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CASHEW SECTOR PROMOTION POLICIES

Priorities and Ongoing Actions

Country: BENIN

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1- Sector's Organization

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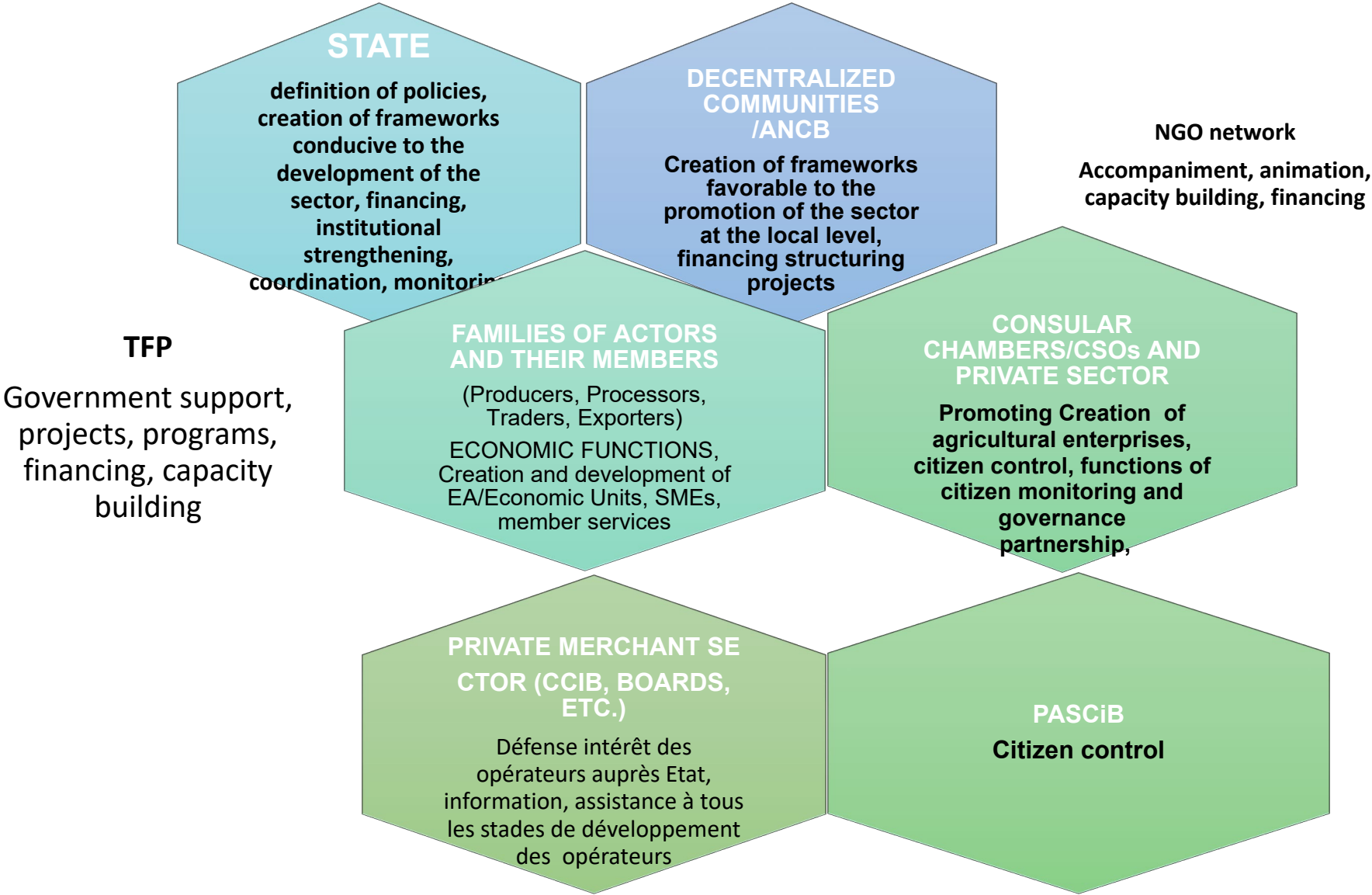
1- SECTOR'S ORGANIZATION

CATEGORIES OF ACTORS IN THE SECTOR: STATE ACTORS (Public) AND NON-STATE ACTORS (Private)

- (i) the State;
- (ii) local and regional authorities (ANCB);
- (iii) Agricultural Producer Organizations through PNOPPA;
- (iv) Benin Agriculture Chambers Network;
- (v) the commercial private sector (CCIB, Employers, etc.);
- (vi) Civil Society through PASCiB;
- (vii) National and international NGOs Network active in the agricultural sector;
- (viii) Technical and Financial Partners (PTF).

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2- Major incentive measures taken by Benin in favor of the cashew sector over the past two years

(i) Updating/developing the agricultural policy and its implementation instruments (Law on Agricultural Orientation and Food and Nutritional Security: LOASAN; Law on Interprofessions (became draft decree)

(ii) Cashew sector raised to the Rank of High Value Added sectors in PAG 1 as in PAG 2 (2022-2026);

(III) Adoption of Cashew value chain's National Development Plan and its operationalization;

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(IV) Support for the organization and strengthening of nurseries (creation of FENAPAC Benin, accreditation, boreholes, site security, equipment, professionalization, management training, etc.);

(V) Support for plant material production (TNS, INRAB, PACOFIDE, PROCASHEW, PROFI, etc.);

(VI) Subsidy for new plantations (100 FCFA per plant instead of 600 FCFA to be paid by the growers);

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(V) Support for bringing former cashew plantations up to standard;

(VI) Financing of key actions to promote the sector: PROJECTS (PADA-FA, PADEFPA-ENA, PACOFIDE, PROCASHEW, etc.); international NGOs (TNS); PROJECTS of other ministries contributing to the development of cashew (PRCPC / MIC)

(VII) Operationalization of the FNDA: 3 windows for which cashew is eligible

3- Public and private investments in the sector and impacts

(i) Preparation of the PNDFA and financing: more than one billion FCFA/year for 3 agricultural campaigns

(ii) Project's Implementation :

- PADEFA ENA: more than 12 billion for 4 years;
- PACOFIDE: more than 94 billion FCFA (Cashew and Pineapple);
- ProCASHEW;
- Benin Cajù (TNS);
- PROFI/ENABEL;
- Installation of RNC processing units (65,000 t) by the private sector;
- Installation of apple juice production units by private individuals;

3- Interventions' impacts

Plant Material Production: 40 Nurserymen selected and supported for their professionalization; FeNaPAC creation

- ~ identification of 2000 new mother trees (TNS & PADAC);
- ~ Creation of scions bank (TNS & ENABEL);
- ~ support for the production of high-performance plants (TNS, ENABEL, PNDFA, PROCAD, PACOFIDE, Pro-CASHEW);
- ~ training for nurserymen and grafters;
- ~ Nurserymen performance evaluation;
- ~ 986,433 certified seedlings produced (2019-2021).

3- interventions' Impacts

PERFORMANCE ACHIEVED

**Installation of New Plantations: target at the end of 2021
= 60,000 ha**

- ~ 38,412 ha installed between 2019 and 2021 with high-performance plant material produced locally and subsidized;
- ~ Boreholes for the benefit of nurserymen + work equipment;
- ~ follow-up of the plantations to ensure the good development of the plants and their good keeping by the planters.

3- interventions' impacts

Restoration of old plantations: target at the end of 2021 = 250,000 ha

- ~ 74,954 ha brought up to standard between 2019 and 2021 (pruning, thinning, weeding, skidding, top grafting);
- ~ installation of equipment to bring it up to standard;
- ~ gradual introduction of beekeeping in the plantations.

3- interventions' impacts

- * 974 cooperatives created; 122,911 people; 11,000 women;
- * RCN production: approximately 223,000 tonnes in 2021, compared to 140,000 in 2018 and 180,000 in 2020;
- * RCN export: 188,232 tons;
- * 13 factories installed (capacity 60,800 tons) but less than 20,000 tons of NBC transformed into kernel;
- * 13,075 liters of apple juice produced and marketed;
- * KOR index at 48 on average;
- * Functional IFA.

4- Perspectives

Facilitate nurserymen's access to scions from elite trees or scions bank

Generalization of the use of high-performance plant material by planters

Plantations installed according to standards with improved productivity per tree

4- Perspectives

Make existing processing units functional and install others (50% of RCN processed locally)

Increase productivity and market access for cashew AVC

Signing of the decree on the organization and conduct of cashew marketing campaigns in the Republic of Benin

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