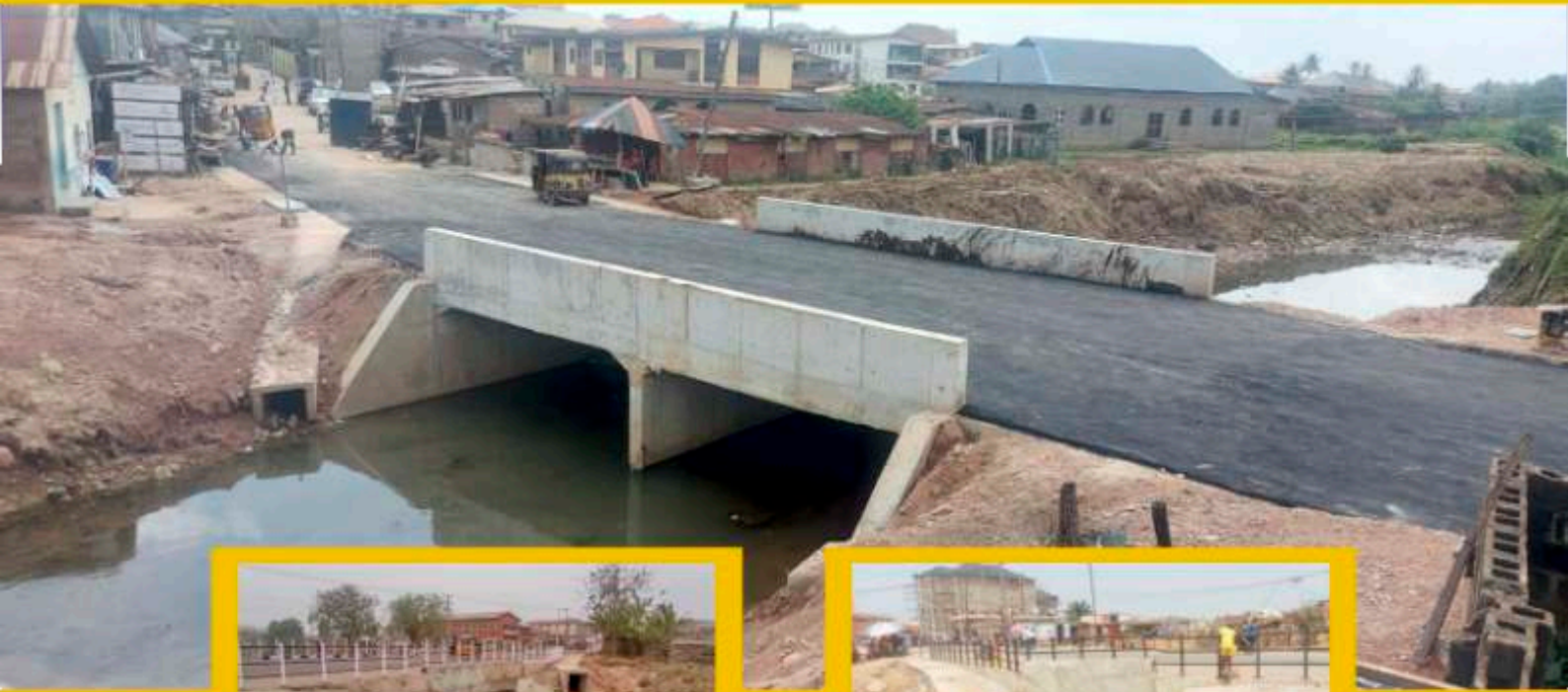




# IUFMP News

...say no to flood! | NEWSLETTER OF THE IBADAN URBAN FLOOD MANAGEMENT PROJECT (IUFMP)

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The Ibadan Urban Flood Management Project (IUFMP) was set up by the Oyo State Government, with the funding support of the World Bank, in response to the devastating flood of 26<sup>th</sup> August, 2011 which claimed about 120 lives and destroyed properties valued at tens of billions of Naira.

This initiative of the Oyo State Government was borne out of the fact that Ibadan has witnessed several disastrous flooding incidents since 1933, with successive governments engaging in measures which turned out to be more palliative than curative. It was in view of this that the IUFMP mandate was aimed at providing fundamental and far-reaching solutions to the perennial and incessant flooding that has become characteristic of Ibadan.

With its broad-based Project Development Objectives couched as *“to improve the capacity of Oyo State to effectively manage flood risk in the city of Ibadan,”* the IUFMP mandate covers primarily, reconstruction of hydraulic devices (bridges, culverts, etc) that were destroyed by the 2011 flood incident, as well as a number of related issues which impact adversely on the predisposition of Ibadan to flooding. Such issues include the need to design a workable Solid Waste Management Masterplan, the imperative of a Flood Risk Management and Drainage Masterplan, and the essentiality of a comprehensive Ibadan City Masterplan. Also embedded in the Project design is a Flood Forecast and Early Warning System which is meant to make available to the residents the requisite resources to have prior awareness of possible flooding disasters and take the necessary precautionary measures. All of these are geared towards relieving Ibadan of the menace of incessant flooding and upgrading the city to its deserved status of a 21<sup>st</sup> Century mega city.

Therein lies the mandate of the IUFMP; and it is gratifying that the task is already being faithfully accomplished.



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# From The Project Coordinator's Desk



Distinguished stakeholders of the Ibadan Urban Flood Management Project (IUFMP), once again, I have the honour of presenting to you the latest edition of your hitherto quarterly, but now biannual, **IUFMP News**, which chronicles the activities, events and progress recorded by this unique flood risk mitigation project of the Oyo State Government, with funding support by the World Bank.

You would recall that we had first experimented with a bumper biannual edition during the last rollout. The many positive feedbacks we received from our keen readers as well as ardent followers of the Project prompted the Editorial Board to decide on sticking to the model, especially to sustain the juicier, more bumper and robust presentations that such a package would afford our readers. And that is what we deliver to you in this yet another 32-page edition!

The cover story of this package x-rays the progress of work on the set of interventions classified as First Pool of Works, especially the bridges and culverts scheduled for reconstruction. The story takes a granular look at the delivered works, and sounds out some community stakeholders on how the interventions are already adding value to living and livelihoods in their localities.

Yet another interesting story is the one on how the Oyo State Government celebrated the flood-free status of Ibadan in 2022 against the backdrop of the regulatory agencies' prediction of flooding for the year. As succinctly headlined by a frontline tabloid, it was a narrative of how Oyo State proved the weatherman's prediction wrong with IUFMP.

We also serve you, our dear readers, the updates on the preparation of the Solid Waste Management Masterplan, which is the third leg in the trilogy of masterplans being developed under IUFMP. Interested readers would pick nuggets of how the masterplan would help redress the nagging

issue of waste dumping in Ibadan, a major cause of flooding in the sprawling city.

Also captured in this edition is a report on the quarterly review of our grievance redress mechanism using the instrumentality of the community-based site Grievance Redress Committees (GRCs) made up of men, women and young people volunteering themselves to serve as peace agents and mediators on IUFMP construction-related complaints at their respective communities. The review comes as a kind of capacity building for the community representatives.

What's more! The Project had the honour of receiving the Executive Governor of Oyo State, His Excellency, Engr. Seyi Makinde FNSE at the ID 73 work site, which is the Ogbere-Tioya site where the noble attempt to replace an undersized culvert on the Ogbere River with a capacious 4-cell culvert had suffered some technical hitches. His Excellency's visit was obviously the elixir needed to give the work a push!

Above are only snippets of the fascinating package we have put together in this edition of the newsletter. I encourage you to get the full gist in the ensuing pages, even as you continue to partner with us in the mandate to **Say NO to Flood** in Ibadan and its environs.



**Engr. J. Olasunkanmi Sokeye**  
Project Coordinator



# PLTI-1: 12 Bridges Standing; Others in Progress

*One of the hallmarks of a project, especially a development project, is that it is measurable and, therefore, subject to assessment and accountability. From time to time, the project designers and implementers are expected to be tracking its performances both in qualitative and quantitative terms, to assess if it is on track; and if not, work out mitigation measures to catch up on the lost milestones.*

In tandem with the above, the Ibadan Urban Flood Management Project (IUFMP) has always been working with targets, as its various structural deliverables are packaged into Pools and Lots of Works. One of such packages is the **First Pool of Long-Term Investment** (codenamed **PLTI-1**), sometimes shortened to **First Pool of Works**, which is made up of some 18 kilometers length of river channelization and reconstruction of over twenty (20) hydraulic structures across Agodi, Ogbere, Kudeti, and Orogun river channels. The contracts for the two (2) lots under PLTI-1 were awarded sometime in 2020 but the implementation got caught up in the web of the global Covid-19 pandemic, among other limiting factors.

At the kick-off point of the executions, this Newsletter had captured and reported the baseline statuses of the affected culverts and

bridges, to reflect their subsisting states and the justification for the reconstruction. This was published in the Quarter 1, 2021 edition, with pictures showing the structures and details of the interventions to be done outlined, thus raising the expectations of the community beneficiaries who are at the receiving end of the frequent flooding incidents caused by the defective states of these hydraulic structures.

Notwithstanding the hindrances to smooth implementation of the contracts, twelve (12) out of the about twenty-two hydraulic structures earmarked for reconstruction under the First Pool of Works are now up standing and already serving the people of Ibadan for both flood control and an aid to vehicular and human mobility. The twelve hydraulic structures are listed below:



1. **ID 40:** 2-Cell Culvert at Francis Okediji Street, Old Bodija on the Agodi Channel.
2. **ID 41:** 2-Cell Culvert at Oduduwa Street by BON Hotel, Old Bodija on the Agodi Channel.
3. **ID 42:** 2-Cell Culvert at Layi Osunkunle Street by Davis Hotel, Old Bodija on the Agodi Channel.
4. **ID 627:** 2-Cell Culvert at Ladoke Akintola Street, linking New Bodija with Ikolaba Area on the Agodi Channel.
5. **ID 273:** A 1-cell Culvert across the Kudeti Channel at Labo/Oranyan/Bere Road.
6. **ID 275:** A 1-cell Culvert across the stream at Adekile Goodwill Area along the Orita Aperin – Bere Road.
7. **ID 565:** 2-Cell Culvert on the Orogun River channel linking the Irepodun / Kajorepo Community with the adjoining Army Barracks.
8. **ID 633:** A 3-Cell Culvert on the Orogun River by the GOFAMINT Church linking Agbowo and Orogun communities.
9. **ID G5:** 2-Cell Culvert on the Ogbere River along Akinwumi/Odewenwa Street, a bye-pass linking Lagos–Ibadan Expressway with the popular Iwo Road.
10. **ID 125A:** A 2-Cell separate structure Culvert on a tributary of Goodness Stream at

Jerusalem Area along Ojoo–Arulogun Road in Akinyele LGA.

11. **ID 132:** A 1-Cell separate structure Culvert on Abepe Stream near SAMOG along Apete–Awotan Road, in Ido LGA.

12. **ID 6T:** A 1-Cell separate structure Culvert on a tributary of the Orogun River on Ajibode Road, adjoining the NISER perimeter fence.

A good many of the above hydraulic structures are at well over 80% completion stage, with the outstanding works being asphaltting in few cases and erection of guard-rails in most others. Likewise, many of them have been either partially or fully opened for use to ease the problem of traffic gridlock in the neighbourhoods they serve.

Aside facilitating intra-communal human and vehicular commuting, the new culverts are already serving the areas of location in terms of flood control, as attested to by some community stakeholders randomly interviewed by **IUFMP NEWS**. Their feedback, though various and varied, all pointed in one direction: That the intervention works have brought them much relief, even at the current stage of completion. Some of the feedbacks are presented below:



◀◀ ID 6T NISER along Ajibode Road



## ID 6T (Separate Structure Culvert on Ajibode Road)

I ply this road virtually every day. The situation of this culvert used to be very bad. Any time there was a heavy rainfall, people would not be able to pass here easily. In fact whenever there was a heavy downpour, water would cover up the culvert, thus cutting off human and vehicular movement. I was so happy when

they demolished this bridge for reconstruction, but my concern then was how long it would take before the work would finish. But now, we can see that it is almost finished up. My appeal is that it should not be left uncompleted. The way I see the new bridge done, I don't think it can be overtopped by flood water again, because I can see the properly constructed drains that will channel water into the river. One just has to appeal to residents and passersby to avoid discarding their wastes into the river and the drains, because whatever debris they so discard is going to block the river course. We thank the Oyo State Government and IUFMP for this gesture.



**Mr. Ade Ademola**  
User of Ajibode – NISER Road



**Mr. Oluwafemi Okanlawon**  
User of Ajibode – NISER Road

This road connects Ajibode proper, Shasha, alongside other places around here. This place had been giving us a very major problem. On two occasions, I've had a very terrible experience. The first one, after a heavy downpour one day, I had to park my car and join others to rescue an okada man who got stuck in the pool of water and was dragged into the river. The second one, also after a heavy rainfall, I was driving and

mistakenly missed the portion we were all familiar with for maneuvering on occasions like that, and my car got badly damaged. We thank our government for this great achievement. You can see people passing freely now without any hitches, and everybody is happy. Before now, whenever it rained, the storm water would fill up the entire road, such that if you were driving and not plying this road regularly, you would find yourself in the river! This is a good improvement for us. I will advise the Government to sensitize the populace more on proper waste disposal and also consider introducing penalties or sanctions against offenders.





**Mrs. Premos Koinyan (aka Optimum)**  
User of Ajibode – NISER Road

**W**e could see the work going on here and commend IUFMP, the Oyo State Government and the World Bank. More grace to their elbow! I have been passing through this area for the past eight years. The situation before was terrible because when it rained, it would be a no-go area because of the heavy flooding. The job being done is fine. My advice to our people is that they should stop dumping refuse in the drainage, because the refuse dropped in such manner clogs the river channel and causes flooding in the neighbourhood. We appreciate the Oyo State Government for this work.

**I** have been plying this road for over thirty years because I did my childhood around this area; so I know how this place used to be. We really appreciate the government of Governor Seyi Makinde and the Ibadan Urban Flood Management Project for this intervention. It is a good initiative. This road leads to so many places, including the northern part of Nigeria, en route Oyo Town, Ilorin, etc. The culvert used to be very narrow, barely containing one vehicle at a time. But with the reconstruction work that has been done, it allows more vehicles to pass side by side. My advice to residents around this area is that they should not be pouring dirt and wastes into the river, because with such, the culvert would just get clogged and this area would be flooded again. They should patronize the waste disposal agency approved by the Oyo State Government.



**Mrs. Oluwatoyin Olajire**  
User of Ajibode – NISER Road



**Mrs. Iyabo Yusuff**  
Trader along Ajibode Road

**B**efore they dabbled into reconstructing this culvert, it (the culvert) used to be overtopped with flood water, sometimes sweeping away human beings. It also used to cause massive traffic gridlock. We all should cultivate the habit of having our own waste bins, inclusive of people living in the upstream areas of the river. It is our indiscriminate dumping of waste that blocks the river course and the culvert. Our government too should help see to it that the waste bins are being evacuated on regular basis. Personally, this construction work has been a blessing to me, because it was the coming of the contractor staff that made me add selling of food to my business streams, and I began to sell food to the construction workers. So, the work has boosted my personal economic base.



I have been operating in this area as a tricycle rider for over five years. Since then, we've always experienced serious issues with flooding here anytime it rained, thus inhibiting us from being able to transport passengers to and fro. It has been a bad experience. But now that the culvert has been fixed, we've been enjoying easy passage since it was opened for use. We want to appreciate the Oyo State Government and the Ibadan Urban Flood Management Project, because they have really helped us. The situation before used to waste our time and rob us of our daily earnings; our passengers used to abandon this route and explore other routes to get to their destinations. Our passengers are coming back now, thus helping to boost our revenue. In terms of maintenance, individuals passing through this place should not make this culvert a refuse dumping site.



**Mr. Samuel Ajisafe**  
Tricycle Rider along Ajibode Road

## ID 132 (Separate Structure on Abepe Stream along Apete–Awotan Road)

We really thank our dear Governor, His Excellency Engr. Seyi Makinde, who is working through IUFMP to fix this culvert for us. Over the years, overflowing of this river has been a menace to us in this area, displacing many people, sweeping away lives and property. Even when they set out to reconstruct the culvert, it gave them so much hassles (because of the volume and velocity of water flow) but the new culvert is now in place and has been partially opened for use. It is the finishing touches they are putting to it. We know that very soon, it will be completed and fully opened. We thank the contractors, the supervisors, even those giving oversight from the State Government and the World Bank. We equally appreciate the residents of Apete Community for their understanding and forbearance, including the youth for their support. Residents of this community cannot forget the havoc that this river has wreaked on them, especially during the 2011 flooding incident. We have since been heaving a sigh of relief since the reconstruction work began.



**Deaconess R. O. Oladokun**  
Community Leader at Apete, Ibadan

I am earnestly appealing to our people and co-residents to imbibe the habit of proper waste disposal. Let's not turn the river channel to our waste dumping site, because it is wastes so dumped that become obstruction to the flow of floodwater when it rains. The Government is warning every day that we should desist from this uncivilized act. Any defaulters apprehended by the law will certainly face the music. We should all turn a new leaf!





**Mr. Oladejo**  
*Resident of Apete, Ibadan*

I've been living at Apete here for over twenty years. And this church [St. Peter's Anglican Church adjacent to the reconstructed culvert site] is where I worship. In the past, the flooding in this area was so much that it entered into almost everywhere. There was a landmark building on the other side there owned by a prominent community leader; it was demolished by the flood that took place in 2011. We appreciate the Government for coming to our aid. Personally, I have the feeling that the culvert would have been a little bit wider and higher because of the volume of water that passes through this place. Even at that, I commend the Oyo State Government for giving us something bigger and better than what was there before. When it comes to proper waste disposal, most of our people are recalcitrant, in that they refuse to heed simple instructions. I can only suggest that Government should consider assigning some officials to be manning the drainages and riversides to arrest offenders. I know that there are some people, especially market people, who dump their wastes into the drainages and river channels anytime it rains.

I was born in Apete here over thirty years ago. Then, there was no access road here; the first culvert on this river, which is called Olokun River, was done in my years of infancy. Initially the stream was narrow and insignificant, but as the community was increasing in size and more residents trooping in, the river was getting wider and deeper. Then, flooding began to happen in the neighbourhood, more so because the culvert had become inadequate for the flow of water. Some palliative works like dredging had been done earlier, before the work of reconstructing the culvert proper started. We are indeed grateful to the Government for this great effort, for what they are doing now is much, much better and roomier than what was there before. A test case of the impact of the work done was that the type of the rainfall we had here recently would have overtopped and submerged the culvert, if it was the old structure that was still there. Since the new culvert has been partially opened for use, our economic activities have been on the rise; more customers are patronizing us. Our people are too fond of disposing waste into the drains and water channel. This is a bad and backward habit. I urge the Government to raise or empower an enforcement machinery to be arresting defaulters. Those engaging in this habit are the ones blocking the smooth flow of floodwater and exposing the people to the danger of flooding – they are the real causes of flooding in Ibadan City!



**Mr. Sharafa Adetoro**  
*Artisan at Apete, Ibadan*



I am an indigene of Apete, and I've been living here for about forty years. What I know is that rainwater used to submerge our culvert here, thus cutting off vehicular and human movement. The atrocities we used to record include loss of lives, property and manhours, occasions of near-misses such as some trapped bike men (okada riders) who were rescued after much and risky efforts. I believe that once this work is completed, we will be free from flood disasters in this area. I advise our people to obey the Government's directives on maintaining this culvert to make it last longer.



**Mrs. Shakirat Olawoyin**  
*Resident of Apete, Ibadan*



**Alhaji Musliudeen Adetoro**  
*Babalaja of Apete, Ibadan*

The Oyo State Government, IUFMP and the World Bank have been engaging us for some time now on fixing this culvert to put a stop to the annual danger of flooding we experience in this area. Eventually they came and started the work. And we can see that the culvert is standing already, remaining the drains and other finishing touches they are putting to it. Though the work suffered some delays, we acknowledge that it was caused largely by the heavy rains. Once the culvert and its adjoining works

are completed, it will be better appreciated by all and sundry. Despite whatever losses we might have suffered in our economic activities while the work was ongoing, we know that once the culvert is completed and fully opened, it is going to aid the boosting of our economic activities.

Our people in this community should please note that it is disposing waste into the river courses that triggers flooding and exposes us to danger. As citizens, we owe it a duty to the Government to dispose our wastes through the approved waste disposal service providers.



**ID 132 (1-Cell Culvert on Abepe Stream near SAMOG along Apete-Awotan Road) after completion**





**Mr. Adewale Tajudeen Awotoye**  
*Resident of Akinwumi Street Odewenwa Area*

**W**e really experienced heavy flooding on this Ogbere River in the past. Storm water used to destroy our properties both at our residences and places of business. We thank the Oyo State Government for heeding our call and coming to our rescue. Since the culvert was completed, we haven't encountered any incident of flooding in this area. Now, we have taken it as our responsibility to prevent anyone whatsoever from dumping waste on the river channel. Because we have realized that if there is flooding again, we are the ones that would bear the brunt. So, we are mounting guard round the clock to prevent abuse of the completed work. And anyone so arrested will be handed over to law enforcement agents for punishment. We were also told that the channelization works on the river course is still on course. We are looking forward to it.

## **ID G5 (2-Cell Culvert on Ogbere River along Akinwumi/Odewenwa Street)**

I have a friend here whom I always come visiting. I thank the Oyo State Government for this work. It is a very impressive work that has been done here. I can only enjoin the people to avoid dumping wastes here, because it is evident that this work has caused the Government some huge money to execute. Let's ensure we maintain it.



**Mr. Adeniyi Akinola**  
*Frequent Visitor at Odewenwa Street*



Culvert G5 at Akinwumi-Odewenwa Street off Iwo Road





**ID 633 (3-Cell Culvert  
on the Orogun River by  
GOFAMINT Church)**

I have been living in this area for a very long time and I'm also operating a shop down the road. The former culvert used to be easily overtopped by floodwater, leading to homes, shops, etc. being heavily flooded. A lot of the times, we had to evacuate our valuables. Since it's been completed, the few rainfalls we had before the onset of the dry season did not overtop the culvert. There has been smooth movement of vehicular traffic; this place has even been helping to relieve the traffic volume on the Ibadan–Lagos Expressway around Ile-Marun Area. We also know that this intervention will help boost our economic activities in this neighbourhood. There should be no more dumping of waste on the water channel. Those who do should be arrested and punished by the Government. I appreciate the Oyo State Government for doing this project in our area. We are very grateful!



**Lady Evangelist Ayodele**  
*Resident of Akinwumi Street Odewenwa Area*



**Chief Sunday Ogundapo**  
*Community Leader at Ayekale Ward 9*

We have every reason to thank the Oyo State Government for this new which, among other things, will aid vehicular passage around here, thereby making life more abundant for us in this environment. As for preserving the work, I'm urging our people to bear in mind that arbitrary dumping of waste causes both flooding and epidemic outbreaks. Let us cooperate with the Government by not dumping waste into the river to prevent it from getting sedimented again.

This Ogbere River has been causing flooding in our area for well over twenty years. Before this intervention, the two sides of the community would be cut off from each other anytime it rained heavily, leading to intractable traffic gridlock lasting several hours and sometimes days. A Governor of this State with his convoy was once forced to turn back here when the culvert was overwhelmed with flood! Even residents would be displaced. A particular church building was destroyed. We were living witnesses to all of this havoc, but we know that all those unpleasant experiences are now over. Relief is now here! The only other request we have is for the Government to fulfill its promise of channelizing the river on both sides, just like the Ogunpa River channelization, to prevent the culvert from being silted up again. And we are admonishing our co-residents to desist from dumping waste into the river channel. We have even engaged vigilante workers to monitor the surroundings of the river course and drains, with a view to arresting culprits. Likewise, those building on the river setbacks are doing so to their own peril. The Government frowns at it and will impose sanctions as necessary.



**Alhaji Giwa**  
*Community Leader at Akinwumi Street Odewenwa Area*





A stakeholders engagement session as part of the preparation of the Solid Waste Management Masterplan for Ibadan by Messrs SMEC International

## SOLID WASTE MASTERPLAN GETS NEW LEASE OF LIFE

In realization of the critical roles that effective waste management plays in managing flood risks, the Ibadan Urban Flood Management Project (IUFMP) has reactivated the preparation of the Ibadan Solid Waste Management Masterplan as part of its implementation trajectory.

The Solid Waste Masterplan, which is the third leg of the trinity of masterplans designed into the IUFMP components, was initially awarded via the International Competitive Bidding (procurement) process to a

German consultancy firm, Messrs. Fitchner Group. The firm had then commenced the preparation, but later ran into an unresolvable hitch with the Oyo State Government during the immediate past administration, which resulted in the termination of the consultancy contract. The other two masterplans – the Ibadan City Masterplan and the Ibadan Integrated Flood Risk and Drainage Masterplan – have since been completed and presented to the State Government for implementation.

The need for an effective Solid Waste Management as a Flood Prevention, Innovation and Response strategy in Ibadan became evident in the aftermath of the August 26, 2011 flood event when a Task Force made up of key experts was constituted by the Oyo State Government to investigate the immediate and remote causes of the flood disaster, and recommend appropriate remedial and preventive measures accordingly. In its report, the Task Force, chaired by then Dr. (now Prof.) Bolanle Wahab of the University of Ibadan, reported that



Chairman, Oyo State Waste Management Taskforce, Mrs. Adedayo Aderonke making a point at the Stakeholders Workshop on Development of Solid Waste Management Masterplan



***"The indiscriminate dumping of solid waste is a common practice in Ibadan Metropolis. These wastes hinder the free flow of water along the channels of the rivers. The resultant blockage of the river beds with solid waste is particularly the aggravating factor of floods along the Ogunpa and Kudeti river channels (CBN, 1999)."***

The situation described herein is as true of Ogunpa and Kudeti channels as it is of the Ona, Ogbere, Orogun, Agodi, and indeed all other rivers, streams, rivulets and brooks that run through the sprawling city.

Notwithstanding the setback suffered by the first attempt of preparing the solid waste masterplan, the essentiality of having the masterplan in place was reconsidered by the regulatory stakeholders made up of the Oyo State Government now under the leadership of Engr. Seyi Makinde, the World Bank, and the Project Implementation Unit (PIU) of IUFMP. Thus, the process of engaging a new consultancy firm for the assignment was initiated, after which Messrs. SMEC International Pty Ltd in association with SMEC Nigeria emerged the winner of yet another competitive bidding process and was signed on, on 20<sup>th</sup> June 2022, with a mandate to prepare the masterplan over a 10-

month period.

The objectives of the assignment, as outlined in the consultancy firm's terms of reference, are as follows:

- i. Undertake a comprehensive assessment of the current solid waste management system in the city which will include the current collection and disposal rates, private sector participation, organizational structures and contracting, cost-recovery mechanism and utilization, review of the sector's financing structures and needs.
- ii. Define the strategic objectives and quantifiable targets for the municipal solid waste sector.
- iii. Prepare quick-win interventions in waste management that will include the establishment of two new Sanitary Landfills, and five Transfer Loading Stations.
- iv. Build needed institutional capacity to manage and implement recommendations and better manage the sector with the recommendations for the quick-win interventions in waste management delivered in the first month of the assignment.
- v. Identify and evaluate options and alternatives to modernize the existing municipal solid waste management systems.
- vi. Prepare an action plan to achieve such objectives and targets which will include estimating costs, tools and means for short, medium, and long-term implementation and timing for investments.
- vii. Prepare a Solid Waste Management Masterplan implementable over the next 20 years.
- viii. Define monitoring and evaluation modalities for the implementation of such masterplan.

The consultancy firm (SMEC) has since



**A scene at a stakeholders engagement session held as part of the preparation of the Solid Waste Management Masterplan for Ibadan by Messrs SMEC International**



set to work by submitting the Inception Report and Fast-Track Strategy in line with the specifications of the Terms of Reference. This was followed by the Conceptual Design and Diagnostic Report which is currently under review. Consultations have also been made with relevant parties – Ministries, Departments and Agencies (MDAs), Private Sector Participation (PSP) operators, community representatives, regulatory bodies, etc. – to garner information and elicit their ideas as necessary inputs into the proposed masterplan. A waste characterization exercise was also conducted to understand the characteristics of wastes generated in different areas of, and sectors in, Ibadan. Stakeholder workshops were held to clarify the roles and responsibilities of different institutions and ensure proper alignment.

As part of the exploratory works on the proposed Ibadan Solid Waste Management Masterplan, the consultancy firm will evaluate various waste management options, including waste-to-energy, composting, anaerobic digestion, pyrolysis & gasification, and sanitary landfilling, and recommend the most efficient and sustainable method based on the results of the diagnostic report.

It is worthy of mention that the assignment has enjoyed top government backing in its execution all along, as evident in the express approval granted by the Executive Governor of Oyo State, His Excellency Engr. Seyi Makinde for five locations to be used for Sanitary Landfills and Transfer Loading Stations. These are made up of **145 hectares of land for Sanitary Landfills**, and **9 hectares for Transfer Loading Stations**, cutting across different areas of Ibadan.

Once the Conceptual Design and Diagnostic Report is cleared and approved, the Consultant will proceed to the Detailed Engineering Design Reports, Draft Solid Waste Masterplan, and the Final Report. The last leg is the Capacity Building for officials of the Oyo State Government, which is going to be an international training on implementation of the Ibadan Solid Waste Management Masterplan. Then, the implementation of the comprehensive masterplan, which will span a period of 20 years, will begin in earnest. In specific, the masterplan, upon completion, will provide strategic direction for the next 20 years and will include recommendations that will drive waste minimization and diversion for a sustainable, service-focused and economically viable waste management future in Ibadan, Oyo State.



Officials of Messrs SMEC International during a Stakeholders Workshop on preparation of the Solid Waste Management Masterplan for Ibadan



# Oyo Govt. Celebrates Ibadan Flood- Free Status in 2022



Oyo State Commissioner for Finance & Alternate Chair of IUFMP Steering Committee, Mr. Akinola Ojo addressing the Press Conference on the flood-free status of Ibadan in 2022. He is flanked by the Commissioners for Public Works and Lands

Against the backdrop of the devastating flood that ravaged over twenty-seven States of the Federal Republic of Nigeria in the Year 2022 vis-à-vis the earlier predictions listing Ibadan and some other parts of Oyo State among the places with high flooding probabilities, the Oyo State Government has lauded its territory's relatively flood-free status in the year.



To celebrate this privileged situation, a well-attended Press Conference was held on Thursday, 8<sup>th</sup> December, 2022 at the Western Hall, located within the Oyo State House of Assembly Complex, Secretariat, Ibadan. On hand to address the media meeting were the Honourable Commissioner for Finance, who also doubles as the Alternate Chair of the Project Steering Committee (PSC) of IUFMP, Mr. Akinola Ojo; the Honourable Commissioner for Public Works, Infrastructure and Transport, Professor Dahud Kehinde Sangodoyin; the Honourable Commissioner for Lands, Housing and Urban Development, Tpl. Emmanuel Olusegun

*more than 2,504,000 affected people across the country. In particular, the Bayelsa State is the worst affected, with around 700,000 either displaced or affected people. In addition, same sources also report around 203,400 damaged houses, of which over 82,000 fully damaged or destroyed,”* as at 18<sup>th</sup> October.

Mr. Ojo went on to add that the figures presented above did not come by surprise, as the relevant regulatory agencies on flooding and water management issues had forewarned the nation through issuance of flood predictions in some States, Oyo State and, indeed, Ibadan inclusive. He compared the flooding that overwhelmed most parts of Nigeria with the flood event



A cross section of journalists and other attendees at the Press Conference organized to herald the flood-free status of Ibadan in 2022

Olayiwola; the Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Environment and Natural Resources, Mrs. Modupe Adeleye; and the Project Coordinator, Ibadan Urban Flood Management Project, Engr. Olasunkanmi Sokeye. Some other Ministries, Departments and Agencies which are part of the PSC were represented by Senior Directors from the outfits.

While engaging the group of media practitioners drawn from the broadcast, print and digital genres, the Honourable Commissioner for Finance, Mr. Akinola Ojo, who read the Press Statement for the occasion, recounted statistics of fatalities, displacement and damage recorded in different parts of the country within the year. Citing a particular publication (ECHO), these, according to him, included **“603 fatalities, over 2,400 injured, nearly 1,303,000 displaced people and a total of**

of 2012, some ten years earlier, adding that the cause of the Year 2022 flooding was as contentious as its resolution was.

The Honourable Commissioner then unfolded the reason for the media meeting, which was to announce the flood-free status of Ibadan and many parts of Oyo State, in spite of the deluge the befell well over twenty-seven states in the year. He admitted that Ibadan, by nature and certain man-made factors, is predisposed to urban flooding, stating that this was why the Governor Seyi Makinde administration embraced the full implementation of IUFMP as a flood risk mitigation project. He then listed many of the intervention works that the Project has already delivered, which included “bridges and culverts at Abonde-Ogbere, Alaro Poly, Alaro 7-Up, Believer’s Stream (Odo Ona Elewe), Cele Rainbow, Ebenezeri, Elere Community, Foworogi, Isokun-Ojoo,





### Work in progress at the Ogbere Tioya bridge construction site

Maje, Ogbere-Moradeyo, Oki Oke-Ayo, Ola-Adua, Olorungunwa, Omirin, Ogbere-Pegba, Sasa-Osajin, and lately some tens of culverts and bridges across the Agodi, Orogun, and Kudeti rivers..." The complete rehabilitation works on the now 80-year-old Eleyele Dam as well as the ongoing channelization of major rivers and water channels in Ibadan, namely Agodi, Orogun, Ogbere, Kudeti and Ona, were also highlighted.

The Honourable Commissioner then attributed the flood-free status of Ibadan to these many interventions by IUFMP which, according to him, have increased the discharge capacities of most

of the water channels that pass through the city. In his words: *"It is therefore safe to conclude that these interventions being methodically implemented under IUFMP have contributed extensively to the city's relatively flood-free status in the outgoing year. In other words, the conscientious implementation of IUFMP has helped Oyo State to prove the weatherman's predictions wrong, despite the devastating deluge that happened both far and near in other parts of the country"*.

The Alternate Chair of IUFMP Steering Committee, however, had a caveat, which was that the State Government was not implying that there were no pockets of flash flood hither and thither, but that such



Prof. Dahud Sangodoyin, Mr. Akinola Ojo, Tpl. Segun Olayiwola, Permanent Secretary Min. of Environment & Natural Resources, Mrs. M. E. Adeleye, and Engr. Olasunkanmi Sokeye at the Press Conference



did not result in loss of lives or property. He also clarified that Oyo State had no slightest intent of making mockery of other states that were flood-ravaged, but rather to put the project outcomes in proper perspectives. He rounded off by admonishing the people of Ibadan and other parts of Oyo State not to let off the guard in the fight against flood disasters. He specifically counselled against dumping solid wastes in the drains and river channels, building on waterways, engaging in poor land use pattern, deforestation, etc., averring that indulging in any of these environmental infractions during the dry season would impact adversely on the city and state as soon as the rains arrived in 2023.

While answering questions by the media participants, the Honourable Commissioner for Public Works, Infrastructure and Transport, Professor Dahud Kehinde Sangodoyin catalogued many of the interventions by the Oyo State Government through IUFMP confront flooding, going forward. On the issue of dumping of

refuse in the waterways, he went down memory lane to recount past incidents and also recounted the Government's efforts to checkmate the bad habit. As for the buildings already marked for demolition but were yet to be demolished, the HC Works informed the gathering that the structures would be pulled down once due diligence is done on them, to avert unnecessary litigations.

On his part, the Honourable Commissioner for Lands, Housing and Urban Development, Tpl. Emmanuel Olusegun Olayiwola admonished the media practitioners to support the Government in churning out proprietary messages aimed at discouraging arbitrary waste disposal and other wrong environmental practices.

Expectedly, the Press Conference was rounded off with the Question and Answer session during which some of the participating media practitioners asked questions bordering on the State's preparations to sustain the flood-free records in subsequent years, among others.

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ID 275 (Adekile - Goodwill Area)



# Gov. Makinde Visits Ogbere -Tioya Bridge Site



*Gov. Seyi Makinde and other members of his entourage during an unscheduled see-it-for-yourself visit to the Ogbere-Tioya Culvert Site*

**T**he Oyo State Governor, His Excellency Engr. Seyi Makinde FNSE on 19<sup>th</sup> December 2022 paid an unscheduled visit to the site of ID 73 at Ogbere-Tioya, Ibadan in Ona Ara Local Government Area, where a 4-cell culvert is being constructed to replace an undersized and usually flood-overtopped culvert on the Ogbere River.

The Governor's visit was informed by the delay that had attended the reconstruction work, which had attracted the public

outcry of the many communities located on the Olorunsogo – Amuloko – Akanran axis, who daily experienced commuting hardship on the stretch.

While welcoming His Excellency to the site, the Project Coordinator of IUFMP, Engr. Olasunkanmi Sokeye explained that the work had just been re-awarded to a new contractor after the October/November 2022 World Mission, courtesy of an emergency accelerated procurement waiver granted by the multilateral financial organization, which also had the



blessing of the Oyo State Government.

The Governor, who was accompanied on the visit by his Deputy, Barr. Bayo Lawal; the Chief of Staff to the Governor, Hon. Segun Ogunwuyi; the Hon. Commissioner for Public Works, Infrastructure and Transport, Prof. Dahud Sangodoyin; amidst a coterie of other high-profile officials, was obviously unhappy with the delay in executing the works, especially the untold hardship it has brought the way of the commuting publics in the locality.

Informed by the need to bring urgent relief to the populace, the Governor directed that the works should be ramped up such that the culvert would be completed in record time.

The construction of the Ogbere-Tioya 4-cell culvert was originally awarded to a foreign firm alongside some other work specifications collectively tagged Lot 2 under the First Pool of Works. However, the contractor was slowed down by a number of factors including the globally ravaging Covid-19 pandemic and the early onset of the 2022 rainy season. While this lasted, the smooth commuting of the people along the stretch was badly affected, which generated some bad press for IUFMP and the Oyo State Government.

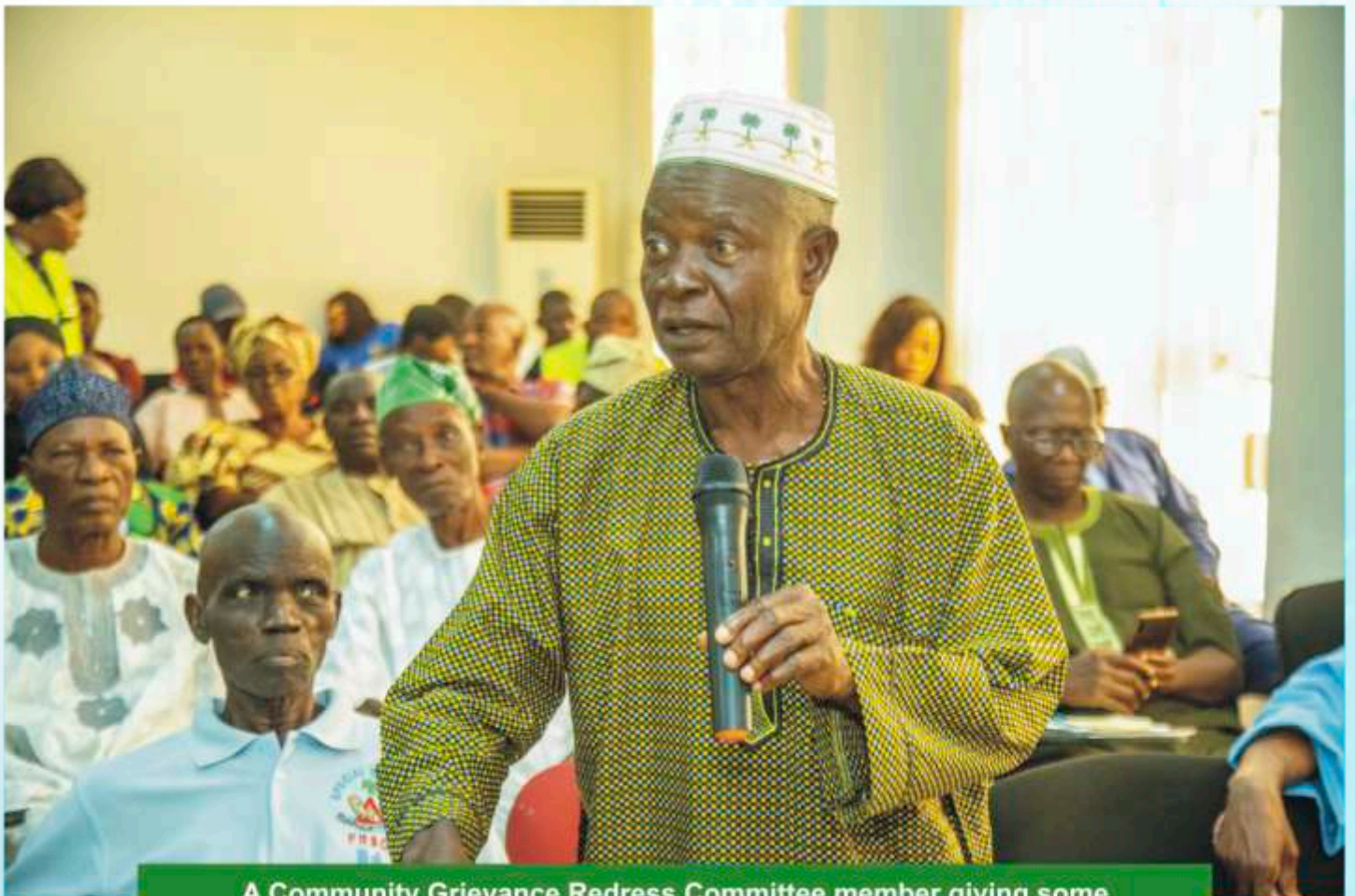
With the expiration of the erstwhile contractor's timeline, however, the coast was clear to single out the culvert for a re-award, and this was facilitated by the waiver granted to the Project Implementation Unit (PIU) to expeditiously engage a new contractor.



*The Project Coordinator of IUFMP, Engr. Olasunkanmi Sokeye (right) briefing His Excellency Gov. Seyi Makinde on the programme of works for the Ogbere-Tioya Culvert*



# IUFMP Holds Quarterly GRM Review Workshop



A Community Grievance Redress Committee member giving some feedback at the Quarterly GRM Review Workshop

In consonance with the safeguards policies guiding its operations, the Ibadan Urban Flood Management Project (IUFMP) has held yet another Grievance Redress Mechanism effectiveness review session with members of the community-based Grievance Redress Committees (GRCs) domiciled at its various intervention sites. The site GRCs had initially been inaugurated by the Project Implementation Unit (PIU) during the site handover events, and had been trained on their roles, in line with the GRM guideline document developed by IUFMP and cleared by the World Bank.



The Quarterly GRM Review workshop was held on 12<sup>th</sup> September, 2022 at the Ibadan Business School with participants made up of the Chairmen and Secretaries of the 7-man Grievance Redress Committees in active project sites under the First Pool of Works, Community Liaison Officers of Contractors (or HSSE officers), officials of the Oyo State Mediation Centre and the concerned units of the Project Implementation Unit, specifically Safeguards, Communication, and Engineering teams.

While welcoming participants to the workshop, the IUFMP Social Safeguards Assistant, Mr. Muiyiwa Ilori emphasized that the objective of the workshop was to leverage the Chairmen and Secretaries of community GRCs as a launchpad to assess the grievance management process at IUFMP project areas so far, explore areas where improvement can be made, and reinforce areas where the process is thriving.

In his presentation, the Social Safeguards Consultant, Mr. Olagoke Fatogun explained that adoption of the GRM process is mandatory for projects that trigger environmental risk, have impacts on indigenous peoples, and cause involuntary resettlement like IUFMP. He identified the building blocks of GRM as commitment, fairness, objectiveness and independence, simplicity and accessibility, responsiveness and efficiency, speed and proportionality, participation and social inclusion, dedicated and passionate Grievance Redress personnel, continuous training and learning, outlining and publicizing Grievance Redress policy and procedures, and regular review and acting upon grievances' data and trends.

He explained the different modes of reporting grievances to include walk-in verbal complaints, written petitions (via complaint boxes, letters to the Project Coordinator), and electronic channels (SMS, telephone, email). He added that the diverse methods for reporting grievances



A knowledge-sharing session ongoing during the Quarterly GRM Review Workshop organized for IUFMP Community Grievance Redress Committee members





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that are culturally appropriate are to be used and they should allow for self-identified, confidential, or anonymous procedures.

The Social Safeguards Specialist, Mrs. Bola Dada, in her presentation, stated that the processes and outputs of GRM operations must be adequately and accurately recorded by the GRC Secretary in the way and manner the complainants present it.

Highpoint of the workshop was the joint

thrived so far, was their collaboration with the community heads. He said the Contractors had always been carrying them along in their activities and this had made for a peaceful coexistence between them. The duo of Alhaji Lateef and Mr. Jimoh Bamidele from Ogbere-Tioya and Bashorun communities respectively also lauded the programme and appreciated the IUFMP team for the enlightenment and training on GRM, adding that GRM was a good way of resolving issues in the communities.

Contractors' representatives were also advised



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review of the GRM cases recorded in the workbook of each community-based GRC represented at the session. Questions were asked on the grey areas, and appropriate answers offered.

One of the participants, Alhaji Eruonike, a GRC member from Labo, commended IUFMP for the programme. He said one of the reasons the contractor in his area had

to always attend to complaints raised by the communities promptly before they degenerate into crisis.

In wrapping up, the PIU appreciated participants for their sacrificial service to their respective communities and contributing to the success of the workshop, whilst also encouraging them to utilize the knowledge gained at the workshop





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and disseminate it accurately to their community members.

The IUFMP **Grievance Redress Mechanism (GRM)** was designed to offer people affected by its development activities, access to channels for them to present their grievances and find solutions. It provides avenues for grievance redress that are legitimate, reliable, transparent, cost-effective and accessible to project-affected people at the lowest level without allowing them to escalate into unmanageable levels.

The objectives of the GRM Quarterly Review Workshop include:

- i. assessing the trend of complaints and grievances emerging from project communities and how they are being remedied,

- ii. determining the adequacy of GRM procedures and infrastructure that have been deployed to project communities,
- iii. identifying challenges being encountered by GRM implementers and providing prompt methods at solving them and,
- iv. updating the knowledge of GRM implementers at community level on current trends and expectations in grievance and complaints management.

It was based on some construction-induced complaints that a continuous process of reviewing the progress being made on GRM procedures was developed by IUFMP. One of





A cross section of participants at the Quarterly GRM Review Workshop

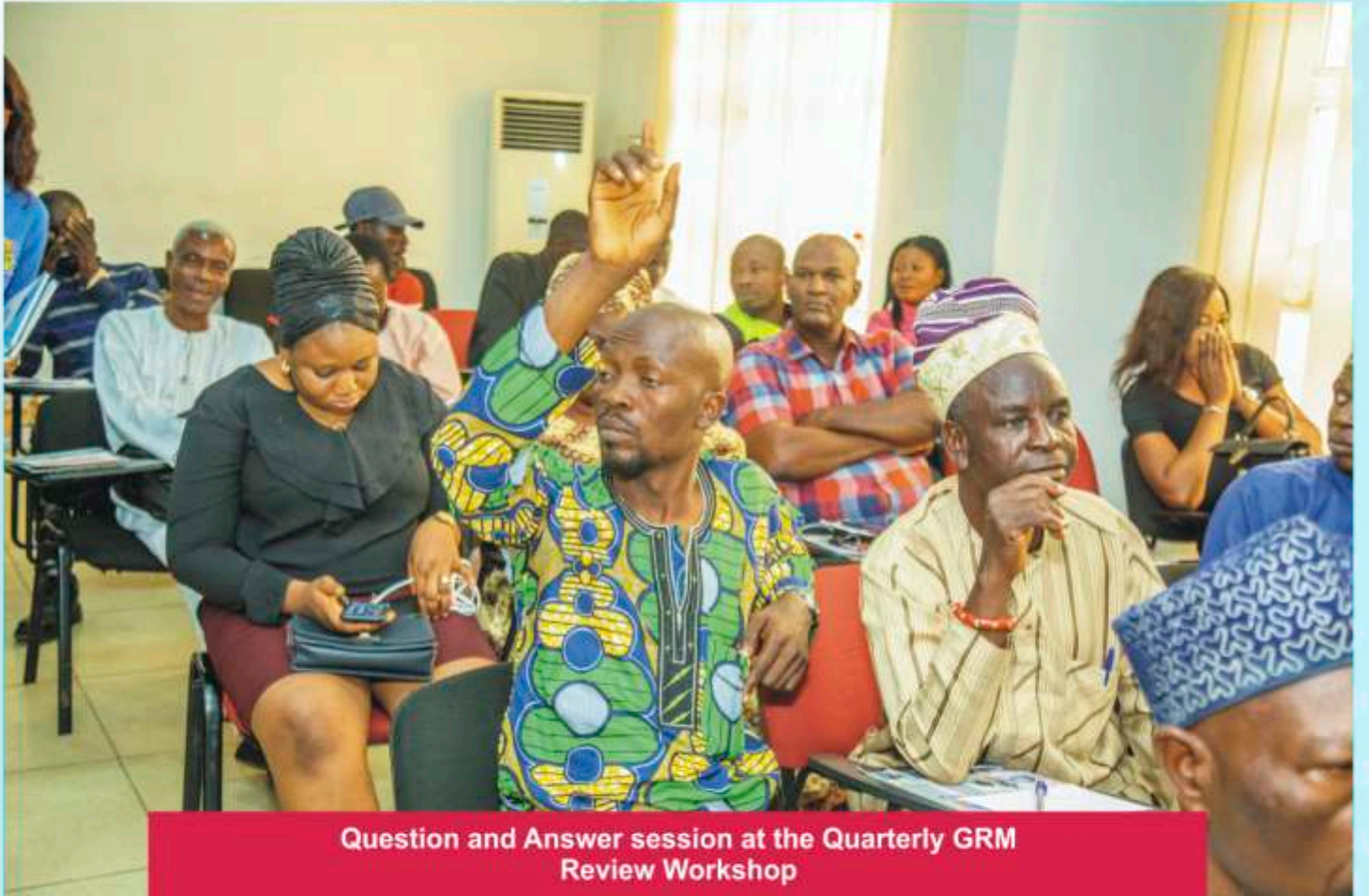


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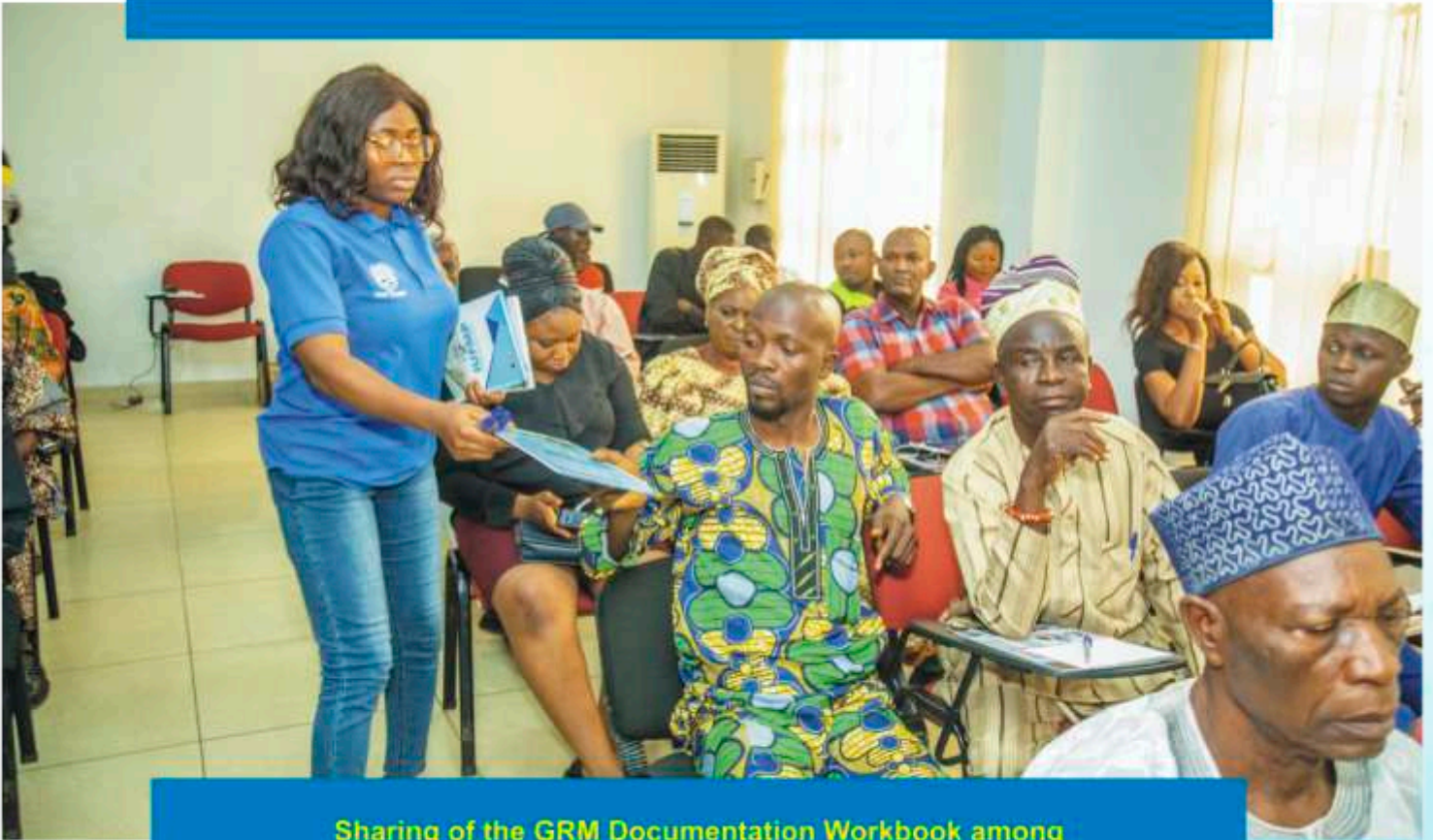


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Question and Answer session at the Quarterly GRM Review Workshop





Sharing of the GRM Documentation Workbook among participants during the Quarterly GRM Review Workshop



Some members of the Community Grievance Redress Committees applauding the organizers at the IUFMP Quarterly GRM Review Workshop





A group photograph participants made up of Community Grievance Redress Committee members, PIU members and MDAs officials at the Quarterly GRM Review Workshop organized by IUFMP

such procedures is the GRM Quarterly Review Meetings/Workshop which is being used as an avenue to critically address the emerging issues and strengthen existing procedures.

IUFMP activities involve the development of priority infrastructure, waste management, as well as development of risk management investment plans, Long-Term Flood Resilience Strategy, and Early Warning and Response System for Ibadan, Oyo State. These project activities have potentials to cause some adverse impacts on persons and communities, which need to be mitigated. Typically, grievances could arise from misinformation, unfulfilled expectations, loss of land and income sources, disruptions in culture and traditional practices, inter and intra- communal conflicts over project benefits, labour and employment-related discontent, perceptions of benefits by the

elite or political favoritism.

IUFMP's Grievance Redress Mechanism contains appropriate arrangements and procedures to address community concerns. Such approach towards the management of grievances is intended to bring about positive changes in peoples' lives and relationships in the course of developmental projects. It was to this end that Community Grievance Redress Committees (GRCs) were inaugurated in all IUFMP intervention sites and members were trained on their specific roles of receiving and managing complaints from community members before they get out of hand. However, issues that cannot be handled by the GRC are escalated to the higher levels, namely, IUFMP, Oyo State Mediation Centre and the Law Court, in that order. It is gratifying to know that none of the complaints from the communities has gone beyond the Community GRC and IUFMP so far.



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