.098.946	119.485.530.900	75.368.568.046	61.3%

Figure 1 Budget Outturn Graphs

2022 Revenue Performance



2022 Expenditure Performance



Revenue Outturn

Table 2 below shows the approved and actual revenue generated internally by the State and disaggregated by sources while Table 3 outlines the revenue information from top 10 performing revenue agencies in the State.

The state government has continued to spur the fiscal space in a manner that would enhance IGR growth. Consequently, various IGR drive initiatives have been implemented by the State. These efforts are expected to buffer revenue available for the execution of the annual budget targets and effective delivery of services to the citizens of Ebonyi State.

The total IGR performance in the last completed fiscal year was 57.0%. Compared to the last fiscal year, (2021) IGR dropped significantly.

The IGR has two broad categories, namely the Tax Revenue and the Non-tax Revenue. The outturn for the Tax and Non-tax revenue was 72.2% and 50.3% respectively.

The critical source of Tax Revenue for Ebonyi State included Personal taxes which recorded a budget performance of 69.7%. Most of the Personal taxes arose from the PAYE system probably because it is easier to collect as collection is through payroll deductions.

The State needs to work hard on Direct Assessment of Personal Income Taxes to improve its performance on tax revenue.

The State Internal Revenue Service (IRS) which is the highest revenue generating institution of the State had a budget off N3.00 billion but generated N7.02 billion for the year representing a performance of 233.9%. Audit noted that the revenue budget of IRS was reduced from N7.8 billion in 2021 to the present N3.00 billion unnecessarily and that IRS revenue was N10.9 billion in 2021

The IRS should be further strengthened to enhance its operational capacity thereby increasing its revenue generation for the State.

The IRS is followed by Ministry of Solid Mineral Development which generated N5.15 billion out of a budget of N13.26 billion an outturn of 38.8%. Other MDAs in the Top ten are: Office of the Accountant General, actual N3.5 billion; Ministry of Lands and Survey, actual N2.15 billion even when the Ministry had no revenue budget;

Ebonyi State University actual, N1.78 billion; Examination Development Centre actual, N398.3 million; ICT actual, N201.8 million; David Umahi University of Health Sciences actual, 193.7 million and Ministry of Capital City Development actual, 229 million.

Table 2 Revenue Outturn by Item

By Item					
IGR Items	2022 Original Budget	2022 Final Budget	2022 Actual Amount	Variance*	Performance (%)*
Tax Revenue	9,752,273,167	13,162,121,235	9,497,864,045	- 3,664,257,190	72.2%
Personal Taxes:	8,150,602,667	11,250,602,667	7,839,294,216	- 3,411,308,451	%2'69
Personal Income Tax(PAYE)	8,150,602,667	11,250,602,667	7,839,294,216	- 3,411,308,451	%2'69
PersonnalIncomeTax(Direct Assessment Taxes)					
Penalty For Offences & Interest					
Other Personal TaxN.E.C					
Other Taxes:	1,601,670,500	1,911,518,568	1,658,569,828	- 252,948,739	86.8%
Sales Tax					
Lottery Tax/Licence					
Property Tax					
Capital Gain Taxes					
Withholding Tax	1,601,670,500	1,911,518,568	1,658,569,828	- 252,948,739	86.8%
Other Taxes N.E.C	•	•	•	•	
Non-Tax Revenue:	32,879,773,669	29,739,401,665	14,963,527,885	-14,775,873,780	50.3%
Licences General	300,000,000	128,336,700	44,131,881	- 84,204,819	34.4%
Fees -General	11,440,559,431	9,777,799,709	4,257,358,487	- 5,520,441,222	43.5%
Fines -General	66,644,000	28,699,800	531,841,429	503,141,629	1853.1%
Sales – General	5,128,663,100	125,180,000	183,944,699	58,764,699	146.9%
Earnings – General	383,140,000	8,418,871,278	8,462,455,885	43,584,607	100.5%
Rent On Government Buildings - General	2,329,934,400	608,168,372	50,403,600	- 557,764,772	8.3%
Rent on Land and Others – General	•				

* Variance and Performance is assessed against final budget. Negative Variance for Revenues items means revenue actuals were below budget

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MDA	2021 Original Budget	2021 Final Budget	2021 Actual Amount	Variance*	Performance (%)*
Board of Internal Revenue	3,000,480,012	3,000,480,012	7,017,958,361	4,017,478,349	233.9%
Ministry of Solid Mineral Development	13,264,346,931	13,264,346,931	5,146,032,991	- 8,118,313,940	38.8%
office of the Accountant General	306,580,400	306,580,400	3,489,172,096	3,182,591,696	1138.1%
Ministry of Lands and Survey	-	-	2,154,207,295	2,154,207,295	
Ebonyi State University	1,286,000,000	1,286,000,000	1,779,855,827	493,855,827	138.4%
Examination Development Centre	436,120,000	436,120,000	398,303,208	- 37,816,792	91.3%
Ministry of Market Development & Monitoring	195,970,000	195,970,000	140,528,758	- 55,441,242	71.7%
ICT	60,000,000	60,000,000	201,816,104	141,816,104	336.4%
David Umahi University of Health Science	333,235,200	333,235,200	193,685,933	- 139,549,267	58.1%
Min. of Capital Territory Development	2,200,000	2,200,000	2,290,000	90,000	104.1%
Other Revenue Collecting Agencies	23,747,114,293	24,016,590,357	3,937,541,356	-20,079,049,001	16.4%
Independent Revenue (IGR)	42,632,046,836	42,901,522,900	24,461,391,929 -18,440,130,971	-18,440,130,971	57.0%

Table 3 - Revenue Outturn by MDAs

Internally Generated Revenue Performance

Repayments	•			•	
Investment Income	7,500,000		141,358,259	#VALUE!	
Interest Earned	650,985,807	650,985,807	544,464,828	- 106,520,979	
Reimbursement	150,000,000	150,000,000	191,667,437	41,667,437	
Miscellaneous Income	12,422,346,931	9,851,360,000	555,901,380	- 9,295,458,620	
Independent Revenue (IGR)	42,632,046,836	42,901,522,900	24,461,391,929	-18,440,130,971	
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Variance and Performance is assessed against final budget.

Section 3 Expenditure Outturn

Table 4 below deals with the expenditure outturn. It shows how much expenditure was allocated to each main classification and how much was spent. Broadly, capital expenditure got N137.72billion representing 70.67% of the total budget size of 194.85 while recurrent expenditure was allocated 44.62billion, equivalent to 29.33% of the total budget size. It was observed that the state retained its prioritization of capital expenditure. Consequently, the share of actual capital expenditure in the total expenditure of N122.78billion was N78.16billion representing 63.66% while actual recurrent spending was allotted the remaining N44.62billion which is 36.34% approximately. However, in terms of aggregate expenditure outturn, recurrent expenditure performed at about 71.97% of its final budget size while the capital expenditure outturn was 56.75%, implying about 28.03% deviation or N59.56billion less than the final capital budget size.

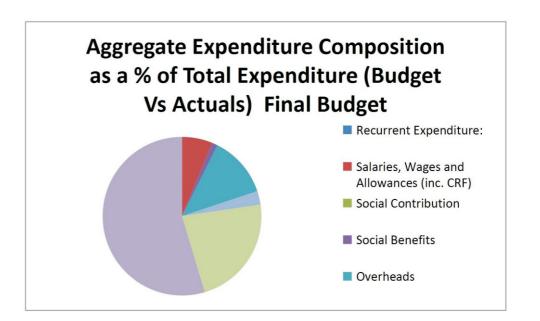
The breakdown of actual recurrent expenditure shows that when compared with Other recurrent items, **Overheads** received the highest share of **N23.96 billion** representing **19.53%** followed by **Salaries**, **Wages and Allowances** which got **N11.52 billion** (**9.32%**), Public Debt Charges which got **N3.78 billion** (**3.08%**), Transfers (Loan Repayments) at N3.29 billion (2.69%) and Social Benefits which got **N2.06 billion** representing 1.68%. all expenditure classification were within their budget limits during the year.

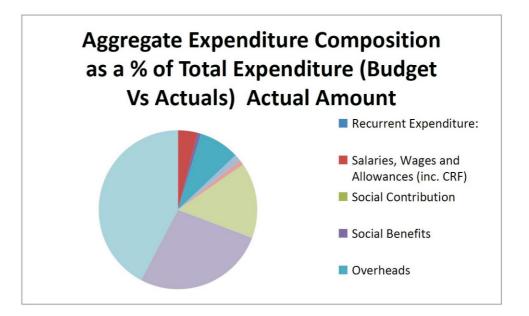
Table 4 - Expenditure Outturn

Expenditure: Where does the Money go?

Aggregate Expenditure Composition as a % of Total Expenditure (Budget Vs Actuals)	enditure (Budget Vs Ac	tuals)				
Expenditure	Final Budget	Budget Share (%)	Actual Amount	Actual Share (%)	Variance*	Performance (%)*
Recurrent Expenditure:						
Salaries, Wages and Allowances (inc. CRF)	15,762,059,230.32	8.09	11,522,071,891.32	9.32	4,239,987,339.50	73.10
Social Contribution	ı			ı		ı
Social Benefits	2,840,963,194.04	1.46	2,057,608,220.14	1.68	783,354,973.90	72.42
Overheads	31,534,439,620.59	16.19	23,968,351,861.37	19.53	7,566,087,759.22	76.00
Grants and Subsidies		ı	ı			1
Public Debt Charges	7,000,000,000.00	3.60	3,781,222,329.00	3.08	3,218,777,671.00	54.02
Transfers		0.00	3,293,044,695.00	2.69	-3,293,044,695.00	
Total Recurrent Expenditure	57,137,462,045.45	29.33	44,622,298,996.83	36.34	12,515,163,048.62	71.97
Total Capital Expenditure	137,716,636,099.88	70.67	78,156,276,597.94	63.66	59,560,301.94	56.75
Total Expenditure	194,854,098,945.33	100.00	122,778,575,594.77	100.00	72,075,523,350.56	63.01
* Variance and Performance is assessed against final budget. Negative variance for expenditure items means actuals were above budget.	sed against final budget.	Negative vari	ance for expenditure ite	ms means actuals w	ere above budget.	

Figure 2: Expenditure Composition Budget and Actual





Section 4 Audited Financial Statements

This section outlines a breakdown on the state's audited public expenditures and revenues for the fiscal year in review. The expenditure budget figures, consolidated revenue funds and audited cash flow statement based on the audited financial statements are represented here for citizens' understanding.

The tables provide a more detailed breakdown of revenues and expenditures in 2022. Some of the highlights (major variances) are as follows:

- x The budget for Statutory Allocation is the summary of expected receipts from FAAC i.e Statutory Allocation, Value Added Taxes, and FAAC Allocations (Other Agencies)
- x Therefore Statutory Allocation performed below final budget figures (63.23billion against the final budget of N64.20 billion)
- x Independent Revenue (Tax and Non Tax Revenue) also performed below their final budgets at 72.16% and 71.63% respectively. This performance falls short of expectations. Government should restrategise its revenue collection to increase collections in the subsequent years.
- x Domestic Grants performed at 44.24% for the year. Again grants fell short of expectation in the year. Performance was to be driven by SFTAS Grants arising from the observed improvements in governance indices during the Annual Performance Assessment by the IVA. Unfortunately SFTAs Grants received did not match expectation.
- x All recurrent expenditure subheads were within budgetary limits.
- x The State reported a surplus of N32.92 billion for the year.

Table 5: Statement of Income and Expenditure

Statement of Income and Expenditure							
Item	Previous Actual (-1)	Originally Approved Budget	Supplementary Budget	Final Budget	Actuals	Variance*	Performance (%)*
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Revenue:					1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1		
Opening Balance	9,117,427,483				2,156,655,411		
Statutory Allocation	54,497,358,922	57,470,000,000	6,730,000,000	41,730,000,000.00	39,365,174,918	-2,364,825,082.00	105.67
13% Derivation							
State Government Share of VAT		20,000,000,000.00		20,000,000,000.00	23,535,404,574	3,535,404,574.00	117.68
Other Federation Account Distributions				2,470,000,000.00	333,973,581		14.00
Independent Tax Revenue	13,812,536,429	9,752,273,167	3,409,828,068	13,162,121,234.95	9,497,864,045	-3,664,257,189.95	72.16
Independent Non-Tax Revenue	9,597,740,285	12,326,158,335	6,760,897,523	19,087,055,857.90	13,671,494,239	-5,415,561,618.90	71.63
Foreign Grants							
Domestic Grants	11,101,915,285	29,402,760,943	5,300,570,000	34,703,330,943.21	15,350,400,464	19,352,930,479.21	44.24
Foreign Loans							
Domestic Loans		30,705,336,103.90	1	30,705,336,103.92	33,687,780,087	2,982,443,983.08	109.72
Other Revenues	2,593,791,586	9,101,360,000	8,750,000,000	9,851,360,000.00	555,901,380	-9,295,458,620.00	90.0
Transfer from other Government Entities	360,848,401	1,840,000,000	250,000,000	2,090,000,000.00	429,404,001	-1,660,595,999.00	20.55
Total Revenue (a)	101,081,618,390.77	119,892,552,445.76	31,201,295,590.30	1,737,992,204,139.99	138,589,052,699.91	35,210,151.440.01	79.74
Expenditure:							
Salaries, Wages and Allowances	11,888,978,645.92	14,937,298,742.71	824,760,488.11	15,762,059,230.82	11,522,071,891.08	4,239,987,339.74	73.10
CRF Charges (Salary)							
Social Contributions							
Social Benefits	1,870,704,173.86	2,564,136,343.65	276,826,850.39	2,840,963,194.04	2,057,608,220.14	783,354,973.90	72.43
Overheads	18,047,544,061.30	22,209,343,434.68	9,623,615,406.79	31,832,958,841.47	23,968,351,861.37	7,864,606,980.10	75.30
Grants & Contributions							
Public Debt Charges	2,667,162,178.41	7,000,000,000.0	-	7,000,000,000.0	3,781,222,328.84	3,218,777,671.16	54.02
Transfers	2,337,102,303.53			3,293,044,694.65	3,293,044,694.65	-3,293,044,694.65	
Capital Expenditure	58,092,704,789.49	89,763,717,205.80	47,676,072,843.66	137,716,636,899.85	78,156,276,598.75	59,560,360,301.10	56.76
Total Expenditure (b)	94,904,196,152.51	126,537,196,984.13			111,256,503,703.75	73,134,055,231.61	60.3%

TABLE

Net Gains/Losses Not in Financial Performa Revalued Opening Balance Statement of Changes in Net Assets (6,411,860,281.95) 72,322,558,412.08 65,910,698,180.13 nation/Translation Reserve 0.00 182,721,068,116.00 0.00 255,043,626,528.08 (6,411,860,231.95) 32,929,047,003.91

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		32,929,047,003.91					Net Surplus/ (Deficit) for the Period
							Surplus/(Deficit) from Ordinary Activities
		2,956,012.65	1	1		17,652,844.98	Total Non-Operating Revenue/(Expenses)
							Transaction
							Gain/Loss on Foreign Exchange
		-	1		-	-	Gains/Loss on Disposal of Asset
-66.2	- 73,134,055,231.61	27,332,548,996.16	41,296,690,899.30	26,375,219,510.54		6,177,422,238.26	Surplus/Deficit from Operating Activities c = (a-b)
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Section 5 Top Sectoral Allocation

Tables 7,8 and 9 outlined the financial information on top Ministries, Department Agencies/Sector Allocation and the Actual Expenditures from the implementation of the Fiscal Year budget.

Recurrent Expenditure: Presented in Table 7 is data on recurrent expenditure of top 10 MDAs. It was observed that the top 10 MDAs were allocated 66.8% of Recurrent expenditure Budget for 2022. However the 10 MDAs spent 82.5% of total Recurrent Expenditure for the year.

Office of the SSG was allocated the highest share of the State's Recurrent Expenditure budget (16.7%) this is followed by office of the Accountant General (12.1%), Ebonyi State University (11.0%), Office of the Executive Governor (10.0%), Ministry of Internal Security (5.3%), Secondary Education Board (4.7%).

On actual recurrent expenditure, the ten MDAs received 82.5% of total recurrent expenditure for the year.

Office of the Secretary to the State Government received the highest allocation (25.9%) the MDA is followed by Ebonyi State University (8.8%) and Secondary Education Board (8.0%), Ministry of Internal Security (7.0).

Capital Expenditure: Table 8 presents Capital Expenditure of top ten MDAs of the State. The table shows that the top 10 Capital Expenditure MDAs had total capital budget allocation amounting to 68.4% of the state's capital budget. The ten MDAs' actual capital expenditure amounted to 91.43% of total expenditure on capital projects for the year.

The highest capital expenditure was incurred by Ministry of Infrastructure for Concessioning (30.23% of total Capital Expenditure). The MDA is followed by Ministry of Works and Transport (24.71%) Universal Basic Education Board (8.09%), Office of Accountant General (7.81%), King David Umahi University Teaching Hospital (5.69%). Others include, Ministry of Power and Energy, Secretary to the State Government, NEWMAP, who had 3.68%, 3.47% and 3.08% respectively

in the year.

Two MDAs, Office of the Secretary to the State Government and Ministry of Youth and Sports Development exceeded their capital budgets by 15.74% and 56.89% respectively. NEWMAP which had no capital Budget expended 3.08% of the State's Capital Budget for the year.

Total expenditure:

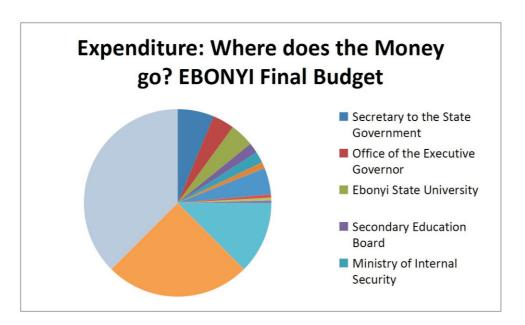
Table 9 indicates the 10 highest spending MDAs of the State for 2022. As shown in the table the 10 MDAs had 69.15% of total State Budgetary provision for the year. Of the ten MDAs Ministry of Works and Transport had the highest budget (19.60%) The Ministry is followed by Ministry of Infrastructure (13.77%), Office of the Accountant General (7.83%) Secretary to the State Government (6.44%), Universal Basic Education Board (5.38%), Ebonyi State University (5.07%).

As regards actual Total Expenditure, Ministry of Infrastructure spent the biggest proportion of total actual expenditure for 2022. It spent 20.80% of the total MDA expenditure of N113.65 billion. Other MDAs in the top 10 are: Ministry of Works and Transport (7.05%), Secretary to the State Government (10.48%), Office of Accountant General (6.46%), Universal Basic Education Board (5.74%), Office of the Executive Governor (5.25%) etc.

Table 7: Top Ten Recurrent Expenditure Sector/MDAs

 Expenditure: Where does the Money go?						
MDA/Sectors	EBONYI Final Budget	EBONYI Actual Amount	Variance*	Performance (%)*	Sector Share in Total Budget	Sector Share in Total Actual Expenditure
Secretary to the State Government	9,571,368,461	9,195,417,668	375,950,793	96.1%	16.7%	25.9%
Office of the Executive Governor	5,704,069,072	5,925,306,860	221,237,787	103.9%	10.0%	16.7%
Ebonyi State University	6,300,564,991	3,131,771,306	3,168,793,685	49.7%	11.0%	8.8%
Secondary Education Board	2,676,989,837	2,856,629,088	179,639,251	106.7%	4.7%	8.0%
Ministry of Internal Security	3,023,016,761	2,499,835,875	523,180,886	82.7%	5.3%	7.0%
Ebonyi State House of Assembly	1,655,468,707	2,392,535,875	737,067,168	144.5%	2.9%	6.7%
Office of the Accountant General	6,937,143,608	1,236,122,125	5,701,021,482	17.8%	12.1%	3.5%
Ministry of Information and State Orientation	891,612,127	810,300,368	81,311,760	%6'06	1.6%	2.3%
Ministry of Justice	729,405,305	617,456,715	111,948,589	84.7%	1.3%	1.7%
Ebonyi State College of Education Ikwo	671,680,740	616,942,625	54,738,115	91.9%	1.2%	1.7%
Other MDA Expenditure	18,987,860,052	6,209,005,306	12,778,854,746	32.7%	33.2%	17.5%
Total (Except Other MDA Expenditure)	38,161,319,610	29,282,318,505	8,879,001,104	%2'92	%8.99	82.5%
Total Budgeted Expenditure	57,149,179,661	35,491,323,811	21,657,855,850	62.1%		
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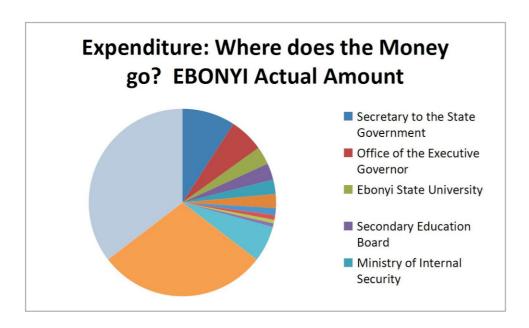
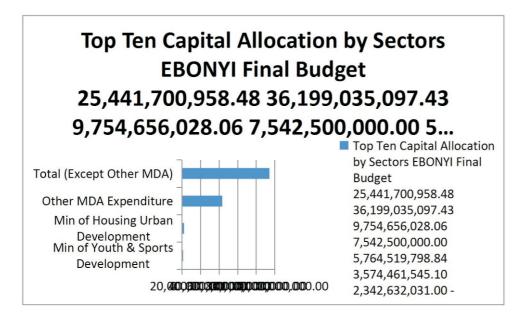


Table 8: Top Ten Capital Expenditure Sector/MDAs

Top Ten Capital Allocation by Sectors						
MDA/Sectors	EBONYI Final Budget	EBONYI Actual Amount	Variance*	Performance (%)*	Sector Share in Total Budget	Sector Share in Total Actual Expenditure
Min. of Infrastructure	25,441,700,958.48	23,620,172,786.97	1,821,528,171.51	92.84	18.48%	30.23%
Min. of Works and Transport	36,199,035,097.43	19,309,829,342.60	16,889,205,754.83	53.35	26.29%	24.71%
Universal Basic Education Board	9,754,656,028.06	6,320,947,461.30	3,433,708,566.76	64.80	7.09%	8.09%
Office of the Accountant General	7,542,500,000.00	6,102,284,644.04	1,440,215,355.96	80.91	5.48%	7.81%
King David University Teaching Hospital	5,764,519,798.84	4,445,114,982.12	1,319,404,816.72	77.12	4.19%	2.69%
Min. of Power and Energy	3,574,461,545.10	2,871,388.151.95	703,073,393.15	80.33	2.60%	3.68%
Secretary to the State Government	2,342,632,031.00	2,711,275,009.12	-368,642,978.12	115.74	1.71%	3.47%
NEWMAP	1	2,402,755,240.52	-2,402,755,240.52	100.00	0.00%	3.08%
Min of Youth & Sports Development	1,315,868,536.10	2,064,473,535.11	-748,604,999.01	156.89	%96.0	2.65%
Min of Housing Urban Development	2,268,433,435.97	1,614,956,836.46	653,476,699.51	71.20	1.65%	2.07%
Other MDA Expenditure	43,512,829,968.90	6,693,078,607.75	36,819,751,361.15	15.39	31.60%	8.57%
Total (Except Other MDA)	94,203,806,930.98	71,463,197,990.19	22,740,608,940.79	75.86	68.40%	91.43%
Total Budgeted Expenditure	137,716,636,899.88	78,156,276,597.94	59,560,360,301.94	56.76	100.00%	100.00%

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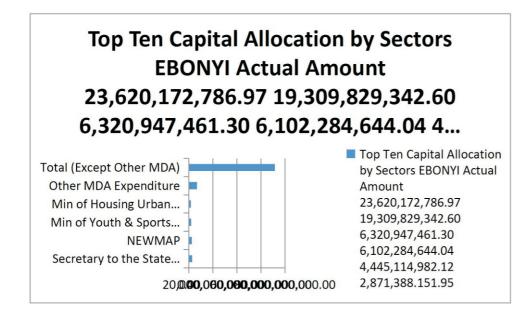
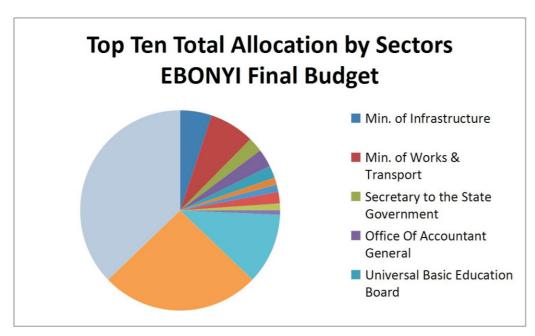
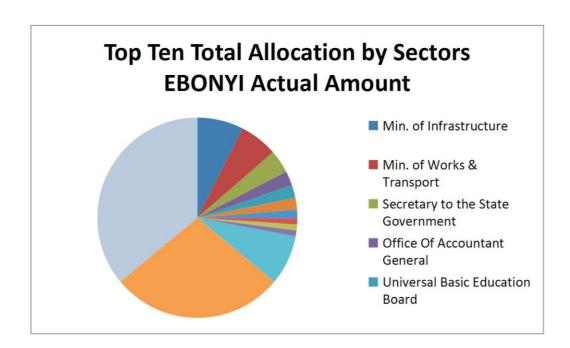


Table 9: Top Ten Total Expenditure Sector/MDAs

Top Ten Total Allocation by Sectors						
MDA/Sectors	EBONYI Final Budget	EBONYI Actual Amount	Variance*	Performance (%)*	Sector Share in Total Budget	Sector Share in Total Actual Expenditure
Min. of Infrastructure	25,460,734,891	23,636,854,435.00	1,823,880,456.00	92.83	13.77	20.80
Min. of Works & Transport	36,262,076,928	19,371,206,010.00	16,890,087,918.00	53.42	19.60	17.0
Secretary to the State Government	11,914,000,492	11,906,692,677.00	7,307,815.00	99.94	6.44	10.48
Office Of Accountant General	14,479,907,939	7,338,406,769.00	7,141,501,170.00	50.68	7.83	6.46
Universal Basic Education Board	9,947,907,939	6,517,301,160.00	3,430,606,779.00	65.52	5.38	5.7
Office of the Executive Governor	5,770,857,322	5,964,686,356.00	-193,829,034.00	103.36	3.12	5.2
King David Uni. Teaching Hospital	5,764,519,799	4,445,114,982.00	1,319,404,817.00	77.12	3.12	3.92
Ebonyi State University	9,380,899,477.00	3,131,771,306.00	6,249,128,171.00	33.00	5.07	2.76
State House of Assembly	5,293,468,707.00	3,022,635,875.00	2,270,832,832.00	57.11	2.87	2.66
Min. of Power and Energy	3,661,707,791.00	2,954,977,978.00	706,729,813.00	80.70	1.98	2.60
 Other MDA	57,077,318,797.00	25,357,052,803.00	31,720,265,994.00	44.43	30.85	22.33
 Total (Except Other MDA)	127,935,816,954.00	88,289,647,548.00	39,646,169,406.00	69.01	69.15	77.68
Total Expenditure	185,013,135,751.00	113,646,700,351.00	71,366,435,400.00	61.43	100.00	100.00

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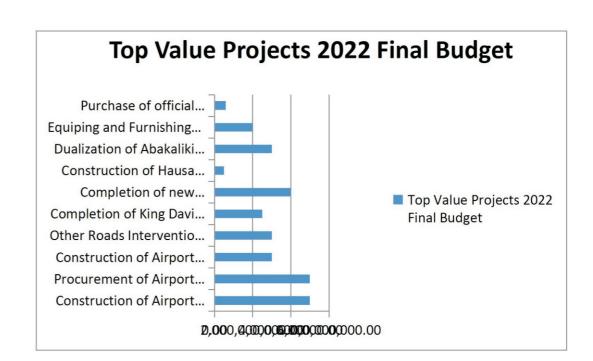
Section 6 Top Value Capital Projects

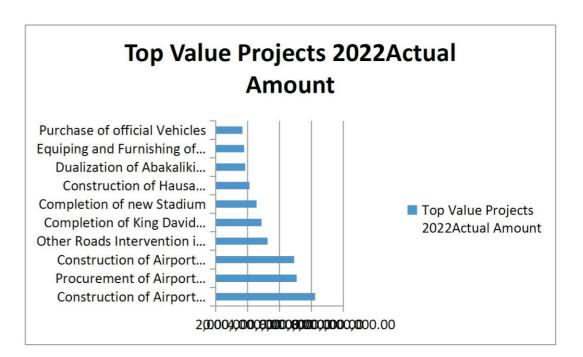
This section outlines information on the largest 10 capital projects included within the budget and the actual expenditure from the implementation of the fiscal year budget.

Table 10 gives more details.

Table 10: Top Value Capital Projects

Tob vaine riojects								
Project	Project Location	Programme Code	MDA Responsible	2022 Final Budget	2022Actual Amount	Variance*	Performance (%)	Completion Status
Construction of Airport TARMAC,								
EARTHWORK at International	Ezza South LGA		Ministry of Infrastructure					
Airport, Onueke		132670010028	and Concession	5,000,000,000.00	6,233,106,631.02	1,233,106,631.02	124.66	Completed
	7-1-5 Co.:+b - Co.		Ministry of Infrastructure					
Flocule illetic of Airpoir Equipment	EZZA SOULII EGA	132670010030	and Concession	5,000,000,000.00	5,079,144,020.32	79,144,020.32	101.58	Completed
Construction of Airport Terminal	T C		Ministry of Infrastructure					
Building	EZZA SOULII EGA	13270010029	and Concession	3,000,000,000.00	4,913,099,402.29	1,913,099,402.29	163.77	Completed
Other Roads Intervention in the	Ctoto Mido		Ministry of Infrastructure					
State	State Wide	132670010032	and Concession	3,000,000,000.00	3,245,220,805.36	245,220,805.36	108.17	Completed
Completion of King David University	Obaczara I 6 A		King David University					
Teaching Hospital	Cliactala	040152111701	Teaching Hospital	2,500,000,000.00	2,874,927,684.25	374,927,684.25	115.00	Completed
Completion of now Stadium	^b_l;;;;;		Ministry of Works and					
Completion of Hew Standard	Abaraini	172340010173	Transport	4,000,000,000.00	2,563,954,701.70	1,436,045,298.30	64.10	Completed
Construction of Hausa Quarters	\phakaliki C\		Ministry of Works and					
Flyover	ADARAIINI EUA	172340010158	Transport	500,000,000.00	2,106,861,259.08	1,606,861,259.08	421.37	Completed
Dualization of Abakaliki Enugu	C+2+0 Wido		Ministry of Works and			-		
Express Way	State Wide	172340010030	Transport	3,000,000,000.00	1,850,532,277.62	1,149,467,722.38	61.68	Completed
Equiping and Furnishing of EBSU	Obaczara IGA		King David University					
College of Medicine	Cilactal a LOA	040152111702	Teaching Hospital	2,000,000,000.00	1,785,489,680.67	214,510,319.33	89.27	Completed
Purchase of official Vehicles	State Wide	131610010034	SSG's office	600,000,000.00	1,662,622,106.00	1,062,622,106.00	277.10	277.10 Completed





Section 7 Citizen-Nominated Projects - Implementation Status Report

This section outlines the financial information on top Ministries, Department and Agencies allocations to projects nominated by the citizens and the actual expenditure from the implementation of the fiscal year 2022 budget.

All the ten (10) citizens nominated projects were included in the 2022 Budget –

The projects include:

- Completion of Estates and Parks
- Completion of Market Stalls and Malls
- Completion of Agric Industrial Clusters
- Construction of 4 Local Roads
- Rehabilitation of Water Scheme
- Drilling of Water Boreholes in rural communities.

Out of a total Budget of N2.1 billion for the Citizen Nominated Projects for the year, the sum of N2.08 billion had been spent as at 31st December, 2022.

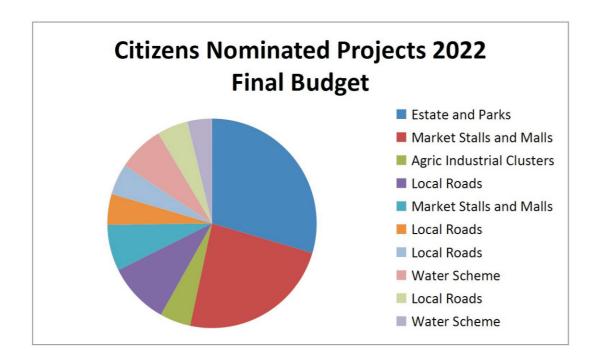
Most of the projects had been completed by the end of the fiscal year.

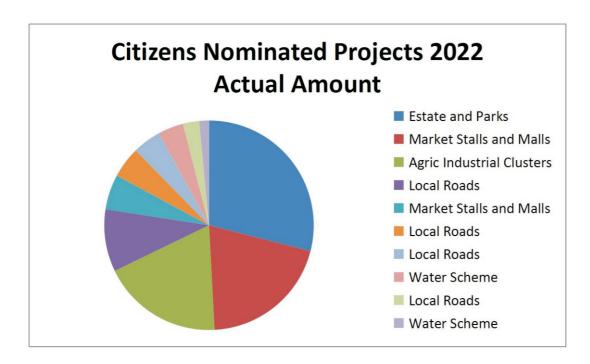
Table 10 Citizens Nominated Project

Citizens Nominated Projects								
Projects	Project Location	Programme Code	MDA Responsible	2022 Final Budget	2022 Actual Amount	Variance*	Performance (%)*	Completion Status
Completion of Estates and Parks	StateWide	1227300100005	Ministry of Trade and Investment	621,346,941.39	603,374,810.19	17,972,131.20	97.11	Completed
COMPLETION OF INTERNATIONAL MARKET FOR OVER 20,000TRADERS TO HAVE SHOPS AND INCREASE STATEIGR BY OVER N100M/MONTHCOVID-19 ECONOMIC RECOVERY	State Wide	1226690010030	Ministryof Market Developmentand Park Management	500,000,000.00	420,388,160.32	79,611,839.68	84.08	Completed
Completion of Agricultural Industrial Clusters at Ebonyi South Senatorial zone(Uburu) to create agricultural food production and generate more	Ohaozara LGA	012150010014	Ministryof Agricultureand Natural Resources	100,000,000.00	388,417,757.20	288,417,757.20	388.42	Completed
COSTUCTION OF AMEKA ROAD (5KM)	Ezza North LGA	172340010156	Ministry of Works and Transport	200,000,000.00	200,000,000.00	•	100.00	Completed
COMPLETION OF THE 5,000 MALL CAPACITY TO CREATE EMPLOYMENT AND BUSINESS ACTIVITIES IN THE STATE AND INJECTMORE IGR TO THE STATE-COVID-19 ECONOMIC RECOVERY	StateWide	122690010031	Ministry of Market Developmet and Park Management	150,000,000.00	113,510,687.32	36,489,312.68	75.67	Completed
CONSTRUCTION OF EKE ROAD, UGWULANGWU	Ohaozara LGA	172340010169	Ministryof Works and Transport	100,000,000.00	100,000,000.00	•	100.00	Completed
Construction of Okposi Umuoghara (New quarry)- Ebiaji road in Ezza North L. GA (12.2km)	Abakaliki LGA	170023410002	Ministryof Works and Transport	100,000,000.00	90,577,142.04	9,422,857.96	90.58	Completed
REHABILITATION/MAINTENANCE OF UBURU WATER SCHEME	Ohaozara LGA	102520010005	Ministryof Water Resources	150,000,000.00	82,617,445.00	67,382,555.00	55.08	Completed
CONSTRUCTION OF MGBOM ROAD	Ohaozara LGA	172340010168	Ministryof Works and Transport	100,000,000.00	52,115,867.00	47,884,133.00	52.12	Completed
Drillingof water Boreholes in each Community in the 13 LGAs (Solar Powered)	State Wide	102520010015	Ministry of Water Resources	80,000,000.00	31,252,144.00	48,747,856.00	39.07	Completed

ariance and Performance is assessed against final budget. Negative variance for expenditure items means actuals wereabove budg

Figure 7: Citizens Nominated Project Graph





Section 8 Public Consultations with Citizens presenting the Annual Financial Statements

The FY 2022 Audited Annual Financial Statements for Ebonyi State can be found on the State Government Website, at the following specific address:https://Ebonyistate.gov.ng/laws-and-financials. The Financial Statements were presented to the citizens in the town hall meeting held with them by the State Government on 30th September 2022. The minutes arising from the public presentation together with the attendance list have been uploaded to the same address above.

ABRIDGED 2022 AUDITOR-GENERAL'S ACCOUNTABILITY REPORT TO EBONYI STATE INDIGENES AND RESIDENTS

Preamble:

Section 125(2) of the Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, 1999 (as amended or alterred and Section 13 of Ebonyi State Public Sector Audit Law 008 of 2021 bestow on the Auditor-General of Ebonyi State the duties and responsibilities to audit and report on:

- The Public accounts of all Offices and Courts of the State
- The Consolidated Financial Statements as submitted by the Accountant-General.

AND Section 20 (4&5) of Ebonyi State Public Sector Audit Law the State Audit Law states that:

- The annual audit report of the Auditor-General shall be considered a public document and as such shall be made available and accessible to members of the public at nominal cost after its submission to the Ebonyi State House of Assembly.
 - This is one of the reasons we are here today.
- The Auditor-General shall place the annual audit report on the State Government's website after submission to the Ebonyi State House of Assembly and to allow electronic access to interested members of the public at no cost. These have been done.

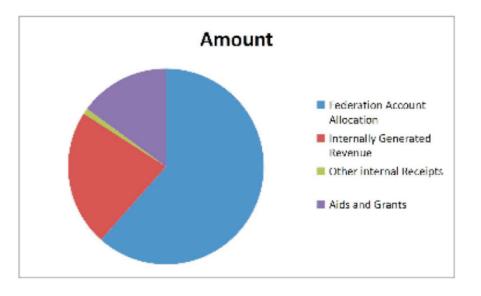
I received the Ebonyi State Accountant-General's report with the Consolidated Financial Statements for the year ended 31st December, 2022, on 2nd May, 2023 carried out the audit and submitted my report to the Ebonyi State House of Assembly on 27th July, 2023, after the audit, and uploaded same on 29th July, 2023.

It is based on my Report and the year 2022 Audited Financial Statements that this Accountability Report being presented to you this day, 25th September, 2023 was prepared.

2.0 REVENUE

2.1 Ebonyi State received revenue for its activities for the year ended 31st December, 2022 as detailed below:

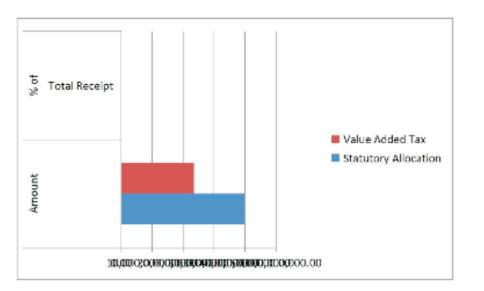
Source	Amount	% of
		Total Receipt
Federation Account Allocation	63,234,557,073.48	61.55
Internally Generated Revenue	23,169,358,283.78	22.55
Other internal Receipts	985,305,380.40	0.95
Aids and Grants	15,350,400,463.57	14.95
Total	102,739,621,201.23	100.00



2.2 FAAC REVENUE

Receipts from Federation Accounts Allocation Committee (FAAC) for the year ended 31st December, 2022 amounted to N63,234,557,073.48. FAAC receipts are in two broad categories: Statutory Allocation and Value Added Tax. For the year under review, the contribution of each category was:

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Source	Amount	% of
		Total Receipt
Statutory Allocation	39,699,148,499.38	62.78
Value Added Tax	23,535,408,574.10	37.22
Total	63,234,557,073.48	100.00



Contained in the Statutory Allocation Category are the following components in the year:

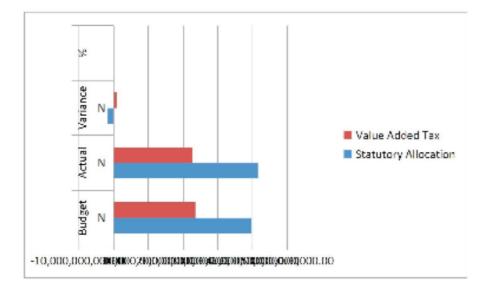
Component	Amount(N)
Statutory Allocation	39,365,174,918.41
Exchange Rate Gain	279,433,664.14
Excess Bank Charges	54,539,916.83
Total	39,699,148,499.38

Compared to the last year ended 31st December, 2021, the following components of Statutory Allocation did not contribute revenue in 2022:

- √ Forex Equalization
- ✓ Derivation from Solid Minerals

Against the 2022 Final Budget, Performance of the State on the two categories are as follows:

	Budget N	Actual N	Variance N	%
Statutory Allocation	39,699,148,499.38	41,500,000,000.00	(1,800,851,500.62)	95.66
Value Added Tax	23,535,408,574,48	22,700,000,000.00	835,408,574,10	103.68
Total	51,613,000,000.00	54,497,358,921,87	2,889,358,921,87	98.50



Statutory Allocation did not meet budget for the year. Value Added Tax exceeded budget by 3.68% for the year. Together, the two categories fell short of budgetary provision by 1.50%.

2.4 INTERNALLY GENERATED REVENUE (IGR)

	N	% of
		Total IGR
Tax Revenue	9,497,864,044.56	39.32
Non Tax Revenue	14,656,799,619.62	60.68
Total	24,154,663,664.18	100.00

The Non-Tax IGR is made up of revenue from the following sources.

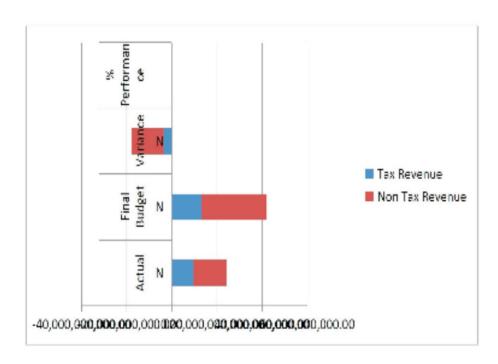
Sources	Contribution (N)	% of
		Contribution
Licences	44,131,880.67	0.31
Fines	531,841,428.97	3.63
Fees	4,257,358,486.56	29.05
Sales	183,944,699.31	1.26
Earning	8,462,455,884.74	57.74
Rent	50,403,600.00	0.35
Other Revenue	985,305,380.40	6.73
Investment income	141,358,258.97	0.97
Total	14,656,799,619.62	100,00

The other Revenue listed among Non-Tax Revenue includes:

	(N)
Reimbursement	555,901,380.40
Transfers from Local Government Areas	429,404,000.00
	985,305,380.40

Budget Performance on IGR for the year was as follows:

0	Actual N	Final Budget	Variance N	% Performance
Tax Revenue	9,497,864,044.56	13,162,121,234,95	(3,664,257,190.39)	72.16
Non Tax Revenue	14,656,799,619.62	28,938,415,857.90	(14,281,616,238,28)	50.65
Total	51,613,000,000.00	54,497,358,921.87	2,889,358,921.87	<u>57.37</u>



None of the two categories of Internal Revenue met their budget for the year. A total negative variance of №17,945,873,428.67 or 42.63% of Revenue budget resulted.

2.5 AIDS AND GRANTS

The State also received Aids and Grants from the following sources in the year ended 31st December, 2022.

Source	Amount	% of
	(N)	Total Grant
Health Insurance Grant	440,876,551.00	2.88
TETFund Grant	1,778,667,032.16	11.59
SFTAS Grant	5,594,360,000.00	36.45
UBEC Grant	5,470,334,837.00	35.64
NG-CARES Grant	900,000,000.00	5.87
WB-Impact Programme	1,166,162,043.41	7.60
	15,350,400,463.41	100.00

2.6 The top 10 MDAs that contributed to the State's IGR effort were:

MDA	Contribution (M)	% of Total Revenue
Internal Revenue Service	7,017,958,361.00	29.06
Office of the Accountant General	5,146,032,991.00	21.31
Ministry of Commerce & Industry	3,489,172,096.00	14.45
Ebonyi State University	2,154,207,295.00	8.92
Ministry of Solid Mineral Development	1,779,855,827.00	7.37
Ministry of Capital City Development	398,303,208.00	1.65
Ministry of Works and Transport	140,528,758.00	0.59
Information and Comm. Technology	201,616,104.00	0.84
Ministry of Education	193,685,933.00	0.81
Ministry of Power	2,290,000.00	_0.01
	20,523,650,573,00	85.01

The 10 MDAs generated 85.01% of the State's IGR for 2022

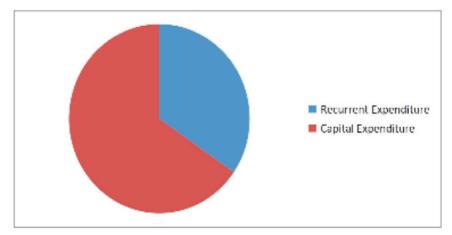
3.0 Expenditure

Expenditure of Ebonyi State for the year ended 31st December, 2022 were classified into two:

- Recurrent Expenditure
- Capital Expenditure

The proportion of State Revenue committed to the classes of expenditure in 2022 was:

Recurrent Expenditure 41,329,254,301.72
Capital Expenditure 78,156,276,597.94
Total 119,485,530,899.66



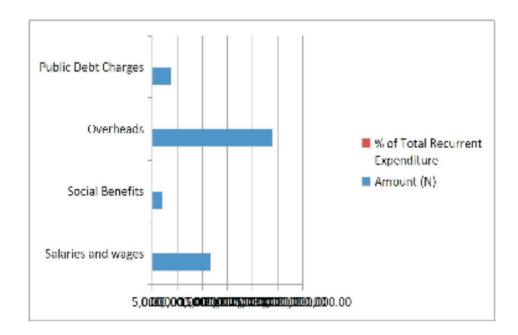
3.1 Recurrent Expenditure

Recurrent Expenditure of the State in 2022 include:

- Salaries & Wages
- Social Benefits (Pension and Gratuity)
- Overheads (Cost of running the government of the State)
- Public Debt Charges (Interests and other Charges on Loans)
- Depreciation/Amortization (the part of fixed assets used up in a particular year) this does not require the movement/payment of cash and was not included in the computation of Recurrent expenditure above.

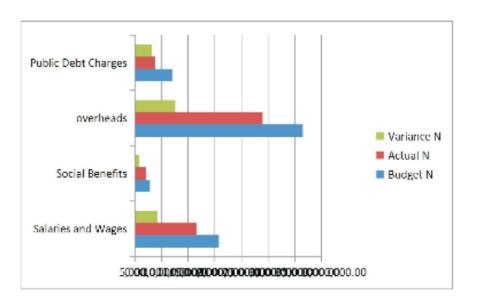
For the 2022 Financial year, Recurrent Expenditure was incurred as follows:

Expenditure	Amount (N)	% of Total Recurrent Expenditure
Salaries and wages	11,522,071,891.37	27.88
Social Benefits	2,057,608,220.14	4.98
Overheads	23,968,351,861.37	58.00
Public Debt Charges	3,781,222,328.84	9.15
	41,329,254,301.72	100,00



All Recurrent Expenditure items were within budget for the year as shown below:

item	Budget	Actual	Variance
	N	N	N
Salaries and Wages	15,762,059,230.82	11,522,071,891.37	4,239,987,339,79
Social Benefits	2,840,963,194.04	2,057,608,220.14	783,354,973.90
Overheads	31,534,439,620.59	23,968,351,861.37	7,566,087,759.22
Public Debt Charges	7,000,000,000.00	3,781,222,328.84	3,218,777,671.16
Total	50,137,462,045,45	41,329,254,301,72	15,808,207,744.07



A positive variance of №15,808,207,744.07 resulted from Recurrent Expenditure in 2022.

3.1.1 Top Ten Recipients of Recurrent Allocation for the year.

The MDAs include:

MDA	Actual (N)	% of Total Recurrent Exp.
Secretary to the State Govt.	9,195,417,668.00	22.25
Office of the Executive Gov.	5,925,306,860.00	14.34
Ebonyi State University	3,131,771,306.00	7.58
Secondary Education Board	2,856,629,088.00	6.92
Ministry of Internal Security	2,499,835,875.00	6.05
Ebonyi State House of Assembly	2,392,535,875.00	5.79

Office of the Accountant General	1,236,122,125.00	2.99
Ministry of Information	810,300,368.00	1.96
Ministry of Justice	617,456,715.00	1.50
Ebonyi State College of Education	616,942,,625.00	_1.50
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The ten MDAs received 70.88% of total Recurrent Allocation for the year.

3.2 Capital Expenditure

Capital Expenditure of Ebonyi State for the year ended 31st December, 2022 amounted to \$\frac{1}{2}78,156,276,597.94.

The Expenditure was incurred on the following categories of Capital assets:

Category	Amount	% of
	(N)	Total
		Expenditure
Property, Plant and Equipment	77,064,789,101.83	98.60
Investment Property	388,417,757.20	0.50
Intangible Assets	358,679,865.52	0.46
Biological Assets	344,389,874.20	0.44
	78,156,276,598,75	100.00

The PP&E include physical assets acquired for use in governance or for public consumption eg. Roads, Bridges, office buildings, office Equipment etc. Intangible Assets include assets acquired for use as source of further revenue to the State e.g. Market Stalls.

Intangible Assets include Research and Development costs, computer software's and patents.

The Biological Assets are Natural Resources e.g. Forest Reserves.

3.3 Asset Closing Balances

The closing balances on Assets accounts as at 31st December, 2022 were:

Asset	Closing Balance (N)	% of Total Holding
Investments (quoted)	276,461,362.60	0.08
Property, Plants and Equipment	360,362,076,014.39	99.18
Investment Property	1.942.898.916.26	0.54

Intangible Assets	522,290,371.98	0.14
Biological Assets	275,197,605.55	0.07
	363,315,645,150.77	100.00

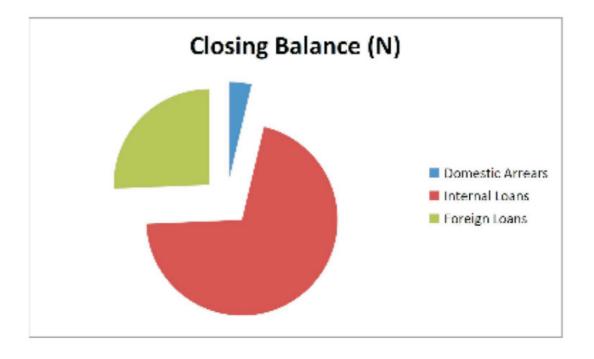
4.0 Debt Status of the State

The State's indebtedness arose from the following funding sources

- Domestic Arrears
- Internal Loans
- Foreign Loans

In summary, as at 31st December, 2022, Ebonyi State Government is indebted to the tune of №102,455,160,991.61 as detailed below:

Debt Source	Closing Balance	% of
	(N)	Total
		Indebtedness
Domestic Arrears	3,806,746,867.62	3.70
Internal Loans	72,375,867,208.20	70.65
Foreign Loans	26,272,546,915.47	<u>25.65</u>
	102,455,160,991.29	100.00



4.1 Domestic Arrears:

The Domestic arrears of \$3,806,746,867.62 is in respect of arrears of Pension and Gratuity to retired and decreased workers of the State.

4.2 Internal Loans:

The Internal Loans of N72,375,867,208.20 is made up of the following Loan balances:

Loan	Balance
	(№)
Salary Bail Out Loan	3,447,279,183.40
Excess Bail Out Loan	8,551,670,266.23
CACS	2,789,917,805.37
Health Facility Loan	1,588,014,449.25
Community Bank Term Loan	8,500,000,000.00
Budget Support	17,273,649,400.00
MSME Development Fund	2,000,000,000.00
Bridging Financing Loan	18,225,336,103.88
Airport Loan	10,000,000,000.00
	72,375,867,208,20

4.3 Foreign Loans

The Foreign Loans of £26,272,546,915.47 as at 31st December, 2022 is made up of the following Loan balances:

Loan	Balance (N)
Ebonyi State HIV/Aids Programme	1,045,420,914.93
State Health System Dev. Project	1,064,315,966.22
Community Based Urban Dev. Project	5,810,490,439.67
Universal Basic Education Project	1,106,030,695.46
Community Based Poverty Reduction Project	1,269,362,997.00
Community and Social Development Project	1,747,067,334.94
National FADAMA III Project	2,178,810,876.60
Health System Dev. Project (Additional Financing)	583,517,973.47
2 nd HIV/AIDs Programme	900,497,426.71
NEWMAP	10,506,301,291.93
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5.0 Audit Queries

Queries raised in the course of the audit of the 2022 Financial Statements are being followed up by the Auditor-General to enable resolution.

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Ebonyi State.

MINUTES OF THE EBONYI STATE GOVERNMENT CITIZENS' ACCOUNTABILITY REPORT ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE 2022 BUDGET OF LATTER RAIN

The citizens Accountability meeting took place at the State to State Office, Town Planning Road, Abakaliki and the Conference Hall Office of the State Auditor-General, Mile 50 Abakaliki on 25th September, 2023.

The meetings were attended by one hundred and fifteen(115) persons from various sectors, ranging from Civil Society Organizations, Public/Civil Servants, Market Traders and others from the Local Governments.

In his opening remarks, the Acting Auditor-General, Elder Dr. U.S.A Udu, informed the participants that the essence of the meeting is to give Ebonyi Indigene and residents the room to understand how the Government faired, in monetary terms, during the 2022 financial year.

The Acting Auditor-General presented and explained the 2022 abridged audited financial statements of Ebonyi State. He further stated that Office of the State Auditor-General submitted the Audited Financial Statement to the Ebonyi State House of Assembly within the stipulated time of 90 days from the time of receipt of the Financial Statements from the Accountant-General. Questions were asked by the Citizens on the abridged Audited Financial

Statements.

Amongst the participants that asked questions include Aja Chima Oliver of DIG Foundation and the Co-ordinator, Ebonyi State Civil Society Organizations, Okocha John of A.I.AA Foundation, Nwowu Ogbonna Isaac representing Persons with Disability and Dr. Onyia Sam of the State2State.

The Acting Auditor-General in his closing remarks thanked His Excellency, Rt. Hon. Francis Ogbonna Nwifuru, for sponsoring the programme whole and entire. This is why the 2022 Reports of the Auditor-General on the Financial Statements of Ebonyi State, the 2021 Citizens' Accountability Report, the Role of Civil Society Organizations in supporting the Supreme Audit Institutions were given to participants free of charge and promised to provide copies of the 2022 Citizen Accountability reports to them as soon as the publisher completes the printing.

In his remarks the lead person of State2State Dr. Sam Onyia thanked the Governor of the State, His Excellency, Rt. Hon. Francis Ogbonna Nwifuru, for making the meeting a successful one and for recognizing Audit which shows that he is a man of Accountability. He also advised the Auditor-General to

make sectorial aggregate during the next financial year audited Financial Statements to enable the public/citizens know the allocated funds for each sub-sector. In their various contributions, the Civil Society Organizations also highlighted on the level of Public debts.

Elder Dr. U.S.A Udu Acting Auditor-General

Aja Chima Oliver

DIG Foundation/Co-ordinator

CSO Ebonyi State

Dr. Sam Onyia

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