



# **FEDERAL MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FOOD SECURITY (FMAFS)**

## **IMMEDIATE, SHORT, MEDIUM AND LONG TERM SECTOR PRIORITIES OF THE HONOURABLE MINISTERS OF AGRICULTURE & FOOD SECURITY 2023 - 2027**



# ORGANOGRAM OF THE FEDERAL MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FOOD SECURITY (FMAFS)



HONOURABLE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE

HONOURABLE MINISTER OF STATE

PERMANENT SECRETARY

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- FEDERAL DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
- FISHERIES AND AQUICULTURE
- FISHERIES SERVICES
- ANIMAL HUSBANDRY SERVICES
- AGRIC BUSINESS AND MARKET DEVELOPMENT
- RURAL DEVELOPMENT
- AGRIC LAND AND CLIMATE CHANGE/ MANAGEMENT SERVICES COOPERATIVES
- COOPERATIVES
- FOOD AND STRATEGIC RESERVE
- EXTENSION SERVICES
- FARM INPUT SUPPORT SERVICES
- NUTRITION AND FOOD SAFETY
- HUMAN RESOURCES
- FINANCE & ACCOUNTS
- PLANNING & POLICY COORDINATION
- PROCUREMENT
- GENERAL SERVICES
- REFORM COORDINATION
- SPECIAL DUTIES
- LIBRARY SERVICES
- LEGAL
- INFORMATION
- AUDIT

## PARASTATALS/AGENCIES

- NIGERIA AGRICULTURAL QUARANTINE SERVICES, ABUJA
- BANK OF AGRICULTURE, IADUNA
- NIGERIAN AGRICULTURAL INSURANCE CORPORATION, ABUJA
- NATIONAL AGRICULTURAL SEEDS COUNCIL, ABUJA
- AGRICULTURAL AND RURAL MANAGEMENT TRAINING INSTITUTE, ILORIN
- AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH COUNCIL OF NIGERIA, ABUJA
- NIGERIA INSTITUTE OF ANIMAL SCIENCE, ABUJA
- VETERINARY COUNCIL OF NIGERIA, ABUJA
- NIGERIA INSTITUTE OF SOIL SCIENCE

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- COCOA RESEARCH INSTITUTE OF NIGERIA, IBADAN
- NATIONAL ROOT CROPS RESEARCH INSTITUTE, UMUDIKE
- NATIONAL CEREALS RESEARCH INSTITUTE, BADAGRI
- NATIONAL ANIMAL PRODUCTION AND RESEARCH INSTITUTE, ZARIA
- NATIONAL HORTICULTURAL RESEARCH INSTITUTE, IBADAN
- NATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR FRESH FISHERIES RESEARCH, NEW BUSSA
- NATIONAL AGRICULTURAL EXTENSION RESEARCH LIAISON SERVICES, ZARIA
- NATIONAL VETERINARY RESEARCH INSTITUTE, YOBI
- NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF OCEANOGRAPHY AND MARINE RESEARCH, LAGOS
- NIGERIA INSTITUTE FOR OIL PALM RESEARCH, BENIN
- NIGERIA STORED PRODUCTS INSTITUTES, ILORIN
- INSTITUTE OF AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH AND TRAINING, IBADAN
- INSTITUTE OF AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH, ZARIA
- LAKE CHAD RESEARCH INSTITUTE, MAIDUGURI
- RUBBER RESEARCH INSTITUTE OF NIGERIA, BIRNIN
- NATIONAL CENTRE FOR AGRICULTURAL MECHANIZATION, ILORIN

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- FEDERAL COLLEGE OF LAND RESOURCES AND TECHNOLOGY, KURU
- FEDERAL COLLEGE OF ANIMAL HEALTH AND PRODUCTION TECHNOLOGY, DADIN KOWA
- FEDERAL COLLEGE OF ANIMAL HEALTH AND PRODUCTION TECHNOLOGY, VOM
- FISHERIES TECHNOLOGY, NEW BUSSA
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- FEDERAL COLLEGE OF FRESHWATER AND MARINE TECHNOLOGY, LAGOS
- FEDERAL COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE, AKURE
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- FEDERAL COLLEGE OF VETERINARY AND MEDICAL LABORATORY TECHNOLOGY, VOM
- FEDERAL COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE, KIRIKASSI AMINA

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- FEDERAL UNIVERSITY OF MAKURDI, BENUE STATE
- MICHAEL OPARA UNIVERSITY OF AGRICULTURE, UMUDIKE, ABIA STATE
- FEDERAL UNIVERSITY OF AGRICULTURE, ZURU, KEBBI STATE







## UNITS

- PROJECT COORDINATING UNIT
- PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP
- SURVEY & MAPPING

## PRESIDENTIAL AGENDA PRIORITIES

Mr. President on assumption of office unveiled his 8-Point Agenda to facilitate sustainable development of the country's dwindling economy.

# 8 PRESIDENTIAL PRIORITY AREAS

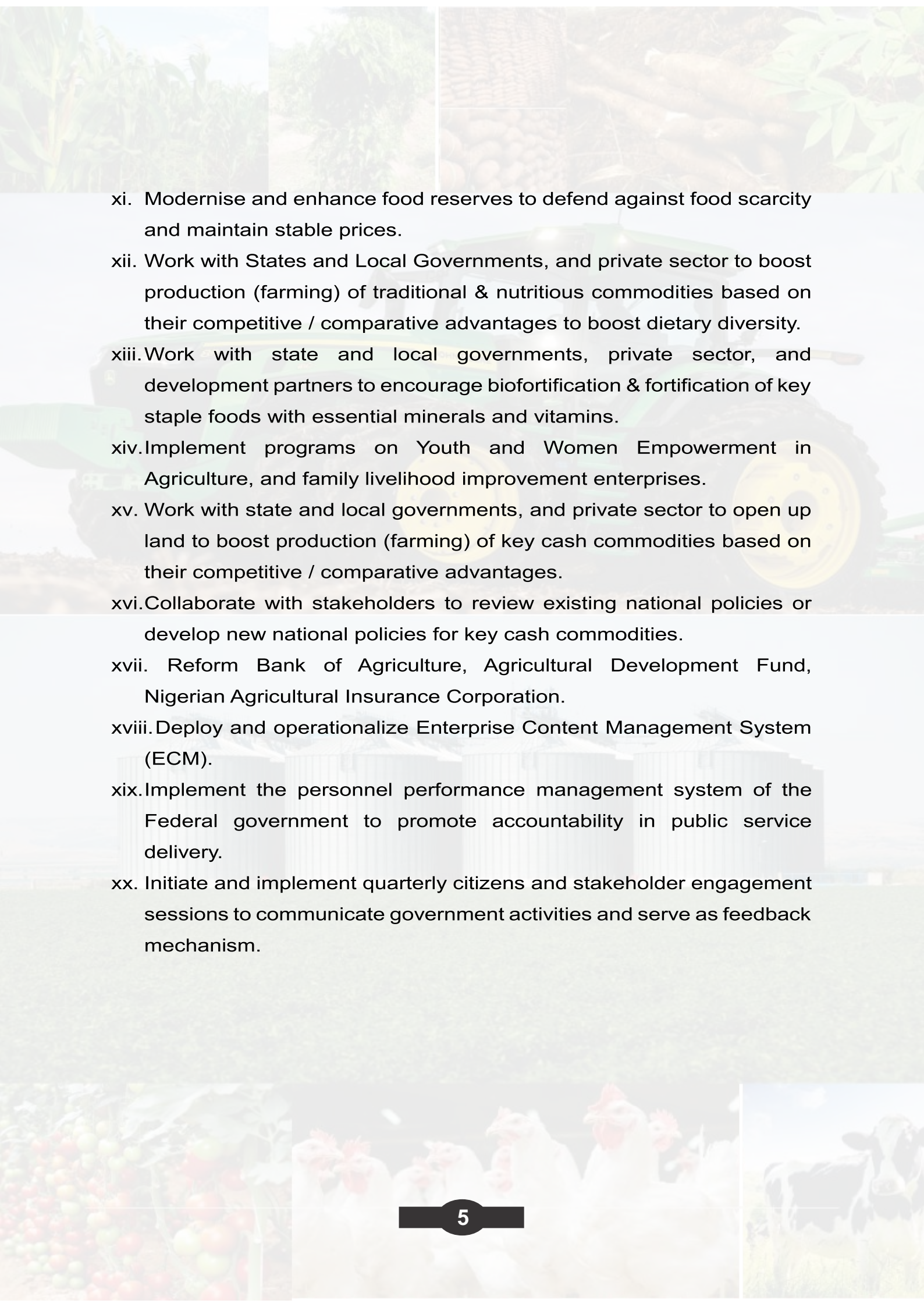
	<b>PRIORITY 1</b> Reform the economy to deliver sustained inclusive growth.
	<b>PRIORITY 2</b> Strengthen national Security for peace and prosperity.
	<b>PRIORITY 3</b> Boost Agriculture to achieve food security.
	<b>PRIORITY 4</b> Unlock energy and natural resources for sustainable development.
	<b>PRIORITY 5</b> Enhance Infrastructure and transportation as enablers of growth.
	<b>PRIORITY 6</b> Focus on education, health, and social investment as essential pillars of development
	<b>PRIORITY 7</b> Accelerate diversification through industrialization, digitization, creative arts, manufacturing & innovation.
	<b>PRIORITY 8</b> Improve governance for effective service delivery.

In this regard, a core priority is to boost agriculture and achieve food security through the development of commodity value chain and the provision of infrastructure support.

## MINISTERIAL SECTOR DELIVERABLES

The Ministry is facilitating the implementation of the following signed Ministerial Deliverables as signed with Mr. President:

- i. Work with States and Local Governments, and private sector to open up land to boost production (farming) of key staple foods based on their competitive / comparative advantages.
- ii. Work with States and Local Governments, and private sector to boost processing of key staple foods based on their competitive / comparative advantages.
- iii. Work with States and Local Governments, and private sector to construct & manage dry & cold storage facilities / aggregation centres for staple foods in rural, semi-urban and urban areas.
- iv. Implement the Green Imperative and other mechanization programmes through Public-Private Partnerships.
- v. Implement the Rural Transformation programme by Working with States and Local Governments to provide basic infrastructures, that promotes rural development.
- vi. Work with States and Local Governments, and private sector to rehabilitate and / or construct & manage small scale irrigation / mini earth dams and water catchment systems using modern technology.
- vii. Eliminate government bottle-neck to rapid commercialization of improved varieties and breeds of food crops and animals.
- viii. Step up stakeholder engagements to enhance the national buy-in and ownership of the NLTP.
- ix. Implement the key components of the NLTP domiciled with FMAFS.
- x. Work with states and local governments, private sector and development partners to train and deploy extension workers; and fund and re-activate extension system nationwide.

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- xi. Modernise and enhance food reserves to defend against food scarcity and maintain stable prices.
  - xii. Work with States and Local Governments, and private sector to boost production (farming) of traditional & nutritious commodities based on their competitive / comparative advantages to boost dietary diversity.
  - xiii. Work with state and local governments, private sector, and development partners to encourage biofortification & fortification of key staple foods with essential minerals and vitamins.
  - xiv. Implement programs on Youth and Women Empowerment in Agriculture, and family livelihood improvement enterprises.
  - xv. Work with state and local governments, and private sector to open up land to boost production (farming) of key cash commodities based on their competitive / comparative advantages.
  - xvi. Collaborate with stakeholders to review existing national policies or develop new national policies for key cash commodities.
  - xvii. Reform Bank of Agriculture, Agricultural Development Fund, Nigerian Agricultural Insurance Corporation.
  - xviii. Deploy and operationalize Enterprise Content Management System (ECM).
  - xix. Implement the personnel performance management system of the Federal government to promote accountability in public service delivery.
  - xx. Initiate and implement quarterly citizens and stakeholder engagement sessions to communicate government activities and serve as feedback mechanism.

## **MINISTERIAL PRIORITY ACTION (2023 - 2027)**

An interlinked Ministerial Priority Action for immediate, short, medium, and long terms are as follows:

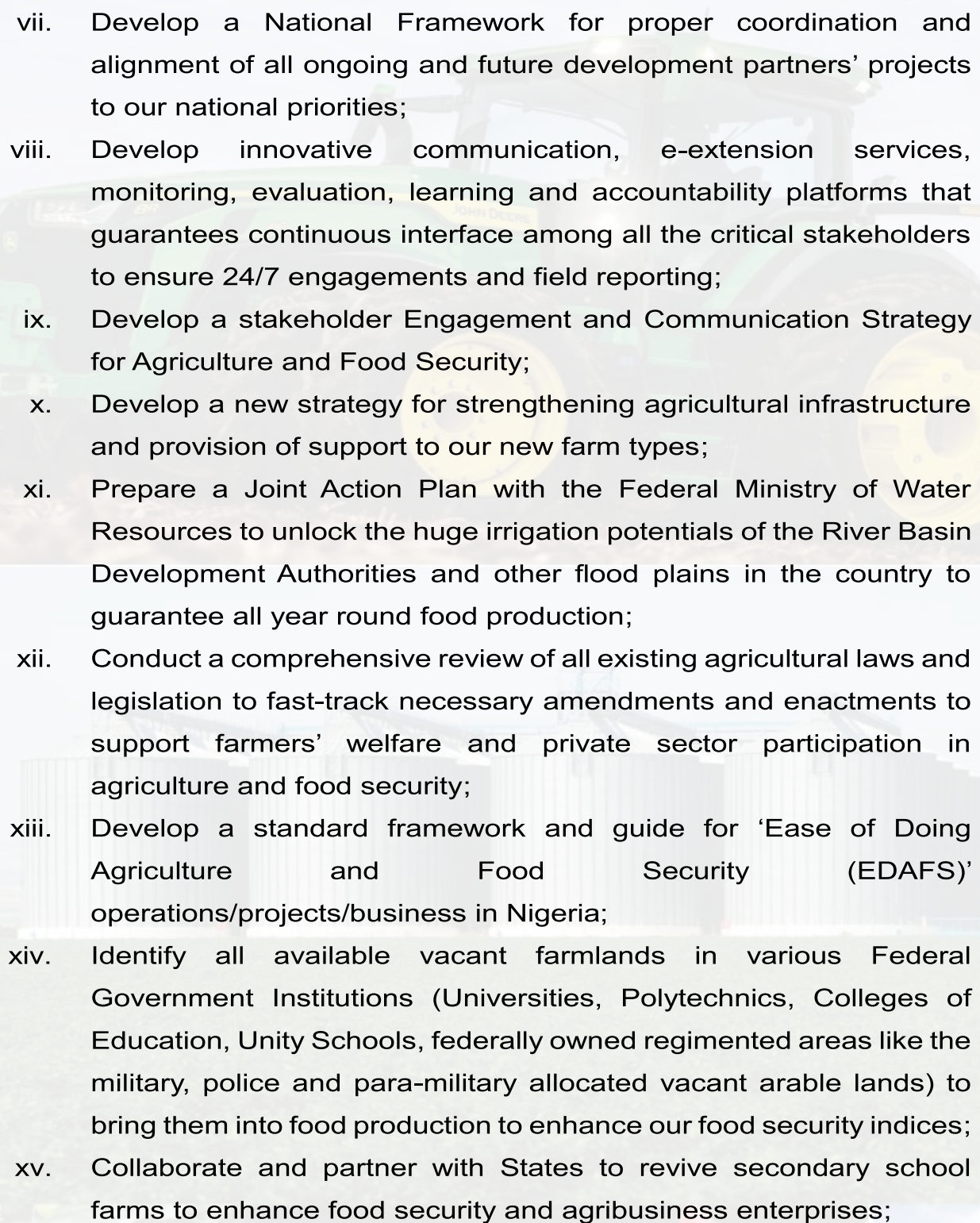
### **a) Immediate Priority Actions**

- i. Certification of available planting materials for some food security crops in readiness for dry-season farming;
- ii. Aggressive promotion and preparations for dry season farming which commences from November this year;
- iii. Implementation of the dry season Wheat production starting in November 2023 as part of the National Agricultural Growth Scheme and Agro Pocket (NAGS-AP) projects funded by the African Development Bank. Under this scheme, the target is to:
  - produce wheat over a 70, 000 hectares across the wheat production zone of the country with an expected yield of 875,000 metric tonnes for our food reserve;
  - blending of appropriate fertilizers to support this year's dry season farming while making provisions for next year farming season well in advance;
  - providing Train-the-Trainer for extension agents involved in dry season farming in collaboration with wheat producing States and other partners such as flour mills.
  - Expanding dry season farming initiative to rice, maize and other horticultural crops;
- iv. Hold the National Agriculture and Food Security Summit in November 2023 to bring all Stakeholders together for development of National Action Plan for Food Security with an implementation and sustainability strategy;
- v. Hold the National Council for Agriculture and Food Security (NCAFS) Meeting in Cross River State in November 2023 to


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- develop a strategic operational plan for Federal-State-Local Government joint implementation plans and strategies;
- vi. Review the mechanisms and processes for delivering fertilizers and agro pesticides input to farmers under a transparent and accountable regime. This will be part of the main agenda at both the Summit and the NCAFS meetings in November this year;
  - vii. Distribute pasture seeds and cuttings for dry season pasture and fodder development for livestock productivity beginning November 2023.

**b) Short-Term Priority Actions (2023 - 2024)**

- i. Facilitate Agriculture and Food Security Stakeholders' analysis and mapping;
- ii. Make significant investment in animals feed-crop, fodder and pasture production as an antidote to the farmers and herders clashes by focusing the development of paddocks, foliage and fodder estates equipped with necessary facilities for all year round production;
- iii. Strengthen agriculture and food security institutions and repositioning them for the tasks ahead;
- iv. Reform the National Agricultural Research System to serve as the engine of growth for innovative solutions to strategic value chains, increase productivity -yields of our food security and export crops, livestock, and fisheries;
- v. Establish 2 new national gene bank facilities, each for crop and animal respectively to conserve our fast-eroding genetic resources for food security;
- vi. Fast-track the take-off and operations of the National Agricultural Development Fund;

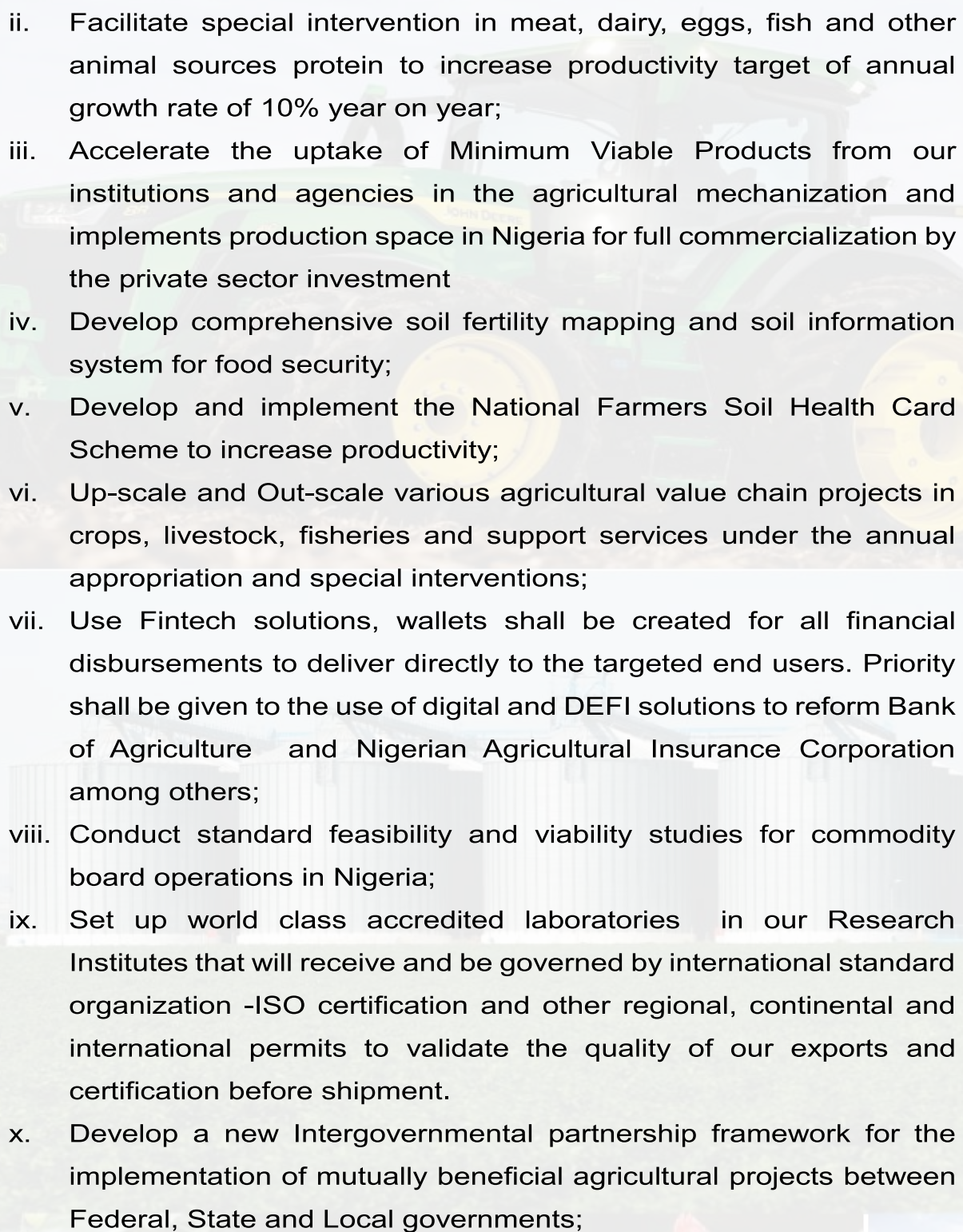
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- vii. Develop a National Framework for proper coordination and alignment of all ongoing and future development partners' projects to our national priorities;
  - viii. Develop innovative communication, e-extension services, monitoring, evaluation, learning and accountability platforms that guarantees continuous interface among all the critical stakeholders to ensure 24/7 engagements and field reporting;
  - ix. Develop a stakeholder Engagement and Communication Strategy for Agriculture and Food Security;
  - x. Develop a new strategy for strengthening agricultural infrastructure and provision of support to our new farm types;
  - xi. Prepare a Joint Action Plan with the Federal Ministry of Water Resources to unlock the huge irrigation potentials of the River Basin Development Authorities and other flood plains in the country to guarantee all year round food production;
  - xii. Conduct a comprehensive review of all existing agricultural laws and legislation to fast-track necessary amendments and enactments to support farmers' welfare and private sector participation in agriculture and food security;
  - xiii. Develop a standard framework and guide for 'Ease of Doing Agriculture and Food Security (EDAFS)' operations/projects/business in Nigeria;
  - xiv. Identify all available vacant farmlands in various Federal Government Institutions (Universities, Polytechnics, Colleges of Education, Unity Schools, federally owned regimented areas like the military, police and para-military allocated vacant arable lands) to bring them into food production to enhance our food security indices;
  - xv. Collaborate and partner with States to revive secondary school farms to enhance food security and agribusiness enterprises;

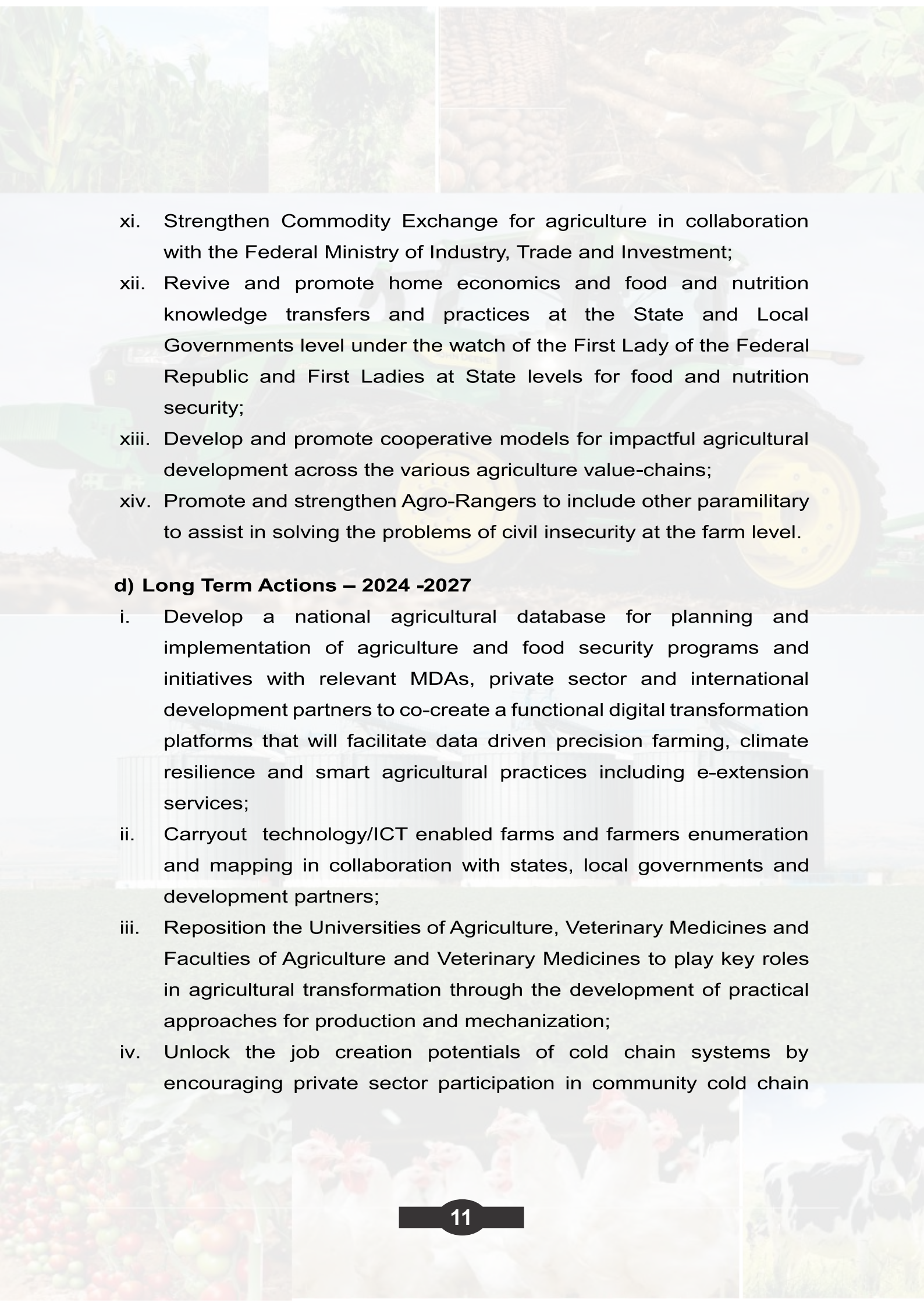


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- xvi. Promote urban agriculture that is technology-enabled and especially driven by innovations and the passions of our teeming youths;
  - xvii. Enhance the implementation of the National Livestock Transformation Plan for increased productivity and job creation;
  - xviii. Deepen engagement between farmers, herders, traditional institutions and communities to promote peaceful coexistence and conflict resolution;
  - xix. Develop and promote a performance based agricultural extension system;
  - xx. Promote the establishment of agricultural marketing incubation centres (Agribusiness Development Centres) for youth and women across the ix (6) geo-political zones;
  - xxi. Build capacity to strengthen farm inputs regulatory functions to checkmate the infiltration of adulterated farm inputs i.e. fertilizers, pesticides, herbicides etc;
  - xxii. Institutionalize and consolidate Nigerian Food System Dashboard for informed quality planning, policy decision and information dissemination on the state of food and nutrition in the country;
  - xxiii. Ensure the development of a robust and sustainable innovation ecosystem, a call for application for agrinnovation enterprise and venture development competition targeting Nigerian youths is being developed.

**c) Medium Term Actions - 2024 -2026**

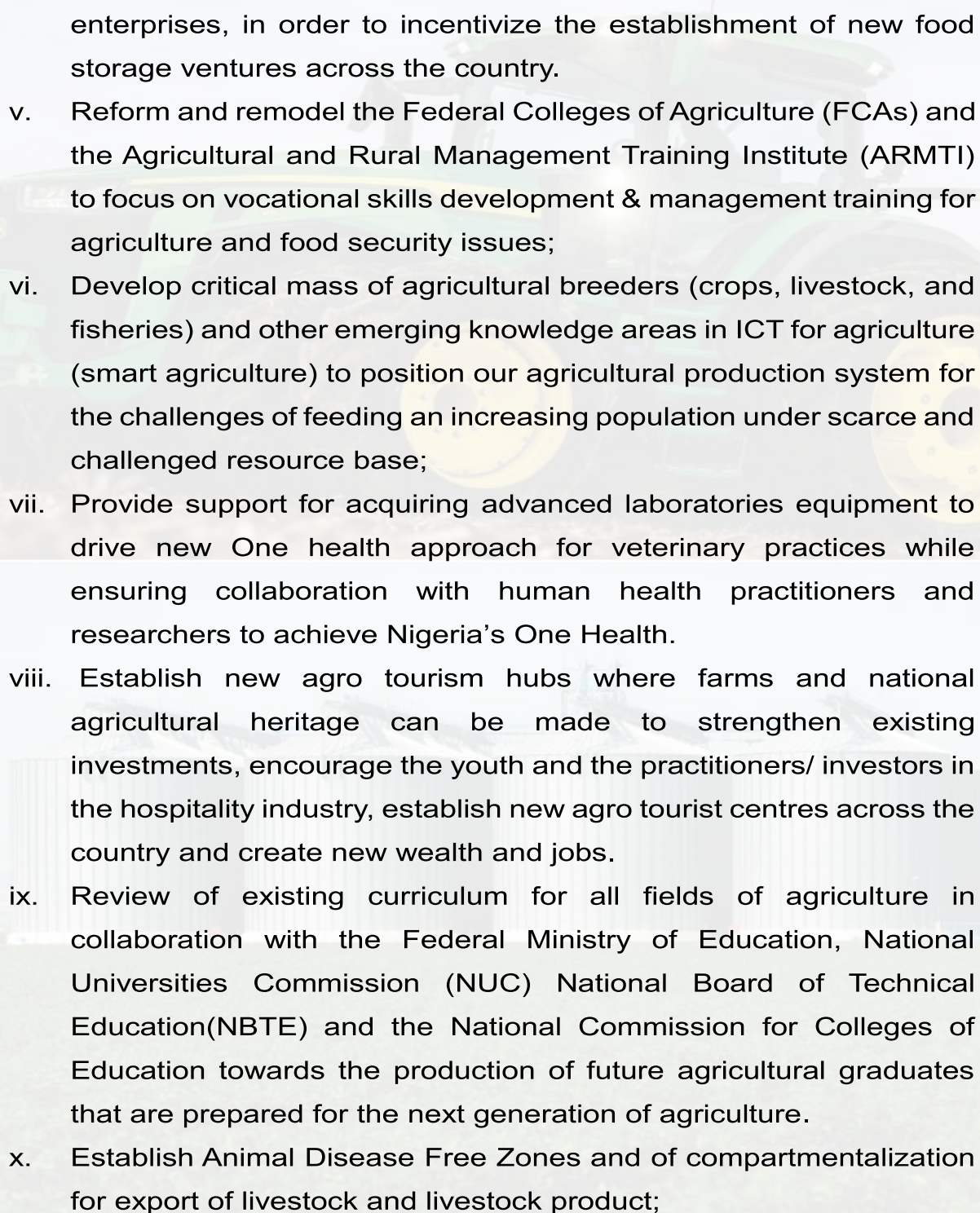
- i. Development of digital/ICT Mobile-based Agro-industry System and E-extension platforms to support farmers through the establishment of the national centres in the 6 agro-ecological zones of Nigeria while the command and control office will be here in Abuja ;

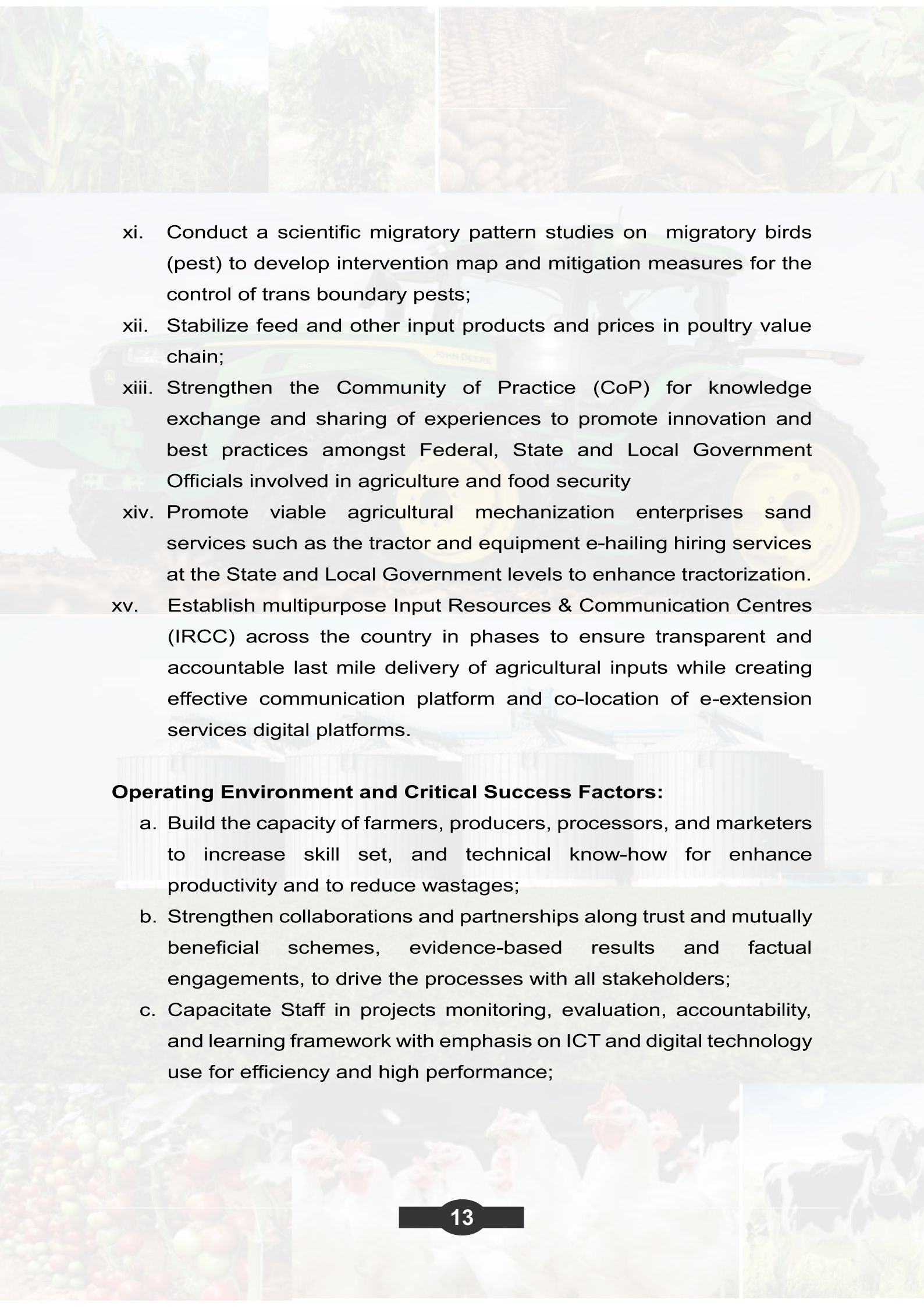
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- ii. Facilitate special intervention in meat, dairy, eggs, fish and other animal sources protein to increase productivity target of annual growth rate of 10% year on year;
  - iii. Accelerate the uptake of Minimum Viable Products from our institutions and agencies in the agricultural mechanization and implements production space in Nigeria for full commercialization by the private sector investment
  - iv. Develop comprehensive soil fertility mapping and soil information system for food security;
  - v. Develop and implement the National Farmers Soil Health Card Scheme to increase productivity;
  - vi. Up-scale and Out-scale various agricultural value chain projects in crops, livestock, fisheries and support services under the annual appropriation and special interventions;
  - vii. Use Fintech solutions, wallets shall be created for all financial disbursements to deliver directly to the targeted end users. Priority shall be given to the use of digital and DEFI solutions to reform Bank of Agriculture and Nigerian Agricultural Insurance Corporation among others;
  - viii. Conduct standard feasibility and viability studies for commodity board operations in Nigeria;
  - ix. Set up world class accredited laboratories in our Research Institutes that will receive and be governed by international standard organization -ISO certification and other regional, continental and international permits to validate the quality of our exports and certification before shipment.
  - x. Develop a new Intergovernmental partnership framework for the implementation of mutually beneficial agricultural projects between Federal, State and Local governments;

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- xi. Strengthen Commodity Exchange for agriculture in collaboration with the Federal Ministry of Industry, Trade and Investment;
  - xii. Revive and promote home economics and food and nutrition knowledge transfers and practices at the State and Local Governments level under the watch of the First Lady of the Federal Republic and First Ladies at State levels for food and nutrition security;
  - xiii. Develop and promote cooperative models for impactful agricultural development across the various agriculture value-chains;
  - xiv. Promote and strengthen Agro-Rangers to include other paramilitary to assist in solving the problems of civil insecurity at the farm level.

**d) Long Term Actions – 2024 -2027**

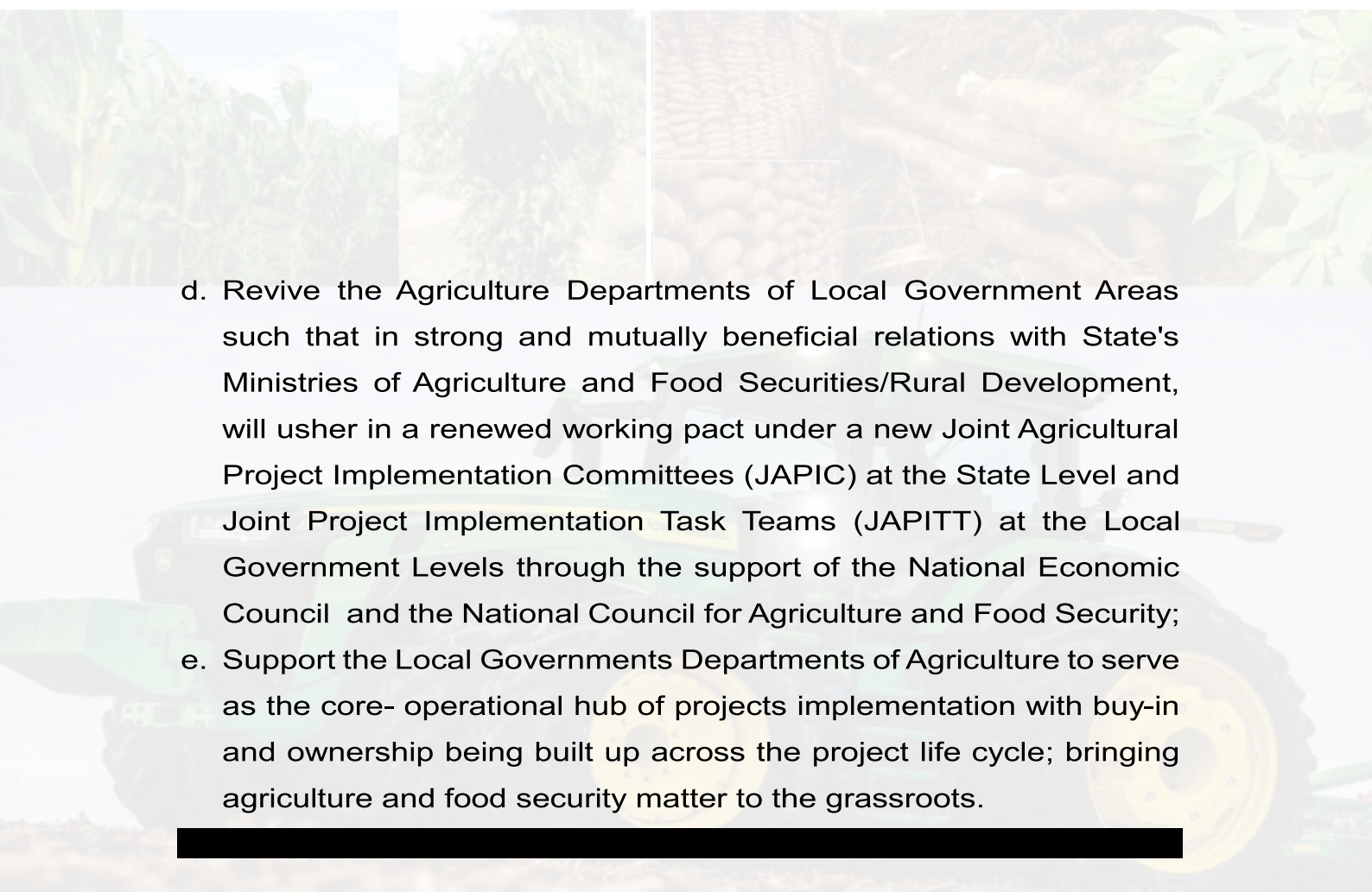
- i. Develop a national agricultural database for planning and implementation of agriculture and food security programs and initiatives with relevant MDAs, private sector and international development partners to co-create a functional digital transformation platforms that will facilitate data driven precision farming, climate resilience and smart agricultural practices including e-extension services;
- ii. Carryout technology/ICT enabled farms and farmers enumeration and mapping in collaboration with states, local governments and development partners;
- iii. Reposition the Universities of Agriculture, Veterinary Medicines and Faculties of Agriculture and Veterinary Medicines to play key roles in agricultural transformation through the development of practical approaches for production and mechanization;
- iv. Unlock the job creation potentials of cold chain systems by encouraging private sector participation in community cold chain

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- enterprises, in order to incentivize the establishment of new food storage ventures across the country.
- v. Reform and remodel the Federal Colleges of Agriculture (FCAs) and the Agricultural and Rural Management Training Institute (ARMTI) to focus on vocational skills development & management training for agriculture and food security issues;
  - vi. Develop critical mass of agricultural breeders (crops, livestock, and fisheries) and other emerging knowledge areas in ICT for agriculture (smart agriculture) to position our agricultural production system for the challenges of feeding an increasing population under scarce and challenged resource base;
  - vii. Provide support for acquiring advanced laboratories equipment to drive new One health approach for veterinary practices while ensuring collaboration with human health practitioners and researchers to achieve Nigeria's One Health.
  - viii. Establish new agro tourism hubs where farms and national agricultural heritage can be made to strengthen existing investments, encourage the youth and the practitioners/ investors in the hospitality industry, establish new agro tourist centres across the country and create new wealth and jobs.
  - ix. Review of existing curriculum for all fields of agriculture in collaboration with the Federal Ministry of Education, National Universities Commission (NUC) National Board of Technical Education (NBTE) and the National Commission for Colleges of Education towards the production of future agricultural graduates that are prepared for the next generation of agriculture.
  - x. Establish Animal Disease Free Zones and of compartmentalization for export of livestock and livestock product;

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- xi. Conduct a scientific migratory pattern studies on migratory birds (pest) to develop intervention map and mitigation measures for the control of trans boundary pests;
  - xii. Stabilize feed and other input products and prices in poultry value chain;
  - xiii. Strengthen the Community of Practice (CoP) for knowledge exchange and sharing of experiences to promote innovation and best practices amongst Federal, State and Local Government Officials involved in agriculture and food security
  - xiv. Promote viable agricultural mechanization enterprises sand services such as the tractor and equipment e-hailing hiring services at the State and Local Government levels to enhance tractorization.
  - xv. Establish multipurpose Input Resources & Communication Centres (IRCC) across the country in phases to ensure transparent and accountable last mile delivery of agricultural inputs while creating effective communication platform and co-location of e-extension services digital platforms.

**Operating Environment and Critical Success Factors:**

- a. Build the capacity of farmers, producers, processors, and marketers to increase skill set, and technical know-how for enhance productivity and to reduce wastages;
- b. Strengthen collaborations and partnerships along trust and mutually beneficial schemes, evidence-based results and factual engagements, to drive the processes with all stakeholders;
- c. Capacitate Staff in projects monitoring, evaluation, accountability, and learning framework with emphasis on ICT and digital technology use for efficiency and high performance;

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- d. Revive the Agriculture Departments of Local Government Areas such that in strong and mutually beneficial relations with State's Ministries of Agriculture and Food Securities/Rural Development, will usher in a renewed working pact under a new Joint Agricultural Project Implementation Committees (JAPIC) at the State Level and Joint Project Implementation Task Teams (JAPITT) at the Local Government Levels through the support of the National Economic Council and the National Council for Agriculture and Food Security;
  - e. Support the Local Governments Departments of Agriculture to serve as the core- operational hub of projects implementation with buy-in and ownership being built up across the project life cycle; bringing agriculture and food security matter to the grassroots.
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