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ASSESSMENT REPORT

NEW DISBURSEMENT-LINKED INDICATORS (DLIs) DECEMBER 2021

BAYELSA STATE

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1. Executive Summary

This Report details the outcome of the New 2021 Disbursement Linked Indicators 11.3 (JUN 2022) Verification. In conducting the verification, the IVA assessed how the State performed against the Disbursement Linked Results (DLRs) listed within the SFTAS DLI Matrix, Guidelines and Verification Protocol.

Table 1 (below) reflects the outcome of the verification and shows areas where the State achieved results. In total, BayelsaState achieved 1 (One) DLR out of 1 (One) DLR applicable to the New DLIs (December 2021 to June 2022).

We included the findings from the verification exercise and identified several areas where the State can improve its performance. These are set out in detail within Section 2 of this report.

1.1 Table 1: Assessment Results' Summary

Key: Achieved	Not Achieved	Previously Achieved
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Disbursement Linked Indicators	Disbursement Linked Results	Results	Remarks
DLI 11: Provided structured tax relief in response to COVID-19 and strengthened tax administration (personal income tax and property taxation) to enhance non-oil tax collection in the resilient recovery phase	DLR 11.3: Strengthened the foundation for state property taxation by updating property records in urban areas	Achieved (stretch)	

2. Bayelsa State Assessment results for DLR 11.3

2.1 Results for DLR 11.3

Disbu	rsement Linked Indicators (DLIs) and Tests	Approach for assessment	Conclusion	Recommendations
DLR 11.3 2021	(2021) Strengthened the foundation for state property taxation by updating property records in urban areas		Achieved	
1.	 Has the State completed or updated property records of at least a certain percentage of all properties that have electricity connections in urban areas? Base target= percentage properties enumerated out of total properties with an electricity connection is 20% Stretch target= percentage properties enumerated out of total properties with an electricity connection is 50% 	 a. IVA obtained a report accompanied by the data set with property records with supporting evidence from the State to show that they have met target for the records submitted and all mandatory fields are included. The States (i) delivered data in <u>excel</u> format (ii) used the standardized codes for the mandatory variables that have been shared (iii) submitted 3 separate files for parcels, buildings and building units. b. The State's total number for properties with electricity connections in urban areas as provided by the World Bank is 37,872. c. The total number of properties enumerated which have data for all mandatory fields (see annex 2) for the electrified urban areas used by the World Bank for setting the target: vacant parcel + buildings + building units registered for legal entity) are as follows: Vacant parcel -0 building units - 41,734 Total - 102,142 d. IVA computed the percentage of: Total number of properties enumerated which have data for all mandatory fields (total number for properties with electricity) are as follows:	Satisfactory (Stretch Target)	

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	connections in urban areas as provided by the World Bank as follows:				
	<u>102,142</u> x 100% 37,872 =269.70%				
 The property information is no older than August 31, 2020? 	IVA verified the evidence provided by the State and confirmed that the records submitted to meet the target the information was updated or collected after August 31, 2020 as shown in the computation below:			Satisfactory (Stretch Target)	
		<u>102,137</u> 37,872 =269.699			
 The property records submitted have a unique ID that links parcels, buildings, 		-	le, the number of records ding ID and Parcel ID as follows:	Satisfactory	
and building units?	ID linking with structure footprint	e Building ID	60,405		
		-	60,405 ts file, number of records ling ID and Building Unit ID as		
	Unique ID of building	Building ID Unit ID	60,405 41,732		

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	IVA computed the percentage of: (Number of complete building records + Number of complete building units)/ number of records needed for meeting base target (- see 1.1) as follows: $\frac{102,137}{7,574.4} \times 100\%$ $= 1348.45\%$		
4. The size of the land parcel is documented by a polygon on a map/indicated as ParcelArea in the file?	IVA computed the percentage of the number of complete records for the variable Parcel Area in the file with parcel records to all vacant parcel records submitted as follows:	Satisfactory (The State met 1.1/1.2)	
	ParcelArea 6,990 Vacant Parcel submitted 0 <u>6,990</u> x 100%		
	= more than 100%		
5. The parcel is linked to buildings (one to one or one to many)?	IVA computed the percentage of the number of complete records for the variable Parcel ID in the building records file) to all records needed for meeting base target as follows:	Satisfactory (100% or more)	
	ParcelIDEnumeration Parcel GUID (Base Target Number for the State)60,4057,574.4		
	<u>6,045 x 100</u>		

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	7,574.4 =797.49%		
6. The number of occupancy units within the property are included?	 a. IVA computed the percentage of the number of complete records for the variable No of Units in the building records file) to all records needed for meeting base target as follows: 60,405 	Satisfactory (The State met 1.1/1.2)	
	No of Units 7,574.4 Base Target 7,574.4 =797.49% =797.49% b. IVA computed the percentage of the number of complete records for the variable StructPres in the Parcel records file to all vacant parcel records submitted as follows: StructPres 6,990 Base Target 7,574.4		
	Structure Presence in Parcel Records to All vacant parcel records: $\frac{6,990 \times 100}{0}$ = more than 100% Structure Presence in Parcel Records to Base Target: $\frac{6,990 \times 100}{7,574.4}$ =92.28%		

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Disbursement Linked Indicators (DLIs) and Tests 7. Has the following information been included in each of the property records of the State: i. Main Use ii. Occupancy Type iii. Number of dwelling units iv. No of floors v. Age of building vi. Wall material viii. Formal/Informal document ix. Access to sewerage, water, waste disposal and electricity 	 a. IVA computed the percentage of the number of complete records in the building records file for each of the following variables: (BldgUse; OccupType; NoOfFloors; BldgAge; WallMat; RoofMat; BldgArea; Picture)/ all records needed for meeting base target as follows: 60,405 x 100 7,574.4 =797.49% BldgUse Yes OccupType Yes NoOfFloors Yes BldgAge Yes WallMat Yes RoofMat Yes BldgArea Yes Picture Yes b. IVA computed the percentage of the number of complete records in the parcel file for each of the following variables: (Document; 	Conclusion Satisfactory (100% or more)	Recommendations
	Water; Sewerage; Power; Waste)/ total number of vacant parcel records as follows: Number of Completed Records to Number of Vacant Parcel Records: <u>6,990</u> x 100 0		

		Approach for assessment	Conclusion	Recommendations
	Number of Comp	= more than 100% leted Records to Base target		
		<u>6,990</u> x 100 7,574.4 =92.2%		
	Document	Yes		
	Water	Yes		
	Sewerage	Yes		
	Power	Yes		
	Waste	Yes		
 8. Are the ownership characteristics captured? i. Single or multiple owner ii. Telephone iii. Address 	in the parcel r (OwnerName	the percentage of the number of complete records records file for each of the following variables: ; TypeOwner; ParcelUse; OccupType; OwnerPhone; total number of vacant parcel records as follows: <u>6,990</u> × 100 0 = more than 100%	Satisfactory (1.1/1.2 has been met)	
	OwnerName	Yes		
	TypeOwner	Yes		
	ParcelUse	Yes		
	OccupType	Yes		
	OwnerPhone	Yes		
	ParcelAddr	Yes		

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2 1. The property records are stored in an electronic database?	 a. IVA obtained an electronic copy of the Property records. Copy Submitted in MS Excel (Parcels, Building and Building Units) which has been retained in the file. b. The Server in which the Property records were stored electronically is as follows: The State provided documentation showing IP/URL of Server as: 197.210.135.122:39/thebgisftas/iva/occupier/read.php 197.210.135.122:39/thebgisftas/iva/parcel/read.php 197.210.135.122:39/thebgisftas/iva/building/read.php 	Satisfactory	
2. The property record database is accessible to SIRS/SBIR in electronic format?	 a. The SIRS/SBIR has been granted access to the database. A demand notice has been t provided as evidence. b. IVA visited the URL provided by the State to demonstrate Access to the Billing Software via IP/URL as follows: https://revenuehouse.app Username: iva Password: VcWWfKNuZ5VLPC12 	Satisfactory	
	 c. The State provided the API Documentation listing parameters URL to be : 197.210.135.122:39/thebgisftas/iva/occupier/read.php <u>197.210.135.122:39/thebgisftas/iva/parcel/read.php</u> <u>197.210.135.122:39/thebgisftas/iva/building/read.php</u> 		
3. The database has started being used to issue demand notices?	 a. The State shared sample Demand Notices which have been retained in the file. b. IVA attempted to carry out spot checks of the Billing System which enables generating demand notice for five randomly selected properties. Due to the setup of the State's billing system which required a connection from the Billing system to the 	Satisfactory	

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	 service of the BIRS which also required various levels of approvals, demonstration on how the Billing system is able to generate demand notices had to be carried out via a zoom call with a staff of the State. Screenshots have been retained in the file. c. The demonstration was done using the steps below: I. After successful Login into the Revenue House Application, Navigate to the Assessment Menu. II. To generate a new Property Tax Demand Notice, Click on the "New" Tab. III. Select "Property Tax" under the Assessment Type Dropdown. IV. Click on the "Print Batch" button V. To generate for a given Property ID, Enter the Building ID of the property and the Assessment Year and click the + (plus) button. At this point, you can Add as many individual building IDs and their Demand Notices will be Generated all at once in the next step. VI. Finally, click the "Generate" Button. If the property record contains all the compulsory fields, the Demand Notice will be sent for approvals (by the approving officer) and generated afterwards. To Generate Batch Demand Notice (Location Based Demand Notice) VII. After step 3 above, Select the Location under the Location Dropdown VIII. Enter the Assessment Year IX. Click on "Print Batch" button. If the property records contain all the compulsory fields, the Demand Notice will be sent for approvals (by the approving officer) and generated afterwards. 		

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3	1. Has the state issued a regulation that mandates that property data collected is shared with MDAs?	 a. IVA has obtained and retained a copy of the regulation. b. The regulation was signed by the relevant authority (the Executive Chairman, BIRS) on 20th May, 2022. 	Satisfactory	
		c. IVA confirmed that the regulation mandates the state to share the data collected with MDAs in line with the key requirements captured in the draft model regulations issued to all states.		
	2. States have distributed the regulations to appropriate MDAs and the SIRS/SBIR?	 a. IVA obtained from the State, a report with supporting evidence that the States have distributed the regulations to appropriate MDAs and the SIRS/SBIR. 	Satisfactory	
	3. A copy of the tax demand notice for property related charges/taxes?	 a. IVA obtained a copy of the updated demand notice. b. IVA confirmed that the Amended notice included the geotag (Minimum Property ID Reference) and provided the information that will allow any party to access the geotag information. c. IVA confirmed that the demand notice included details of the taxes and charges including information on penalties for late payment and requiring the property owner to pay within 30days from the Notice of payments. There was no information on discounts for early payment. 	Satisfactory	
	4. A tax demand notice for property related charges/taxes has been amended to include geotag of property?	IVA confirmed that the demand notices included the Property ID and geotag details.	Satisfactory	

3. Response from the State

The State should please use the table below for their response.

S/N	State Response to the draft report	IVA Follow-up, response, treatment
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