

Public Sector Reform Unit



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PSRU commences validation of NMSA's draft Management and Functional Review Report



Monday 14th September 2026, Companero Bureh Town Peninsula: The Public Sector Reform Unit, PSRU, has commenced a three-day technical validation retreat to review and validate the draft MFR report of the National Medical Supply Agency, NMSA.

The retreat provides an opportunity for stakeholders to critically assess the draft report with a view to contributing meaningful to its contents.

In her welcome address

the Managing Director of NMSA, Miss Jattu Abdulai noted that the retreat comes at a crucial stage in the Agency's development, pointing out that its responsibilities and operating environment have continued to expand since its establishment.



According to the Managing Director, expectations surrounding commodity security, strategic procurement, warehousing and distribution, digitalisation, accountability, sustainability, financing, and responsiveness to the needs of health facilities have equally increased.

Speaking during the validation retreat, the board Chairman of NMSA Alhaji Murtada M Sesay stressed the importance of synchronising the functions of warehousing and distribution with those of health facilities and other service delivery points, stressing

that weaknesses in coordination between the two sides of the supply chain could negatively affect the overall delivery system.

The Chairman also raised concerns over the level of interaction between NMSA, its parent Ministry and other partners, stating that unclear relationships could sometimes affect the Agency's efficiency. He called for clarity in reporting lines and institutional responsibilities.

Delivering the keynote address, the Director of PSRU, Mr Sulaiman Phoray- Musa stated that the review provides an opportunity to critically assess the Agency's mandate, structures, functions, systems and institutional capacity.



He explained that the MFR process is a diagnostic tool designed to identify institutional gaps and weaknesses and provide practical, evidence-based recommendations to strengthen public institutions.

He explained further that the validation exercise represents an important stage in repositioning NMSA for greater efficiency and improved service delivery.

The Director outlined the six stages of the MFR process, from inception and stakeholders engagements to implementation and

institutional follow-through.

He encouraged participants to engage openly, challenge the findings where necessary, share evidence and perspectives, and work towards consensus on practical measures for a stronger and more effective NMSA.

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The Public Sector Reform Unit (PSRU) provides leadership, coordination, and technical backstopping in the strategic design, development, implementation, monitoring, evaluation, and reporting of all public sector reform initiatives. Its mission is to facilitate the creation of a lean, performance-oriented, highly motivated, modern, and efficient Public Service that delivers high-quality services to the people of Sierra Leone in a timely and cost-effective manner.



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