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# Credit Facility and Agricultural Development in Adamawa State, Nigeria

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#### Abstract:

This study investigated the impact of credit facilities in stimulating agricultural development in Adamawa State, North East Nigeria. The study which is a survey research used primary data collected through questionnaires to respondents with an interview session. Frequency distribution tables, percentages and logistic Regression Analysis were used in data analysis. Our findings show that credit guaranty schemes on agriculture (CGSA) have positive impact on the agricultural sector in Adamawa State. The Central Bank of Nigeria's anchor borrower's loan (CBABL) is a positive development in financing agricultural production in Adamawa State. Bank Credits to Agricultural sector (BCA) at reduced interest rate has affected agricultural output in the State positively. Various Government Intervention Schemes (GIS) has ensured sustainable food security in Adamawa State. Based on these findings, the following recommendations are made; concerted efforts should be made to increase the level of agricultural output in Nigeria by providing incentives to farmers. Government should increase the level of Credit guaranty schemes to farmers which will impact positively on the development of agricultural sector in Adamawa State. Awareness on the Central Bank of Nigeria's anchor borrower's loan should be made to farmers because of its positive impact on the development of agricultural production in Adamawa State. Bank Credits on Agriculture particularly from Bank of Agriculture (BOA) should be increased at a reasonably low interest rate to boost agricultural output in Adamawa State. Government Intervention Schemes such as Agricultural extension services should be enhanced to ensured sustainable food security in Adamawa State.

Keywords: Evaluation, credit facility, sustainable, agricultural development, Adamawa State

### 1. Background to the Study

The provision of this facilities are said to have improved the economic climate for agricultural development and poverty alleviation in some countries such as facilitating individual farmer's access to inputs and improved technology which has accelerated productivity, improved income distribution among farmers etc. Given these importance, the provision of credit facilities by most banks especially the Agricultural development Banks to the agricultural sector have not been remarkable in the improvement of most peoples' welfare either because most of the funds made available are not tailored towards the sector that provided great concern to the less privileged farmers in the rural areas or because of the stringent conditions attached to most of the loans and advances by the banks thus depriving the less privilege mostly poor farmers access to the funds. Nigeria's food security and economy at large is on the line as inadequate storage and processing facilities which should have been provided by the value chain has become the major cause of the huge post-harvest losses of farm produce that is a daunting challenge to farmers in the country. While local farmers are able to meet most of the country's demand for tomatoes, a staple food in almost all Nigerian homes, post-harvest losses has created a great gap between the demand and supply figures.

The resources of the entire world should be developed to the fullest with available means as a whole which can be attained only by the efficient and rational use of such resources. These resources depend on the importance attached to them. The significance of agricultural resource in bringing about economic growth and sustainable development of a nation cannot be underestimated. Agriculture contributes to the growth of the economy, provides employment opportunities for the teaming population, exports revenue earnings and eradicates poverty in the economy. Over the years in Nigeria, the volume of credit facility into the economy has continued to increase. The volume of credit facility to the private sector increased from N6.23million in 1980 to N29.21 billion in 2010. Credit to private sector as a percentage of Gross Domestic Product (GDP) increased from 12.56 percentages in 1980 to 18.59 percentage in 1993. The figure increased to 37.78 percentage point in 2010. This credit creation to the economy is expected to assist in leveraging economic agents, augment their vulnerability to economic shocks and ultimately enhance economic productivity. However, over the years, the economic growth has remained very low except for the last four years when marginal increases were recorded. This puzzle has raised concern as to the impact of bank credit on economic growth in Nigeria

especially in the agricultural sector. This explains the rationale for the study. Specifically, the study evaluate the effects of bank credit on the growth of the real sector namely agriculture.

#### 2. Statement of the Problem

In the 1960's, agriculture accounted for 65-70 % of total exports; it fell to about 40% in 1970's and crashed to less than 2% in 1990s to date. The decline in the agricultural sector was largely due to rise in crude oil revenue in the early 70's. Low agricultural output has a negative effect on the Nigerian economy as a whole. It was in recognition of this fact that the Federal Government at various periods put in place credit policies, institutions and schemes that could facilitate the flow of agriculture. A report from the Federal Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development (2016) put the demand for tomatoes in Nigeria at 2.2million tons and the supply at 800,000 tons. According to the ministry, the actual quantity of tomatoes harvested is 1.5million tons but 700,000 tons are actually lost to post-harvest bottlenecks. National Planning Commission (2011) also revealed that agriculture contributed \348.7 billion recorded nation's economy in 2012 as against \335.18 billion recorded in 2013. The report noted that the sectors valued-added stood at \348.7 billion compared with \335.18 billion recorded in 2011, indicating a growth rate of 3.97% as against 5.64% in 2011. It added, that the contribution of agriculture to overall real gross domestic product. Growth was 24.41% in 2012, compared with 31.41% in 2011. Growth was led by crop production, which accounted for 20.46% of the overall economic growth in 2012 compared with 24.41% in 2011.

The major problem confronting the agricultural sector today however is in its inability to contribute to foreign exchange earnings and increased productivity. Despite credit facilities to farmers, co-operative societies and agro industries to enhance productivity, agriculture has not actually assumed its rightful place in the nation's GDP especially in Adamawa State. It would be extremely difficult to attain long run sustainable growth in the state, if not impossible without addressing the problem of the agricultural sector. This raises the question of what has been the impact of credit facilities in stimulating agricultural development in Adamawa State. There was a sharp decline in export crop production, while food production increased only marginally. Thus, domestic food supply had to be augmented with large imports. "Food import bill rose from a mere \\*113.88 million annually in 1970-1974 to \\*1,964 million in 1991" (CBN, 2003). Theoretically, inputoutput theory in economics posits that input determines output. More so, Keynes postulated that increased government spending boosts economic growth. In the case of Nigeria, there has been a conflicting view about spending on agriculture just as we can see from various scholars stated above. Therefore, there is the need to examine the extent to which government finance has affected agricultural productivity in Nigeria.

# 3. Objectives of the Study

The main objective of this study is to evaluate the effect of credit facilities in stimulating agricultural production in Adamawa State.

#### 4. Literature Review and Theoretical Framework

Nigerian economy depended on agriculture in the past decades and is still a major sector despite the oil boom; basically it provides employment opportunities for the teeming population, eradicates poverty and contributes to the growth of the economy. The agricultural sector in Nigeria has been bedeviled by a number of problems. This has affected its productivity and efficiency. Hence, Bernard (2009) believes that "Inadequate funding of the agricultural sector has constituted an obstacle to increased agricultural output" However, "from a nominal point of view, it is evident that in Nigeria, government spending on agriculture continued to increase over the years while empirical evidence have revealed that the performance of the agricultural sector has been inadequate" (Ekerete, 2000). The agricultural sector in Nigeria which was the mainstay of the economy is no longer performing the lead role it was known for. By mid-1970's Nigeria's agriculture started to experience problems. Agricultural exports began to decline and food shortages started emerging.Bank Credit is the amount extended out with a future date of payment. The NDIC prudential guide lines of 1990 however, provides a wider of credit, and this includes aggregate of all loans, advances, overdrafts, commercial papers, Banker acceptance, bills discounted. Leases and guarantee (NDIC, 1990). Muftau (2003), on the other hand, defines agricultural credit as grants given to farmers and ranch operators to assist in planting and harvesting crops to support the feeding and care of livestock. Credit to agricultural sector could take the form of an overdraft, short-term, medium-term or long-term depending on the purpose and gestation period of the project. Such credits granted to framers to purchase inputs are paid directly to the suppliers who must furnish the bank with evidence of delivery. This is done to avert diversion of fund, which is common with Nigeria Farmers.

According to Evbuomwan (2016), in response to the present Federal Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development Green initiative argued that the value chain is one that must be developed and sustained if the country will achieve food security and boosts its ailing economy through job creation and increased manufacturing. Evbuomwan who noted that funding was a critical factor in developing the agricultural value chain line, said the level of funding which the agricultural sector has received over the years has been inadequate. "Both the government and the financial institutions in the country have not given the agricultural sector adequate attention, despite the importance of this sector. Okoroafor (2016) also noted that the Nigerian agricultural sector has not been able to perform its assigned roles in economic development. To address this, the Central Bank of Nigeria had instituted intervention funds that would address the funding challenges of not only farmers but also the value chain of the agriculture sector. Okoroa for noted that the apex bank, having seen that total credit to agriculture was less than one percent of total credit among banks, had discovered that banks were reluctant to lend to farmers because they believed the farmers would not pay back. "To know why they don't pay back we had a meeting with farmers to know why and they said their yield is small and when they take the

produce to the market there is nobody there to buy it from them. We came to the conclusion that agriculture in Nigeria can only succeed when everybody on the line is financed and when all the various phases are taken care of and that was how NIRSAL was given birth to," he said. The CBN had established the Nigeria Incentive-based Risk Sharing System for Agricultural Lending (NIRSAL) in 2010, following an agreement with the Alliance for a Green Revolution in Africa (AGRA) to address the weakness of existing agricultural financing schemes. NIRSAL was an innovative mechanism for unlocking finance to serve the needs of all farmers, particularly smallholder farmers, agro-processors, agribusinesses as input suppliers in the agricultural value-chain. The aim was to provide farmers with affordable financial products while reducing the risk of loans to farmers offered by the financial institutions. The scheme was designed to build the capacity of banks to lend to agriculture, deploy risk sharing instruments to lower risks of lending, and develop a rating scheme for banks based on their commitment to lending to the agricultural sector. It was built on five major pillars, risk sharing facility, insurance, technical assistance, bank incentive and agricultural bank rating.

Tombofa (2004), states that the state of agriculture is of paramount importance to the development process. He pointed out that agriculture provides the basis for the world's great civilization in the past and the increase in agricultural productivity in England laid the basis for, and sustained the first industrial revolution. The agricultural sector is known to employ over 75 percent of the labour force in developing countries and provide the purchasing power over industrial goods. Todaro and Smith (2003) put it that if development is to take place and become self-sustaining; it will have to include the rural area in general and the agricultural sector in particular. "Traditionally, the role of agriculture in economic development has been as passive and supportive". Based on the historical experience of Western countries economic development was seen as requiring a rapid structural transformation of the economy focused on agricultural activities to a more complex modern industrial and services society. As a result, agriculture's primary role is to provide food and manpower to the expanding industrial economy.

Iganiga and Unemhilin (2011) studied the effect of federal government agricultural expenditure and other determinants of agricultural output on the value of agricultural output in Nigeria. A Cobb Douglas Growth Model was specified that included commercial credits to agriculture, consumer price index, annual average rainfall, population growth rate, food importation and GDP growth rate. The study performed comprehensive analysis of data and estimated the Vector Error Correction model. Their results showed that federal government capital expenditure was found to be positively related to agricultural output. Oji-Okoro (2011) employed multiple regression analysis to examine the contribution of agricultural sector on the Nigerian economic development. They found that a positive relationship between Gross Domestic Product (GDP) vis a vis domestic saving, government expenditure on agriculture and foreign direct investment between the period of 1986-2007. It was also revealed in the study that 81% of the variation in GDP could be explained by Domestic Savings, Government Expenditure and Foreign Direct Investment. Using time series data, Lawal (2011) attempted to verify the amount of federal government expenditure on Agriculture in the thirty-year period 1979 – 2007. Significant statistical evidence obtained from the analysis showed that government spending does not follow a regular pattern and that the contribution of the agricultural sector to the GDP is in direct relationship with government funding to the sector. Ukeji (2003) submits that in the 1960"s, agriculture contributed up to 64% to the total GDP but gradually declined in the 70"s to 48% and it continues in 1980 to 20% and 19% in 1985, this was as a result of oil glut of the 1980s. Several large scale agricultural projects in Nigeria specializing in the production of grains, livestock, dairies and animal feeds, to mention but a few, were established. The Nigerian Agriculture and Co-operative Bank (NACB) was established in 1973 as part of government efforts to invest oil wealth into the agricultural sector through the provision of credit facilities to support agriculture and agro-allied businesses (Olagunju, 2000). By 1995 the bank had granted the sum of \$3,179.6 million as loan to the private sector. The River Basin Development Authorities (RBDAs) the development of river basins was conceived in 1963 with involvement in the Lake Chad Basin and River Niger Commissions for countries bordering the Lake and the Niger

In summary, the literatures reviewed so far have revealed some gaps to be filled. One of such gap is that from the studies reviewed in the literature, nobody has investigated the relationship between credit facilities and agricultural development in Adamawa State, North East Nigeria. In the light of the above, there is need for stronger empirical evidence on the relationship between bank credits to the agricultural development in Nigeria.

The dearth of much empirical work done on this area of study, the need to close this gap claim the attention of this study. In attempting to fill this gap, the study adopted the loan price theory which in economics posits that input determines output. Credit is essential for agricultural development and is often a key element of agricultural modernization. It has been primarily seen to promote agricultural production and increase income to farmers. However, access to credit is limited in rural areas and the majority of poor small-scale farmers are excluded from credit systems in Nigeria. The rate of obtaining loans from the formal financial institutions in the developing countries by rural borrowers is low due to the complicated and lengthy procedures that overwhelm the poor and uneducated farmer-borrowers. In other cases, credit problems which have restricted them from borrowing include commodity-specific credit, lack of participation in planning agricultural credit programmes, lack of or inadequate, financial institutions in the rural areas, and late releases of loans which make them to borrow from the informal sources.

# 5. Research Methodology and Sample Size

The study is designed to be totally a micro study on credit facility and its effect on the agricultural development in Adamawa State, North East Nigeria. The research adopted the survey analytical method and binary regression estimation technique.

#### 6. Sample Size

A sample of 300 people was extracted from the population in each of the three local government areas of the three Senatorial Zones of the State using the systematic statistical sampling technique. The sample group was eventually subjected to interview for data generation. This advantage inhered from the fact that the sample constitutes a smaller group which is subjected to more intense examination. The systematic random/probability sampling which was applied in this research was more time consuming and also more expensive. However, it has the advantage of reducing bias in the formation of the sample thereby enhancing adequate representation of the population by the sample. The data collected will be presented in tables. Descriptive, judgmental and statistical modes of analysis will be utilized.

Category of Respondents	Number of Questionnaires Distributed	Number of Questionnaires Received.
Maiha (Northern Senatorial Zone)	100	43
Girei (Central Senatorial Zone)	100	45
Ganye (Southern Senatorial Zone)	100	62

Table 1: Sample Size Showing Categories of Respondents Source: Field Survey Data 2019

A total of three hundred copies of questionnaires were produced and randomly administered to respondents in three local government areas of Adamawa State, one local government from each of the three Senatorial Zones. From this figure, one hundred and fifty 150 copies representing 50% were returned to the researcher.

# 7. Model Specification

The model for this study was framed in line with the work carried out by Iganiga and Unemhilin (2011) on the effect of federal government agricultural expenditure and other determinants of agricultural output on the value of agricultural output in Nigeria using logistic regression analysis.

The model is hereby specified thus;

 $\begin{array}{lll} CGSA=b_0+b_1\,SEX+b_2AGE+b_3ACAQ+b_4LOS & equation \ 1\\ CBABL=b_0+b_1\,SEX+b_2AGE+b_3ACAQ+b_4LOS & equation \ 2\\ BCA=b_0+b_1\,SEX+b_2AGE+b_3ACAQ+b_4LOS & equation \ 3\\ GIS=b_0+b_1\,SEX+b_2AGE+b_3ACAQ+b_4LOS & equation \ 4\\ \end{array}$ 

Where:

CGSA = Credit Guarantee Schemes on Agriculture

CBABL = Central Bank of Nigeria Anchor Borrowers Loan

BCA = Bank Credits on Agriculture

GIS = Government Intervention Schemes

SEX = Sex

AGE = Age

ACAQ = Academic Qualification

LOS = Length of Service

 $B_0 = Intercept$ 

b<sub>1</sub>, b<sub>2</sub>, b<sub>3</sub> and b<sub>4</sub> are parameters

# 8. Method of Data Collection and Sources of Data

The data collected for the study was basically primary in nature where structured questionnaires were used to elicit information from the targeted audience. Data collected came mainly from questionnaires and oral interview on the impact of credit facility on agricultural development of Adamawa State as our case study where our questionnaires were distributed for proper responses to elicit relevant information for the study.

#### 9. Estimation Procedure

The study examined the effect of bank credit on agricultural development in Adamawa State. There are many statistical tools that can be applied in surveys to determine relationships and significant differences between variables. Pearson Moment Correlation Coefficient statistical technique and binary outcomes logistic econometric technique were adopted as a tool for analysis of the data. Pearson moment correlation coefficient was used to determine relationship between the observed factors that impact on the agricultural development of Adamawa State. The data collected will be presented in tables. Descriptive, judgmental and statistical modes of analysis will be utilized involving the use of methodology described therein.

# 10. Data Presentation and Analysis of Regression Result.4.2 Presentation of Results and Evaluation of Hypotheses

Question No: 1.Credit guaranty schemes on agriculture (CGSA) have impacted positively to the development of the agricultural sector in Adamawa State

Variable	Ob	s Mean	Std. Dev.	Min	Max
	149	.4899329	.5015846	0	1
sex	149	1.543624	.4997732	1	2
age	149	38.2953	11.82388	18	60
acaq	149	2.57047	1.122588	1	4
los	149	10.66443	2.798674	6	15

Table 2: Summary of Descriptive Statistics of CGSA Model

cgsa   1.0000
sex   -0.0185
acaq   -0.0197 -0.0386 0.0244 1.0000 los   -0.0506 -0.1296 0.0230 0.0312 1.0000

Table 3: Pairwise Correlation Coefficient Matrix of CGSA

• Analysis: Respondents were asked if credit guaranty schemes on agriculture (CGSA) have had any impact in the agricultural sector in Adamawa State

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	agree	31	20.7	68.7	20.7
	undecided	16	10.7	10.7	31.3
	disagree	103	68.7	20.7	100.0
	Total	150	100.0	100.0	

Table 4: Effect of credit Guaranty Schemes on Agriculture (CGSA) Source: Author's Computation from SPSS, 2019

Variables	Odds Ratio	z-statistics	Probability
С	1.144	0.13	0.900
SEX	0.751	-0.85	0.393
AGE	1.013	0.97	0.330
ACAQ	0.908	-0.61	0.544
LOS	1.016	0.28	0.777
F	Pseudo $R^2 = 0.021$   Prob(chi2)	) = 0.685   log likelihood= -	101.57

Table 5: Logistic Regression Result for CGSA Model Source: Computation by Researcher Using Stata 13, 2019

## 10.1. Interpretation of Results

From the analysis presented in Table 5, (69%) of the respondents agreed that the facilities have had an impact in the agricultural sector in the state. (11%) were undecided. 21% of the respondents disagreed. Comparatively the majority of the respondents agreed that the credit facilities have any impact on the agricultural business. However from the Logistic regression results, the positive odds ratio for all the categories of respondents is an indication that majority of the respondents agreed that Credit Guaranty Schemes to Agricultural (CGSA) sector in Adamawa State will improve its output by 0.751, 1.013, 0.908 and 1.016 units as suggested by respondents under sex, age, academic qualifications (ACAQ) and length of service (LOS) categories. The pseudo R² of 0.021 is a good fit meaning that the categories (sex, age, academic qualification and length of service) are well specified.

• Question No:2 The Central Bank of Nigeria's anchor borrower's loan (CBABL) is a positive development in financing agricultural production in Adamawa State

Variable	Obs	s Mean	Std. Dev.	Min	Max
cbabl	149	.590604	.4933808	0	1
sex	149	1.536913	.5003173	1	2
age	149	39.02013	12.68403	18	60
acaq	149	2.442953	1.105163	1	4
los	149	10.38926	2.71311	6	15

Table 6: Summary of Descriptive Statistics of CBCBL Model

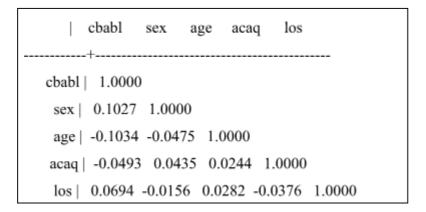


Table 7: Pairwise Correlation Coefficient Matrix of CBABL

 Analysis: Respondents were asked if the Central Bank of Nigeria Anchor Borrowers Loans (CBABL) has enhanced agricultural production in Adamawa State

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	<b>Cumulative Percent</b>
Valid	agree	104	69.3	69.3	69.3
	undecided	20	13.3	13.3	82.7
	disagree	26	17.3	17.3	100.0
	Total	150	100.0	100.0	

Table 8: Effect of Central Bank of Nigeria Anchor Borrowers Loans (CBABL)Agricultural Production in Adamawa State Source: Author's Computation from SPSS, 2019

Variables	Odds Ratio	z-statistics	Probability
С	1.065	0.06	0.954
SEX	1.208	0.57	0.569
AGE	0.999	-0.03	0.975
ACAQ	0.962	-0.26	0.793
LOS	0.976	-0.41	0.684

Table 9: Logistic Regression Result for CBABL Model Source: Computation by Researcher Using Stata 13,2019 Pseudo  $R^2 = 0.02 \mid Prob(chi2) = 0.306 \mid log likelihood = -102.98$ 

# 10.2. Interpretation of Result

Table 9 showed that (69%) of the respondents totally agreed that the Central Bank of Nigeria anchor borrowers loan is a welcome development, (13%) were undecided while (17%) disagreed. The highest percentage of respondents could be attributed to those local farmers whose lives were positively touched by the scheme from the Central Bank in Adamawa State. From the Logistic regression results, the positive odds ratio for all the categories of respondents is an indication that majority of the respondents agreed that CBN Anchor Borrower's Loan (CBABL) in Adamawa State will improve its output by 1.21, 0.99, 0.96 and 0.97 units as suggested by respondents under sex, age, academic qualifications (ACAQ) and length of service (LOS) categories. The pseudo R<sup>2</sup> of 0.02 is a good fit meaning that the categories (sex, age, academic qualification and length of service) are well specified.

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Question No: 3 Bank Credits on Agriculture (BCA) has affected agricultural output in Adamawa State.

Variable	Ob	s Mean	Std. Dev.	Min	Max
bca	149	.5771812	.4956733	0	1
sex	149	1.483221	.5014038	1	2
age	149	40.65101	12.17159	18	60
acaq	149	2.47651	1.118541	1	4
los	149	10.63087	2.907002	6	15

Table 10: Summary of Descriptive Statistics of BCA Model

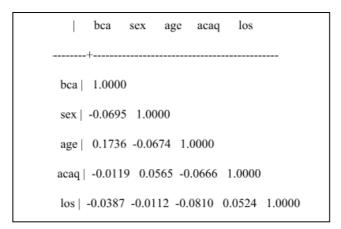


Table 11: Pairwise Correlation Coefficient Matrix of BCA

 Analysis: Respondents were asked if Bank Credits on Agricultural (BCA) has affected agricultural output in the State

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	<b>Cumulative Percent</b>
Valid	agree	81	54.0	54.0	54.0
	disagree	69	46.0	46.0	100.0
	Total	150	100.0	100.0	

Table 12: Showing Responses of Respondents on Agricultural Output Source: Author's Computation from SPSS, 2019

Variables	Odds Ratio	z-statistics	Probability		
С	0.286	-1.11	0.266		
SEX	0.757	-0.81	0.415		
AGE	1.006	0.49	0.622		
ACAQ	1.065	0.39	0.695		
LOS	1.164	2.30	0.022		
	Pseudo R <sup>2</sup> = 0.034   Prob(chi2) = 0.410   log likelihood= -98.53				

Table 13: Logistic Regression Result for BCA Model Source: Computation by Researcher Using Stata 13, 2019

#### 10.3. Interpretation of Result

Table 13 indicated the percentage banks have aided agricultural production responses from the respondents fifty four percent (54%) agreed that other credit facilities from other banks have aided agricultural production in Adamawa State. Forty six percent (46%) disagreed. From the Logistic regression results, the positive odds ratio for all the categories of respondents is an indication that majority of the respondents agreed that Bank Credits on Agriculture (BCA) in Adamawa State will improve its output by 0.757, 1.006, 1.065 and 1.164 units as suggested by respondents under sex, age, academic qualifications (ACAQ) and length of service (LOS) categories. The pseudo R<sup>2</sup> of 0.034 is a good fit meaning that the categories (sex, age, academic qualification and length of service) are well specified.

Question No: 4 Government Intervention Schemes (GIS) has ensured sustainable food security in Adamawa State.

Variable	Ob	s M		l. Dev.		Max
gis	149	.52348	99 .501	1324	0	1
sex	149	1.5503	36 .499	91377	1	2
age	149	36.986	58 12.6	68804	18	60
acaq	149	2.4496	64 1.15	53351	1	4
los	149	10.3624	12 2.72	6781	6	15

Table 14: Summary of Descriptive Statistics of GIS Model

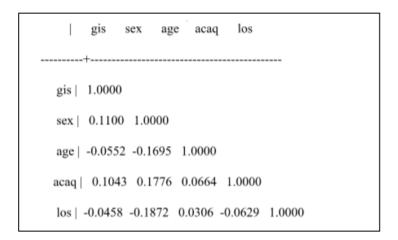


Table 15: Pairwise Correlation Coefficient Matrix of GIS

Analysis: Respondents were asked if Government Intervention Schemes (GIS) has ensured sustainable food security in Adamawa State.

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	<b>Cumulative Percent</b>
Valid	Agree	97	64.7	64.7	64.7
	undecided	23	15.3	15.3	80.0
	disagree	30	20.0	20.0	100.0
	Total	150	100.0	100.0	

Table 16: Showing the Responses on Government Intervention Source: Author's Computation from SPSS, 2019

Variables	Odds Ratio	z-statistics	Probability			
С	1.587	-0.51	0.607			
SEX	1.350	0.89	0.374			
AGE	1.026	1.84	0.066			
ACAQ	1.016	0.11	0.916			
LOS	0.914	-1.45	0.146			
Pseudo $R^2 = 0.030$   Prob(chi2) = 0.397   log likelihood= -100.16						

Table 17: Logistic Regression Result for GIS Model Source: Computation by Researcher Using Stata 13, 2019

# 10.4. Interpretation of Results

Sustainable food security could be a function of credit input to production, but Table 17 clearly indicates that (65%) of the respondents agreed that it guarantees improved growth in production, (15%) were undecided while (20%) disagreed. From the Logistic regression results, the positive odds ratio for all the categories of respondents is an indication that majority of the respondents agreed that Government Intervention Schemes (GIS) in Adamawa State will improve its output by 1.350, 1.026, 1.016 and 0.914 units as suggested by respondents under sex, age, academic qualifications (ACAQ) and length of service (LOS) categories. The pseudo R<sup>2</sup> of 0.030 is a good fit meaning that the categories (sex, age, academic qualification and length of service) are well specified. The research has been on the effect of credit facility on the agricultural development in Adamawa State North East Nigeria.

#### 11. Summary of Findings

The research which is made up of five chapters began with an introductory chapter. The second chapter reviews related literature, chapter three presents the research methodology, Chapter four presented and analysed the data while the fifth chapter concludes the research. The study adopted survey method in collecting and analysing the data with logistic Regression Analysis and Pearson correction Matrix. The study made the following findings:

- Agricultural output has a significant and positive impact on the level of economic growth in Adamawa State North East Nigeria.
- An increase in the output of the agricultural sector increases the level of economic growth of the Adamawa State economy.
- Credit guaranty schemes on agriculture (CGSA) have impacted positively to the development of the agricultural sector in Adamawa State
- The Central Bank of Nigeria's anchor borrower's loan (CBABL) is a positive development in financing agricultural production in Adamawa State
- Bank Credits on Agriculture (BCA) has affected agricultural output in Adamawa State positively.
- Government Intervention Schemes (GIS) has ensured sustainable food security in Adamawa State.
- Agriculture is the key driver to the economic growth recovery plan of Adamawa State Government and could create value chain on the domestic economy.

#### 12. Conclusion

Finally, Nigeria cannot be proposing of becoming one of the leading twenty economies in the world by 2020, (vision20:20:20) when her productive, leadership and administrative capacities are questionable and engulfed by corruption. Therefore agriculture that once contributed over 60% to the gross domestic product GDP and highest employer of labor to succeed of becoming the key economic driver, government must remove all bottlenecks that may hinder smooth sail in promoting agricultural production and diversify the productive base of other sectors in Nigeria if the country must achieve her vision 20:20 initiative.

Since the research has been on the effect of credit facility to the agricultural sector. Agricultural sector development has been behind the success of industrialised countries such as Australia, USA China etc. In Nigeria, despite the numerous reforms in the agricultural sector, the output of the sector has not improved significantly due to negligence, corruption, security challenges and inconsistent agricultural policies. The result indicates that the output of the agricultural sector has the potentials of improving the level of economic progress in Nigeria. The result indicates that the high interest rate charged on agricultural loans have hindered the level of agricultural output and hence economic growth in Adamawa State. The result shows that if well organised bank credit to the agricultural sector could increase the level of economic wellbeing of Adamawa State Nigeria.

# 13. Policy Recommendation

The following recommendations are made from the results;

- 1. Concerted efforts should be made to increase the level of agricultural output in Nigeria by providing incentives to farmers.
  - Government should increase the level of Credit guaranty schemes to farmers which will impact positively on the development of the agricultural sector in Adamawa State
  - Awareness on the Central Bank of Nigeria's anchor borrower's loan should be made to farmers because of its
    positive impact on the development of agricultural production in Adamawa State
  - Bank Credits on Agriculture particularly from Bank of Agriculture (BOA) should be increased at a reasonably low interest rate to boost agricultural output in Adamawa State.
  - 4.Government Intervention Schemes such as Agricultural extension services should be enhanced to ensured sustainable food security in Adamawa State

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