Improved Public Financial Management Processes

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In this series, Baballe Ammani, the Director General of the Kano State Bureau of Statistics speaks about how PERL's support to the Kano State Government is improving Public Financial Management systems and processes, resulting in improved service delivery

Working with PERL over the years has led to significant improvement in our systems and processes, especially in the area of Public Financial Management.

PERL supported the conduction of the half year budget performance review, which is crucial, because it is the first indicator of the budget cycle. Before the support of PERL, budgets were signed at any time but now, His Excellency, the Governor signs the budget December of every year to adequately follow the budget cycle.

Another important thing to mention is the mainstreaming of the Economic and Fiscal Update meeting. In the past, this activity was supported by PERL and other donors either in Kaduna or Abuja. Now, we are happy to say that the Kano State Governement is financing this important activity, in collaboration with all the Executive Council members and legislators. The capacity of staff in the Ministry of Planning and Budget has been built, and this has resulted in the timely release of core circulars to all the MDAs.

PERL has indeed been a very supportive partner, they have improved our processes over the years and for that, we are very grateful.

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