

BUSINESS ENABLING REFORMS IMPLEMENTED IN NASARAWA STATE

1. Building Plan:

Building plan approval is obtainable within 10 working days after the submission of relevant documents and payment of the required fee.

2. Consolidated Demand Notice:

A single demand notice is now issued to business owners depending on the peculiarity of their location and the nature of their business

3. Central Billing System:

The Central Billing System allows for instant payment of tax and other government fees to ensure transparency and efficiency.

4. Creation of Small Claims Courts:

15 Small Claims Courts have been created to provide easy access to an informal inexpensive and speedy resolution of simple disputes in the magistrate courts within 60 days.

5. Development and adoption of the Framework for Land Acquisition:

This Framework provides every step and timeline involved in land acquisition in the State.

6. Right of Way Regulation:

The regulation adopts zero aggregate fees for the deployment of fiber optic infrastructure in the state.

7. Right of Occupancy (RofO) and Certificate of Occupancy (CofO):

RofO is issued within 30 days after the submission of relevant documents and payment of the required fee. CofO is also issued within 1 month upon submission of the payment of RofO fee and submission of the application form

8. Harmonization and Administration of Revenue Law:

This reform reduces complexity and inconsistencies in the official fees for public services and products in the state. It enhances transparency as every fee charged in the state is captured and made public.

9. Digitalization of Business-related MDAs:

This transformation facilitates quicker and more accessible services, promotes innovation, and ultimately contributes to a more responsive business environment.

- 10. Streamlining the process of obtaining approvals for different services in the state which include:
 - i. **Vehicle inspection** service is delivered within 24 hours upon completion of the test and payment of the required fee

- ii. **Water supply** connection is completed within 1 week upon the payment of the connection fee and six (6) months advance payment of the water rate
- iii. **Waste Management Services** waste management service registration is granted within thirty (30) working days upon the completion of the registration process and payment of the required fee.
- iv. **Contractors' Registration**: Certificate of Contractors' Registration is granted within forty-eight (48) hours upon the completion of the registration process and payment of the required fee.
- v. **Private Schools:** Provisional Approval is granted within two (2) weeks upon the completion of the registration process and payment of the required fee. The full approval is issued after six (6) months after the issuance of Provisional Approval.
- vi. **Forest Produce:** A permit is issued within seven (7) working days after the payment of the registration fee.
- vii. **Right of Way:** Approval for Right of Way (ROW) is issued within 10 working days upon the submission of the application and all other documents required as stated above
- viii. Business Premises Registration:

Approval of business premises registration is granted within forty-eight (48) hours upon the completion of the registration process and payment of the required fee.

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- 11. Provision of handholding services to business owners and investors
- 12. Prompt redress of complaints and grievances

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