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

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Dear Sir,

ENDORSEMENT LETTER IN RESPECT OF THE NASENI GRANT FOR RESEARCH RESULT COMMERCIALISATION

This is to certify that:

1. The Institute welcomes the participation of Engr. Abubakar Umar (PhD) as the Principal Investigator, and Engr. Theodore Okoronkwo as the Co-Principal Investigator for the Project titled "The Local Fabrication of Malaysian Harvesting Knives in NIFOR Nigeria" and that in the unforeseen event of discontinuance by the Principal investigator, the Co-Principal Investigator will assume the responsibility for the fruitful completion of the project with due information to NASENI otherwise the Institute will appoint a competent expert from our team as Principal Investigator (PI) to oversee and ensure the successful completion of the project.
2. The equipment and other basic facilities and such other administrative facilities as per terms and conditions of the grant, will be extended to the investigators throughout the duration of the project and the Institute is committed to maintain and utilize the equipment around the year.
3. The Institute will relinquish its right on any Patent already secured for the technology proposed for commercialization.
4. The Principal Investigator and his team authored the existing patent on the proposed technology in which the Principal Investigator is a lead author.
5. The equipment proposed in the proposal has not been procured out of NIFOR grants under any other projects.
6. The Equipment procured out of this grant will be available to other researchers.

7. If so required, monetary proceeds from the operation of this grant will be disbursed according to the terms and conditions of the grant.
8. The data generated out of this project will be made available to NASENI immediately and to other researchers after two years of project operation.
9. The Institute assumes to undertake risks and liabilities ineligible in the NASENI grant.

Name: Mrs. Saidat O. Ziregbe

Date: September 12, 2025

Signature

Official Stamp

