



**FEDERAL MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT**  
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**HYPREP ACTIVITIES**  
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**REPORT OF HYPREP ACTIVITIES IN THE MONTH OF AUGUST 2021**

**1.0 REMEDIATION WORKS**

**1.1. STATUS OF ON-GOING REMEDIATION WORKS AT PHASE 1 BATCH 1 SITES**

Three (3) of the twenty-one (21) Lots in Batch 1 are still at different stages of completion of works and expectations of close-out processes. These include Lots , 011, 013 and 016.

- Works are at final stages of completion at Lot 013.
- Lots 011 and 016 have been inactive but expected to resume in October.



Plate 1.1: Concluding stage of excavation of impacted soil for treatment in progress at Lot 013 (Nweekol Zorbuke in K. Dere, Gokana L.G.A).  
(Remediation Contractor - CENTENNIAL DEVELOPMENT & INVESTMENT LTD).



Plate 1.2: Leads, QAQC / Certification and Remediation Execution Teams (Sub-Units) of the Operations Unit (1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> from right respectively) in a group photograph with some Operations Unit Field Supervisors, Community Workers and Contractor Site Staffers during a Supervisory Monitoring Visit to Lot 013 (Nweekol Zorbuke in K. Dere, Gokana L.G.A).  
(Remediation Contractor - CENTENNIAL DEVELOPMENT & INVESTMENT LTD).

**Detailed information of remediation work performance status of the outstanding five (5) Lots in Batch 1 is summarized in Table 1.1 below:**

S/N	LOT NR.	REMEDATION CONTRACTOR	SITE NAME/ COMMUNITY	L.G.A.	PERFORMANCE PERCENTAGE (%)
1.	011	Mosvinny Nig. Ltd	Debon, Bodo / Mogho	Gokana	84
2.	013	Centennial Devt. & Investments Ltd	Nweekol Zorbuke, K.Dere	Gokana	90
3.	016	Newline West Africa Ltd	Buemene Well 005, Korokoro	Tai	66

Table 1.1: Performance Status of outstanding Sites in Batch 1 Remediation Works

**Detailed information of remediation work performance status of the twenty-one (21) Lots in Phase 1, Batch 1 is summarized in Table 1.2 below:**

S/N	LOT NR.	REMEDATION CONTRACTOR	SITE (SITE NAME, COMMUNITY)	L.G.A.	STATUS	PERFORMANCE PERCENTAGE (%)
1	001	Nautilus Nigeria Engineering Construction Ltd	Okenta, Alode	Eleme	Completed remediation NOSDRA Close-out / Certification Processes successfully.	100
2	002	Basic Nigeria Technology Ltd	Oboolo, Ebubu	Eleme	Completed remediation NOSDRA Close-out / Certification Processes successfully.	100



3	003	Pacrim Engineering Ltd	Nkeleoken, Alode	Eleme	Awaiting final recommendations from NOSDRA Close-out/Certification Sampling.	98
4	004	RDK Environmental EcoSolutions Ltd	Nkeleoken, Alode	Eleme	Completed remediation NOSDRA Close-out / Certification Processes successfully.	100
5	005	Earthpro Unique Integrated Services Ltd	Nkeleoken, Alode	Eleme	Completed remediation NOSDRA Close-out / Certification Processes successfully.	100
6	006	Environmental Resources Managers Ltd	Nkeleoken, Alode	Eleme	Completed remediation NOSDRA Close-out / Certification Processes successfully.	100
7	007	Avondale Services and Supplies Ltd	Nkeleoken, Alode	Eleme	Completed remediation NOSDRA Close-out / Certification Processes successfully.	100
8	008	Giolee Global Resources Ltd	Nkeleoken, Alode	Eleme	Completed remediation NOSDRA Close-out / Certification Processes successfully.	100
9	009	Odun Environmental Ltd	Saanako, Mogho	Gokana	Awaiting laboratory results from NOSDRA Close-out/Certification sampling.	98
10	010	Rey & Reina International Ltd	Debon, Bodo & Mogho	Gokana	Completed remediation NOSDRA Close-out / Certification Processes successfully.	100
11	011	Mosvinny Nigeria Ltd	Debon, Bodo & Mogho	Gokana	Concluding phase of site works expected October 2021.	84
12	012	Shamsa Resources & Services Ltd	Debon, Bodo & Mogho	Gokana	Awaiting laboratory results from NOSDRA Close-out/Certification sampling.	97
13	013	Centennial Development & Investments Ltd	Nweekol Zorbuke, K. Dere	Gokana	Excavation and treatment of impacted soil progressing at advance stage.	90
14	014	Navante Oil & Gas Company Ltd	Nweekol Zorbuke, K. Dere	Gokana	Completed remediation NOSDRA Close-out / Certification Processes successfully.	100
15	015	Secura Investments Ltd	Wiieborsi, Kpean	Khana	Completed remediation NOSDRA Close-out / Certification Processes successfully.	100
16	016	Newline West Africa Ltd	Buemene Korokoro Well 5, Korokoro	Tai	Excavation and treatment of impacted soil ongoing.	66
17	017	Tip Tree Inter-Trade Nigeria Ltd	Bara Akpor, Botem	Tai	Completed remediation NOSDRA Close-out / Certification Processes successfully.	100
18	018	Louizionni Ferreti Ent. Ltd	Buemene Korokoro Well 9, Korokoro	Tai	Completed remediation NOSDRA Close-out / Certification Processes successfully.	100
19	019	Asonic Associates Ltd	Buemene Korokoro	Tai	Completed remediation NOSDRA Close-out / Certification Processes successfully.	100
20	020	Amazing Environmental Solutions International Ltd	Buemene Korokoro Well 8, Korokoro	Tai	Awaiting final recommendations from NOSDRA Close-out/Certification Sampling.	98
21	021	Newpal Nigeria Ltd	Aabue/Ueken Korokoro Well 6, Korokoro & Ueken	Tai	Completed remediation NOSDRA Close-out / Certification Processes successfully.	100
	<b>21 LOTS</b>	<b>21 Contractors</b>	<b>9 Sites, 12 Communities</b>	<b>4 L.G.As</b>	<b>16 Lots Close-out, 2 Awaiting Final Recommendations from NOSDRA Close-out Results, 1 Still Working, 2 Not Active.</b>	<b>2,031</b>
<b>Average Work Done (%)</b>						<b>96.71</b>

Table 1.2: Details of Status of Lots in Phase 1 Batch 1 HYPREP Remediation Works.

## 1.1. STATUS OF ON-GOING REMEDIATION WORKS OF PHASE 1 BATCH 2 SITES

Active remediation works and NOSDRA Close-out / Certification Sampling have been completed at four (4) of the twenty-nine (29) Lots in Batch 2 of Phase 1 Remediation Works. These include Lot024, 042, 043 and 056.

Five (5) other Lots in Batch 2 have completed active remediation works and are awaiting NOSDRA Close-out/Certification processes planned for early November 2021. These are Lots026, 030, 034, 044 and 045. Remediation works (site set-up, excavation and treatment of impacted soil, QA/QC Monitoring of treated soil volumes, backfilling of excavated pits with treated soil, general leveling of site, installation, and sampling of remediation groundwater defensive boreholes respectively) are going at different stages at other twenty (20) Lots.

Details of Lots in Batch 2 are presented at a glance in Table 1.3 below:

Lot Number(s)	Communities	Status
024, 042, 043, 056 (4 Lots, 4 Sites)	B.Dere / Gio (Gokana/Tai L.G.A), Korokoro Well 4 (Tai L.G.A), Aleto (Ngofa) and New Elelenwa Manifold (Akpajo) respectively in Eleme L.G.A.	Awaiting results of NOSDRA Certification and Close out.
026, 030, 034, 044, 045 (5 Lots, 3 Sites)	B.Dere/Gio (Gokana/Tai L.G.A); Korokoro (Tai L.G.A); Aleto (Eleme L.G.A).	Completed Remediation Works, awaiting NOSDRA Certification Processes.
022, 023, 025, 028, 029, 031, 033, 046, 047, 048, 053, 054 (12 Lots, 5 Sites).	B.Dere/Gio (Gokana/Tai L.G.A), Bara Alue (Tai L.G.A); Korokoro (Tai L.G.A); Aleto, Akpajo, Ogale (Eleme L.G.A).	Nearing completion of Remediation works.
027, 032, 049, 050, 051, 052, 055, 057 (8 Lots, 4 Sites).	Bara Alue (Tai L.G.A); B.Dere/Gio (Gokana/Tai L.G.A); Okuluebu–Ogale and Akpajo (Eleme L.G.A);	Ongoing Remediation and site works at different stages of progress.

Table 1.3: Works Status of Lots in Batch 2 Remediation Works

Details on Excavation/Earthwork Status at Lots in Batch 2 are presented in Table 1.4 below:

Status of Excavation and Treatment Works	Lot Numbers	Number of Lots	Site(s)
COMPLETED	022, 023, 024, 026, 030, 034, 042, 043, 044, 045, 046, 047, 048, 053, 054 & 056	16	B.Dere/Gio in Gokana/Tai L.G.A, Korokoro in Tai L.G.A, Aleto (Ngofa), Nsioken, Akpajo in Eleme L.G.A, Okuluebu -Ogale and New Elelenwa Mfd, Akpajo in Eleme L.G.A respectively.
COMMENCED / ON-GOING	025, 031, 033	12	B.Dere/Gio in Gokana/Tai L.G.A
	029		Aabue Korokoro Flow Station in Tai L.G.A.
	027, 028		Bara Alue in Tai L.G.A.
	057		New Elelenwa Manifold, Akpajo in Eleme L.G.A.
	049, 050, 051, 052, 055		Okuluebu, Ogale in Eleme L.G.A.
YET TO COMMENCE	032	1	B.Dere/Gio in Gokana/Tai L.G.A
		<b>29 Lots</b>	

Table 1.4: Details of Status of Excavation Works at Lots in Phase 1 Batch 2 HYPREP Remediation Works.



Plate 1.3: Completion of excavation and serial transferring of impacted soil (Ajeokpori Well 3, Ogale, Eleme L.G.A). (Remediation Contractor- ATLAS-RAY & SONS COY LTD).

Detailed information of remediation work performance status of Phase 1 Batch 2 sites is summarized in Table 1.5 below:

S/N	LOT NR.	REMEDATION CONTRACTOR	SITE NAME	L.G.A.	STATUS	PERFORMANCE PERCENTAGE
1	022	Vitruvian Global Resources Ltd	B. Dere / Gio	Gokana / Tai.	Excavation at advanced stage, treatment and backfilling of impacted soil to be completed soon.	58
2	023	Cascade Engineering Systems Ltd	B. Dere / Gio	Gokana / Tai.	Excavation completed, treatment of impacted soil and backfilling of treated soil.	88
3	024	Levene Energy Dev Ltd	B. Dere / Gio	Gokana / Tai.	Awaiting analytical results and recommendations from NOSDRA Close-out/Certification Sampling.	98
4	025	Subadom Global Resources Ltd	B. Dere / Gio	Gokana / Tai.	Excavation, treatment of impacted soil and backfilling of treated soil.	80
5	026	Earthquest Int'l Ltd	B. Dere / Gio	Gokana / Tai.	Planned for NOSDRA Close-out/Certification processes in November 2021.	95
6	027	Marm Consulting Services Ltd	Bara Alue	Tai	Excavation, treatment of impacted soil.	49
7	028	Emamed Nig Ltd	Bara Alue	Tai	Excavation, treatment of impacted soil and backfilling of treated soil.	80
8	029	Weafri Well Services Ltd	AABUE Korokoro Flow Station (FS)	Tai	Excavation, treatment of impacted soil and backfilling of treated soil.	84
9	030	Elizax Bleet Nig Ltd	AABUE Korokoro Flow Station (FS)	Tai	Planned for NOSDRA Close-out/Certification processes in November 2021.	93
10	031	Oilserv Ltd	B. Dere / Gio	Gokana / Tai.	Excavation, treatment of impacted soil and backfilling of treated soil.	82
11	032	Mosito Environmental Ltd	B. Dere / Gio	Gokana / Tai.	At advance stage site set-up.	8
12	033	Christohouston Energy Ltd	B. Dere / Gio	Gokana / Tai.	Excavation and treatment of impacted soil.	72
13	034	DLK Oil & Gas Ltd	B. Dere / Gio	Gokana / Tai.	Planned for NOSDRA Close-out/Certification processes in November 2021.	95
14	042	Kanny Koy Ltd	Korokoro W-4	Tai.	Awaiting analytical results and recommendations from NOSDRA Close-out/Certification Sampling.	98

15	043	Otaoilf Services Ltd	Aleto Ngofa	Eleme	Awaiting final recommendations from NOSDRA Close-out/Certification Sampling.	98
16	044	M/S Harrisco Int'l Ltd	Aleto Ngofa	Eleme	Planned for NOSDRA Close-out/Certification processes in September 2021.	95
17	045	Chavyn Nig Ltd	Aleto Ngofa	Eleme	Planned for NOSDRA Close-out/Certification processes in September 2021.	95
18	046	Andelsta Ltd	Nsioken Akpajo	Eleme	Treatment of impacted soil.	86
19	047	Lapideo Multi Services Ltd	Ajeokpori W-3 Okuluebu	Eleme	Treatment and backfilling of impacted soil.	80
20	048	Slot Eng Nig Ltd	Ajeokpori W-3 Okuluebu	Eleme	Treatment and backfilling of impacted soil	62
21	049	Environ Consult & Remedial Service Ltd	Ajeokpori W-3 Okuluebu	Eleme	Excavation, treatment of impacted soil.	42
22	050	Klartek Nig Ltd	Ajeokpori W-3 Okuluebu	Eleme	Excavation, treatment of impacted soil.	62
23	051	Erotina Nig Ltd	Ajeokpori W-3 Okuluebu	Eleme	Excavation, treatment of impacted soil.	45
24	052	Montego Upstream Services Ltd	Ajeokpori W-3 Okuluebu	Eleme	Excavation, treatment of impacted soil.	36
25	053	Atlas- Ray & Sons Coy Ltd	Ajeokpori W-3 Okuluebu	Eleme	Excavation, treatment of impacted soil.	70
26	054	Brant Technologies Ltd	Ajeokpori W-3 Okuluebu	Eleme	Treatment, backfilling of impacted soil.	82
27	055	ADG Int'l Resources Ltd	Ajeokpori W-3 Okuluebu	Eleme	Excavation, treatment of impacted soil.	45
28	056	Awa Engineering Coy Ltd	New Elemenwa Manifold, Akpajo	Eleme	Awaiting analytical results and recommendations from NOSDRA Close-out/Certification Sampling.	98
29	057	Integrated Chemical Works Ltd	New Elemenwa Manifold, Akpajo	Eleme	Treatment of excavated impacted soil.	87

<b>SUMMARY OF PERFORMANCE RATINGS</b>	Total Monthly Performance Score (TMPS) for August 2021	<b>2,163</b>
	Average Monthly Performance Score (AMPS) for August 2021	<b>74.59</b>
Performance Ratings from the previous Month for TMPS & AMPS.	<b>1,957</b>	<b>67.48</b>
Monthly Differences (present – previous) for TMPS & AMPS	<b>206</b>	<b>7.10</b>
Percentage Monthly Difference (%)	<b>10.53</b>	
Direction ( + / - ) of Monthly Percentage Difference	<b>Positive ( + )</b>	
Comment(s) on Percentage Difference in Monthly Performance Ratings:- <b>Appreciable and expected</b> to increase remarkably in October as more Contractors return to site, more increase work pace as well as more completing their works by the end of the month.		

Table 1.5: Remediation Works Performance Status of Phase 1 Batch 2 sites.

### 1.1. QUALITY ASSURANCE / QUALITY CONTROL (QAQC) MONITORING OF SITES

Series of Quality Assurance / Quality Control (QAQC) monitoring sampling and analyses were undertaken at Lots due for such by the HYPREP Operations Unit QAQC and Remediation Execution Teams in September 2021. Plate 1.4 below shows the activity carried out at Lot 049 while Table 1.5 that follows shows undated overview of the activity across Phase 1 Batch 2 Lots.





Plate 1.4: Quality Assurance / Quality Control (QA/QC) and Remediation Execution Officers from the Operations Unit of HYPREP collecting QAQC Monitoring Samples from treated soil volumes with the Contractor representatives at Lot 049 Okuluebu-Ogale, Eleme L.G.A).  
Remediation Contractor - ENVIRON CONSULT & REMEDIAL SERVICE LTD.

An overview of HYPREP's Internal Quality Assurance / Quality Control (QAQC) Monitoring processes undertaken at sites in the Phase 1 Batch 2 Remediation Works to date is provided in Table 1.6 below:

LOT NO.	REMEDIATION CONTRACTOR	Baseline TPH Values (mg/kg)		TPH values from HYPREP's QA/QC Process (mg/kg) in soil *(Percentage Reduction)		REMARKS
		UNEP	HYPREP	Maximum	Minimum	
023	Cascade Engineering Systems Ltd	-	3,300.00	<b>506.71</b> (84.65%)	<b>1.17</b> (99.96%)	Backfilling of excavated trench was approved.
024	Levene Energy Development Ltd		3,880.00	<b>1,253.00</b> (67.71%)	<b>1.17</b> (99.96%)	Backfilling was approved after reworking of heaps.
025	Subadom Nigeria Ltd	1,130.00	6,506.00	<b>161.00</b> (97.53%)	<b>48.21</b> (99.26%)	Backfilling approved.
026	Earthquest Int'l. Ltd	52,900.00	6,366.00	<b>1,013.10</b> (84.09%)	<b>8.03</b> (99.87%)	Backfilling was approved after reworking of heaps.
028	Emamed Nig. Ltd	9,200.00	4,344.00	<b>374.10</b> (91.39%)	<b>7.60</b> (99.83%)	Backfilling approved.
029	Weafri Wells Ltd	5,020.00	7,338.00	<b>705.00</b> (90.39%)	<b>26.00</b> (99.65%)	Backfilling approved.
030	Elizax Bleet Nig Ltd	14,200.00	7,717.00	<b>1,488.00</b> (80.71%)	<b>81.00</b> (98.94%)	Backfilling was approved after reworking of heaps.
031	Oilserv Ltd	-	8,090.00	<b>3,676.50</b> (54.56%)	<b>478.60</b> (94.08%)	Backfilling was approved after reworking of heaps.
033	Christohouston Energy Ltd	-	7,250.00	<b>1,003.00</b> (86.17%)	<b>6.79</b> (99.91%)	Backfilling was approved after reworking of heaps.
034	DLK Environmental Services Ltd	-	3,340.00	<b>1,801.00</b> (46.08%)	<b>72.00</b> (97.84%)	Backfilling was approved after reworking of heaps.
042	Kannykoy Ltd	-	28,723.00	<b>844.00</b> (97.06%)	<b>122.00</b> (99.58%)	Backfilling approved.
043	Otaoilf Services Ltd	-	1,386.00	<b>2,292.00</b> (-65.37%)	<b>206.00</b> (85.14%)	Backfilling was approved after reworking of heaps.
044	M/S Harrisco Company Ltd	-	7,697.90	<b>175.90</b> (97.71%)	<b>2.15</b> (99.97%)	Backfilling approved.
045	Chavyn Nig. Ltd	-	18,301.00	<b>195.97</b> (98.93%)	<b>2.15</b> (99.99%)	Backfilling approved.

046	Andelsta Ltd	-	25,797.01	<b>114.52</b> (99.56%)	<b>43.29</b> (99.83%)	Backfilling approved.
047	Lapideo Multi-services Ltd	-	10,325.00	<b>464.17</b> (95.50%)	<b>1.02</b> (99.99%)	Backfilling approved.
048	Slot Nigeria Ltd	-	2,332.50	<b>219.00</b> (90.61%)	<b>98.43</b> (95.78%)	Backfilling approved.
049	Environ-Consult Nigeria Ltd	-	14,448.46	<b>3,009.72</b> (79.17%)	<b>413.56</b> <b>(97.14%)</b>	Backfilling was approved after reworking of heaps.
053	Atlas Rey & Sons Company Ltd	-	17,853.02	<b>2,557.00</b> (85.68%)	<b>310.00</b> (98.26%)	Backfilling was approved after reworking of heaps.
054	Brant Technology Ltd	-	12,938.70	<b>1,879.29</b> (85.48%)	<b>43.73</b> (99.66%)	Backfilling was approved after reworking of heaps.
056	Awa Engineering Company Ltd	-	56,468.00	<b>1,778.10</b> (96.85%)	<b>8.59</b> (99.98%)	Backfilling was approved after reworking of heaps.
057	Integrated Chemical Works Ltd	-	11,651.23	<b>1,031.00</b> (91.15%)	<b>365.00</b> (96.87%)	Backfilling was approved after reworking of heaps.
<b>22 lots</b>						

\*Values in **green** are below DPR target value of 50mg/kg in soil. For values higher than 1000mg/kg in soil as shown in **red**, contractor is advised to rework heaps of treated materials prior to backfilling in clean trenches.

Table 1.6: Overview of HYPREP's Internal Quality Assurance / Quality Control (QAQC) Monitoring processes undertaken at sites in the Phase 1 Batch 2 Remediation Projects

#### 1.4 DELINEATION OF MORE SITES FOR PHASE 2 REMEDIATION WORKS

As part of preparatory efforts towards the commencement of Phase 2 of Remediation Works, the Operations Unit (through its Sites Assessment Sub-Unit/Team) has started fresh and extended collection of soil and groundwater samples for analysis to delineate the vertical and lateral extents of hydrocarbon contamination on more impacted sites. Sites covered within the period herein reported are presented in Table 1.7 below:

S/N	Site	UNEP Code	Community	L.G.A.
1.	B. Dere / Gio	010-004	B. Dere & Gio	Gokana & Tai
2.	Debon	019-020	Bodo & Mogho	Gokana
3.	Barayiamaa	019-001	Kpите	Tai

Table 1.7: Additional sites at which delineation sampling has been undertaken preparatory to Phase 2 Remediation Works



Plate 1.5: Preliminary soil augering preparatory to percussion drilling for installation and development of groundwater monitoring boreholes at Barayiamaa, Kpите, Tai L.G.A for delineation of the site.



## 1.5 FAMILIARIZATION VISIT BY MANAGEMENT STAFF OF NOSDRA TO REMEDIATION AND ASSESSMENT / DELINEATION SITES

The National Oil Spill Detection and Response Agency (NOSDRA) has been carrying out its statutory function of closing out our remediation sites after the completion of our internal Quality Assurance / Quality Control (QAQC / Monitoring processes. This exercise has always involved delegations of a Team Lead in the Directorship rank with other field Officers from the National Headquarters of the Agency in Abuja and those from the Port Harcourt Zonal Office.

HYPREP (through its Operations Unit) undertakes different levels of assessment and delineation at more sites preparatory to the execution of Phase 2 Remediation Works, NOSDRA recently carried out series of familiarization visits through its Assistant and Deputy Directors from the National Headquarters to HYPREP on-going remediation sites and the sites for Phase 2 works (see Plates 1.6 and 1.7 below).



Plate 1.6: Assistant Directors (ADs) and Deputy Directors (DDs) from the NOSDRA Headquarters undertaking pre-groundtruthing views at site data and maps with Operations Staff of HYPREP on arrival at B. Dere / Gio Site in Gokana / Tai L.G.A during their field visit to HYPREP ongoing and phase 2 remediation sites.



Plate 1.7: Assistant Directors (ADs) and Deputy Directors (DDs) from the NOSDRA Headquarters inspecting works at ongoing remediation Lots at B. Dere / Gio Site in Gokana / Tai L.G.A with Field Officers from the Operations Unit of HYPREP during the former's field visit to HYPREP ongoing and phase 2 remediation sites.



## 1.6 SITE INSPECTION VISIT BY THE OFFICER OVERSEEING THE PROJECT COORDINATION OFFICE (OOPCO)

The Head of Operations Unit of HYPREP currently Overseeing the Project Coordination Office, Professor Philip Shekwolo undertook inspection visits to various sites where HYPREP thematic programmes are ongoing. These include Livelihood activities sites, Potable Water infrastructure construction sites, Training Centre for Community Workers on remediation and remediation sites.



Plate 1.8: The Officer Overseeing the Project Coordination Office (OOPCO) / Head of Operations Unit of HYPREP, Prof. Philip Shekwolo (left) at the B. Dere Town Hall, Gokana L.G.A Centre for the Training of a Batch of Community Workers for the Remediation Sites at B. Dere / Gio, Gokana / Tai L.G.A.



Plate 1.9: The Officer Overseeing the Project Coordination Office (OOPCO) / Head of Operations Unit of HYPREP, Prof. Philip Shekwolo (left) at inspecting work progress at LOT 013 (Nweekol Zorbuke –K.Dere, Gokana L.G.A) with Site Personnel of the Remediation Contractor- Centennial Development and Investments Limited.





Plate 1.10: The Officer Overseeing the Project Coordination Office (OOPCO) / Head of Operations Unit of HYPREP, Prof. Philip Shekwolo in a group photograph with Community Workers, HYPREP Lot Supervisor and Contractor Site Staff at Lot 033 (B. Dere / Gio, Gokana/Tai L.G.A).  
(LOT CONTRACTOR - Christo Houston Energy Ltd.)

### 1.7 UNEP CAPACITY ASSESSMENT OF HYPREP REMEDIATION CONTRACTORS

The United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP), providing technical and management support to HYPREP has commenced Capacity Assessment exercise on the Remediation Contractors implementing the environmental remediation works.

The UNEP Representative in Port Harcourt, Nigeria, Dr. Ferdinand D. Giadom carries out the ground execution of the process at the sites (see Plate 1.11 and 1.12 below).



Plate 1.11: The UNEP Representative in Port Harcourt, Dr. Ferdinand D. Giadom carrying out project documents check with Personnel of the Remediation Contractor, CHRISTOHOUSTON ENERGY LIMITED at LOT 033, B. Dere / Gio, Gokana / Tai L.G.A with HYPREP Operations Unit Field Supervisors during the Capacity Assessment exercise on HYPREP Remediation Contractors.





Plate 1.12: The UNEP Representative in Port Harcourt, Dr. Ferdinand D. Giadom (far left in the background) undertaking checks on works done with Personnel of the Remediation Contractor, CHAVYN Nigeria Limited and HYPREP Operations Unit Field Personnel at LOT 045 Aleto (Ngofa), Eleme L.G.A during the Capacity Assessment exercise on HYPREP Remediation Contractors.

**1.8 A summary of status of Lots in Batch 1 and 2 of Phase 1 Remediation Works is provided below:**

S/No.	Status	Number of Lots	Lots in Batch 1	Lots in Batch 2
1	Completed Remediation Works and NOSDRA Closed-out Processes Successfully.	13	001,002,004 – 008, 010, 014, 015, 017 – 019, 021(13 Lots)	0
2	Completed Remediation Works Awaiting NOSDRA Close-out Results (and Final Recommendations)	9	003,009, 012, 015,020 (5 Lots).	024, 042, 043, 056 (4 Lots)
3	Completed Remediation Works Planned for NOSDRA Close - Out Processes in November 2021	5	0	026, 030, 034, 044, 045 (5Lots).
4	Still Working (at different stages)	23	011, 013, 016 (3 Lots)	022, 023, 025, 027 – 029, 031 – 033, 046 – 055, 057 (20 Lots).
		<b>50 Lots</b>	<b>21 Lots</b>	<b>29 Lots</b>
*Lot Numbers 035 – 041 were allocated to Tier 2 Detailed Quantitative Risk Assessment Works.				

Table 1.8: Summary of Status of Lots in Phase 1 Batch 1 & 2 Remediation Works

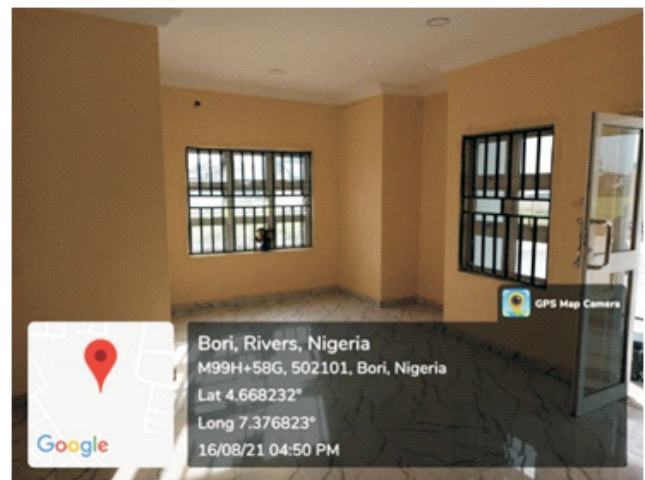
## 1.9 HYPREP AREA OFFICES

The September 2021 report, covers the progress of work at the various HYPREP offices at the (4) L.G.As

### 1.9.1 KHANA LGA

The Contractor, Secura Investment Limited has completed the execution of the Superstructures, roofing, fittings of doors, plastering, windows and electrical piping. The installation of the POP ceilings and electrical installation works have been completed.

The building was commissioned on the 17<sup>th</sup> day of August 2021 by the Honourable Minister of Environment. Dr. Mohammad Mahmood Abubakar. Installation and furnishing are ongoing.



### 1.9.2 TAI LGA

The Contractor, Newline West Africa has completed the erection of the super structure and installation of the roof covers, and structure of the office building. Plastering, Electrical fittings and Installation of Plumbing work are ongoing. Looking ahead to finishing works including the office doors, windows and furnishing.





### 1.9.3 GOKANA LGA

The Contractor, Centennial Development Ltd. has completed the erection of the superstructure and installation of the roof covers. Looking ahead to finishing works including plastering, installation of plumbing, electrical fittings and the office doors and windows.



### 1.9.4 ELEME LGA

The Contractor, Giolee Global Resources is on site and has commenced site activities. Installation of roofing sheets, electrical fittings, POP ceiling, windows and doors, construction of Septic Tank (Soak away), Plastering, Tiling and Plumbing works are ongoing.



### 1.9.5 SUMMARY OF PROGRESS OF WORK AT SITE

S/N	LGA	CONTRACTOR	STATUS	COMPLETION (%)
1	Khana	Secura Investment Limited	Building structure completed and finishing, furnishing ongoing.	90
2	Gokana	Centennial Development & Investment Limited	Roofing completed.	50
3	Tai	Newline West Africa	Roofing completed. Plumbing and Electrical Work ongoing	65
4	Eleme	Giolee Global Resources	About 80% of work achieved. Tiling ongoing	80

## 2.0 PROVISION OF POTABLE WATER IN OGONILAND

In our effort to providing potable water in Ogoniland, our contractors have continued to show commitment to their work. In the month of September 201, the Water Sub-unit of HYPREP continued the scoping and route survey of the eight new water schemes. The communities already covered include; Buan, Kono, Kwawa, Bane, Eweh, Uegwere, Kono Boue, Gbam Boue, Kereken, Nynokwiri,

Boue, Onne, Eteo, Horo, and Gbeneue.Kira, Borobara, Gio, Kaa,Luusue Sogho, Teka, Akporo,Zor, Taabaa.and Kporgor. In all, about 50 Ogoni communities have been covered.

### 2.1 PROGRESS OF WORK AT DIFFERENT LOTS

Work has continued to progress at the six lots under the Phase 1 Water Project and are at different levels of completion.

#### 2.1.1 Lot 1: Alesa, Eleme LGA

The contractor within the reporting month of September completed most components of his work, which include complete rehabilitation of 350kva generator, transformer, borehole installation and pump testing, pump panel, service quarter, reinjection reservoir, rehabilitation of ozone generator and dosing pumps, rehabilitation of staff quarter, back wash pumps. The headwork has been rehabilitated and is ready for water supply to the community. Repair work was ongoing on the distribution network. The extension to other communities was ongoing. Work commenced on the reconstruction of Agbonchia booster station that was vandalized.

S/N	Activity	Status	Remark
1.	Rehabilitation work on Alesa headwork.	100%	Completed
2.	Rehabilitation work on Alesa 2 booster station	20% completion	Ongoing.
3.	Rehabilitation of Agbonchia booster station.	20% completion	Ongoing.
4.	Repair of burst pipes and fetching points.	50% completed	Ongoing
5.	Extension of distribution network		Flow network analysis completed.
6	Setting up the laboratory for water quality test.		Completed.



Laying of pipes at Alesa Back filling of pipes at Alesa





Laying of pipes at Ogale



Servicing of water fetching point at Alode

### 2.2.2 Lot 2: Ebubu/Nsissioken/Ogale, Eleme LGA

The Contractor, Duliz dredging Nigeria Ltd. has completed his site set up and fencing at Ebubu, The Contractor has also completed boreholes 1 and 2 at Ebubu. Work is ongoing on the service quarters, treatment house and foundation construction for ground tank.

S/N	ACTIVITIES	COMPLETION STATUS	RECOMMENDATION/ REMARKS
1	Continuation of demolition of structures and evacuation of waste from the project site. Foundation blinding and fencing of project site. Procurement and deployment of port a cabin to project site.	Completed	Nil
2	Constructions of staff quarters	60% completion	Ongoing
3	Drilling of borehole 1 and 2	100%	Completion
4	Construction of ground tank foundation	80% completion	Ongoing.
5	Construction of treatment plant house	30% completion	Ongoing





GROUND TANK FOUNDATION WORKS AT EBUBU

### 2.2.3 Lot 3: Terabo, Gokana LGA

El-sunnic Integrated Resources Nig. Ltd has completed the rehabilitation of the Services quarters, drilling of one number borehole, foundation of ground tank, services of two-100kva generator, site clearing for booster station at Biara. He has also completed the rehabilitation of the existing 3 number boreholes. Ongoing works include installation of transformer and rehabilitation of the treatment house.

S/N	ACTIVITIES	COMPLETION STATUS	RECOMMENDATIONS/REMARKS
1	Rehabilitation of terrabo headwork	50% completion	Ongoing
2	Construction of biara booster station	20% Completion	Ongoing.
3	Pipe laying /distribution network	0%	Not started.
4	Overhead tank foundation at booster station	40%	Ongoing
5	Ground tank foundation at booster station	40%	Ongoing.
6	Fencing at booster station	80%	Ongoing
7	Pump house and generator house construction.	40%	Ongoing.





GROUNDTANK FOUNDATION AT TERRABO

#### 2.2.4 Lot 4: Barako/B-Dere/K-Dere, Gokana LGA

Geoquest has mobilized and cleared site at B-Dere, carried out temporal fencing at Barako and has completed the drilling of boreholes 1 and 2 to the depth of 150m. and 100m. He has also completed work on the foundation of overhead tank, ground tank, staff quarters while construction of the treatment house is ongoing.

At B-Dere site, the contractor has fully mobilized, commenced work on the construction of overhead tank foundation and drilling of borehole 2 and the construction of staff quarters.



Construction of Foundation for Overhead Tank Drilling of borehole 2



### 2.2.5 Lot 5: Korokoro/Nonwa, Tai LGA

The Contractor, Askellan Nigeria Limited has completed some major components of the work among which are drilling of boreholes 1 and 2 at both Korokoro and Nonwa sites to a depth of 141.2m. Work on the construction of staff quarters at Nonwa has commenced as well.

S/N	ACTIVITIES	COMPLETION STATUS	RECOMMENDATIONS/REMARKS
1	Geotechnical survey	Completed	Nil
2	Fencing	Ongoing	Nil
3	Drilling of borehole	Completed	
4	Surveying for flow network analysis	Completed	
5	Construction of staff quarter at Korokoro	Ongoing	
6	Construction of generator house at Korokoro	Ongoing	



**One of the Completed Borehole at Nonwa**

### 2.2.6 Lot 6: Bori/Kpean, Khana LGA

Geokooye Nig, Ltd has completed three boreholes at Bori and two at Kpean sites. He has commenced fencing at Kpean and the construction of staff quarters. Construction of the treatment house ground tank at Bori are ongoing.

S/N	Activities Status	Completion Status	Remark
1	Geophysical survey	Completed	
2	Borehole 1,2and 3	Completed	
3	Construction of ground tank foundation	Ongoing	
4	Integrity test on overhead tank	Completed	
5	Site Office	Completed	
6	Perimeter fence	Ongoing	
7	Construction of staff quarter	Ongoing	
8	Construction of treatment house	Ongoing	



Construction of Ground Tanks at Kpean and Bori

### 2.3 CHALLENGES/RESOLUTION

Building of houses on water pipeline right of ways in Eleme is still a major challenge.

### 2.4 SUMMARY OF ACTIVITIES FOR LOTS 1-6 WITHIN THE MONTH

LOT NO.	CONTRACTOR	LOCATION	ACTIVITIES	STATUS OF COMPLETION	REMARK
1.	Cobef Int. ltd	Alesa Headwork	Rehabilitation of Alesa water scheme. Head work	100%	
		Alesa 1	Rehabilitation of Alesa booster station.	30%	
		Agbonchia booster station		30%	
2	Duliz dredging Nig ltd	Ogale/Nsissioken Headwork	Construction of Ogale headwork.	10%	
		Ogale booster station	Rehabilitaion of Ogale booster station.	5%	
		Ebubu Head Work.	Rehabilitation of Ebubu water scheme.	30%	
3	El-sunnic Nig ltd	Terrabo headwork	Rehabilitation on Terrabo water scheme	45%	
		Booster station	Construction of booster station at Biara.	30%	
4	Qeoquest Integrated Resources	Barako	Construction of water scheme	35%	
		B-dere	Construction of B-dere water scheme	30%	
5	Askellan Nig.ltd	Korokoro	Construction of korokoro water scheme.	20%	
		Nonwa	Construction of korokoro water scheme.	20%	
6	Geokoyde Nig ltd	Bori	Rehabilitation of Bori water scheme	30%	
		Kpean	Construction of kpean water scheme	30%	



### 3.0 LIVELIHOOD

Activities carried out by the Livelihood Unit within the month included kick-off of the Cassava Processing factory, cooperative monitoring, UNITAR training on the use of the distributed hatchery machines, etc.

#### 3.1 KICK-OFF OF THE CASSAVA PROCESSING FACTORY

The tripartite capacity building partnership between Hydrocarbon Pollution Remediation Project (HYPREP), International Institute of Tropical Agriculture (IITA), and Stakeholders Democracy Network (SDN) supported the training of fifteen (15) youths (11 males and 4 females) from the four (4) Local Government Areas of Ogoni land. The three (3) months training program ran through January to March 2019 during which the trainees were taken through the fabrication and use of cassava processing machines. This training was aimed at providing support to the cassava value chain in Ogoni land. The trained youths produced one of each of the following machines: - peeler, grater, roaster, dryer, sieve and presser which were used in setting up the factory. With technical support from IITA Onne, SDN proceeded to construct the factory building.

To kick start production at the factory, IITA was commissioned by HYPREP to carry out a two-month refresher course which commenced on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> September 2021 and is still on-going. The first production of garri from the factory was on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2021. Each trainee will be provided with a set of welding kit at the end of the training. Below are some pictures showing production at the factory.



**Peeling Process**





**Sieving the Garri**



**Bags of Garri in the Presser**

### **3.2 SUSTAINABILITY SUPPORT FOR WOMEN COOPERATIVES**

In August 2021, the Project Coordination Office and its implementing partner, United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) supported four (4) outstanding Cooperatives; Decap Cooperative in Gokana LGA, Kiisi-gbobia Cooperative in Khana LGA, Onnesi Cooperative in Eleme LGA and Eedee Cooperative in Tai LGA with one hatchery machine each. Each machine can hatch a total of two hundred and sixty (260) eggs per time. On Friday, 10<sup>th</sup> September 2021, UNITAR held a special training for three (3) members each from the four (4) cooperatives that have received the hatcheries to maximise their efficiency.









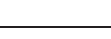






Three (3) members each from the four (4) outstanding Cooperatives, across the four (4) LGAs receiving lecture on the operation an maintenance of the hatchery machine.

### 3.3 KEY ACCOMPLISHMENTS IN THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER 2021

- i. The Project commenced production of Gari at the Cassava Processing Factory.
- ii. UNITAR carried out training for three (3) members each from the four (4) cooperatives that received the hatcheries to maximize their efficiency on the operation and maintenance of the hatchery machine.
- iii. The Cooperatives continued to restock their farms from sales of their products.
- iv. The Livelihood Unit continued monitoring of cooperative activities.











### 3.4 Livelihood Training of 400 women in Agri-Business Performance Dashboard

S/N	Activity Description	Performance Status (%)	Rating	Remark
<b>Training of 400 women in Agri-Business.</b>		<b>Overall progress - 97%</b>		
<b>1</b>	<b>Phase 1</b>	<b>30</b>		<b>Completed</b>
1.1	Classroom Training at Songhai Farm	20		Completed
1.2	Practical Training at Songhai Demonstration	10		Completed
<b>2</b>	<b>Phase 2</b>	<b>57</b>		<b>In progress</b>
2.1	Cooperative set-up and Registration	10		Completed
2.2	Civics Training	10		Completed
2.3	Starter Pack/Stock Distribution (Crops, Birds & Fingerlings) to Cooperatives	10		Completed
2.4	Assessment of Cooperatives by Funding Institutions	7		In progress
2.5	Hands-on Training at the Cooperative Farms	30		Completed
<b>Legend</b>				
 In Progress  Completed  Delayed  Yet to commence				

### 3.5 Cumulative Performance Progress Review

S/N	Progress status	Percentage (%)
1	Progress status in current month (September 2021)	97
2	Progress status in previous month (August 2021)	95
3	Progress difference	2

### 3.6 Livelihood Needs Assessment Study Performance Dashboard

S/N	Activity Description	Weight	Performance Status (%)	Rating	Remark
<b>Needs Assessment Study</b>		<b>Overall Progress 15%</b>			
1	Development, approval, and provision of Needs Assessment Questionnaires	10	10		Completed
2	Pre-field activities (Training on how to administer the questionnaire) (PFA)	5	2		In progress
3	Community Entry Engagement (CCE)	5	3		In progress
4	Field activities (Administration of questionnaires) (AQ)	30	0		Yet to commence
5	Data collation and analysis (DCA)	40	0		Yet to commence
6	Report Writing (RW)	10	0		Yet to commence
		<b>100</b>	<b>15</b>		<b>Total</b>
<b>Legend</b>					
 In Progress  Completed  Delayed  Yet to commence					

### 3.7 Cumulative Performance Progress Review

S/N	Progress status	Percentage (%)
1	Progress status in current month (September 2021)	15
2	Progress status in previous month (August 2021)	14
3	Progress difference	1



#### 4.0 PROCUREMENT ACTIVITIES

During the month of September 2021, the Procurement Unit carried out/coordinated two (2) key activities as listed below:

##### 4.1 Bid opening



##### 4.2 Bid Evaluation

The Unit also coordinated the evaluation of bids for procurement of various works and goods between 29<sup>th</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup> September 2021. Below are some of the pictures:



## 5.0 ADMINISTRATION

Administration Sub-unit is a support Service Unit in the Project Coordination Office (PCO). Services offered by the Sub-unit is to support the PCO on personnel matters, facility management, fleet management and store management. Activities carried out by the Sub-unit among others in the month of September 2021 are hereby presented.

### 5.1 Capacity Building - Training

#### 5.1.1 Retreat for HYPREP Management Staff

The Project Coordination Office (PCO) organised its first retreat on Strategic Leadership for its Management staff coordinated by Administration Unit between 2<sup>nd</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> September 2021 in Port Harcourt. The purpose of the retreat was to enlighten the Management Staff on the core mandates, goals, processes, and strategies of HYPREP and have a shared vision through teamwork.

During the three-day Retreat, the Officer Overseeing the Project Coordination Office, Prof. Philip Shekwolo urged management and staff of the project to drop the pursuit for self-glory and put corporate interest first to achieve the mandate of the project. He assured that lessons learned will be put to application immediately and encouraged leaders at the retreat to pass on the message to their subordinates for the retreat to have maximum positive impact on the project.

Among the papers presented at the retreat included, Public Service Rules, Pathway to Building World Class Organization and Strategic Imperatives and SWOT Analysis of HYPREP.



The Officer Overseeing the PCO,  
Prof. Philip Shekwolo addressing the participants



Lead Facilitator, Dr Damien Paul Aguiyi

Within the month of September 2021, some members of the Management Staff of Admin and Finance attended a training programme on Budget & Manpower Development organised by the Office of the Head of Service between 13<sup>th</sup> - 17<sup>th</sup> September 2021 at Keffi, Nassarawa State.

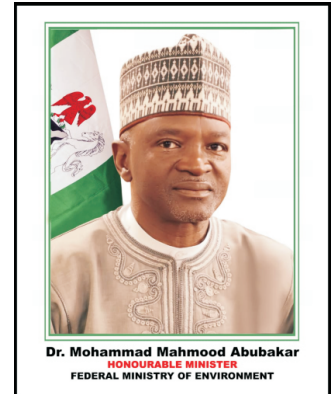


## 6.0 HYPREP GOVERNING COUNCIL GETS NEW CHAIRMAN



Chief (Mrs.) Sharon Ikeazor, the Hon. Minister of State for Environment is the new Chairman of the HYPREP Governing Council. Chief (Mrs) Ikeazor took over from Dr. Mohammad Mahmood Abubakar following the recent deployment of Dr. Abubakar to the Federal Ministry of Agriculture as the Minister of Agriculture.

Our best wishes and esteem regards to the new HYPREP Governing Council Chairman, Chief (Mrs) Ikeazor and to Dr. Mohammad Mahmood Abubakar at his new posting.



## 7.0 ENGAGEMENT WITH STAKEHOLDERS

### 7.1 GROUP CONFERS AWARD FOR MERITORIOUS SERVICE ON PROF. SHEKWOLO

The Niger Delta Youth Forum, a non-violent, non-governmental organization based in the Niger Delta has conferred on the Officer Overseeing the Project Coordination Office, Prof. Philip Shekwolo an award for good leadership for the excellent way he had coordinated the operations of the project.

President of the group, Emmanuel Ekine said having monitored the activities of the Hydrocarbon Pollution Remediation Project (HYPREP) under the administration of Prof. Shekwolo for the few months on the saddle, they have seen that the project is making progress with a lot of achievements in every mandate area of the project.



Conferment of Meritorious award on the OOPCO

The group expressed its desire to work with the project to achieve desired results in the areas of remediation, livelihood training, water among others.

Responding, the Officer Overseeing the Project Coordination Office(OOPCO), Prof. Philip Shekwolo thanked the group for recognizing his modest achievements so far on the project, more so when such commendation is coming from a credible organization as the Niger Delta Youth Forum. Prof. Shekwolo commended the group for towing the path of non-violence in their engagement with the authorities and for extricating themselves from the manipulation of selfish



leaders who incite youths into violence for their personal profiteering and urged them to propagate the message of non-violence for a change of attitude among the youths of Nigeria for as he puts it, 'a transformation of the mind is key to achieving peace and development of the Niger Delta.'



OOPCO in a Group Photograph with the Youth Leaders

In his vote of thanks, the Head of Communications/Community Engagement, Isa Was appreciated the group for recognizing the progress that HYPREP has made so far and asked them to continue to partner with the project for greater success.

Highpoints of the visit were the presentation of an award of excellence in good leadership to Prof. Shekwolo and the conferment of patron of the group on the Officer Overseeing the Project Coordination Office.

## **7.2 HYPREP CONTINUES TRAINING OF Ogoni YOUTHS IN REMEDIATION TECHNIQUES**

In a bid to equip and better position community workers engaged in the Ogoni land clean-up, the Hydrocarbon Pollution Remediation Project (HYPREP) is continuing the training of youths and contact persons working on remediation sites in Gokana Local Government Area. The training is designed for community workers across Ogoni land as part of HYPREP's livelihood training and in furtherance of measures to transfer knowledge and skills in remediation to the locals.





Training in Session

The Officer Overseeing the Project Coordination Office of HYPREP, Professor Philip Shekwolo, visited the training venue at B-Dere in Gokana and expressed confidence that the community workers' training in remediation techniques will provide a career path for youths of Ogoniland in the remediation value chain.

Professor Shekwolo, expressed satisfaction with the level of training the youths have received and the zeal they have shown in acquiring knowledge in remediation. He noted that the training is designed to give them some basic awareness of what remediation is about, stressing that it is a step forward in youth empowerment. He added that through the training, youths will acquire skills that will be useful to them in future.

In terms of job creation, Prof Shekwolo stated that the training will give certified beneficiaries, a comparative edge in getting remediation jobs, adding that they will be useful in assisting contractors in the next phase of remediation works by HYPREP.



The OOPCO, Prof. Philip Shekwolo addressing the Trainees



Dr Damien-Paul Aguiyi, Lead Consultant for the training explained that community workers were trained in the areas of Health Safety and Environment (HSE), Basic Remediation Techniques and Management of jobs and activities. "My greatest joy is that we have built a committed team of people who now understand the impact of interfering with oil facilities and know some level of environmental damage" Dr Aguiyi, added. He commended HYPREP for organizing the training.

Participants at the training also commended HYPREP for organizing the training, noting that it will help create awareness on the impact of vandalism of oil facilities and re-pollution in Ogoniland. The training is coming at a time when there are growing concerns about re-pollution, especially on remediated sites in Ogoniland.



**Group photograph of the trainees**

### **7.3 HYPREP RESTATES COMMITMENT TO QUALITY JOBS IN OGO NI**

The Officer Overseeing the Project Coordination Office (OOPCO) of the Hydrocarbon Pollution Remediation Project (HYPREP), Professor Philip Shekwolo says the project is committed to the full implementation of its livelihood programme for youths and women of Ogoniland whose means of livelihood have been impacted by oil pollution.

Speaking during his visit at the Cassava Processing Factory at Korokoro in Tai Local Government Area, Prof. Shekwolo revealed that beneficiaries of the fabrication training will soon be given welding kits to enable them commence production of machines.





**Inspection of the Factory by the OOPCO**

The International Institute for Tropical Agriculture (IITA) in partnership with HYPREP had in 2019 trained fifteen (15) Ogoni youths in fabrication of cassava processing machines and they are currently managing the cassava processing factory at Korokoro, Tai.



**Cassava Processing by the Community workers**



The Officer Overseeing, the Project Coordination Office, expressed optimism that the factory will soon become an industrial park for garri processing in Ogoniland and as such improve the economy of the area. “We want to see that the optimal output for garri processing is realized”.



**Cassava Processing by the Community workers**

He said the facility is part of HYPREP's livelihood plans to empower the youths thereby reducing unemployment and criminality in the area. He further disclosed HYPREP's preparedness to commence the training of 5,000 youths, starting with the roll out of its Needs Assessment forms to identify specific skill areas. He noted that this will further create employment and sanity in the society. The cassava processing factory has the capacity to produce five tons of garri per week. Head of Livelihood Unit in HYPREP, Mrs Josephine Nzidee said the trainees would be organized into Corporative groups to increase the number of beneficiaries.

On the sustainability plan, she stated that the trainees were undergoing a two-month technical support training from the International Institute for Tropical Agriculture (IITA), Onne. 'They are giving them support for two months to take them through the technical process of running this factory and after that we expect that the trainees will continue with their business. We have started them up with IITA producing all the cassava roots they will need for the two months. IITA has also offered to be an off taker of their products.'

The Officer Overseeing the Project Coordination Office (OOPCO), Prof. Shekwolo used the occasion to inspect the ongoing water project site at B-Dere Gokana and some remediation sites in Phase 1, Batch 2 remediation. The lots visited were Lots 13 & 14 in K-Dere/Bera, and 22, 23, 24, 25,26,31,32,33 and 34 in B-Dere/Gio. Others are 29 and 30 in Korokoro Tai LGA. He mentioned that the provision of potable water to Ogoniland will benefit the people directly. 'We are happy we are able to push the critical aspects of the project that will benefit the people directly. When you clean-up polluted sites, people don't feel the impact as much as providing them with drinking water. The area cleaned up for farming will also be useful, but the most important benefit is the one that benefits their health directly and that is clean drinking water' he noted. Six (6) water projects are currently going on across the four LGAs of Ogoniland, in the Phase 1 scheme. Another eight water projects will soon be flagged-off in the next phase to cater for more communities.

On the level of works on the sites visited, Professor Shekwolo disclosed that three out of the nine lots in B-Dere/Gio have been completed while the other five have achieved eighty percent completion. He assured that all the lots will complete work by the end of October awaiting sample collection and certification by the National Oil Spill Detection and Response Agency (NOSDRA). He hinted that the remaining sites in the Phase 1, Batch 1 contracts will complete works by the end of the year.

The OOPCO's regular visit to sites is aimed at ensuring that contractors adhere strictly to the Quality Assurance/Quality Control protocol as contained in HYPREP's Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) for remediation works.

#### **7.4 HYPREP ENGAGES WITH FEDERAL LAWMAKERS**

Led by the Hon. Minister of State for Environment, Chief (Mrs) Sharon Ikeazor who Coordinated the team was represented by the Director Legal Services, Federal Ministry of Environment Mrs Helen Obayagbo. The Management of HYPREP were at National Assembly Abuja on 15th September 2021 where they had an interactive session with the Senate Committee on Environment chaired by its Chairman, Sen Ike Ekweremadu.

At the session, the Officer Overseeing the Project Coordination Office (OOPCO), Prof. Philip Shekwolo briefed the Committee on the journey so far on the implementation of the project and the next phases. Members of the Committee were delighted with the increase in the speed of work being noticed in the execution of the project and urged HYPREP to do more in order to deliver the project on record time to the Ogoni people.





Members of the Senate Committee on Environment during the Session

On the Minister's delegation include the BoT Chairman, Dr Mike Nwielaghi, Mr Emmanuel Deeyah (BoT member), Mrs Helen Obayagbo (Legal Adviser, FMEnv), Prof. Philip Shekwolo (The Officer Overseeing the Project Coordination Office), Isa Wasa(Head, Communications), Mrs Jumbo Obenachi (Head, Admin & Finance) and Barr Sweet Ekundaye (Head, Legal HYPREP).



HYPREP delegation during the Session





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