

The States' Fiscal Transparency, Accountability and Sustainability (SFTAS) Program for Results

ASSESSMENT REPORT

NEW DISBURSEMENT-LINKED INDICATORS (DLIs) DECEMBER 2021

NIGER 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, Niger State 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. Niger State Assessment results for DLI 11

2.1 Results for DLI 11

Disbur	sement Linked Indicators (DLIs) and Tests	Findings	Conclusion	Recommendations
DLR 11.3 2021	(2021) Strengthened the foundation for state property taxation by updating property records in urban areas		Achieved	
1.	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 State (i) delivered data in excel 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 301,804. 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 is as follows: Vacant Parcel - 143 Buildings - 70,180 Building Units - 108,573 Total - 178,896 	Satisfactory (Stretch Target)	
		d. IVA computed the percentage of:		

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	Total number of properties enumerated which have data for mandatory fields/ (total number for properties with electricic connections in urban areas as provided by the World Bank as follows: 178,896 x 100 301,804				
2. The property information is no older than August 31, 2020?	the records submitte	=59.28% IVA Verified the evidence provided by the State and confirmed that the records submitted to meet the target information was updated or collected after August 31, 2020 as shown in the computation below:			
		30	895 x 100 01,804 59.28%		
3. The property records submitted have unique ID that links parcels, buildings and building units?	[without missin	g value] for Bu	file, the number of records ilding ID and Parcel ID as follows:	Satisfactory	
	2. IVA Computed for	ParcelID	70,180 70,180 nits file the number of records		
	· ·	_	ding ID and BuildingUnit ID as		
	to buildings Unique ID of building units	BuildingID UnitID	70,180 108,574		

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	The Computed percentage of: (Number of complete building records + Number of complete building units)/ number of records needed for meeting base target (- see 1.1) is as follows: \[\frac{178,754 \times 100}{60360.8} \] = 296.14\%		
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: ParcelArea 28,427 Vacant Parcel submitted 143 143 143 143 19879.02%	Satisfactory	
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: Enumeration Parcel GUID (Base Target Number for the State)	Satisfactory	

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	<u>70,180</u> 60,360			
	=116.27	%		
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:		Satisfactory	
	No of Units Base Target	70,180 60,360.8		
		70,180 × 100 60,360.8 =116.27%		
	for the variab	d the percentage of the number of complete records le StructPres in the Parcel records file to all vacant s submitted as follows:		
	StructPres Base Target	28,427 60,360.8		
	Structure Presence	143 te in Parcel to Vacant Records Submitted: 28,427 x 100 143 = 19,879.02%		
	Completed Parce			

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		28,427 x 100 60,360.8 =47.10%		
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 vii. Roof material	in the bui l (BldgUse;	uted the percentage of the number of complete records ding records file for each of the following variables: OccupType; NoOfFloors; BldgAge; WallMat; RoofMat; Picture)/ all records needed for meeting base target as 00 =116.27%	Satisfactory	
viii. Formal/Informal document	BldgUse	Yes		
ix. Access to sewerage, water, waste disposal and electricity	OccupType	Yes		
waste disposal and electricity	NoOfFloors	Yes		
	BldgAge	Yes		
	WallMat	Yes		
	RoofMat	Yes		
	BldgArea	Yes		
	Picture	Yes		
	in the par Water; Se records as	uted the percentage of the number of complete records cel file for each of the following variables: (Document; werage; Power; Waste)/ total number of vacant parcel follows: rcel to Vacant Parcel: 28,427 x 100		

Disbursement Linked Indicators (DLIs) and Tests		Findings	Conclusion	Recommendations
		143 = 19,879.02%		
	Completed Parcel to Base Target: 28427 x 100 60360.8 =47.10%			
	Document	Yes		
	Water	Yes		
	Sewerage	Yes		
	Power Waste	Yes Yes		
 8. Are the ownership characteristics captured? i. Single or multiple owner ii. Telephone iii. Address 	a. IVA computed to in the parcel re (OwnerName;	the percentage of the number of complete records cords file for each of the following variables: TypeOwner; ParcelUse; OccupType; OwnerPhone; tal number of vacant parcel records as follows: 28,427 x 100 143 =19879.02%	Satisfactory	
	OwnerName TypeOwner ParcelUse	Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes		
	OccupType OwnerPhone	Yes		
	a.ParcelAddr	Yes		

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2	The property records are stored in an electronic database?	a. The IVA obtained an electronic copy of the Property records. The IVA confirms that the copy received was in MS Excel.	Satisfactory	
		b. Property records were stored in the server Via the link below:		
		URL: nspropertytax.com.ng		
		c. The IP/URL of Server is: nspropertytax.com.ng		
	2. The property record database is accessible to SIRS/SBIR in electronic format?	a. The SIRS has been granted access to the database. A demand notice has been provided as evidence.	Satisfactory	
		 b. IVA accessed the billing Software via IP/URL as follows: nspropertytax.com.ng Access Details: Username: demo Password: demo STEPS 		
		 Log in with the details above Select Parcels Search for a parcel ID Click on view (Search icon) Click on print to download the demand notice 		
		 c. IVA obtained and retained the API Documentation listing parameters. Access Details: Username: demo Password: demo 		

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	3. The database has started being used to issue demand notices?	 a. Sample demand notices were shared by SIRS as evidence that the API in place can generate Demand Notices. b. The IVA has conducted spot checks to confirm that the Billing System enables generating demand notice for five randomly selected properties. 	Satisfactory	
3	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 Executive Chairman of Niger State Board of Internal Revenue on 8th June 2022 and approved by the Governor on 9th June 2022. 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. 	Satisfactory	
	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	
	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 Demand 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 penalties for late payment. However, information on any discounts for early payment was not included. d. The State is required to provide information on why discounts for early payment were not included. 	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 Parcel ID 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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