



## **FEDERAL MINISTRY OF EDUCATION**

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#### **HARMONISE DEVELOPMENT PLANS - EDUCATION MINISTER CHARGES DEVELOPMENT PARTNERS**

To avoid the duplication of projects, development partners of the education sector have been tasked on having a united front in evolving strategies or policies.

This is in addition to evolving ‘personalized solutions’ to problem areas of the sector.

The Minister of State for Education, Hon. Chukwuemeka Nwajiuba, gave these charges today in Abuja at an interactive meeting with national and international development partners in the education sector on implementation of the Harmonised Education Sector Blue Print/ Workplan.

Nwajiuba said it is pertinent that this is done so that efforts of stakeholders to ensure that education contributes to the development of the nation and cater for her human capital yearnings are not futile as “education is a capital -intensive social service that requires adequate financial provisions from all quarters.”

He stated that the state of education in the country is of great concern to the present Administration, reiterating its commitment to ‘building a sector that will prepare Nigerians for the modern day knowledge-based economy.’

Nwajiuba, who solicited for more intervention, synergy and partnership, stressed the commitment of government to ensuring that the resources for more robust education delivery in the country are maximally utilised.

In his remarks, Arc. Sonny Echono, Permanent Secretary of the Ministry, commended the sector's development partners on the commitment to ensuring better service delivery.

He said that the challenges of the sector were daunting hence the need for more unified strategies to surmount them, lamenting that despite the huge resources invested in the sector, a lot still needs to be done.

In their remarks, representatives of the sector's development partners reiterated their commitment to strategizing means of synergizing their developmental efforts at moving the sector to its desired level of development.

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