

# **NATIONAL ACTION PLAN (NAP) ON TILAPIA LAKE VIRUS (TiLV)**

There are more than 25 species of tilapias in Nigeria, out of which about six species are used for aquaculture, including

Oreochromis spp. (*O. niloticus* and *O. aureus*),

Sarotherodon spp. (*S. galilaeus* and *S. melanotheron*),

And *Tilapia* spp. (*T. guineensis* and *T. Zillii*).



- **Geographical distribution of the wild tilapia** - All freshwater bodies including the pond water
- **Average yearly production of the farm/hatcheries** - 21,000 tons in 2013 (record not updated)
- **Production season if non-continuous production** - All year round

# Available laboratory facilities

S/N	Description	Location	REMARK
1.	Animal care consult Ibadan,	Ibadan	TiLv diagnosis, no reagent
2.	National Veterinary Research Institute, (Vom) in Jos,	Jos Plateau State	TiLv diagnosis, no reagent
3.	Research Institute and Universities: NIFFRI, NIOMR.	Niger and, Lagos	TiLv diagnosis, no reagent

# Sectoral stakeholders

- Producers organization e.g Tilapia Developer Association of Nigeria (TDAN) Fish Farmers Association of Nigeria
- Scientific or professional societies Fisheries Society of Nigeria FISON, National Institute of Fresh Water and Fisheries Research NIFFR & National Institute of Marine Research (NIOMR)

# BOTTLENECKS FOR DEVELOPMENT AND IMPLEMENTATION

- **Government commitment** -
- Yes but no budgetary provision to build staff capacities
- Lack of enforcement and implementation strategy to support project initiated
- Policy continuity
- lack of proper data base
- lack of trained or knowledgeable quarantine, fisheries and veterinary officers designated for such duties;
- lack of a national health and disease surveillance strategy and plan;
- lack of infrastructural and technical capacity to cope with growing fisheries and aquaculture industry
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- **Champions** - Available to be identified among the staffs of federal department of fisheries and aquaculture, and other stakeholders
- **Technical and operational support** - yes and can also be sourced from other relevant project in the Department,
- **Emergency preparedness** - yes from the Quality Assurance division for other species like catfish, Nigerian Agricultural quarantine Service (NAQS) has started public enlightenment and sensitization of the role of aquatic resources quarantine on aquatic biosecurity

Thank you.