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The Chairman,
NASENI
17 M. S. Haruna Avenue,
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Garki, Abuja, Nigeria. 900106

Dear Sir,

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST IN THE NASENI RESEARCH COMMERCIALIZATION GRANTS PROGRAMME

This is to express our interest in your advertised NASENI Research Commercialization Grants Programme (NRCGP).

The Title of my submission is Revolutionizing Nigeria's Raphia Palm Sap Industry: Commercialization of Intermediate Bulk Processing Technology for Raw Material Supply to Bottling Factories" submitted by the Nigerian Institute for Oil Palm Research. I am the Principal Investigator and supported by Engr Dr Sunday Reagan Ogblechi.

NIFOR has been operating a palm sap bottling pilot plant for more than 40 years and very acquainted with the challenges of the industry.

The proposed solutions when implemented will transform the industry and stimulate wider participation, deepen the value chain in the wetlands of Nigeria and aid the achievement of the renewed hope agenda of this Administration.

Please accept the assurances of my highest regards.

Yours faithfully,

Dr Isona L. Gold
Executive Director/Chief Executive, NFOR