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### WHAT'S NEW UNDER GIRL'S EDUCATION AND EMPOWERMENT PROGRAM

Under the girl's education program, the organization is guided with National Education Act of 1978, National Development Plan, Education and Training Policy, Education Sector Development Plan, Continental Education Strategy for Africa, Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination Against Women and Sustainable Development Goals. In 2021 the government introduced a re-entry guideline that allows all students who dropout from school with any reasons to rejoin as a step towards the achievement of leaving no one behind.

As media reports in 2020 indicates that, in Pwani, specifically Kisarawe district 190 girls got teenage pregnancies, this put more emphasis on organization to continue its campaign for girls, women and youth soft skills training concerning entrepreneurship activities, leadership skills, sexual and reproductive health all of intervention reflect both in school and out of school girls.

Also, the organization being a member of Tanzania Education Network both collaborate to raise awareness on the importance of education to girl child data indicated that in Tanzania 59.5% of girls come from families experiencing monetary poverty, 90.3% of girls drop out of school due to truancy, and 8.1% of girls leave school due to early pregnancy and marriage.

It has been observed that 23 out of 100 adolescent girls aged 15-19 years have experienced teenage pregnancy, and 4 in 10 girls aged 15-19 do not make decisions about their healthcare. Girls are more likely to experience gender-based harassment and violence as 57% of schools had no hand washing facilities, 40% had no water supply and 60% did not have a place to dispose of sanitary pads.

It has been reported sexual violence occurring while travelling to or from schools. Through marathon event during the commemoration of girl child, the organization participated in community awareness creation concerning right to education for a girl child as is the most powerful weapon which can be used to change the world.



*Ms. Queen Muhabuka as one among of beneficiaries of girls' sponsorship program pursuing design sewing cloth technology at Mgulani JKT vocational College.*

*Ms. Ruth together with a National coordinator at Tanzania Education Network both at frontline during the marathon event toward celebration of a girl child day with the theme "Girls and leadership, lets educate her". The marathon aims at creating awareness focus on girls' education that will increase her chance to participate in leadership and decision-making levels.*



*Ms. Genoveva Miti our Advocacy and Empowerment officer provided life skills and mentorship training to young girls during a two days' workshop, the training aimed at promoting opportunities that will lead to actionable steps.*

*The organization continues to advocate for women empowerment programs that emphasis on entrepreneurship issues such as business registration, record keeping, branding and package as well as tax education. Miss Genoveva with business women during a training session.*



## BUDGET AND TAXATION PROGRAM

Community Development for All as a member of policy forum network, the organization has been participating in production of citizens' budget booklet with a simplified version. The booklet reflects all sector with its allocated budget. The aim of this activity is to see all necessary information that citizens require to know are incorporated within the booklet. The mentioned collaboration saves under 2 aspects whereby the Ministry of Finance performs all due diligence and print the booklet then the organization distribute and conduct community engagement through the utilization of such booklet. The organization use different avenue such as Village/Street meeting to capacitate community on budget issues together with feedback meeting with local government authority and other stakeholders meeting to see the progress of budget implementation if it adheres to the priorities raised by community during budget preparation and opportunities & obstacles to development interventions.



*The executive director of Community Development for All Miss. Ruth Bethuel as a resource hub (with white court) for the preparation of citizens' budget booklet to other civil society organization.*

The organization also participated in the preparations of UN tax convention analysis together with its policy brief for the purpose of achieving equitable tax reform as it aimed at reshaping the tax system as currently dominated by OECD members. Issues of tax evasion and avoidance continue to undermine Tanzania economic growth with substantial revenue loss each year as it weakens essential public services such as healthcare, education and other social sector. Tanzania like other nations faces challenges in navigating global tax policies that undermine domestic resource mobilization where economic activities occur leading to significant revenue losses especially illicit financial flows as Tanzania economy reliant on natural resources suffers from tax avoidance, transfer mispricing and complex ownership structures. As being a member of the policy forum network after the policy brief successfully published, the organization has a role of capacitating the Members of Parliament on benefit of adapting tax convention that will put much emphasis on beneficial ownership, country by country report as well as companies registrations to our economy not only that but also to educate community through the use of simplified language so that community will be aware on issues of tax avoidance, evasion and illicit financial flows.



*Ms. Ruth Bethuel explain to participant importance of emphasis on beneficial ownership, country by country reports and amendment of tax laws, regulations as the way of promoting sustainable revenue for better economic growth.*



Prior to its registration the organization play its role of ensuring Citizens and particularly marginalized communities are informed, confident, and effectively engaged in the planning and implementation of development strategies. Through this the organization has privilege to engage with Member of Parliament concerning budget process in Tanzania for the purpose of looking on how budget can be credible and transparent as the internal means to enhance budget accountability within agencies. As the organization being a budget activist in local government level, we had an opportunity to share our insight concerning citizens participation from the all-budget level i.e., Budget formulation, budget approval, budget execution as well as at reporting phases.



*Ms. Arifa Kaluta a gender and communication officer (middle) at Community Development for All together with Members of Tanzania Parliament during engagement sessions.*

## GOOD GOVERNANCE AND DEMOCRACY PROGRAM

Since its formation the organization shows its capacity of providing civic education to community, observing local government authority and general election under long term and short-term observer. Followed by an announcement issued by the government requesting non-governmental organizations applying for approval to provide voter education and to monitor the exercise of improving the permanent register of voters. The organization made an application and was selected in the aspect of providing voter education. Currently the organization move forward to attend official meeting organized by Independent National Electoral Commission as well as finished to register voter education who will be eligible to provide such education in the selected area of Pwani region at Kisarawe district, Mkuranga district and Kibiti district together with Ilala Municipality within Dar Es Salaam Region.



*Ms. Ruth Bethuel the Executive Director attend official meeting organized by Independent National Electoral Commission concerning all procedures to follow while providing voters education to community.*

The organization is proud to announce the re-elected of Ms. Ruth Bethuel as board member to serve for the second phase of the election process that took place during the annual general meeting of Tanzania Education Network. Ms. Ruth serves under Finance, Risk and Audit committee within the board.



*The community Development for All executive Director gave a vote of thanks to Tanzania Education Network members for believing in her capacity that enhance the visibility of the Network.*

## UPCOMING EVENTS:

1. Construction of community resource center and hall.
2. Girl's sponsorship and empowerment programs.
3. Civic and voters education
4. Establishment of in school and out school children clubs

## RECENT PARTNERSHIP

1. African Child Projects - schools connectivity project as a digital friend.
2. Open Mind Tanzania - Youth employment initiative (YEID]



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