



CITIZENS DEMOCRATIC ALLIANCE MANIFESTO

A CALL TO ACTION: PRESENTING OUR MANIFESTO

We, the Citizens Democratic Alliance (CDA), respectfully present this manifesto to the people of Nigeria.

This document represents our social contract with Nigerians and our commitment to rebuilding the nation through democratic reform, constitutional restructuring, economic transformation, institutional accountability, social justice, and inclusive national development.

Nigeria stands at a defining moment in her national history.

For decades, millions of Nigerians have endured economic hardship, unemployment, insecurity, corruption, poor infrastructure, declining educational standards, weak healthcare systems, social inequality, and growing public distrust in governance. Despite our vast human and natural potential, the promise of Nigeria has remained constrained by over-centralization of power, weak institutions, elite capture, poor economic productivity, and inconsistent leadership.

Yet we remain optimistic about the future of our nation.

The Citizens Democratic Alliance was founded on the belief that Nigeria can become a secure, productive, democratic, technologically advanced, and globally respected nation built on justice, accountability, inclusion, innovation, equal opportunity, and shared prosperity.

This manifesto therefore serves not merely as a political document, but as a comprehensive national renewal framework designed to address the root causes of Nigeria's political, economic, and social challenges.

Our Values

CDA is guided by the principles of:

- a) freedom;
- b) equality;
- c) solidarity;
- d) justice;
- e) fairness;
- f) dignity of labour;
- g) democratic participation;
- h) accountability;
- i) inclusion;
- j) and responsible governance.

We believe governance must serve the people rather than privileged interests.

We are committed to:

- i. social justice;
- ii. economic productivity;
- iii. job creation;
- iv. environmental responsibility;
- v. sustainable development;
- vi. protection of rights and freedoms;
- vii. and restoration of public trust in government.

Our Vision

Our vision is a Nigeria:

- i. where justice, peace, and democracy prevail;
- ii. where no citizen suffers hunger or extreme poverty;
- iii. where lives and property are protected;
- iv. where education and healthcare are accessible to all;
- v. where citizens enjoy freedom of association and expression;
- vi. where economic opportunities are available regardless of ethnicity, religion, gender, region, or social background;
- vii. and where every Nigerian can realize their full potential.

We envision a united, productive, and prosperous federation built on fairness, equal citizenship, innovation, and accountable governance.

Our Mission

Our mission is to safeguard and advance the rights, freedoms, dignity, and aspirations of every Nigerian through:

- i. democratic governance;
- ii. constitutional reform;
- iii. economic transformation;
- iv. institutional accountability;
- v. technological modernization;
- vi. social inclusion;
- vii. and sustainable national development.

CDA shall promote:

- i. civic participation;
- ii. voter education;
- iii. youth empowerment;
- iv. educational advancement;
- v. economic opportunity;
- vi. peaceful coexistence;
- vii. and national unity built on justice and fairness..

Our Ideology

CDA is a progressive social democratic political movement.

We believe in a mixed economy where:

- i. private enterprise drives innovation and economic growth;
- ii. while government guarantees fairness, regulation, public welfare, equal opportunity, and protection for vulnerable citizens.

We reject:

- i. corruption;
- ii. economic exploitation;
- iii. political oppression;
- iv. institutional impunity;
- v. ethnic exclusion;
- vi. religious extremism;
- vii. and governance without accountability.

We support:

- i. productive enterprise;
- ii. strong democratic institutions;
- iii. social protection;
- iv. inclusive governance;
- v. technological advancement;
- vi. environmental sustainability;
- vii. and equitable national development..

The State of Our Nation

Nigeria faces deep political, economic, and social challenges.

The country's enormous potential has been weakened by:

- i. excessive dependence on imports;
- ii. weak industrialization;
- iii. corruption and public sector inefficiency;
- iv. poor infrastructure;
- v. insecurity;
- vi. unemployment;
- vii. educational decline;
- viii. over-centralization of governance;
- ix. and widening inequality.

The existing governance structure has too often concentrated power among political elites while millions of citizens continue to struggle under poverty, insecurity, inflation, and limited opportunities.

CDA believes the status quo is unsustainable.

Nigeria requires not merely temporary fixes, but comprehensive national transformation built on democratic reform, economic productivity, institutional renewal, and accountable governance..

The Change We Seek

CDA seeks to build a Nigeria:

- i. where economic prosperity is broadly shared;
- ii. where infrastructure drives national productivity;
- iii. where healthcare and education are accessible and affordable;
- iv. where citizens and communities are secure;
- v. where food security is guaranteed;
- vi. where the environment is protected;
- vii. where technology and innovation flourish;
- viii. and where the rights and freedoms of all Nigerians are protected.

To achieve this vision, CDA shall:

- i. revitalize Nigeria's industrial and productive sectors;
- ii. strengthen democratic institutions;
- iii. modernize infrastructure;
- iv. expand employment opportunities;
- v. promote agricultural transformation;
- vi. deepen constitutional reforms;
- vii. support environmental sustainability;
- viii. encourage innovation and enterprise;
- ix. and build a fair and accountable federation..

Strengthening Unity and Inclusive Governance

CDA firmly believes in the unity, sovereignty, and indivisibility of Nigeria.

However, sustainable national unity can only be achieved through:

- i. justice;
- ii. fairness;
- iii. equal citizenship;
- iv. democratic inclusion;
- v. accountable governance;
- vi. and equitable resource management.

We therefore support:

- i. true federalism;
- ii. devolution of powers;
- iii. inclusive policy-making;
- iv. protection of minority rights;
- v. peaceful coexistence;

- vi. and national integration.

CDA rejects all forms of:

- i. ethnic domination;
- ii. religious intolerance;
- iii. political exclusion;
- iv. and sectional marginalization.

Our Pledge:

In the face of enormous national challenges, CDA pledges to:

- i. rebuild national infrastructure;
- ii. confront insecurity decisively;
- iii. fight corruption;
- iv. strengthen democratic institutions;
- v. protect constitutional rights and freedoms;
- vi. expand economic opportunities;
- vii. create sustainable jobs;
- viii. improve healthcare and education;
- ix. modernize the economy;
- x. and restore hope and public trust in Nigeria's future.

We pledge to govern with:

- i. competence;
- ii. integrity;
- iii. accountability;
- iv. patriotism;
- v. and dedication to national service..

NATIONAL POLICY FOUNDATIONS

ENVIRONMENT

CDA shall:

- i. address climate change;
- ii. strengthen environmental protection;
- iii. combat environmental degradation;
- iv. improve disaster response systems;
- v. end routine gas flaring;
- vi. prioritize environmental remediation;
- vii. promote responsible resource management;
- viii. and support sustainable energy development.

SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT

CDA shall:

- i. promote inclusive and sustainable development;
- ii. strengthen education and healthcare systems;
- iii. improve food security;
- iv. expand infrastructure;
- v. support industrial growth;
- vi. improve housing;
- vii. reduce unemployment;
- viii. and strengthen scientific, technological, and artistic development.

We shall also:

- i. protect the rights of children and persons living with disabilities;
- ii. support senior citizens;
- iii. promote integrity and civic responsibility;
- iv. and foster a society built on freedom, equality, justice, and dignity.

POLITICAL DEVELOPMENT

CDA shall:

- i. strengthen national integration and peaceful coexistence;
- ii. uphold judicial independence;
- iii. protect constitutional rights and democratic freedoms;
- iv. promote ideological and issue-based politics;
- v. encourage respect for Nigeria's cultural and religious diversity;
- vi. defend national sovereignty and unity;
- vii. and promote African-centered leadership and global Black solidarity.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

CDA shall:

- i. pursue true federalism and equitable fiscal arrangements;
- ii. strengthen industrialization and domestic production;
- iii. encourage private sector growth;
- iv. promote financial and banking reforms;
- v. expand opportunities for young Nigerians;
- vi. diversify the economy;
- vii. and support regional economic competitiveness based on local comparative advantages.

INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

CDA shall:

- i. strengthen African unity and cooperation;
- ii. support democratic values and international peace;
- iii. promote Nigeria's leadership within ECOWAS, the African Union, the Commonwealth, and the United Nations;
- iv. encourage diaspora engagement;
- v. and strengthen Nigeria's global economic and diplomatic influence.

NATIONAL CONFERENCES AND CONSTITUTIONAL REFORM

Nigeria's quest for justice, equity, economic independence, political stability, national integration, and effective federalism has been discussed through multiple constitutional and national conferences throughout the country's history.

CDA acknowledges the importance of these national dialogues, including the recommendations of the 2014 National Conference.

We commit to reviewing and advancing implementable recommendations from previous national conferences through democratic and constitutional means in pursuit of national renewal and true federalism.

CDA !!!!! "Let's Work To Make Nigeria Work"

MADE AT ABUJA THIS 30TH DAY OF MAY 2026



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ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT PILLARS OF CITIZENS DEMOCRATIC ALLIANCE

PREAMBLE

Nigeria stands at a decisive moment in her national history.

For decades, the Nigerian people have endured economic hardship, insecurity, unemployment, weak institutions, corruption, poor infrastructure, educational decline, social fragmentation, over-centralization of power, and declining public trust in government.

Yet Nigeria remains a nation of immense potential.

With one of the world's youngest populations, vast natural resources, entrepreneurial citizens, strategic geographic positioning, enormous agricultural potential, growing technological capacity, and cultural influence across Africa and beyond, Nigeria possesses all the necessary foundations for greatness.

The challenge before Nigeria is therefore not a lack of potential, but a crisis of governance, institutional design, economic productivity, national vision, and leadership.

The Citizens Democratic Alliance (CDA) was established to provide a new direction for national transformation.

CHAPTER 1

IDEOLOGY, NATIONAL VISION AND GOVERNING PHILOSOPHY

1.1 CDA'S IDEOLOGICAL FOUNDATIONS

The Citizens Democratic Alliance is founded on progressive social democratic principles adapted to Nigeria's unique social, economic, political, and cultural realities.

CDA rejects:

- i. corruption-driven governance;
- ii. extreme centralization of power;
- iii. ethnic exclusion;
- iv. religious manipulation;
- v. economic exploitation;
- vi. institutional impunity;
- vii. and governance without accountability.

CDA supports:

- i. democratic governance;
- ii. productive capitalism with social responsibility;
- iii. constitutional federalism;
- iv. inclusive economic growth;
- v. institutional accountability;
- vi. equal citizenship;
- vii. human dignity;
- viii. and national unity through justice and fairness.

1.2 NATIONAL GOVERNING PHILOSOPHY

CDA believes Nigeria requires:

- i. productive leadership,
- ii. institutional discipline,
- iii. technological modernization,
- iv. democratic renewal,
- v. and economic transformation.

A CDA Government shall therefore prioritize:

- i. competence;
- ii. merit;
- iii. integrity;
- iv. transparency;
- v. inclusion;
- vi. innovation;
- vii. and accountability.

1.3 NATIONAL UNITY THROUGH FAIRNESS

CDA believes that sustainable national unity cannot be built through force, fear, or political domination.

True unity emerges from:

- i. justice,
- ii. inclusion,
- iii. fairness,

- iv. equal opportunity,
- v. and accountable governance.

CDA therefore rejects all forms of:

- i. ethnic supremacy,
- ii. religious extremism,
- iii. political exclusion,
- iv. and sectional domination.

Our vision is a united Nigeria where every citizen enjoys:

- i. equal citizenship,
- ii. equal dignity,
- iii. equal opportunity,
- iv. and equal protection under the law.

CHAPTER 2

CONSTITUTIONAL REFORM, TRUE FEDERALISM AND DEMOCRATIC RENEWAL

2.1 THE NEED FOR STRUCTURAL REFORM

Nigeria's over-centralized constitutional structure has weakened:

- i. productivity,
- ii. accountability,
- iii. local governance,
- iv. regional development,
- v. fiscal efficiency,
- vi. and democratic inclusion.

The concentration of excessive powers at the federal level has created:

- i. administrative inefficiency,
- ii. dependence culture,
- iii. regional imbalance,
- iv. governance bottlenecks,
- v. and unhealthy political competition.

CDA therefore supports comprehensive constitutional restructuring through democratic and lawful means.

2.2 TRUE FEDERALISM

CDA supports a decentralized federal structure that grants greater powers, responsibilities, and fiscal autonomy to federating units.

True federalism under CDA shall promote:

- i. local accountability;
- ii. regional competitiveness;
- iii. economic productivity;
- iv. administrative efficiency;
- v. and national cohesion.

Key Principles

The CDA federal model shall be based on:

- i. devolution of powers;
- ii. fiscal federalism;
- iii. equal citizenship;
- iv. minority protections;
- v. constitutional safeguards;
- vi. regional cooperation;
- vii. and democratic accountability.

2.3 ASYMMETRICAL FEDERALISM

CDA recognizes that Nigeria's diversity requires flexibility in governance arrangements.

CDA therefore supports a demand-driven and constitutionally regulated framework for asymmetrical federalism where federating units may exercise varying levels of autonomy according to:

- i. administrative capacity,
- ii. economic priorities,
- iii. cultural realities,
- iv. and democratic preferences.

Such arrangements shall always remain subject to:

- i. constitutional safeguards,
- ii. judicial oversight,
- iii. minority protections,
- iv. and national unity principles.

2.4 PROTECTION OF MINORITY RIGHTS

CDA affirms that restructuring must strengthen rather than weaken national inclusion.

The Constitution shall therefore guarantee:

- i. the right of every Nigerian to reside and work in any part of Nigeria;
- ii. equal access to public services;
- iii. protection against discrimination;
- iv. protection of linguistic and cultural identities;
- v. and constitutional remedies against regional discrimination.

Independent Minority Rights Commissions shall be established to address grievances and monitor compliance.

2.5 ELECTORAL REFORM AND DEMOCRATIC MODERNIZATION

CDA shall pursue comprehensive electoral reforms focused on:

- i. electoral transparency,
- ii. technological modernization,
- iii. inclusion,
- iv. and democratic legitimacy.

Mixed-Member Proportional Representation (MMP)

CDA supports a Mixed-Member Proportional electoral system designed to:

- i. ensure every vote counts;
- ii. reduce winner-takes-all politics;
- iii. encourage coalition-building;
- iv. reduce political violence;
- v. improve minority representation;
- vi. and deepen democratic legitimacy.

Key Features

The system shall include:

- i. constituency representatives elected directly by voters;
- ii. proportional party-list representation;
- iii. dual ballots;
- iv. representation thresholds;
- v. and inclusion quotas.

Special provisions shall promote:

- i. women representation;
- ii. youth inclusion;
- iii. and participation of persons living with disabilities.

2.6 MIXED PARLIAMENTARY SYSTEM

CDA proposes a mixed parliamentary system that balances:

- i. democratic accountability,
- ii. national stability,
- iii. federal inclusion,
- iv. and executive efficiency.

Ceremonial President

The President shall:

- i. serve as Head of State;
- ii. represent national unity;
- iii. perform ceremonial and constitutional duties;
- iv. remain politically neutral;
- v. and serve a single non-renewable term.

Prime Minister

The Prime Minister shall:

- i. serve as Head of Government;
- ii. emerge from the legislature;
- iii. lead the executive cabinet;
- iv. remain accountable to parliament;
- v. and maintain the confidence of the House of Representatives.

2.7 CONSTRUCTIVE VOTE OF NO CONFIDENCE

To preserve governmental stability, Parliament may only remove a Prime Minister if:

- i. a replacement Prime Minister simultaneously commands majority support.

This shall prevent:

- i. prolonged instability,
- ii. opportunistic removals,
- iii. and governance paralysis.

2.8 FEDERATION COUNCIL

CDA supports replacing the current Senate and Council of State with a lean and functional Federation Council focused on:

- i. federal balance,
- ii. constitutional review,
- iii. intergovernmental coordination,
- iv. and strategic national oversight.

The Federation Council shall function primarily as a constitutional balancing institution rather than a duplicate legislative chamber.

2.9 REFERENDUMS AND PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Major constitutional reforms shall require broad democratic legitimacy.

CDA therefore supports constitutional referendum mechanisms involving:

- i. public participation,
- ii. national consultation,
- iii. and double-majority approval systems.

2.10 TRANSITIONAL STABILITY GUARANTEES

CDA recognizes the importance of preserving stability during constitutional transition.

Structural reforms shall therefore:

- i. protect institutional continuity;
- ii. preserve democratic order;
- iii. maintain judicial independence;
- iv. protect pensions and salaries;
- v. and prevent governance disruption.

CHAPTER 3

GOOD GOVERNANCE, ANTI-CORRUPTION AND PUBLIC INSTITUTIONAL REFORM

3.1 GOVERNANCE REFORM

Nigeria requires a new culture of governance built on:

- i. competence,
- ii. accountability,
- iii. professionalism,
- iv. transparency,
- v. and public service.

A CDA Government shall:

- i. digitize government operations;
- ii. reduce bureaucratic inefficiency;
- iii. expand transparency systems;
- iv. strengthen public accountability;
- v. and improve service delivery.

3.2 ANTI-CORRUPTION REFORM

Corruption weakens development, undermines institutions, discourages investment, and destroys public trust.

CDA shall pursue anti-corruption reforms focused on:

- i. prevention,
- ii. transparency,
- iii. institutional accountability,
- iv. and technological monitoring.

Key Measures

A CDA Government shall:

- i. digitize procurement systems;
- ii. expand open budgeting;
- iii. strengthen whistleblower protections;
- iv. strengthen anti-corruption agencies;
- v. and improve asset declaration systems.

All major public contracts shall be publicly accessible through centralized digital platforms.

3.3 CIVIL SERVICE REFORM

The Nigerian civil service must become:

- i. efficient,
- ii. merit-driven,
- iii. technologically modern,
- iv. and performance-oriented.

CDA shall:

- i. modernize public administration;
- ii. improve training systems;

- iii. digitize administrative processes;
- iv. strengthen merit-based recruitment;
- v. and introduce performance evaluation systems.

3.4 JUDICIAL REFORM

An independent and efficient judiciary remains essential for democracy.

CDA shall:

- i. strengthen judicial independence;
- ii. digitize court systems;
- iii. improve judicial funding;
- iv. reduce case delays;
- v. strengthen legal aid systems;
- vi. and improve access to justice.

Separation of AGF and Minister of Justice

The Attorney-General of the Federation shall become institutionally independent from the political office of Minister of Justice.

This shall strengthen prosecutorial independence and reduce political interference.

CHAPTER 4

NATIONAL SECURITY, DEFENCE AND INTERNAL STABILITY

4.1 SECURITY PHILOSOPHY

Security is the foundation of national development.

CDA believes that sustainable security requires:

- i. professional security institutions;
- ii. intelligence modernization;
- iii. community participation;
- iv. economic opportunity;
- v. and effective governance.

4.2 SECURITY SECTOR REFORM

A CDA Government shall pursue comprehensive security reforms focused on:

- i. intelligence coordination;
- ii. military modernization;

- iii. police reform;
- iv. border protection;
- v. counter-terrorism;
- vi. cyber-security;
- vii. and community policing.

4.3 COMMUNITY SECURITY FRAMEWORK

CDA supports responsible decentralization of security functions within constitutional safeguards.

States and regions shall be empowered to support:

- i. community safety,
- ii. intelligence gathering,
- iii. and localized security coordination.

4.4 TECHNOLOGY-DRIVEN SECURITY

CDA shall deploy:

- i. surveillance systems,
- ii. artificial intelligence,
- iii. forensic technologies,
- iv. biometric systems,
- v. drone monitoring,
- vi. and integrated intelligence databases.

4.5 ADDRESSING ROOT CAUSES OF INSECURITY

CDA recognizes that insecurity is driven partly by:

- i. unemployment,
- ii. poverty,
- iii. social exclusion,
- iv. corruption,
- v. weak governance,
- vi. and educational collapse.

Security policy shall therefore align with:

- i. economic development,
- ii. youth employment,
- iii. education,

- iv. and social inclusion.

CHAPTER 5

NATIONAL ECONOMIC TRANSFORMATION

5.1 ECONOMIC PHILOSOPHY

Nigeria must transition from a fragile rent-dependent economy toward a productive industrial economy.

CDA's economic doctrine is based on:

- i. industrialization;
- ii. innovation;
- iii. infrastructure;
- iv. technology;
- v. agriculture;
- vi. enterprise;
- vii. and productivity.

5.2 MACROECONOMIC STABILITY

A CDA Government shall prioritize:

- i. inflation reduction;
- ii. exchange rate stabilization;
- iii. fiscal discipline;
- iv. debt sustainability;
- v. and domestic production.

5.3 INDUSTRIALIZATION STRATEGY

Nigeria cannot become prosperous without industrialization.

CDA shall establish a National Industrial Development Programme focused on:

- i. steel;
- ii. petrochemicals;
- iii. manufacturing;
- iv. pharmaceuticals;
- v. automotive industries;
- vi. agro-processing;

- vii. and technology manufacturing.

Industrial Corridors

Strategic industrial corridors shall be developed across regions based on comparative economic advantages.

5.4 INFRASTRUCTURE-LED DEVELOPMENT

Infrastructure investment shall become central to economic policy.

Priority investments shall include:

- i. roads;
- ii. railways;
- iii. ports;
- iv. airports;
- v. energy systems;
- vi. broadband infrastructure;
- vii. and logistics networks.

5.5 SMALL BUSINESS AND ENTERPRISE DEVELOPMENT

SMEs remain essential for:

- i. employment,
- ii. innovation,
- iii. and economic expansion.

CDA shall:

- i. expand low-interest financing;
- ii. simplify business registration;
- iii. reduce multiple taxation;
- iv. support cooperative finance;
- v. and strengthen enterprise development.

5.6 FINANCIAL SYSTEM REFORM

CDA shall strengthen:

- i. financial inclusion;
- ii. rural banking;
- iii. digital finance;
- iv. fintech innovation;

- v. and investment systems.

5.7 DIGITAL ECONOMY AND ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE

Nigeria must become Africa's leading innovation economy.

A CDA Government shall:

- i. expand broadband access;
- ii. support startups;
- iii. encourage research and innovation;
- iv. strengthen cybersecurity;
- v. and introduce AI education.

National Artificial Intelligence Strategy

The AI Strategy shall focus on:

- i. healthcare;
- ii. agriculture;
- iii. governance;
- iv. manufacturing;
- v. education;
- vi. and digital productivity.

Ethical AI regulations shall protect:

- i. privacy,
- ii. human rights,
- ii. and democratic freedoms.

CHAPTER 6

AGRICULTURE, FOOD SECURITY AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT

6.1 AGRICULTURAL TRANSFORMATION

Agriculture shall become:

- i. modern,
- ii. mechanized,
- iii. technology-driven,
- iv. and commercially competitive.

6.2 FOOD SECURITY STRATEGY

CDA shall pursue:

- i. increased food production;
- ii. irrigation expansion;
- iii. improved storage systems;
- iv. improved farm security;
- v. and agricultural financing.

6.3 AGRO-INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT

A CDA Government shall support:

- i. agro-processing industries;
- ii. food export industries;
- iii. agricultural cooperatives;
- iv. and agricultural value chains.

6.4 RURAL DEVELOPMENT

Rural communities shall receive priority investments in:

- i. roads;
- ii. electrification;
- iii. irrigation;
- iv. schools;
- v. healthcare;
- vi. and digital connectivity.

CHAPTER 7

POWER, ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES

7.1 ENERGY PHILOSOPHY

Reliable and affordable energy remains essential for:

- i. industrialization,
- ii. investment,
- iii. employment,
- iv. and national productivity.

7.2 ELECTRICITY EXPANSION

CDA shall:

- i. expand generation capacity;
- ii. modernize transmission infrastructure;
- iii. improve distribution efficiency;
- iv. and strengthen energy regulation.

7.3 RENEWABLE ENERGY

Nigeria must embrace renewable energy expansion.

A CDA Government shall support:

- i. solar,
- ii. hydro,
- iii. wind,
- iv. battery storage,
- v. and off-grid systems.

7.4 OIL AND GAS REFORM

Nigeria's petroleum resources must support national development.

CDA shall:

- i. strengthen local refining;
- ii. reduce fuel importation;
- iii. improve transparency;
- iv. and encourage gas industrialization.

CHAPTER 8

EDUCATION, SCIENCE AND HUMAN CAPITAL DEVELOPMENT

8.1 EDUCATIONAL PHILOSOPHY

Education remains the foundation of national development.

CDA shall pursue:

- i. universal access,
- ii. quality education,
- iii. digital learning,
- iv. and human capital development.

8.2 BASIC EDUCATION

A CDA Government shall:

- i. reduce out-of-school children;
- ii. improve school infrastructure;
- iii. strengthen teacher training;
- iv. and modernize curricula.

8.3 STEM AND DIGITAL EDUCATION

Special emphasis shall be placed on:

- i. science,
- ii. technology,
- iii. engineering,
- iv. mathematics,
- v. coding,
- vi. robotics,
- vii. and artificial intelligence.

8.4 VOCATIONAL EDUCATION

Technical and vocational education shall support:

- i. manufacturing,
- ii. construction,
- iii. agriculture,
- iv. energy,
- v. and digital industries.

8.5 UNIVERSITY REFORM

CDA shall strengthen:

- i. research funding;
- ii. university autonomy;
- iii. academic infrastructure;
- iv. and industry partnerships.

CHAPTER 9

HEALTHCARE AND SOCIAL PROTECTION

9.1 HEALTHCARE PHILOSOPHY

Healthcare is a fundamental human right.

CDA shall pursue universal, affordable, and accessible healthcare.

9.2 PRIMARY HEALTHCARE EXPANSION

A CDA Government shall:

- i. strengthen primary healthcare centres;
- ii. improve maternal healthcare;
- iii. expand immunization systems;
- iv. and improve rural healthcare access.

9.3 HEALTH INSURANCE

CDA shall expand national health insurance coverage to reduce out-of-pocket healthcare burdens.

9.4 PHARMACEUTICAL DEVELOPMENT

Nigeria must strengthen local pharmaceutical production.

CDA shall support:

- i. pharmaceutical manufacturing;
- ii. medical research;
- iii. vaccine production;
- iv. and medical technology industries.

9.5 MENTAL HEALTH

Mental healthcare shall become an integral part of national health policy.

CHAPTER 10

YOUTH, WOMEN AND SOCIAL INCLUSION

10.1 YOUTH EMPOWERMENT

Nigeria's youth population represents a major national asset.

CDA shall:

- i. expand youth employment;
- ii. support entrepreneurship;
- iii. improve digital skills;
- iv. and increase youth inclusion in governance.

10.2 WOMEN EMPOWERMENT

CDA supports:

- i. women's political participation;

- ii. economic inclusion;
- iii. equal opportunity;
- iv. and stronger protection against gender-based violence.

10.3 SOCIAL PROTECTION

A CDA Government shall strengthen:

- i. social safety systems;
- ii. disability protections;
- iii. pension reforms;
- iv. and support for vulnerable populations.

CHAPTER 11

HOUSING, URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND ENVIRONMENT

11.1 HOUSING DEVELOPMENT

CDA shall pursue a National Affordable Housing Programme focused on:

- i. mortgage expansion;
- ii. cooperative housing;
- iii. local building materials;
- iv. and urban renewal.

11.2 URBAN PLANNING

Cities must become:

- i. safer,
- ii. cleaner,
- iii. technologically modern,
- iv. and environmentally sustainable.

11.3 CLIMATE CHANGE POLICY

Climate change represents a serious national challenge.

CDA shall:

- i. improve flood management;
- ii. combat desertification;
- iii. strengthen environmental regulation;
- iv. and support green industries.

CHAPTER 12

SPORTS, CULTURE AND CREATIVE ECONOMY

12.1 CREATIVE INDUSTRIES

Nigeria's creative economy represents a major source of:

- i. employment,
- ii. exports,
- iii. innovation,
- iv. and global influence.

CDA shall support:

- i. Nollywood;
- ii. music industries;
- iii. digital content industries;
- iv. fashion;
- v. gaming;
- vi. and cultural enterprises.

12.2 SPORTS DEVELOPMENT

Sports shall become:

- i. a national development sector,
- ii. a youth empowerment platform,
- iii. and a major economic industry.

CHAPTER 13

FOREIGN POLICY, DIASPORA AND INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

13.1 FOREIGN POLICY PRINCIPLES

Nigeria's foreign policy shall prioritize:

- i. national interest;
- ii. economic diplomacy;
- iii. African cooperation;
- iv. democratic values;
- v. and regional stability.

13.2 DIASPORA ENGAGEMENT

Nigeria's diaspora community represents:

- i. economic strength,
- ii. investment potential,
- iii. and global influence.

CDA shall strengthen:

- i. diaspora investment,
- ii. diaspora voting,
- iii. and diaspora participation in national development.

CHAPTER 14

IMPLEMENTATION, ACCOUNTABILITY AND NATIONAL TRANSFORMATION

14.1 GOVERNMENT PERFORMANCE FRAMEWORK

CDA recognizes that policy success depends on implementation.

A CDA Government shall therefore establish:

- i. measurable performance targets;
- ii. annual national scorecards;
- iii. independent monitoring systems;
- iv. and digital project tracking platforms.

14.2 TRANSPARENCY AND PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Citizens shall have greater access to:

- i. budget information;
- ii. project monitoring;
- iii. public procurement data;
- iv. and governance reporting.

14.3 FIRST 100 DAYS PRIORITIES

A CDA Government shall prioritize:

- i. economic stabilization;
- ii. security coordination reforms;
- iii. anti-corruption transparency measures;
- iv. power sector interventions;

- v. youth employment programmes;
- vi. infrastructure acceleration;
- vii. and constitutional dialogue.

FINAL DECLARATION

The Citizens Democratic Alliance believes Nigeria can become:

- i. secure,
- ii. productive,
- iii. innovative,
- iv. democratic,
- v. prosperous,
- vi. technologically advanced,
- vii. and globally respected.

We believe national transformation requires:

- i. visionary leadership,
- ii. strong institutions,
- iii. productive economic policies,
- iv. constitutional reform,
- v. democratic accountability,
- vi. technological modernization,
- vii. and national unity through justice and fairness.

CDA offers Nigerians a new direction.

“Let’s Work To Make Nigeria Work.”