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NIGERIA–KENYA BLUE AND ORANGE ECONOMY PARLIAMENTARY MISSION MOMBASA -TECHNICAL DOCUMENT FOR THE ITINERAY (15TH – 18TH JUNE 2026).

We reference the official request of the Nigeria/Kenya Parliamentary Friendship Group (Ref: NASS/10HR/Nig.Ken/26/01 of 27th April 2026). The mission is collaboration of the Nigeria/Kenya Parliamentary Friendship Group of the House of Representatives and NIKCCIMA. The programme was rescheduled for Mombasa (June 15-18) from the initial dual venue of June 11-16, in Nairobi and Mombasa.

The technical details for the itinerary is presented below under the facilitation of the High Commission during the mission from June 15-18, 2026:

DAY	DATE	ITINERARY (INTEGRATED)	KEY OBJECTIVES & RESPONSIBILITY	COORDINATION NOTES
Day 1	15-Jun	High-level meetings by FMMBE; KGIRS with the Kenyan Blue Economy Ministry & Kenya Revenue Authority (KRA); OOC11 workshop Unlocking Investment in Africa’s Safe and Sustainable Ocean Economy.	Blue Economy & Marine Trade Corridor; Benchmarking, revenue models, AfCFTA value chains	FMMBE leads G2G; KGIRS leads KRA technical sessions; NIKCCIMA leads private sector participation across board
Day 2	16-Jun	Official Opening of OOC11 (Leader-level Convening + Opening Reception) Sideline NIKCCIMA/OOC events Key outcomes from Day 1 Technical Visit to Mombasa Fishing Cluster	High-level visibility & networking	Full Delegation
Day 3	17-Jun	Targeted side events on blue economy & Marine Trade Corridor Initiative	Policy engagement & partnerships	FMMBE leads, KGIRS leads technical sessions
Day 4	18-Jun	Debriefing & networking Closing Departure aligned with flight itinerary	Consolidate outcomes & next steps	NIKCCIMA coordinates debrief

Executive Summary

This technical document outlines targeted policy engagements and partnerships for the Nigerian delegation during OOC11 side events. It leverages the integrated itinerary (15–18 June 2026) to advance the **West-East African Maritime Trade Corridor**, blue economy value chains, revenue benchmarking under AfCFTA, and technical visits to Director General of Kenyan Fisheries and Kenyan fishing cluster, Mombasa.

The engagements align with Nigeria’s National Blue Economy Policy, Kenya’s National Blue Economy Strategy (2023–2027), and AfCFTA objectives. Expected outcomes include MoU frameworks, knowledge transfer, and a 2-year binational sustainability plan. NIKCCIMA serves as the private-sector anchor for implementation.



Lead Institutions: FMMBE (G2G Anchor), NiKCCIMA, KGIRS & FRC (Technical Support).

1. Blue Economy & Maritime Trade Corridor

Concept Note

Title: Advocating the establishing a Resilient West-East African Maritime Trade Corridor: Unlocking AfCFTA Synergies through Short-Sea Shipping and Blue Value Chains.

The proposed corridor links major Atlantic ports (Lagos, Abidjan) with Indian Ocean hubs (Mombasa, Lumu), enabling cabotage, multi-modal integration, and seamless trade in fisheries, aquaculture products, and marine services. It complements the operational Nigeria–East/Southern Africa Air Cargo Corridor (launched 2025 with Uganda Airlines and expanded via RwandAir in 2026), which has delivered 50–75% cost reductions for perishables and high-value goods.

Justification and Imperatives: AfCFTA implementation is projected to increase intra-African maritime freight from 58 million to 132 million tons by 2030, with fleet demand rising 180–188%. Current maritime fragmentation, infrastructure gaps, and high logistics costs hinder potential. The corridor addresses these by promoting short-sea shipping, reducing reliance on extra-continental routes, and enhancing resilience to climate and security risks. It supports Agenda 2063 and ABES pillars on shipping, trade, and ports.

Corridor Establishment Processes and Phases:

- **Phase 1 (2026–2027):** Feasibility studies, stakeholder mapping, and MoU signing (AU/AfCFTA Task Force launch at OOC11).
- **Phase 2 (2028–2030):** Pilot routes (Lagos–Mombasa feeder services), digital single windows, and infrastructure upgrades aligned with PIDA and LAPSET.
- **Phase 3 (2031+):** Full operationalization, green shipping standards, and value chain scaling.

Binational Initiating Actions, Roles, and Timelines:

- **FMMBE:** Lead G2G negotiations with Kenyan Blue Economy Ministry (15 Jun high-level meetings). Role: Policy harmonization and counterpart interfacing.
- **NiKCCIMA:** Coordinate B2B matchmaking and chamber-to-chamber partnerships (courtesy visit to KNCCI Mombasa).
- **Kenyan Counterparts:** State Department for Blue Economy & Fisheries; Kenya Ports Authority; KNCCI.
- **Timelines:** MoU draft by 18 Jun 2026; signing Q4 2026; pilot launch Q2 2027.

2. Blue Economy Value Chains, Aquaculture, and Fisheries

Engagement Focus: Targeted side events and Lamu/Mombasa cluster visits to benchmark sustainable practices and establish replication models.



Nigeria's fisheries contribute ~3–4% to agricultural GDP but face a persistent supply gap (production ~1.4 million MT in 2025 vs. demand ~3.5–5 million MT). Aquaculture shows stronger growth (AAGR ~6.67%) than capture fisheries.

Kenya's sector, though smaller, demonstrates strengths in mariculture pilots and coastal management. Engagements will prioritize technology transfer in cage culture, feed formulation, and post-harvest value addition.

Expected Deliverables: Joint working group on aquaculture value chains; pilot SME linkages between Kogi State and Kenyan operators.

3. Benchmarking, Revenue Models, AfCFTA Value Chains

Focus: KGIRS and FRC technical sessions with Kenya Revenue Authority (KRA) and Kenya FRC equivalent.

Benchmark revenue collection models in tourism, fisheries, and AfCFTA-compliant reporting. Nigeria can adopt hybrid frameworks for sub-national optimization; Kenya offers lessons in blue economy financing.

AfCFTA Integration: Harmonize standards for cross-border value chains (e.g., fish exports) to reduce NTBs and unlock blended finance.

Roles: KGIRS leads revenue benchmarking; FRC focuses on reporting protocols.

4. Technical Visit to Mombasa Fishing Cluster

Why Kenya's Fishing Cluster for Nigeria's Attention? Kenya's coastal clusters (Mombasa) exemplify integrated blue economy management with operational deep-sea port synergies (LAPSSSET), community-based models, and mariculture pilots. Nigeria, with vast EEZ potential but infrastructure and IUU challenges, can replicate scalable, sustainable practices to close its fish supply gap.

Performance Ratings (2023–2026 context):

- **Nigeria:** Production rising (1.1M MT → 1.4M MT), but heavy import dependence and artisanal dominance limit efficiency. Aquaculture outperforms capture but overall sector under-exploited. Rating: Moderate progress with high potential.
- **Kenya (Mombasa case):** Marine fisheries ~40,000 MT; aquaculture growing rapidly. Stronger policy coherence via 2023–2027 Strategy and community units. Challenges

in scale but superior in sustainable management and value addition. Rating: Efficient model for replication in targeted clusters.

Expected Outcomes of the Visit:

- Actionable insights on establishment of a Resilient West-East African Maritime Trade Corridor, cluster operations, revenue models, and SME integration.
- Partnerships for technology transfer and joint ventures.

2-Year Binational Sustainability Plan (2026–2028):

- **Q3–Q4 2026:** MoU signing; joint needs assessment (HoRep Committee/FMMBE/NiKCCIMA/KGIRS/FRC lead).
- **2027:** Pilot projects (aquaculture hubs in Nigeria using Kenyan models -Kogi, Niger, Nasarawa, Kebbi states); capacity building exchanges. KGIRS benchmark revenue tools.
- **2028:** Scale-up evaluation; expansion to additional states/clusters.
- **Roles:** FMMBE (technical lead); NiKCCIMA (coordination/SME); Kenyan Ministry (knowledge provider).



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