

CHALLENGES OF LAGOS URBAN TRANSPORT PROJECT (LUTP)

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FACTS ABOUT LAGOS STATE

- Population now stands at 17 million inhabitants
- Smallest state in Nigeria with total area of 357,700 Hectares.
- Most populous city in Africa.
- Current estimated growth rate is 6%, hence by 2020, population is expected to be 35 million.
- Hub of nation's economic, commercial and industrial activities.
- 45% of nation's skilled manpower reside in the city.
- Houses the nation's principal commercial sea and airports.

Overview of the Transport Situation in Lagos

- ❖ Poor quality of public transport
- ❖ Enforcement problems
- ❖ High pollution level
- ❖ Indiscipline and corruption
- ❖ High accident rate and low level of security
- ❖ Weak Institutional Structure



Lagos Urban Transport Project

- ❖ Funded by the World Bank and the Lagos State Government
- ❖ Designed to support the transport sector policy and strategy of the State Government
- ❖ Established to improve efficiency of the public transport network in the State
- ❖ LAMATA is the implementing agency for the Lagos urban Transport Project



Institutional Challenges/Issues

- ❖ Multiplicity of agencies leading to
 - Overlapping roles & Responsibilities – MoT
 - Lack of clarity in Accountability/Reporting
 - Confused Public/Stakeholders
 - Inefficient allocation of resources
 - No coherent/ Integration of policy/Project
- ❖ Authority/Ownership of Declared Road Network
- ❖ Informal Bus Operators
- ❖ Amendment to LAMATA law
- ❖ Political Champion

Institutional Challenges/Issues *cont'd*

❖ MOT

- Policy
- Resource Mobilization
- Monitoring & Evaluation
- MVA/VIO
- LASTMA – Traffic Management

❖ LAMATA

- Planning & Integration
- Implementation/
Execution
- Regulation



Physical Challenges

- ❖ Infrastructure Maintenance Vs New Build
- ❖ Co-ordination of projects/Project Implementation (with other agencies)
- ❖ Construction in urban environment
- ❖ Resettlement issues

Organizational Challenges

- ❖ Building professional capacity
- ❖ Motivating Staff
- ❖ Training
- ❖ Funding
- ❖ Fulfilling Mandate



Communication Challenges

- ❖ Introduction of new IEC concept
- ❖ Complexity of the public
 - Ethnicity
 - Level of education
- ❖ Communication Channels
- ❖ Study Tours
- ❖ Feed back/ Response Mechanism



Learning points for other cities

- ❖ Political Champion
- ❖ Institution backed by legislation
- ❖ Funding
- ❖ Professional & Motivated staff
- ❖ Stakeholder buy-in – Understanding the Vision
- ❖ Early demonstration of effectiveness / Impact





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