PDF II
Policy Development Facility Phase II

Policy Development Facility Phase II (PDF II): Frequently Asked Questions

What is PDF II?
The Policy Development Facility Phase II (PDFII) is a £ 13.2 million technical cooperation fund set up to support 'champions of change', to implement economic and social policies that lead to poverty reduction in Nigeria. 'Champions of change' are government officials – primarily ministers – who are reform minded and have the will to bring about change. PDF II's support is mainly provided at the Federal Government level but could potentially provide support to other important non-Federal Government actors. PDF II began operations on 1st April 2015 and will run for five years, through to 31 March 2020. It succeeds the Policy Development Facility (PDF) which ended on 31 March 2015.

What kinds of projects will the PDF II support?
PDF II provides technical assistance to 'Champions of Change' and funds research projects addressing issues including but not limited to:

- Economic management
- Structural policies
- Policies for social inclusion/equity

In particular, PDF II focuses on projects where the benefits will be sustainable and institutionalised.

Who is eligible for support?
Federal Government of Nigeria ministries, departments and agencies (MDAs), civil society organisations, research organisations, relevant National Assembly committees, and States are eligible for support.

What is the timeframe for projects?
PDF II supports projects that run from several days to 1 year.

Is the partner required to contribute funding?
The partner is not always expected to make a contribution. However, in-kind resources may be required, particularly where support is to government. Please contact the Growth Team, DFID Nigeria Office to discuss options or via the PDF II Management Unit:

AbujaTeam@pdfnigeria.org

What is the working language for projects?
The working language is English.

How do I access PDF II support?
The best way to apply is to contact the Growth Team, DFID Nigeria Office or via the PDF II Management Unit

Who deals with applications?
Applications for assistance are normally dealt with by the Growth Team, DFID Nigeria Office but can be forwarded by the PDF II Management Unit

Once an application has been submitted, how long will it be before PDF II makes a decision?
PDF II is a fast-response facility. Decisions on proposed projects are made by the DFID Nigeria Office based on the selection criteria included in this pack. You may normally expect to hear the outcome of your application within 2 weeks.

What are the reporting requirements?
For TA support, monthly status updates, quarterly reports and a project completion report. For research projects, inception report, interim report and project completion report. Shorter projects are normally required to produce an inception report and a final report. PDF II has a standard format for reports that makes reporting easy. Word files of report templates can be obtained from the PDF II Management Unit.

How can I access information on past projects?
Knowledge products/reports from past PDF and PDF II projects can be accessed through the management unit (contact details above).

Where can I get more information?
For more information contact the Growth Team, DFID Nigeria Office or PDF II Management Unit (contact details above).

Contacts
For more information on applying to PDF II for support,
contact AbujaTeam@pdfnigeria.org

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