

POLICY MATRIX FOR INTEGRATING **AGROECOLOGY** INTO NIGERIA'S AGRICULTURAL **FRAMEWORKS**

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#	Policy / Framework (year)	Current Scope & Agroecology Relevance	Gaps / Challenges	Recommended Agroecology Entry-Points	Lead Agencies + Partners	Indicative Timeline	Key Performance Indicators (KPIs)
1	National Agricultural Technology & Innovation Policy (NATIP) 2022-27	Modernises agri-food systems; touches on climate-smart agriculture, land & water sustainability, zonal development	No explicit agroecology language; emphasis still on input-intensive mechanisation	Embed FAO 10-Element principles in the “Cross-cutting Strategies” section; create a National Agroecology Action Plan (NAAP) under NATIP M&E framework	Federal Ministry of Agriculture and Food Security, FMAFS (+Association of Organic Agriculture Practitioners of Nigeria (NOAN), universities, state MoAs)	2025 action-plan draft; mainstreamed by 2027	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • # of LGAs piloting agroecology • Share of budget lines supporting agroecology (%)
2	National Climate Change Policy 2021-30 & Climate Change Act 2021	Promotes low-carbon development, resilient agriculture, gender inclusion	Agriculture chapter focuses on CSA but not agroecology; weak small-farmer incentives	Add agroecological practices (e.g., diversified cropping, on-farm trees) to NDC implementation guidelines; introduce climate-resilience credits for agroecological farms	Fed. Min. of Environment (Dept. of Climate Change), FMAFS, NESREA	2025 policy addendum; incentives in 2026 finance bill	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • tCO₂-e avoided via agroecology • hectare of farms registered under climate-credit scheme
3	“Green Alternative” Agricultural Promotion Policy (APP) 2016-2020	Earlier roadmap stressing food security & “green” growth	Sunset policy; lessons not fully rolled into NATIP	Use policy-review window to codify agroecology as mainstream pathway in the successor APP (post-2025)	FMAFS Policy Dept., National Assembly Ag Committees	2025-26 review cycle	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Agroecology chapters included in draft APP 2.0

4	ECOWAS Agroecology Programme (PAE)	Regional training centres & family-farm transition support	Nigeria yet to designate national coordination desk; limited budget alignment	Create National ECOWAS-PAE Desk in FMARD; leverage PAE funds to scale farmer - field schools in six agro-ecological zones	FMAFS, ECOWAS RAAF, ActionAid NG	Desk by Q1 2026; 12 000 farmers trained by 2028	• # of farmers completing ECOWAS PAE curricula• % women beneficiaries
5	CAADP / Maputo & Malabo Declarations	10 % agric-budget & 6 % growth targets that underpin Nigeria's National Agricultural Investment Plan (NAIP)	Nigeria allocates ~ 3 % to ag; weak tracking of agroecology spend	Tag agroecological spending lines in federal & state budgets; publish biennial "Agroecology Budget Tracker"	FMAFS Budget Dept., Budget Office of Fed., CSO budget watchdogs	From Fiscal Year 2026	• Share of tagged agroecology spend in total ag-budget (%)
6	National Agroecology Strategy (proposed) – outcome of 2024 National Summit	Communiqué urges seed sovereignty, 10 % budget, pesticide phase-out	Strategy not yet drafted; no institutional home	Fast-track strategy drafting; locate secretariat in FMAFS 's Extension Dept.; integrate with NATIP NAAP (row 1)	Summit task-force, FMAFS, NOAN, National Agricultural Research Systems (NARS), ECOWAS	Draft by Dec 2025; launch 2026	• Strategy gazetted• % of summit recommendations implemented
7	Pesticide & Toxic Chemicals Reform Agenda (multi-stakeholder)	Media & CSOs push 50 % toxics reduction by 2030 → agroecology uptake	Absence of modern pesticide bill; weak IPM extension	Pass Pesticide Control Bill; embed Integrated Pest Management & agroecology incentives	National Assembly, NESREA, FMAFS, NAQS	Bill passage 2026; phased targets 2030 → 2050	• kg toxic pesticide ha? ¹ (baseline vs. target)• # IPM extension agents trained

8 Ecological Organic Agriculture (EOA) Initiative (2014 ?)	Promotes organic value chains, training & research	Limited mainstreaming into federal policy; fragmented certification support	Integrate EOA curriculum into all Federal Colleges of Agriculture; align PGS certification with FMAFS seed rules	NOAN, Universities, FMAFS, SON	Curriculum reform 2026 academic year	• # of colleges teaching EOA• # farms with PGS certificates
9 National Agency for the Great Green Wall (NAGGW)	Landscape-scale restoration & climate-smart livelihoods in 11 Sahel states	Agroforestry & soil-health techniques not systematically linked to agroecology extension	Develop “Sahel Agroecology Corridors” combining FMAFS extension, NAGGW nurseries & carbon finance	NAGGW, FMAFS, State MoEs, Private Carbon Funds	Pilot 2025-27; scale 2028-30	• km of corridors established• tree-crop interplanting survival rate (%)
10 FAO 10 Elements of Agroecology (global normative)	Provides holistic design lens & metrics	Not formally adopted as planning tool in Nigeria	Adopt as analytical checklist for all new ag policies; train planners & M&E officers	FMARD Policy Dept., FAO Nigeria	Capacity-building 2025-26	• # of FMAFS policy drafts using 10-Element checklist



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