

HAKI NA USALAMA

JUSTICE AND SECURITY FORUM

OVERVIEW OF THE HAKI NA USALAMA FORUM'S WORK IN 2016-2017

The Forum has been revived by visiting founding members and organizations who advocate for reforms in the criminal justice system and police reforms specifically. From the visits, both founding organizations and newly approached organization supported the revival of the Forum. In total 18 organizations were reached by the visits and now the Forum has a membership of 13 CSOs including:

1. Tanganyika Law Society-TLS
2. Commonwealth Human Rights Initiative-CHRI
3. Legal and Human Rights Center-LHRC
4. Tanzania Human Rights Defenders' Coalition-THRD
5. Women Legal Aid Centre-WLAC
6. Child Dignity Forum-CDF
7. National Organization for Legal Aid-Nola
8. Tanzania Youth Vision Association-TYVA
9. Tanzania Media Women Association-TAMWA
10. African Network for the Prevention and Protection Against Child Abuse and Neglect-ANNPCAN
11. Women in Law and Development in Africa-WILDAF
12. Women Action Towards Economic Development-WATED
13. Tanzania Women and Children Welfare Centre-TCWC

Also, the Forum worked with different state and non-state actors as partners, such partners include:

1. The Commission for Human Rights and Good Governance-CHRAGG
2. The Law Reform Commission
3. The Attorney General's Chamber
4. Tanzania Police Force-TPF
5. Hans Seidel Foundation-HSF
6. Open Society Initiative for Eastern Africa-OSIEA
7. National Criminal Justice Forum

Project introductory visits were not only held with CSOs but also with the Inspector General of the Police and the Chief Justice.

The first stakeholders' workshop was conducted on 11th April 2016 and was attended by representative of 25 Non-Governmental Organizations, the Police Force, Prison Services Department, CHRAGG, CHRI and print and electronic media houses.

The Second Stakeholders' workshop was on 10th October 2016 along with the launching of the first discussion paper on Police and the Executive: Roles and Responsibility i.e. Police Independence. This workshop was attended by 42 participants and 20 journalists.

Research to develop and publish the 4 publication was conducted in following ways:

- 1) Initial research and development of the first draft of the Police independence and police accountability papers was done by CHRI. Later TLS, CHRAGG, Law Reform Commission, Tanzania Police Force and representatives from the AG Chambers validated the first draft which included giving more inputs to ensure that the paper responds to Tanzanian realities and needs.
- 2) Research relating to the discussion paper on local security council was undertaken by first conducting a field research to undertake interviews and administer questionnaires with members of District Security Committees in the following districts; Kibiti, Lindi Municipality, Nyamagana, Rufiji-Utete
- 3) The review of the 101 booklet was done by TLS, CHRAGG, Law Reform Commission, Tanzania Police Force and representatives from the AG Chambers and validated by all members of the Forum.

Media outreach was done by

- 1) Engaging media houses to cover the first and second stakeholders' workshop
- 2) Through a press conference to commemorate the signing of African Guidelines on Pretrial Detention.
- 3) Press conference to launch the dissemination of 300 Braille copies of the 101 booklet at Uhuru Mchanganyiko Primary School on 23rd May 2017 where 42 journalist and 13 participants including government representatives attended.
- 4) Press Conference to launch the Swahili 101 Booklet on 30th March 2017 where 44 journalist attended
- 5) Special Featured Article on the Citizen newspaper of Wednesday 31st May 2017 which highlighted on the work of the Forum and the democratic policing project
- 6) 8 TV programs on the content of 101 booklet whereby six programs were recorded and broadcasted on Channel 10, one TV program was broadcasted live on ITV and the last TV program was recorded and broadcasted on EATV.
- 7) Two featured newspaper articles one on Jamboleo and the on Uhuru newspaper
- 8) News coverage at different times on different radio, TV, News papers and blogs including; Safari Radio, EFM Radio, Channel 10 TV, the Citizen newspaper, Uhuru newspaper, Jamboleo newspaper, East Africa Radio, Star TV, ITV, Sibuka Radio, Radio Imani E.T.C.

The 101 booklet was reviewed, 8000 Swahili copies published and launched on 30th March 2017 with an attendance of 32 Participants. This workshop was presided by a press conference as mentioned above.

The Police Independence discussion paper which was later called Police and the Executive: Roles and Responsibility was published in English and Swahili. The paper was launched on 10th October 2016 along with the second stakeholder workshop. 100 English copies and 500 Swahili copies were printed and disseminated.

Publication of 500 copies of the Swahili Discussion paper on police oversight and accountability titled "Uwajibikaji Ndani ya Jeshi la Polisi."

Publication of 1000 copies of Swahili booklet on local level Security Council titled "Kamati za Ulinzi na Usalama za Wilaya."

Dissemination of the 4 publications is as follows;

- 1) 2000 Copies of the Swahili 101 were dispatched to be distributed to paralegals in the following regions Mwanza, Mtwara, Songea, Arusha, Kilimanjaro, Kigoma, Tanga, Mbeya, Iringa and Bukoba
- 2) 4000 copies of the Swahili 101 were sent to paralegal Units of every district of the following regions; Pwani, Kilimanjaro, Manyara, Lindi, Njombe, Morogoro, Mara, Geita, Simiyu, Shinyanga and Singida. Each District received 25 booklets to be distributed amongst paralegal units.
- 3) The remaining 2000 copies of the Swahili 101 are being distributed in different occasions such as in exhibitions such as Sabasaba, Nanenane, law day and legal aid day. Moreover, these copies have also been distributed to members and partners of the Forum.
- 4) The other three publications which are meant to be used by policy makers are being distributed to all government and nongovernmental stakeholders working to promote the criminal justice system and policing in particular. Such stakeholders include; The ministry of Home Affairs, Ministry of Constitutional and Legal Affairs, Attorney General Chamber, Tanzania Police Force, CHRAGG, Law Reform Commission, The Prison Department, Immigration Department, School of Law University of Dar Es Salaam who offer a Bachelor of Arts in Law Enforcement, Forum members and partners
- 5) The 300 Braille copies were distributed as follows:
 - 100 copies were given to Uhuru Mchanganyiko Primary School for distribution to other schools as that is the centre for distribution of facilities for special schools for people with disabilities,
 - 100 copies were given to Tanzania League of the Blind for distribution to its members
 - 20 copies were given to the School of Education-Special Education Unit at the University of Dar Es Salaam for its library.
 - Remaining copies will be distributed to SHIVYAWATA, DOLASED and other CSOs with people without eye sight.

Two Forum meetings were conducted one being part of the 101 booklet launching sessions conducted on 30th March 2017 and other being an integral part of the first stakeholders workshop held on 11th April 2016. These meetings were instrumental in shaping the governance structure of the Forum as they resolved achieved the following:

- 1) That the Forum to be registered under the NGO Act as a Coalition
- 2) Proposed and approved the Coalition's organogram
- 3) Approved the Constitution of the Coalition
- 4) Sanctioned the registration of the Coalition