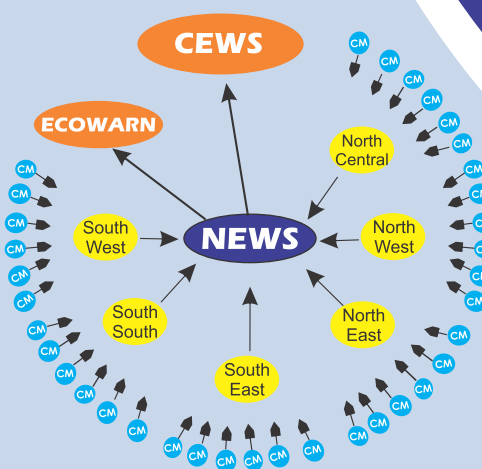




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WANEP NIGERIA WORKING PRINCIPLES

Vision:

A Nigeria characterized by just and peaceful coexistence among communities where dignity of the human person is paramount and where the people can meet their basic human needs and decide their own direction.

Mission:

To enable and facilitate the development of mechanisms for cooperation among civil society based peacebuilding practitioners and organizations in Nigeria by providing cooperative responses to violent conflicts; providing structure through which these practitioners and institutions can regularly share experiences and information on peacebuilding, conflict transformation, social, ethno-religious and political reconciliation and tolerance; and promoting cultural values as resources for peacebuilding.

Goal:

To build a sustainable peaceful coexistence amongst all the various sectors and groups of the Nigerian community; thereby creating an enabling environment for national growth and development

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WANEP-Nigeria is a National Network of the West Africa Network for Peacebuilding, West Africa regional Secretariat with headquarters at Accra-Ghana. It provides an organized platform for collaborative peacebuilding by indigenous Non Governmental Organisations (NGO) for conflict transformation and development in Nigeria.



OBJECTIVES OF WANEP-NIGERIA

- Strengthen the peacebuilding capacities of organizations and practitioners to actively engage in the prevention and/or peaceful transformation of violent conflicts in Nigeria.
- Increase awareness and use of non-violent strategies as a proactive response to conflicts in order to avoid violence.
- Promote principled and responsive leadership in the country within the context that appreciates the culture of non-violence, advocates for just social, political structures and relationships.
- Engender conflict prevention and peacebuilding issues in the country.
- Harmonize and develop conflict prevention through peacebuilding activities by networking and coordination of WANEP members into viable networks and mechanisms.

Operating Principles and Values

- Belief in mutual respect for one another;
- Transparency and accountability;
- Gender equality and zero tolerance to discrimination (sex, tribe/ethnicity, race, HIV-AIDS status etc);
- Collegiality, teamwork and dedication to duty;
- Tolerance and respect for diversity;
- Justice for all;
- Quality delivery;
- Collaboration and consultation.

Established in 2001, WANEP-Nigeria is the largest peacebuilding network in Nigeria with a membership spread of two hundred (200) Community Based Non Governmental Organizations operating in the thirty six (36) States of Nigeria including the Federal Capital Territory (FCT).



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West Africa Network for Peacebuilding Nigeria (WANEP-Nigeria) was established out of necessity to provide an organized platform for collaborative peacebuilding for social change and stable democracy in Nigeria by indigenous organizations working in the area of conflict transformation, peacebuilding and good governance. Its operational framework was designed along the visions of the regional network operating in West Africa, Chad and Cameroun with the ultimate goal of building sustainable peace for growth and development in the region.

WANEP Nigeria operations are structured along the geo-political constellation of Nigeria and targets grassroots ownership of peacebuilding initiatives through its member organizations in all the thirty six (36) states of Nigeria including the Federal Capital Territory (FCT). Membership of WANEP-Nigeria, pursuant to constitutional provisions is for organizations with 40% conflict transformation and peacebuilding initiatives. Some of these organizations however have other areas of competence other than peacebuilding. WANEP-Nigeria has over two hundred (200) member organizations spread across the six geo-political zones of the country.

Intervention programs of the Network are divided into five basic thematic areas; Conflict Prevention; Women, Peace and Security (WPS); Active Non Violence and Peace Education; Democracy and Good Governance; Research and Documentation (R&D).

Active Non-Violence and Peace Education: Strives to institutionalize non-violence and peace

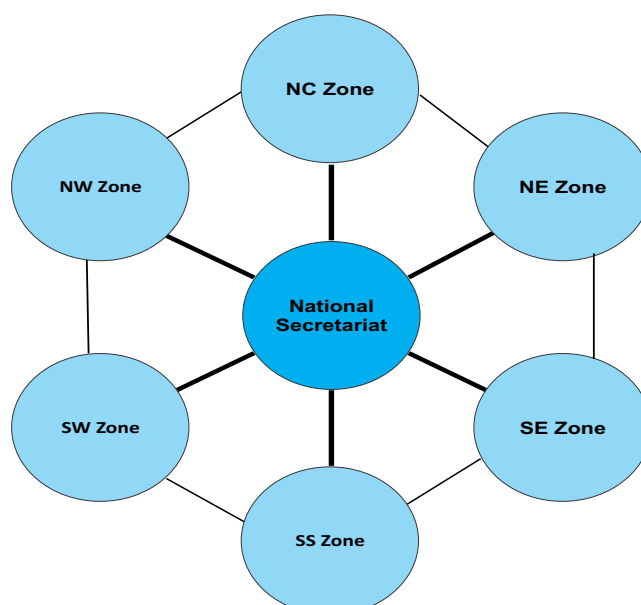
education in Primary, Secondary and Tertiary institutions in Nigeria

Conflict Prevention: Works towards the establishment of civil society early warning and response system in Nigeria, which is linked to ECOWAS conflict prevention mechanism at the regional level. It also works with relent government and inter-governmental agencies towards Disaster Risk Reduction in the country.

Democracy and Good Governance: Designed to strengthen governance capacities through developing and integrating conflict management systems at different levels of governance and also ensure transparency in decision making.

Women, Peace and Security (WPS): Offer opportunity for the participation of women in peace building mechanisms through a coordinated network that facilitates advocacy, reconciliation and transformation skills.

Research and Documentation (R&D): Promotes cross-fertilization of resources and expertise among zones.





Dr. Abiola Akiyode-Afolabi

I commence this message by applauding the efforts and commitment of the board members, secretariat staff and network members of WANEP- Nigeria in ensuring the attainment of the organization's objectives amidst severe economic and security challenges. The National Network Coordinator and her team at the Secretariat were undaunted by the increasing level of security threats that eroded the peace within communities but coordinated and implemented all planned projects. Also, with the adherence to COVID- 19 measures and acceptance of the vaccination by staff members, WANEP – Nigeria was minimally impacted by the pandemic, especially on the field, during international programs and daily routine within the office. While we are not yet 'out of the woods', we will continue to implement safety measures and sensitize the populace to forestall a spike in the number of affected persons.

The outgoing year was filled with commendable achievements with the recognition and support by state and non – state actors across Nigeria! Notably, the Lagos State Universal Basic Education Board (LASUBEB) honored WANEP with an award for being the most supportive Non – Governmental Organization (NGO), inculcating a culture of peace amongst pupils in public primary schools in Lagos State. The Federal Ministry of Women Affairs and Social Development (FMWASD) in recognition of WANEP's work in promoting the Women, Peace and Security Agenda appointed the Network as a member of the third National Action Plan (NAP), Technical Working Committee of the United Nations Security Council Resolution, UNSCR-1325, on Women, Peace and Security. The technical committee is saddled with the responsibility of the development and launch of the third National Action Plan (NAP) on United Nations Security Council Resolution 1325.

The Women for Equity and Fairness Organization of Nigeria (WEFON) during the 10th year anniversary of the organization honored WANEP with an Award of Excellence in appreciation of WANEP's contributions to women development and growth in Nigeria. The graduating class of Master's in International Affairs and Strategic Studies of the Nigerian Defense Academy, Kaduna recognized WANEP's exceptional skill, dedication and professionalism in peacebuilding by presenting an Excellence Award for Peacebuilding to the organization.

Based on these recognitions, I am proud to report that WANEP strives to sustaining the foremost peacebuilding network in Nigeria. The Conflict Prevention Program has continued to serve state and non-state actors across Nigeria providing the needed security update and information for intervention. Through the early warning outputs including weekly highlights, monthly bulletins and situation tracking conflict trends across the country have been revealed and recommendations made to ameliorate the situation. More so, the commencement of Peace Action for Rapid and Transformative Nigerian Early Response (PARTNER) project funded by United States Agency for International Development (USAID) in partnership with Mercy Corps, WANEP Nigeria, Institute of Peace and Conflict Resolution (IPCR), Kaduna State Peace Commission (KSPC), Plateau State Peacebuilding Agency (PPBA) as implementing partners, the challenges of Early Warning Early Response will be addressed to nip conflict in the bud within communities.

Under the Women in Peacebuilding program, one remarkable result has been the increased awareness of the United Nations Security Council Resolutions and the Women, Peace and Security Agenda. WANEP- Nigeria has continued to sustain its engagement with the media through the Women's Voices for Peace Radio Program broadcasted on seven



MESSAGE FROM THE BOARD CHAIRMAN

(7) radio stations in seven (7) states across Nigeria to promote women's unique role in peace and security. The radio program has helped women brace up and speak on issues that affect their wellbeing and over ten million persons were reached by the program during the year. The Media4peace initiative a platform of over seventy (70) media practitioners and journalists reporting on women's peace efforts in their communities is another conscious effort to project the relevant roles women can and are playing in peacebuilding.

The Active Non- Violence and Peace Education Program was extended to include engagements on violence prevention and countering violent extremism. During the year under review, the third approval was granted by the Lagos State Ministry of Education for WANEP-Nigeria to implement the peace education training in Secondary Schools in the remaining three (3) Education Districts of Lagos State including District III, IV and V in 2023. More than Five hundred (500) students, three hundred (300) pupils and forty nine (49) teachers were equipped with skills and knowledge to actively intervene in disputes and ensure peaceful resolution. At community level, over hundred (100) local actors were trained to build coalitions to counter violent extremism. In all these trainings, a large number of youths were equipped with skills to build a culture of peace and improve their lives. The Justice and Security Dialogue (JSD) project centered on creating a pathway for cordial community and police relations in Adamawa State ahead of the country's general elections in February and March 2023. The dialogues provide the platform for robust conversations on strategies to improve community level response to prevent electoral violence.

Within the Network, it is time for General Elections and possible change in governance from board representatives to coordinators at different levels. The WANEP-Nigeria South South Zonal Network Members organized their General Assembly and elections as stipulated during the General Assembly (GA) held in 2021. Key officers elected into office included the Zonal Coordinator, State Coordinators in the six South South States (Akwa- Ibom, Bayelsa, Cross River, Delta, Edo and Rivers States) and WIPNET Focal Persons. It is our expectation that other zones within the network will emulate this and hold their General Assembly to elect their officers this year for effective coordination at zonal level.

As all these activities were going on, WANEP – Nigeria did not relent in building capacity for the secretariat staff and its network members to improve their skills for effective delivery of organizational objectives. The secretariat staff were exposed to several international trainings and conferences that further projected the image of the organization globally. Notably, the Head of Programs was awarded a Commonwealth Professional Fellowship in the United Kingdom (UK). The special Professional Fellowship Program centered on promoting Girls' Education as part of the UK government initiative to get forty million more girls in primary and secondary schools in developing countries by 2025 to enable them achieve their potentials. The capacity of the new Active Non – Violence and Peace Education intern was enhanced on “Reinforcing Youth Capacities on Conflict Prevention and International Humanitarian and Human Rights Law organized by ECOWAS Commission and “The Role of Youth in Preventing and Countering Violent Extremism in West Africa” organized by Algeria and Germany, co-chairs of Global Counterterrorism Forum's (GCTF); with the support of the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC) as their implementing partner.

With enhanced capacity, the secretariat's efforts in fund raising, forging and sustaining relationships with donor agencies has improved. Partners such the Global Network of Women Peacebuilders (GNWP), Urgent Action Fund Africa (UAF), Norwegian Agency for Development Cooperation (NORAD); the United States Institute of Peace (USIP), United States Agency for International Development (USAID) to mention a few expanded their projects with WANEP in Nigeria. To all our donors, partners, staff, network members and others who share our vision of promoting peaceful co-existence among communities and on behalf of our dedicated Board, I say Thank You! Merci Beaucoup! Gracias! for joining us in building the WANEP brand of “Building Relationships for Peace”.



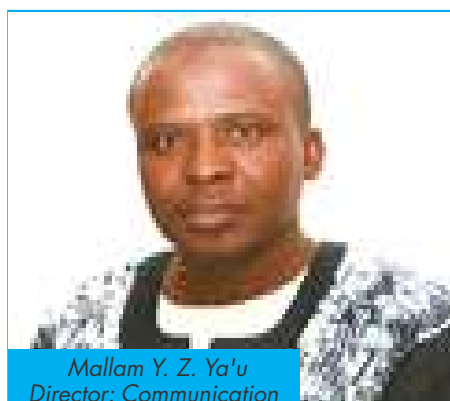
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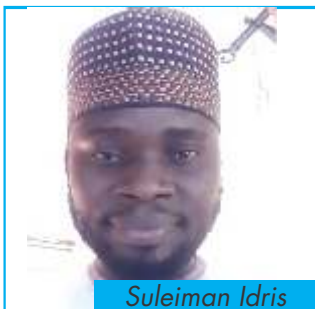
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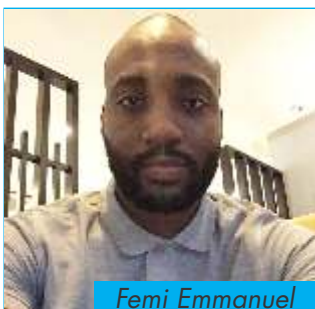
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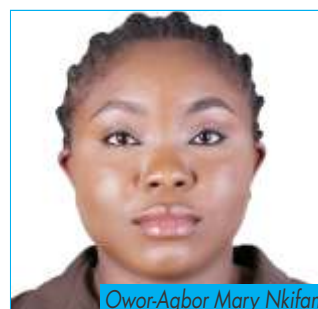
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Message from *The National Network Coordinator*

***“BUILDING RESILIENCE AND SYNERGIES
WITH STAKEHOLDERS TO PROMOTE PEACE
AND SECURITY IN NIGERIA”***

It is another year, an election year in Nigeria, a potential year of great prospects and we are delighted to welcome everyone to 2023! The outgoing year was considered generally as a year of recovery from the global pandemic that began in 2019. While the COVID-19 pandemic is not yet over, it offers valuable lessons to help the world respond better to crises especially health disasters. In Nigeria, we appreciate the citizens adherence to the preventive measures, acceptance of the vaccination, the Federal Government's ease of travel restrictions and the opening of space for more face-to-face engagements. However, the worsening security situation in Nigeria took a worrisome dimension during the year, with the unfortunate incident on Monday 28th March 2022, in which suspected terrorists attacked a Nigerian Railway Corporation (NRC) Abuja-Kaduna evening train carrying an estimated three hundred and ninety eight (398) passengers. The Presidential Committee assembled by the Chief of Defense Staff (CDS), was able to secure the release of all the abducted passengers in batches. Also, the attack on the Kuje Correctional Centre in Abuja on 5th July 2022 which led to the escape of more than six hundred (600) inmates again brought to the fore the fragile state of the nation's security architecture.

In addition to the train attacks and jail breaks, the continuous spread of violent extremism, armed banditry, the phenomenon of agro – pastoralist conflicts with its attendant aggravation of existing community conflicts, widening mistrust between citizens and security agencies, Gender Based Violence (GBV), inter-communal violence, ritual killings, mob justice and intimidation of citizens by the law enforcement agents. In the South-South region, we had economic challenges as the government struggled with kidnappings and to maintain the peace required to achieve optimal crude oil exploration. There were secessionist agitations in the South-East with the Indigenous People of Biafra (IPOB) clamoring for Biafra and South West with Oduduwa Republic clamoring for Yoruba Nation and the resultant violence taking frightening dimensions. With these emerging security threats, WANEP through its different program areas was able to adapt resilient approaches and synergized with varied stakeholders to build peace within communities in Nigeria.

Strategies utilized during the year under review were advocacy, campaigns and lobbying for peace. An advocacy visit was paid to the traditional leader, District Head of Nyuwar, Balanga LGA – Mr. James Pisagh (JP) to commensurate with him on the lives lost during the conflict that erupted in Nyuwar community and strategies put forward to promote peaceful co-existence between the two ethnic groups – Lunguda and Waja in Gombe State. WANEP Nigeria in collaboration with Urgent Action Fund-Africa, under the project “Assessing the impact of insecurity on Women in Nigeria” paid an advocacy visit to key women stakeholders in Delta State, to elicit their views on the impact of insecurity on women and girls in their communities. HRH (Dr.) Obi Martha- the Dunkwu Omu of Okpanam/ Omu Anioma/ Nne oha (Mother to All & Mother Without Borders) and Hon. Commissioner for Women Affairs, Community and Social Development Mrs. Flora Alatan were amongst those visited as well as the Emir, Ona of Abaji, HRH Alhaji Dr. Adamu Baba Yunusa, MFR CCC in Abuja. These stakeholders called on government at all levels not to relegate women to the background rather they should be inclusive in their approaches to peacebuilding and nation building. In commemoration of International Day of Peace over 100 women in Ossissa Community, Delta State participated in a peace march calling for an end to Racism and all forms of Discrimination against women. The United Women Peacebuilding Network, a women peacebuilding group inaugurated by WANEP in 2019 sensitized



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over seventy (70) pupils in Ossissa Model Primary School on the theme of the International Peace Day celebration "End Racism and Discrimination; Promote Peace.

WANEP-Nigeria continued its advocacy and lobbying of legislators of the Lagos State House of Assembly for the passage of the Peace Education bill for the introduction of Peace Education in primary and post primary schools in Lagos State. The bill is still on the floor of the House of Assembly and we expect that after the general elections in February 2023, it will be re-presented to the newly elected legislators for the passage.

Within the framework of our strategic plan, WANEP-Nigeria has built relationship with policy makers as the conflict prevention outputs produced including fifty two (52) weekly highlights, twelve (12) monthly bulletins and six (6) Situation Tracking Updates were shared with state and non-state actors across Nigeria with an increasing demand by more stakeholders to be part of the Linkserve. Engagements on electronic media and social media was prioritized by the organization during the year. The radio programme "Women Voices for Peace" supported by the Norwegian Agency for Development Cooperation. (NORAD) continued on seven (7) radio stations in seven states across Nigeria to promote women's unique role in peace and security. One significant outcome of the radio programme was increased awareness on the United Nations Security Council Resolution 1325 and key issues that affect women wellbeing in the society.

More so, utilizing the virtual platform, the maiden edition of the national GenderTalk series led by the national networks of Ghana and Nigeria commenced with the theme: "Leveraging Partnerships to Advance the Women, Peace and Security (WPS) Agenda". The theme was timely and provided the platform to deliberate on opportunities for effective collaborations and partnerships between state and non-state actors in advancing the WPS agenda. To commemorate the 16 days of Activism Against Gender Based Violence. WANEP-Nigeria in collaboration with the West Africa Action Network on Small Arms (WAANSA- Nigeria) organized a Twitter chat on the topic "Addressing Gender-Based Gun Violence: Creating a Safe Environment for Women and Girls in Nigeria". Prof. Patricia Donli, the Executive Director Gender Equality, Peace and Development Center (GEPaDC) was the guest on the Twitter chat and she responded to questions asked by the populace on the consequences of gun violence on women and girls.

Using trainings and capacity building as a strategy, various stakeholders were equipped with skills and knowledge under the Conflict Prevention program, with Early Warning Early Response (EWER) being WANEP-Nigeria's flagship, as part of the "Integrated Approach to Building Peace in Nigeria's Farmer-Herder Crisis" a United Nations Development Programmes' (UNDP) funded project, WANEP towards ensuring peace in Nasarawa, Benue and Taraba States trained more than ninety (90) community monitors and analysts across the three (3) target states on the operations of Conflict Early Warning and Early Response Systems (CEWERS). Also, to ensure enhanced reporting on the WANEP's National Early Warning System (NEWS) a refresher training was held on identifying and reporting early warning signs for over fifty (50) community monitors. The services of additional community monitors were engaged to contribute to data collection within communities in Nigeria.

The project - Peace Action for Rapid and Transformative Nigerian Early Response (PARTNER) in partnership with Mercy Corps and funded by USAID commenced with WANEP-Nigeria, Institute of Peace and Conflict Resolution (IPCR), Kaduna State Peace Commission (KSPC), Plateau State Peacebuilding Agency (PPBA) as implementing partners. Under the PARTNER project, the Conflict Rapid Needs Assessments (CRNA) conducted in Kaduna and Plateau States revealed the need for an inclusive approach to Early Warning, Early Response (EWER). Four hundred and ninety three (493) stakeholders including 356 males and 137 females were trained and nominated into the Early Warning Monitoring and Reporting Groups in Kaduna and Plateau States. Also, three hundred and sixty (360) stakeholders including 266 males and 94 females were trained and nominated into the Community-Based Reconciliation Committees (CBRCs) in the two (2) states.

On the Women in Peacebuilding program in partnership with the Global Network of Women Peacebuilders (GNWP) with support from the Global Affairs Canada's Peace and Stabilization Operations Program (PSOPs) in the project "Localization of the Women, Peace and Security Resolutions in Nigeria", two (2) Localization Writeshops on the United Nations Security Council Resolution (UNSCR) 1325 was held in Bauchi and Gombe States, North East Nigeria. A key outcome was the strengthening of capacities and partnerships with local actors. Over a hundred



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(100) stakeholders in four (4) communities in the two (2) states validated four drafts of Local Action Plans (LAPs) on UNSCR 1325 in Balanga and Kwami Local Government Areas (LGAs) of Gombe State and Katagum and Toro LGAs of Bauchi State.

A 3-day Training of Trainers Workshop was held for young persons on Leadership, Peacebuilding and Advocacy. The workshop enhanced the leadership and peacebuilding capacities of more than thirty five (35) young persons to advocate for the implementation of the Women, Peace and Security (WPS) and Youth, Peace, and Security (YPS) Agendas in their communities. The capacity of forty (40) media practitioners were also strengthened on Women, Peace, and Security Resolutions and a network of media practitioners established to meaningfully participate, influence, and lead community-based peacebuilding reportage. The Media4peace group comprises of over seventy (70) journalists and media practitioners across Nigeria advocating for gender equality, women's rights, human rights, and gender-responsive humanitarian response.

In collaboration with Nasrul-Hahi-li Fathi Society of Nigeria (NASFAT), a 2-week seminar/ training on Tostan model themed: "Promoting Community Wellbeing" was held in Lagos State. This unique partnership provided the platform for forty (40) civil society actors to reflect on how the Tostan principles could serve to strengthen project implementation at the community level. To further promote community peacebuilding, in partnership with University of Maryland, National Consortium for the Study of Terrorism and Responses to Terrorism (START) and the U.S. Department of State under the project "Coalition Building for Countering Violent Extremism". The capacities of twenty five (25) Civil Society Organisations (CSOs) were built to develop multi-sectoral and multi-disciplinary partnership for the purpose of countering violent extremism within communities. The beneficiaries of the workshop carried out step down training on Violence Prevention for countering violent extremism in Bauchi, Jigawa and Kano States with over seventy five (75) community stakeholders equipped with skills for violence prevention and support provided for Community-Based Organizations to form coalitions to counter violent extremism.

As part of the Active Non-Violence and Peace Education Project in Lagos State, over eight hundred (800) students and three hundred (300) teachers in forty five (45) Public Secondary Schools in three (3) Educational Districts- Isolo, Ikeja and Mushin LGAs in Lagos State were equipped with peacebuilding skills to enable them resolve disputes within and outside the school environment. WANEP-Nigeria was presented with an award for being the most supportive NGO towards the development of Basic Education in Lagos State. This recognition has strengthened the organization's resolve to build capacity of more young persons to increase their contribution to conflict prevention through peer mediation.

With pledged support from our partner the United States Institute for Peace (USIP), the Justice and Security Dialogues (JSD) were held in Adamawa State on Election Security Management: Pathway to 2023 Credible Electoral Process in Nigeria for Law Enforcement Officials. The dialogue provided the platform for the development of strategies to improve community-level response to election violence in Adamawa State. Enhanced participants knowledge of civic education, participatory democracy and election violence prevention. In Gombe State, WANEP- Nigeria in collaboration with the Balanga Localization Steering Committee on UNSCR 1325 has been carrying out peace dialogues with local actors to resolve the conflict between Waja and Lugunda communities. During the year, as part of the dialogue, over four hundred (400) persons internally displaced by the conflict between Waja and Lugunda in Balanga Local Government Area were reached with humanitarian assistance. Food items and warm clothes were distributed to the women and children in Internally Displaced Persons (IDPs) camp in Jessu to alleviate the impact of conflict that erupted on the 10th February 2022.

Other highlights of the year included budding initiatives such as Festivals and Sports for Peace. Bearing in mind the impact of football in promoting unity among the youth in the community, WANEP- Nigeria in collaboration with the Balanga Localization Steering Community presented football sporting kits to two teams namely; Wanda Sparrows FC Nyuwar and Gilengitu Golden Arrows Nyuwar, Balanga LGA, Gombe State. In Uneme Nehua Community, Edo State, the women utilized folktales, peace songs and dances in carrying out a peace festival. An Experiential Learning Program was introduced to enable the media practitioners to develop their skills on reporting WPS related



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stories. The first prize winner in the Media and WPS Competition was part of an exchange program in Lebanon. The exchange program provided the opportunity for the media practitioner to network, reflect and plan on future articles on Women and Peacebuilding.

In the year under review, three major research projects and publications were carried out. With support from Urgent Action fund – Africa, WANEP-Nigeria conducted research on “Conflict Impact Assessment and Stakeholders Perspectives for a Safer Nigeria”. The assessment aimed to analyse security threats and violent occurrences in the identified states namely - Anambra, Enugu, Delta, Sokoto, Benue, Niger States and the FCT in Nigeria. The assessment brought to the fore local peacebuilding mechanisms including their structure, impact and challenges as well as how the livelihoods of women are affected by insecurity. The Assessment Report was further translated into a four-paged infographics for use in legislative advocacy. Secondly, the maiden edition of the Women, Peace, and Security Journal produced by WANEP-Nigeria in collaboration with Women's International League for Peace and Freedom (WILPF)-Nigeria in commemoration of the 22nd anniversary of the United Nations Security Council Resolution (UNSCR) 1325, was launched by Dame Pauline Tallen, OFR, KSG, Honourable Minister of Women Affairs in Abuja. The journal aims to share qualitative and quantitative information on women's contributions to peace and security in Nigeria. More so, a consultant was engaged to develop the Localization guidelines for the implementation of Nigeria National Action Plan on UNSCR 1325. The guidelines will be produced and launched for use by civil society and state actors this year 2023.

The WANEP-Regional Office engaged the WANEP-Nigeria Office in implementing some of its projects in the country; notably the Experts Brainstorm Workshop to Develop and Validate Climate Change Indicators and Other Related Drivers of Conflict and Crime In Coastal Areas was coordinated by WANEP-Nigeria. The workshop aimed to develop and validate climate change indicators and identify other related drivers of conflicts and crimes in coastal areas of West Africa. Other activities included 2-Day Applied Analysis and Scenario Building, Learning and Practice on Election-Related Disputes in West Africa; 3-Day Technical Development of Gender-Sensitive Thematic Reporting Guidelines for Coalition of Civil Society Organisation for Peace and Conflict Prevention in Central Africa (COPAC) and Citizens Participation for Inclusive And Accountable Democracy (C-PAID).

Our ability to achieve a high percentage of our expected results despite mounting financial challenges and insecurity is indeed a reflection of our well molded and committed staff members. They worked tirelessly and swiftly to ensure that all planned projects were implemented with no extensions. Two (2) new interns that indicated interest to work in the organization were engaged to assist on the Women in Peacebuilding and Peace Education desks. Also, new staff members were recruited to commence work on the Peace Action for Rapid and Transformative Nigerian Early Response (PARTNER) project. With the increase in projects, the staff members took on added responsibilities. For all the good work, I say a big thank you to our board, my committed team members at the secretariat and network members.

Great appreciation to our partners including the Norwegian Agency for Development Co-operation (NORAD), Global Network of Women Peacebuilders (GNWP), Global Affairs Canada, Urgent Action Fund - Africa, Federal Ministry of Women Affairs, United States Institute for Peace (USIP), United States Department of State, University of Maryland, United States Embassy in Nigeria, Mercy Corps- Nigeria, United States Agency for International Development (USAID), Institute of Peace and Conflict Resolution (IPCR), School Based Management Committee (SBMC), the Lagos State House of Assembly and the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) for their financial and technical support. To our mother organization- WANEP-Regional Office, we say a big thank you for always being available to give us the needed advice and directions. We are grateful and remain committed to building relationships for peace.

With the forth coming elections and uncertain political terrain, we look forward to continuing our partnership with you in sustaining peace, security and development within communities in Nigeria in 2023.

Thank you.



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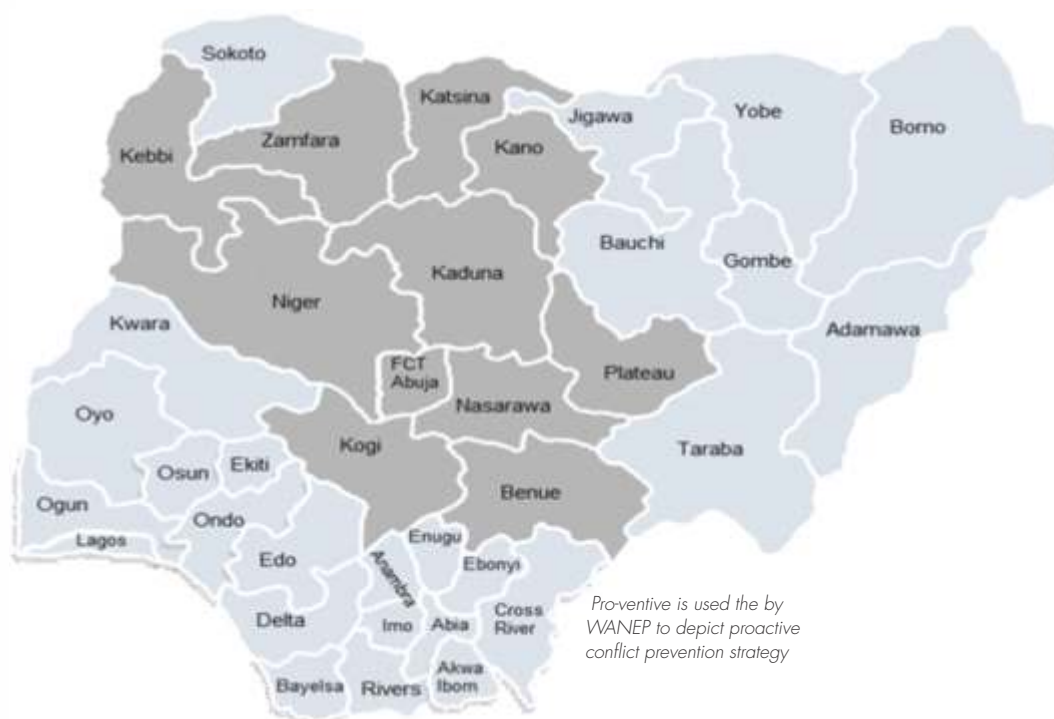
Peace Action for Rapid & Transformative Nigerian Early Response (PARTNER) Project

Catalyzing community action for peace

WANEP's focus on pro-ventive peacebuilding as a strategy for addressing structural drivers of insecurity has over the years proven to be a good approach given the historical and multifaceted dimension of the conflicts in our region. Early warning remains an integral component of WANEP's overall conflict prevention mechanism. To overcome challenges to Early Warning and Early Response (EWER) systems and close the gap between reporting and response, it became necessary to strategically reimagine the entire EWER process where early warning information is analyzed, formatted, and disseminated to stakeholders in the system who are positioned to receive and act upon that information.

In view of this, WANEP-Nigeria in collaboration with a consortium of key resource partners including Mercy Corps, Institute for Peace and Conflict Resolution (IPCR), Plateau Peace Building Agency (PPBA) and Kaduna State Peace Commission (KSPSC) commenced the implementation of the Peace Action for Rapid and Transformative Nigerian Early Response (PARTNER) 5-year USAID-funded Activity in the Tier 1 States of Kaduna and Plateau States during the reporting period of 2022, with further expansion to Benue, Katsina, Kano and Kogi (Tier 2 States) and; Niger, Nasarawa and Zamfara (Tier 3 States) in subsequent years.

PARTNER Program Intervention Areas



Pro-ventive is used by WANEP to depict proactive conflict prevention strategy



Our Interventions (PARTNER):

The program imbibes three approaches of **Peacebuilding, Social Cohesion and Early Warning Early Response** in its implementation:

- Build on existing, easy-to-use EWER technologies to establish a sustainable analytical platform that collates offline and online reports, and facilitates quick and seamless response at the local, state, and national levels.
- Rigorous testing and learning by implementing pilot activities with low-cost impact valuations embedded in the MEL system to identify and scale most effective EWER approaches.
- Conflict sensitivity and Do No Harm (DNH) will inform analysis and start-up, participant selection, engagement, and constant adaptation to ensure resilient implementation and a shock-informed and responsive EWER system.
- Close partnership between Mercy Corps and IPCR will also focus on capacity assessment and strengthening, with an emphasis on detailed sustainability planning related to the EWER platform's technology and management, as well as continued funding and influence across key stakeholders.

PARTNER ACTIVITY IMPLEMENTATION:

Sub-Award Agreement/MOU:

In July 2022, WANEP signed a Subaward Agreement with Mercy Corps to commence the implementation of the 5-year USAID-funded PARTNER program. In the reporting year, WANEP also established Memoranda of Understanding (MOU) with the Kaduna State Peace Commission (KSPC) and Plateau Peace Building Agency (PPBA) respectively as consortium partners in the project

Post-Award Orientation/Organizational Capacity Assessment (OCA):

As part of the global push to increase local ownership and strengthen capacity among civil society organizations (CSOs), Mercy Corps supports local partner organizations to undertake a process of self-assessment and planning for capacity strengthening based on the Organizational Capacity Assessment (OCA). In July 2022, Mercy Corps conducted an Organizational Capacity Index/Assessment (OCI/A) with WANEP-Nigeria with the objective of assessing the organizational capacity strengths, needs and gaps ahead of PARTNER activity implementation across the selected States of the North-West and North-Central. The OCA tool assessed six (6) different domains of the organization namely, 'leadership; program monitoring and evaluation; administration, finance, external relations and logistics.

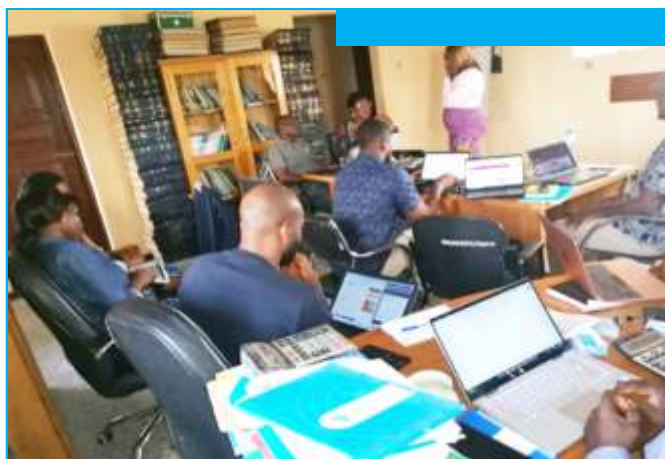
Based on the findings generated from the OCI, a Capacity Development Plan (CDP) was jointly developed with Mercy Corps, consisting of capacity building trainings, mentorship and the joint review of WANEP's organizational policies, as part of measures to enhance the organizations' structure ahead of the 'transition' or handover of PARTNER activity in year 3 which is currently being managed by Mercy Corps (in Year 1 & 2) to a national entity (WANEP-Nigeria). The Stopping at Success (SAS+) team saddled with the responsibility of coordinating the transition have jointly developed a transition strategy for WANEP with support from Mercy Corps to clearly outline what their baseline of "achievement" or "success" looks like at the end of Mercy Corps' mentorship.



Gender Needs Assessment and Participatory Stakeholder's Mapping in Tier 1 States of Kaduna and Plateau States:

Mercy Corps and consortium partners (WANEP, KSPC and PPBA) led the conduct of the gender needs assessment and participatory stakeholders' mapping in Kaduna and Plateau States between August 22 and September 7, 2022. The gender assessment explored the context-specific dynamics of the implementation States, analyzed the trends, as well as developed tailored approaches by leveraging the evidence for impactful implementation.

The gender needs assessment focused on identifying the underlying barriers to socially marginalized groups especially youths, women and Persons with Disabilities (PwDs); understanding the cultural norms, values, stereotypes that affect their engagement in the decision-making process as well as identifying the legal structures at the state and community levels that enable or prevent them from meaningful participation. Utilizing the qualitative data collection method, twenty six (26) Focus Group Discussions (FGDs) and twelve (12) Key Informant Interviews (KIIs), was conducted in 27 communities within 8 LGAs - 5 in Kaduna State (Kaduna South, Igabi, Sabon Gari, Zangon Kataf and Kauru) and 3 in Plateau State (Jos South, Jos North and Mangu) respectively. A total of 347 individuals (62 % female and 38 % male) participated in the data collection in Kaduna and Plateau States.



WANEP and Mercy Corps staff members at the OCA workshop in Lagos State



A cross-section of participants during the Gender assessments/stakeholders mapping in Plateau and Kaduna States



A cross-section of participants during the Gender assessments/stakeholders mapping in Plateau and Kaduna States



Selection, Validation and Inauguration of Early Warning Monitors and Community-Based Reconciliation Committees

As part of PARTNER 's contribution to the realization of **WANEP's Strategic Objectives, (SO-1) on 'the functionality of the National Early Warning and Response Systems'**, WANEP-Nigeria in collaboration with Mercy Corps, KSPC and PPBA commenced the process of strengthening linkages between warning and response through the establishment of Early Warning Monitoring and Reporting Groups (EWMRGs) and Community-Based Reconciliation Committees (CBRCs) across thirty five (35) selected PARTNER sites of Jos South, Jos North and Mangu LGAs in Plateau State; and Kaduna South, Igabi, Sabon Gari, Zango Kataf and Kauru LGAs of Kaduna State.

The EWMRGs serves as a platform for monitoring and reporting early warning signals using specific gender-sensitive indicators designed by the PARTNER program to monitor human security threats, while the CBRCs would serve as first-level responders in the prevention and management of community conflicts.

- Seventeen (17) Early Warning Monitoring and Reporting Groups (EWMRGs) and seventeen (17) Community-Based Reconciliation Committees (CBRC) established in Plateau State.
- Eighteen (18) Early Warning Monitoring and Reporting Groups (EWMRGs) and eighteen (18) Community-based Reconciliation Committees (CBRC) established in Kaduna State.
- Four hundred and ninety three (493) stakeholders including 356 males and 137 females were nominated into the Early Warning Monitoring and Reporting Groups in Kaduna and Plateau States. Also, three hundred and sixty (360) stakeholders including 266 males and 94 females were nominated into the Community-Based Reconciliation Committees in Kaduna and Plateau States.
- In addition to the group formation, a total of forty four (44) influential women/young female youths who play substantive roles in community peacebuilding were identified across the selected PARTNER sites in Kaduna and Plateau States. Both states accounted for twenty two (22) each. For the PARTNER program, the identified female stakeholders/leaders will serve as a rallying point towards achieving gender inclusion, considering the impact of prevailing cultural norms in communities.
- In follow-up to the validation exercise of stakeholders across the EWMRG and the CBRC, the PARTNER team held a one-day inauguration meeting with stakeholders from one of the activity sites (Kwata Zawan, Bukuru, Gyel and Gero) of Jos-South LGA of Plateau State on 19th November 2022. The inauguration meeting also had representatives from the Conflict Early Warning Indicator Monitors (CEWIMs) scheme initiated by the Institute of Peace. The inauguration exercise which had in attendance fifty three (53) participants including 26 females and 27 males, provided an avenue to familiarize the established groups on the guiding principles employed by PARTNER during the nomination and validation of the two (2) groups.

The table below shows the disaggregated data of EWMRG and CBRC per State.

States	Kaduna	Plateau
Early Warning Monitoring and Reporting Group	270 (204 males and 66 females)	223 (152 males and 71 females)
Community-Based Reconciliation Committee	181 (141 males and 40 females)	179 (125 males and 54 females)



To improve the effectiveness of the community-based structures as well as sustain the level of efforts, a Terms of Reference (TOR) was utilized during the inauguration of selected groups (EWMRG and CBRC). The TOR outlined their roles and responsibilities as well as the operational linkages between the early warning group and reconciliation committee being first responders to identify early warning signals and resolve potential causes of tension and drivers of conflicts in an inclusive and sustainable manner.

Capacity Building Trainings on EWER and IBNM

With the formation of the Early Warning Monitoring and Reporting Groups and the Community-Based Reconciliation Committees, the PARTNER consortium organized a 3-day Training of Trainers (TOT) workshop on Early Warning and Early Response (EWER) from 28th - 30th November 2022 in Jos, Plateau State, to strengthen the internal capacity of the PARTNER consortium staff members from Mercy Corps, WANEP, IPCR, PPBA and KSPC.

The training also provided an avenue for partners to share knowledge on the EWER Pillars, with a practical presentation of the ICT-Based Conflict Early Warning & Early Response System (CEWERS) for the Kaduna State Peace Commission (KSPC).

Similarly, a 3-day training on Interest-Based Negotiation and Mediation (IBNM) was organized from 1st - 3rd December 2022, for members of the PARTNER consortium in Plateau State. Both capacity building trainings had in attendance twenty (20) participants including 12 males and 8 females.

The TOT workshops utilized a participatory and interactive learning process including group discussions, simulations/role plays, case studies as well as micro-facilitation in English and local languages. Based on the insights gained during the simulation exercise, the PARTNER consortium would develop a glossary of keywords in Hausa language for consistency and uniformity during step-down trainings at the community level.

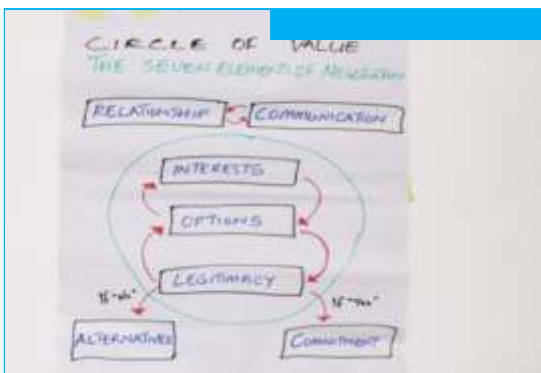
Achieving the objective of strengthening the internal capacity of the consortium for effective implementation of the PARTNER activities including the facilitation of step-down trainings at the community level is critical to the realization of the goal of PARTNER.



Inauguration of EWMRGs and CBRCs in Jos-South LGA of Plateau State



Capacity-Building training on EWER and IBNM



Capacity-Building training on EWER and IBNM

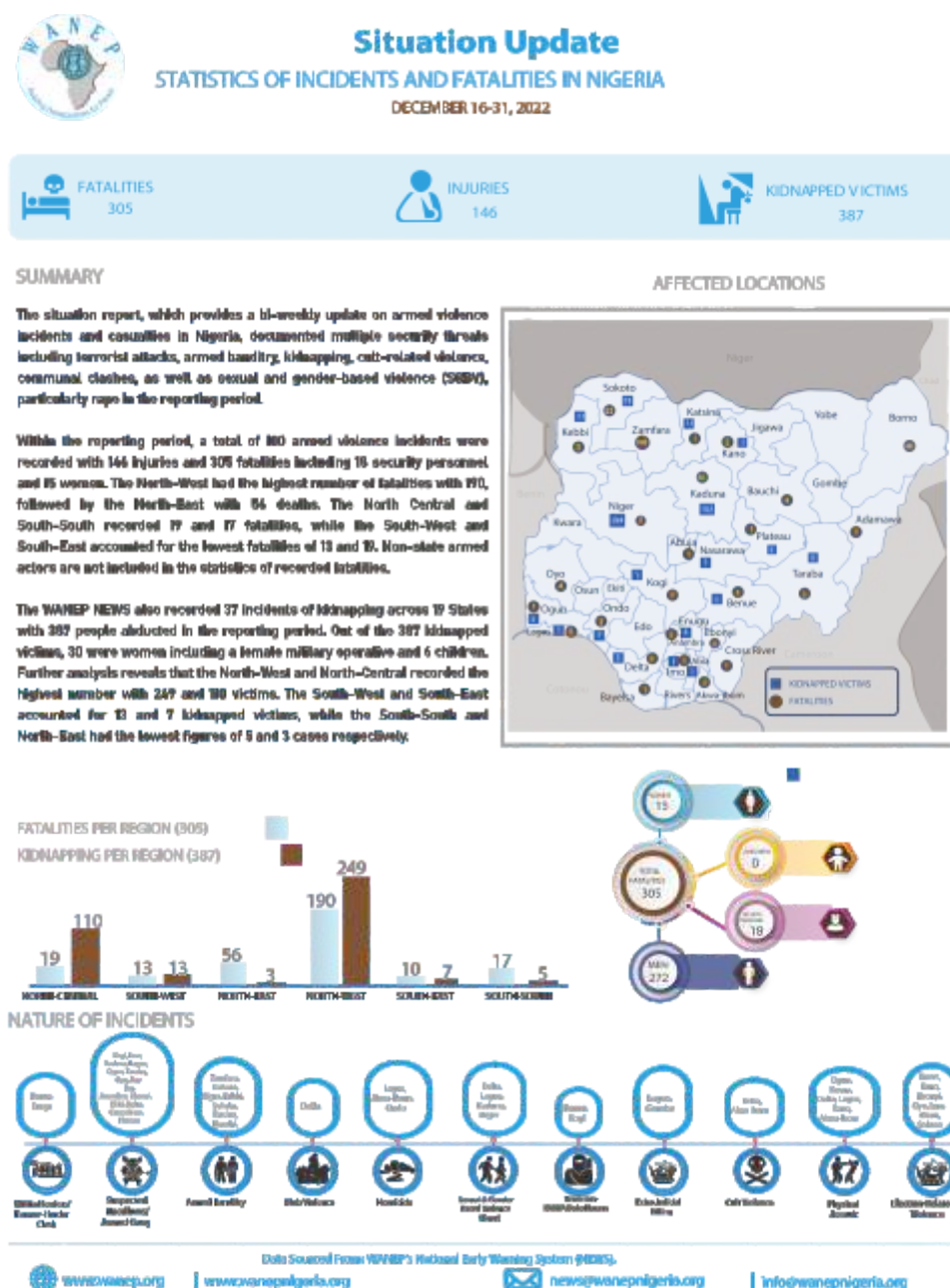


Increasing WANEP-Nigeria's Visibility And Awareness Through NEWS Outputs:

1.1 PRODUCTION AND DISSEMINATION OF ANALYTICAL EARLY WARNING OUTPUTS

WANEP generates evidence-based data regularly from its National Early Warning System (NEWS) leading to the production of varied Early Warning outputs in the form of policy briefs, Quick NEWS update, situation tracking, weekly highlights, monthly bulletin, incidents and situation reports, illustrating incidents of human security threats and its impact on development and social cohesion. These outputs which are disseminated also presents policy recommendations for security services, policy makers, development agencies and other relevant stakeholders' interventions and mitigation across Nigeria and beyond. The early warning outputs also provide additional information to the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS) Early Warning and Response Network (ECOWARN) and African Union's Continental Early Warning System (CEWS).

As part of WANEP-Nigeria's innovation, the Early Warning unit disseminated a one-pager infographics 'Situation Update'. The Situation Update is a bi-weekly update on armed violence incidents and casualties in Nigeria.





Highlights of Early Warning Outputs in the Reporting Year Of 2022

NEWS Quick Update:

Criminal Attacks in Kaduna State:

<https://wanep.org/wanep/news-quick-update-criminal-attacks-in-kaduna-state-134-people-killed-56-people-injured-and-112-others-abducted-between-march-20-to-30-2022/>

NEWS Situation Tracking

1. Kidnapping in Nigeria:

<https://wanep.org/wanep/wp-content/uploads/2021/03/ABDUCTION.pdf>

2. Ritual-related deaths in Nigeria: January 2021 to January 2022

<https://wanep.org/wanep/news-situation-tracking-185-ritual-related-deaths-records-between-january-2021-to-january-2022-in-nigeria/>

Policy Brief

1. Nigeria 2023 General Elections: Implications for Regional, Political Stability, Peace and Security

<https://wanep.org/wanep/policy-brief-nigeria-2023-general-elections-peace-and-security-implications-for-regional-political-stability/>

1.2 STRENGTHENING CAPACITIES FOR CONFLICT MITIGATION

In the reporting year, WANEP-Nigeria sustained her efforts at capacity strengthening for various stakeholders in early warning, conflict mitigation and prevention. The national network (WANEP-Nigeria) was also opportune to benefit from the series of trainings undertaken by the regional office in Accra, Ghana. These include;

Experts Brainstorm Workshop To Develop And Validate Climate Change Indicators And Other Related Drivers of Conflict and Crime in Coastal Areas.

The workshop aimed at developing and validating climate change indicators and identifying other related drivers of conflicts and crimes in coastal areas of West Africa. The West African region has been identified as a notable signpost for the manifestation of climate change-related security risks. The Executive Director of WANEP stated that '*the planet's future depends on global commitments by placing the right indicators and community early warning systems and response architectures in place to mitigate the effects of climate change*'.

In attendance were twenty (20) participants including 13 males and 7 females and made up of critical stakeholders from WANEP-Regional office, WANEP-Nigeria, ECOWAS and African Union (AU).

Applied Analysis and Scenario Building, Learning and Practice on Election-related Disputes in West Africa.

The workshop was targeted at strengthening regional and national early warning and response architecture to mitigate election-related violence and disputes in West Africa. The training falls under the GIZ-ECOWAS Peace and Security Architecture and Operations project co-funded by the European Union (EU) and Bundesministerium für wirtschaftliche Zusammenarbeit und Entwicklung (BMZ). Twenty four (24) participants including 16 males and 8 females largely made up of WANEP's National Early Warning System (NEWS) Managers of Gambia, Nigeria, Niger, Liberia, Sierra Leone, Guinea Bissau.



Technical Development of Gender-Sensitive Thematic Reporting Guidelines for COPAC

The West Africa Network for Peacebuilding (WANEP) with support from Wellspring Philanthropic Fund US, organized a training workshop for analysts from the Coalition of Civil Society Organizations for Peace and Conflict Prevention (COPAC). The training sought to improve the analytical capacities and writing skills of the analysts for the production of early warning thematic reports for Central Africa. The training is to complement the Economic Community of Central African States (ECCAS) and African Union (AU) responses to human rights violations and gender-based atrocities, as well as the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS) regional responses to cross-border security threats in West Africa.



Citizens Participation for Inclusive And Accountable Democracy(c-paid)

In the lead up to the launch of the online application, the WANEP-Regional office with support from UNDP-Africa organized a 2-day workshop to review the mobile application of a survey instrument on Citizens' Participation for Inclusive and Accountable Democracy (C-PAID) in West Africa. The workshop provided participants who are experts in communication, software development, young leaders and democracy & governance practitioners an opportunity to test and critique the efficacy of the tool.





JUSTICE & SECURITY DIALOGUE (JSD)

Strategic Objective 5: Post-conflict/insurgency peacebuilding- reconciliation and reintegration in northern Nigeria

Report of Justice and Security Dialogue on Addressing Youth Restiveness and Community Safety in Girei LGA, and Damare IDP Camp, Girei, Adamawa State.

This activity contributes to the achievement of Strategic Objective 5 including improved security in pilot IDP hosting community. It builds on existing actions implemented by JSD facilitators and stakeholders in Adamawa State to improve the role of youths as active stakeholders in transforming restiveness and other anti-social actions that affect community safety and peacebuilding. Building on the JSD principles, this activity focused on facilitating interactions that empower participants to identify the sources and drivers of youth restiveness, their overall impacts on community safety, and diverse resources for transforming the effects of youth vices in Girei communities.

The dialogue aims to identify the different factors that enable youth restiveness and engagement in perpetuating insecurity in Girei LGA, map available resources/opportunities for strengthening effective responses to youth restiveness and community insecurity in the LGA and develop implementable actions towards transforming youth engagement in anti-social vices and community insecurity.

Increased collaboration among IDPs, host communities, and [in]formal security services towards addressing the security concerns of IDPs

has reportedly improved due to conflict management, dialogue engagement and human rights protection skills that participants developed from the JSD capacity building activities.

"... together with the host communities, we [IDPs] now hold meetings with the police and vigilante to discuss our security concerns and jointly strategize to address crime." – John Gadzama, IDP Secretary, Adamawa State.

Justice and Security State High-Level Dialogue on Effective Multi-Stakeholder Response to Sexual and Gender-Based Violence in Adamawa State.

Sexual and Gender-Based Violence (SGBV) remains a central concern across communities, particularly conflict-affected ones, in Adamawa State. This issue affects all gender groups – women, girls, men, boys, Persons Living with Disabilities (PLWDs); and influences action amongst state and non-governmental actors towards addressing the problem. The dialogue aims to ensure effective partnership among relevant actors towards improving responses to SGBV, assess institutional response(s) to SGBV and to facilitate effective networking and multi-stakeholder engagement towards strengthening responses to SGBV in Adamawa State.

The police noted that cases of SGBV are recurring, and the institution works proactively to partner with diverse agencies working on the issues and to ensure that relevant evidence are collected adequately. However, some officers lack the expertise to collect evidence for forensic analysis/examination, thereby causing some of them to tamper with the evidence.



Big Family 360 did a presentation of Smart RR App and the USSD code, a JSD SGBV tool to facilitate survivors' access to diverse support services – medical, legal, security, psychosocial which are provided by relevant actors to support them to access the required help and justice. The Smart RR App bridges the gap between urban and rural populations in ensuring access to the social resources for addressing SGBV. Significantly, the innovation aims to reduce some of the logistical challenges around reporting and responding to SGBV across Adamawa State and other parts of North-East Nigeria.

One of the major recommendations during the dialogue was more training of local health workers, particularly those in the Primary Healthcare Centres, on how to collect evidence of SGBV, mainly rape. This capacity building action will enable healthcare workers to collect evidence that enables the forensic labs to examine evidence which will enable relevant actors to prosecute and administer justice to survivors and perpetrators.



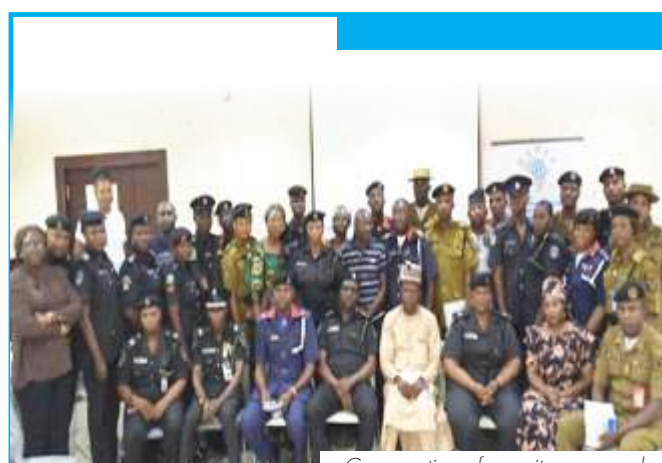
Cross-section of participants

Justice and Security Dialogue on Election Security Management: Pathway to 2023 Credible Electoral Process in Nigeria – Part 1, at AUN Hotel, Yola, Adamawa State.

The Justice and Security Dialogue (JSD) for law enforcement agencies aims to improve capacity towards enhancing community security and preventing electoral violence in Yola North and Yola South LGAs of Adamawa State. This dialogue is central to facilitating constructive platforms for interagency collaboration as a proactive step for guaranteeing election security management in Adamawa State in 2023.

The dialogue objectives are:

- i. To improve the whole-community approach for electoral violence prevention through resources and engagement strategies pertinent to building a community coalition for violence prevention.
- ii. To support dialogue participants to develop multisectoral and multidisciplinary partnerships to prevent electoral violence.
- iii. To encourage participating agencies to share lessons learned to improve existing programs and build capacity for electoral violence prevention.



Cross-section of security personnel

The dialogue adopted participatory methodologies to ensure effectiveness, providing the participants with opportunities to freely interact and share experiences and recommendations on pathways for guaranteeing and managing safety during the 2023 general elections in Adamawa State. Using practical methods, participants engaged in group brainstorming sessions, presentations, peer-to-peer reflections, and question and answer sessions to ensure in-depth interactions as they mapped strategies for providing collaborative electoral violence prevention and election security management.

The dialogue participants included the Police, National Drug Law Enforcement Agency (NDLEA), Nigeria Security and Civil Defense Corps (NSCDC), Independent National Electoral Commission (INEC), and Adamawa State Emergency Management Agency (ADSEMA).



Justice and Security Dialogue Youth Sensitization on Election Security Management as a Pathway to 2023 Credible Electoral Process in Nigeria, Yola, Adamawa State

This activity aims to sensitize youths on their roles in election security management in Adamawa State. Considering an antecedence of electoral violence and instability in Adamawa State, it is crucial to design and implement actions and build the capacity of local stakeholders, particularly youths, to prevent electoral violence in the state. Therefore, this training comes against a backdrop of concerns identified by various local and state-level dialogues about the impact of ongoing political activities on peace and stability in Girei LGA of Adamawa State. Leveraging the JSD approach to problem-solving, this activity strengthened youths' capacity to assess election-related threats in their communities and the distinct roles that they play in ensuring election security management in Adamawa State.



Cross-section of participants

This activity adopted participatory methodologies to ensure effectiveness, providing the participants with opportunities to freely interact about issues related to electoral violence; including identifying pathways for youth participation in promoting community safety during the 2023 general elections. Also, using practical methods, participants engaged in group tasks, presentations, peer-to-peer reflections, and question and answer sessions to facilitate in-depth knowledge about the sensitization.

".....these politicians manipulate the poverty among [vulnerable] community members to buy their votes... we can see how politicians used huge sums of money to purchase the votes of political delegates during the primary election of different parties... we must use the information from the [JSD] training to educate our youths and community members to promote peace in the community during the elections while also voting for competence; it is very useful."

Hussaina Mohammed Suleiman

Justice and Security Dialogue Training for Police Officers on Conflict- Sensitivity and Do No Harm in Adamawa State

The design and implementation of security strategies by law enforcement actors, particularly when they are in line with the realities and dynamics in local environments, ensures their effectiveness in addressing security threats, crimes and conflicts. It is vital for law enforcement actors to understand the local environment in which they operate – the sensitivities and dynamics; and the influence of diverse social resources and structures in consolidating or weakening law enforcement and security strategies.

Conflict Sensitivity (CS), therefore, constitutes an important framework that guides actors across different sectors to ask vital questions, understand local context and social structures, the relationships among local groups, and the interactions between various local elements and the strategies that they design to achieve positive change. This activity was designed to improve the capacity of police officers in Adamawa State Command to recognize the relevance of integrating conflict sensitive approaches into the design of their security strategies. It also aims to enhance an understanding that the integration of CS will minimize negative impacts and increase maximum impacts of different security actions/options implemented to improve security [provision] in local communities.

The training was designed to improve the capacity and skills of the men and officers of the Nigeria Police Force to understand the concept of conflict sensitivity and Do-No-Harm (DNH), and also enable the trained participants to employ DNH principles in citizens engagement.



Justice and Security National Dialogue on “Sustaining Collaborative Efforts to Peacebuilding: Lessons Learned from Implementing the JSD Approach in North-East, Nigeria” at the Royal Continental Hotel and Apartment, Abuja, Nigeria.

WANEP-Nigeria and its partner Centre for Peace Advancement in Nigeria (CEPAN) with support from USIP, has been implementing the JSD program in Adamawa State for the last 2 years. The program, which has focused on improving relationships between IDPs and host communities and between communities and law enforcement institutions, especially the Police, has promoted platforms for constructive interaction, trust-building, and collaborative problem-solving among diverse actors and stakeholders in the state.

The program has improved multi-stakeholders' partnership and collaboration which supports the transformation of the varying impacts of conflicts and crime on communities and various relationship among groups. The national dialogue, therefore, sets out to facilitate interactions across the program's stakeholders – government institutions, CSOs, community leaders, women, men and security services to discuss the success, challenges, and opportunities provided through the implementation of the JSD model towards addressing different crimes and forms of violence across conflict-affected communities in Adamawa State and elsewhere in North-East Nigeria.

The dialogue employed participatory approaches to ensure that participants shared relevant experiences of how they utilized the JSD approach to solve problems collaboratively. The experience-sharing opportunity also enabled the participants to reflect on the challenges of implementing the approach and the prospects and opportunities that it provides for sustaining and replicating change towards improved security provision. The national dialogue also utilized role-plays, visual learning resources and plenary discussions to ensure that participants shared the lessons learned from applying the JSD approach.

Justice and Security Dialogue (JSD) Training for Police Officers on Human Rights and Law Enforcement, Yola, Adamawa State.

The training employed participatory approaches to ensure that participants acquired quality knowledge of Human Rights and Law. It utilized facilitator's presentations, group tasks and presentations, role-plays, short-film presentation and discussion, plenary discussions/reflection on practice to ensure that participants understood the training theme and identify opportunities for integrating the lessons and knowledge gained into practice.

The training objectives aims to facilitate a holistic understanding of human rights and law enforcement within the context of the Nigeria Constitution and other relevant instruments, strengthen the capacity of participants to understand the conduct of police officers and the different approaches to policing communities when faced with different security situation and improve opportunities for strengthening community-police relationship.





Justice and Security Dialogue (JSD) for Law Enforcement Agencies and Community Leaders on Election Security Management Yola, Adamawa State, Nigeria.

This dialogue is part of the election security management series – trainings and dialogues that aims to enhance the knowledge of stakeholders on electoral laws and processes, improve their capacities to design and implement actions to prevent violence before, during and after elections, and strengthen multi-stakeholders' partnership to manage election security. This activity is designed to enable law enforcement agencies and community leaders including women, youths, IDPs, and men to develop and discuss various local strategies for promoting community-security actors' partnership towards ensuring violent-free and safe general elections in 2023. The activity also provides platform for participants to deliberate emerging trends associated with the forthcoming general elections and how they could constitute threats to the peaceful conduct of elections and the safety of [vulnerable] communities in Adamawa State.

The dialogue aims to enhance the knowledge of participants on electoral laws and processes and the expected conduct of every stakeholder before, during and after the general elections.

Improve the local capacities to design and implement various local actions towards violence prevention before, during and after elections and strengthen multi-stakeholders' partnership on election security management.



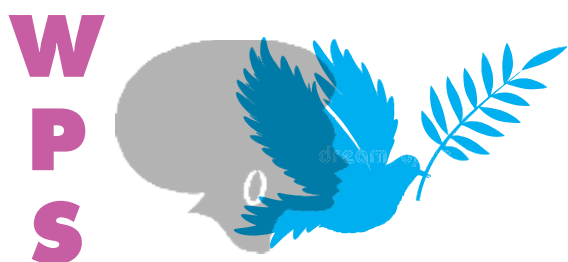
Cross-section of community leaders

Strategic Objective 5: Post-conflict/insurgency peacebuilding- reconciliation and reintegration in northern Nigeria

WANEP–Nigeria, University of Maryland and National Consortium for the Study of Terrorism and Responses to Terrorism (START) in partnership with the U.S. Department of State initiated the project "Coalition Building for Countering Violent Extremism". On May 16-19th, 2022, a 4-day Training of Trainers on Coalition Building for Violence Prevention was held in Abuja. The training empowered twenty five (25) Civil Society organisations to develop multisectoral and multidisciplinary partnership for the purpose of countering violent extremism within communities.

On December 16-17th, 22nd-23rd and 27-28th, 2022 step down training on coalition building for countering violent extremism were held in Bauchi, Kano and Jigawa States. Over seventy five (75) community stakeholders were equipped with skills for violent prevention and support provided for community-based organizations to form coalitions to counter violent extremism at community level.





WOMEN, PEACE AND SECURITY

2022

Events & Happenings

The West Africa Network for Peacebuilding (WANEP) -Nigeria carried out the following activities to promote the Women, Peace and Security Agenda from January to December 2022. Activities were implemented under this agenda- Amplifying Women's Voices, Strengthening Local and National Partnerships: Localization of the Women, Peace and Security Resolutions in Nigeria in partnership with the Global Network of Women Peacebuilders, supported by Global Affairs Canada's Peace and Stabilization Operations Program. Also, WANEP-Nigeria concluded activities on the second phase of the project 'Enhancing Participation of Women in Peace and Human Security in Nigeria' with support from the Norwegian Agency for Development Cooperation (NORAD) and the 'Assessing the impact of insecurity on Women in Nigeria' with support from Urgent Action Fund-Africa. The activities included;

2- day Localization Writeshop on UNSCR 1325 and Promoting the Women, Peace and Security Agenda in Gombe State, Nigeria

WANEP- Nigeria in partnership with the Global Network of Women Peacebuilders (GNWP) supported by Global Affairs Canada, Peace and Stabilization Operations Program organized a 2-Day Localization Writeshop on UNSCR 1325 and Promoting the Women, Peace and Security Agenda on 14th and 15th February 2022 in Gombe State. As part of the localization strategy, the workshop mobilized local and state actors comprising local government officials, religious leaders, traditional leaders, women leaders, men

leaders, youth leaders, security agencies etc to broaden their understanding on UNSCR 1325 and related legal mechanisms. The participants drawn from Balanga and Kwami Local Government Areas (LGAs) of Gombe State, reviewed the draft Local Action Plans (LAPs) on UNSCR 1325 to increase their potential as instruments that can be used to promote women's participation in decision-making, peacebuilding and preventing Sexual and Gender-Based Violence in local communities. The availability of two (2) Local Action Plans on UNSCR 1325 in Balanga and Kwami LGAs has enhanced local ownership of the resolutions.



Group picture of participants at the 2- day localization Writeshop in Gombe State

Engagements To Foster Peace Between Lunguda And Waja Ethnic Groups Of Balanga LGA Of Gombe State

In Nuywar Community of Balanga LGA, Gombe State the Lunguda and Waja ethnic groups have had series of recurring conflicts bordering on issues of land tussle, resource ownership etc despite the fact the two conflicting tribes has been



in cordial relationship for the past three hundred (300) years. In February 2022 conflict erupted in the community resulting in the destruction of lives and properties as well as displacement of over 500 people. The following activities were carried

out to promote peaceful co-existence.

Advocacy Visit to the District Head of Nyuwar Community

An advocacy visit was paid to the traditional leader, District Head of Nyuwar, Balanga LGA – Mr. James Pisagh (JP) to commensurate with him on the lives lost during the conflict that erupted in Nyuwar community and put forward strategies to promote peaceful co-existence between the two ethnic groups – Lunguda and Waja. The advocacy visit was carried out by the WANEP-Nigeria Project team accompanied by the Executive Director Kebetkache Women Development and Resource Centre, representative of Ministry of Women Affairs, State Emergency Management Agency (SEMA) and the Media on 17th February, 2022. The traditional Leader applauded the bold step taken by WANEP Nigeria to wade into the conflict by organizing two peace dialogues in 2021. He pledged the support of the traditional council in ensuring the implementation of the draft Local Action on UNSCR 1325 in Balanga LGA.

Visit to Internally Displaced Persons (IDPs) at Jessu, Camp Gombe State:

Following the advocacy visit to the traditional leader, District Head of Nyuwar, relief materials were taken to Jessu community where the IDPs mostly women and children from the conflict were being accommodated in camps on 17th February, 2022. At the Camp, the WANEP-Nigeria project team was received by the camp administrator who expressed his gratitude to the organization for its efforts to bring succour to the displaced persons. Amongst items presented to the IDPs included bags of maize, millet and clothing materials.



Internally Displaced Persons(IDPs) in Jessu Camp Balanga LGA



*Advocacy visit to the district Head of Nyuwar, Balanga LGA, Gombe State
Internally Displaced Persons(IDPs) in Jessu Camp Balanga LGA*



Advocacy visit to the district Head of Nyuwar, Balanga LGA, Gombe State



2- day Localization Writeshop on UNSCR 1325 and Promoting the Women, Peace and Security Agenda in Bauchi State, Nigeria

In continuation of the project “Amplifying Women's Voices, Strengthening Local and National Partnerships: Localization of the Women, Peace and Security Resolutions in Nigeria”, WANEP- Nigeria in partnership with the Global Network of Women Peacebuilders (GNWP), supported by Global Affairs Canada, Peace and Stabilization Operations Program organized another 2-Day Localization Writeshop on UNSCR 1325 and Promoting the Women, Peace and Security Agenda on 18th and 19th February 2022 in Bauchi State. The Localization Writeshop aimed to enable local actors to identify concrete actions towards implementation of UNSCR 1325 and supporting Women, Peace and Security (WPS) resolutions in the communities. In attendance at the program were over thirty (30) stakeholders comprising, local government authorities, traditional leaders, religious leaders, civil society organizations, security agencies, women leaders, men leaders and youth leaders. As part of the program, two Local Action Plans (LAPs) on UNSCR 1325 for Katagum and Toro LGAs were reviewed with accompanying budgets lines for proposed activities. Local Actors pledged their commitment to the implementation of the LAPs.

Production and Transmission of Community Radio to Promote Women's Participation in Peacebuilding:

WANEP-Nigeria in collaboration with Norwegian Agency for Development Cooperation NORAD continued with the broadcast of the radio programme titled “Women Voices for Peace” on seven (7) radio stations in seven (7) states across Nigeria to promote women's unique role in peace and security. The radio stations that aired the program were: Rize 106.7FM, Delta State; Women radio 91.7FM, Lagos State; Vision 92.7FM, Gombe

State; Edo State Broadcasting Service 95.7FM; Albarka 97.5FM, Bauchi State; Peace 102.5FM, Borno State; Treasure 98.5FM, Rivers State. One significant outcome of the radio programme was increased awareness on the United Nations Security Council Resolution 1325 and key issues that affect women wellbeing in the society. Also, the radio programmes provided a platform for the populace to bare their views on issues peacebuilding and the importance of women's economic, social and political empowerment. Over sixty (60) guests were featured by the seven (7) radio stations and over 5.5 million persons were reached by the program during the year.



Cross section of participants at the 2-day localization writeshop on UNSCR 1325 in Bauchi State



Participants developing personal action plans at the seminar



International Women's Day 2022

In commemoration of the International Women's Day 2022, WANEP-Nigeria collaborated with other civil Society Organizations in Lagos State to hold a peace march with the theme "Break The Bias" on 8th March, 2022. Other activities organized by WANEP- Nigeria to commemorate the day included a YouTube Campaign and a radio program with the theme " Breaking the Bias in our Community, Promoting Gender Equality" across seven (7) radio stations in a bid to advocate for the 35% affirmative action/ passage of the gender equality bill in Nigeria .

Seminar on Promoting Community Wellbeing : The Tostan Model

WANEP-Nigeria in collaboration with TOSTAN organised 2 weeks seminar on "Promoting Community Wellbeing" from 30th May to 10th June, 2022. During the program, the Tostan model was highlighted as an empowering education program to representatives of civil society organizations. The seminar provided the platform to reflect on how the Tostan principles could serve to strengthen the projects carried out by organizations at the community level. Tostan Community Empowerment Program provides a holistic approach towards developing and uniting Nigerian communities to end violence against women and girls, promote community wellbeing and to enhance adequate community entry approaches. At the end of the program, participants developed personal action plans to implement the model in their communities. Forty-three (43) participants were equipped with knowledge and skills to promote relationship-building and collaborations which will encourage the use of positive values and human rights as guiding principles in achieving community wellbeing

1st National Gender Talks Series Under The Theme: 'Leveraging On Partnerships To Advance The Women, Peace and Security Agenda.

WANEP-Nigeria organized its first National Gender Talk series on the 2nd August 2022 with fifty-five (55) participants including 54 females

and 1 male. The program which was held virtually provided the platform to deliberate on the opportunities for effective collaborations and partnerships between state and non- state actors in advancing the Women, Peace and Security (WPS) Agenda. The theme "Leveraging on Partnerships to Advance the Women Peace and Security Agenda" had been carefully selected bearing in mind the advantages of partnerships in the implementation of WPS interventions in times of scarce resources and declining donor funds. The program brought together representatives of women focused Civil Society Organizations from Ghana and Nigeria to share their experiences, challenges and lessons learnt in implementing peace initiatives and partnering with different stakeholders at community level.



PHOTO : speaker of Lagos house of assembly and the Lagos state first lady during the IWD peace march



WANEP-Nigeria staff at the IWD 2022 peace march



Picture of participants during the 1st National Gender Talks Virtual Seminar

Conflict Impact Assessment and Local Peacebuilding Initiatives Within Communities in Anambra, Enugu, Delta, Sokoto, Benue, Niger States and the FCT Abuja

WANEP- Nigeria with Support from Urgent Action fund – Africa engaged a consultant to carry out data collection on “Conflict Impact Assessment and Local Peacebuilding Initiatives Within Communities in Anambra, Enugu, Delta, Sokoto, Benue, Niger States and the FCT Abuja” in Nigeria. The assessment aimed to analyse security threats and violent occurrences in the identified states which are conflict-prone, identifying numbers of violent incidents and types of violent attacks culminating in high fatality rates. Also, enumerating the number of women and girls who are victims of these violence incidences. The assessment brought to the fore local peacebuilding mechanisms including their structure, impact and challenges as well as how the livelihoods of women are affected by insecurity. At the end of the assessment which span a period of two (2) weeks between 15th August and 3rd September 2022, a comprehensive report was submitted by the consultant to WANEP- Nigeria. The report was further translated into a four paged infographics for use in legislative advocacy.

Presentation of Football Kits to Two Teams to Boost Sporting Activities in Nyuwar, Balanga LGA, Gombe State

Bearing in mind the impact of football in promoting unity among the youth in the community, WANEP- Nigeria in collaboration with the Balanga Localization Steering Community presented football sporting kits to two teams namely; Wanda Sparrows FC Nyuwar and Gilengitu Golden Arrows Nyuwar, Balanga LGA,



Gombe State. The meeting was attended by forty six (46) participants which included 30 footballers, 6 WANEP-Nigeria representatives and 10 LGA officials. Presently, there are consultations with the women in the community for their engagement to celebrate the return of the peace in the community.



Cross Section of young footballers wearing the presented football sporting kits

Commemoration of International Day of Peace by Women in Ossissa Community, Delta State.

In commemoration of the International Peace Day observed annually on 21st September, WANEP-Nigeria in collaboration with the United Women Peacebuilders Network Ossissa, Delta State organized a Peace March. Over a hundred (100) community women participated in a peace march calling for an end to Racism and all forms of Discrimination against women.

As part of events to commemorate the International Peace Day, Executive Officers of the United Women Peacebuilders Network Ossissa sensitized over seventy (70) pupils in Ossissa Model Primary School on the theme of the International Peace Day celebration "End Racism and Discrimination; Promote Peace".



Pupils of Ossissa Model Primary School

2-Day Advocacy Visit to Key Women and Men Stakeholders to Assess the Impact of Insecurity On Women at Community Level

As part of the activity under the project "Assessing the impact of insecurity on Women in Nigeria" with support from Urgent Action Fund- Africa, WANEP-Nigeria carried out an Advocacy visit to key women stakeholders in Delta State, to elicit their views on the impact of insecurity on women and girls in the community on 22nd September, 2022, amongst those visited were HRH (Dr.) Obi Martha Dunkwu Omu of Okpanam/ Omu of Anioma/ Nne oha (Mother to All & Mother Without Borders) and Hon. Commissioner for Women Affairs, Community and Social Development Mrs. Flora Alatan. The key stakeholders were delighted to receive the WANEP-Nigeria Project team in their offices. The Omu of Okpanam in her welcome address applauded the efforts of WANEP-Nigeria in promoting peace within communities in Nigeria. She explained that women within communities face several challenges as the society is still largely dominated by men. In her recommendations, she called for the people to be galvanized to give information on issues of insecurity; that women should not be left out during intelligence gathering as they are key stakeholders in promoting peace at community level.



Group Picture of the Advocacy team with the Hon. Commissioner Women Affairs Delta State



Cross Section of Advocacy Team at the Omu's Palace

Advocacy Visit to the Emir, Ona of Abaji , Abaji Local Government Area, FCT Abuja.

On 2nd October 2022, the WANEP Nigeria advocacy team paid an advocacy visit to the Emir, Ona of Abaji , HRH Alhaji Dr. Adamu Baba Yunusa, MFR CCC. At the palace, the advocacy team was welcomed by the Ona of Abaji, his Queen Hauwa Ibrahim, and members of the traditional council. The visit aimed to highlight the effects of insecurity on women and girls in Abaji community and Nigeria at large. During the discussions, the types of conflicts experienced in the community, peace structures available and how conflicts were resolved were enumerated by the traditional ruler. He explained that the traditional council was receptive to women who are seen as mothers and several women are involved in the peace structures. It was noted that women issues were given high priority in Abaji Community. At present the traditional ruler's wife had empowered over 100 women with skills to enhance their livelihood; this was to enable the women cater for their families. Other programs are being planned for women to sensitize them on issues of sexual and gender-based violence, when to report and how to keep safe.



Group Picture with the traditional ruler

3-Day Workshop for Young Persons on Leadership Advocacy and Peacebuilding

The West Africa Network for Peacebuilding (WANEP) Nigeria in partnership with the Global Network of Women Peacebuilders (GNWP) with support from Global Affairs Canada, Peace and Stabilization Operations Program, organized a 3-day Training of Trainers Workshop for Young persons on Leadership, Peacebuilding and Advocacy on the 5th - 7th October 2022. The workshop which held in Abuja, brought together over 35 young persons from conflict-affected communities, and young persons from religious and ethnic minorities.

This meeting raised awareness and consolidated knowledge on the Women and Peace and Security (WPS) and Youth, Peace, and Security (YPS) Agendas amongst young persons. It enhanced the leadership and peacebuilding capacities of young persons to advocate for the implementation of the WPS and YPS agendas. Also, it enhanced young person's abilities to use media, social media, and community theatre for advocacy and peacebuilding on youth participation, sustainable peace, and human rights. At the end of



the training program, a network of young persons and gender equality allies that will meaningfully participate in, influence, and lead community-based peacebuilding was established. Participants at the program were presented with certificates of participation.



Participants during a role play on



A group of photo of Young persons Peacebuilders

2-Day Workshop on Women, Peace, and Security Resolutions for Media

The West Africa Network for Peacebuilding (WANEP) Nigeria in partnership with the Global Network of Women Peacebuilders (GNWP) with support from Global Affairs Canada, Peace, and Stabilization Operations Program, organized a 2-day Workshop on Women, Peace, and Security Resolutions for Media Practitioners on the 10th – 11th October 2022. The meeting was attended by over forty (40) media practitioners in Abuja. The meeting focused on raising national, local journalists and media practitioners' awareness on the WPS resolutions and their role in implementing them and building capacities of media practitioners to integrate gender responsive analysis in their work.

The workshop identified key opportunities and strategies for the strengthening of the role of the media in the implementation of WPS Resolutions and gender responsive and conflict sensitive COVID-19 recovery. It also established a network of media practitioners that will meaningfully participate, influence, and lead community-based peacebuilding particularly the implementation of the WPS resolution, serve as; advocates for gender equality, women's rights, human rights, and gender-responsive humanitarian response called "MEDIA4PEACE". As part of the program three media practitioners were awarded with prizes for winning the Media and WPS Prize Competition which was announced in 2021. The competition aimed to incentivize the journalists to produce media materials that showcase women's roles as leaders and peacebuilders.



Group Picture of Participants at the training



1- Day Strategic Meeting with Key Stakeholders on the Impact of Insecurity on Women and Girls in Nigeria

To raise awareness on the effects of insecurity on women and girls, WANEP-Nigeria in collaboration with Urgent Action Fund Africa organised a one-day meeting with key-stakeholders on women and insecurity in Nigeria. The meeting which was attended by thirty (30) persons from different parastatals and community groups comprising of 8 males and 22 females was held on the 31st of October 2022.

This meeting was organised to create public awareness on the need to urgently curb insecurity and protect women and girls in communities in Nigeria, to promote increased networking and collaboration between relevant stakeholders - officials/agencies, Community Based Organisations and Civil Societies Organisations towards promoting and protecting the rights of women and girls. Also, to call for increased reportage on the continuous killings in the country and how it affects girls and women by the media. Participants at the meeting made inputs and validated the Conflict Impact Assessment and Local Peacebuilding Initiatives Report for Anambra, Benue, Enugu, Delta, FCT, Niger, Sokoto in Nigeria.



Cross Section of Participants at the strategic Meeting

Launch of the Women Peace and Security Bi-annual Journal to Commemorate the Twenty Second Anniversary of UNSC Resolution 1325

On 31st October, 2022, The Maiden Edition of the Women, Peace, and Security Journal produced by WANEP-Nigeria in collaboration with Women's International League for Peace and Freedom (WILPF)-Nigeria in commemoration of the 22nd anniversary of the United Nations Security Council Resolution (UNSCR) 1325, was launched in Abuja.

The journal aimed to share qualitative and quantitative information on women's contributions to peace and security and had Civil Society Organisations and media entities in attendance. The journal is a handy tool for policy and academic discourse. During the discussions, the Honourable Minister of Women Affairs and Social Development who was represented by her Special Technical Assistant Ms Princess Jumai Idonije, recognised WANEP-Nigeria's contribution to the implementation of the National Action Plan (NAP) on UNSCR 1325 and included WANEP-Nigeria as part of technical committee for the development of 3rd NAP.

2-Day Localization Training of Trainers Workshop for the Implementation of the Women, Peace, And Security Resolutions in Nigeria.

In continuation of the project "Localization of the WPS Resolutions in Nigeria" the West Africa Network for Peacebuilding (WANEP) Nigeria in partnership with the Global Network of Women Peacebuilders (GNWP) organized a 2-day day Localization Training of Trainers Workshop for the Implementation of the Women, Peace, and Security Resolutions in Nigeria on the 1st – 2nd November 2022. The meeting was attended by over forty (40) participants from diverse groups in Abuja. The meeting enhanced the understanding of the Women, Peace, and Security (WPS) resolutions and Nigeria National Action Plan (NAP) on WPS among local government authorities, local women activists and leaders, youth activists and leaders, civil society, and marginalized groups in [local area]. Also, it created an avenue to discuss the relevance of the WPS resolutions and the Nigeria National Action Plan (NNAP) on UNSCR 1325 and provide participants with practical skills to be able to deliver training on localization to women, local authorities and other key stakeholders in local areas, to replicate the localization strategy. The workshop provided the platform for the presentation and validation of the draft Localization guidelines for the implementation of Nigeria National Action Plan on UNSCR 1325.



16 Days of Activism Campaign Against Gender Based Violence 2022

The 16 Days of Activism against Gender-Based Violence (GBV) is an annual international campaign that kicks off on 25th November - the International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women and runs until 10th December, Human Rights Day. This year's theme was "UNITE! Activism to End Violence against Women and Girls". It was a call for everyone to play their role in ending violence against women and girls, show support and solidarity to women's rights activists and to resist the rollback on women's rights. WANEP-Nigeria commemorated the days by carrying out series of activities including photo quotes by staff members and trainings for students of Iju Obawole Junior Grammar School, Alimosho Senior Grammar School and pupils of Express Primary School Ikosi- Ketu; all in Lagos State on the dangers of Gender-Based Violence and actions to take to eliminate violence against women and girls on 29th – 30th November, 2022 and 6th December, 2022.



GBV Sensitization Program for Students of Iju Obawole Junior Grammar School, Lagos



GBV Sensitization Program for Students of Alimosho Senior Grammar School, Lagos

Twitter Chat on Gun Violence to Commemorate the 16 Days of Activism

As part of activities to commemorate the 16 Days of Activism on Gender Based Violence WANEP-Nigeria in collaboration with the West Africa Action Network on Small Arms (WAANSA- Nigeria) organized a Twitter chat on the topic 'Addressing Gender Based Gun Violence: Creating a Safe Environment for Women and Girls in Nigeria' on 9th December , 2022. Prof. Patricia Donli, the Executive Director of Gender Equality, Peace and Development Center (GEPaDC) was the Guest on the Twitter chat. She responded to questions asked by the populace on the consequences of gun violence on women and girls.



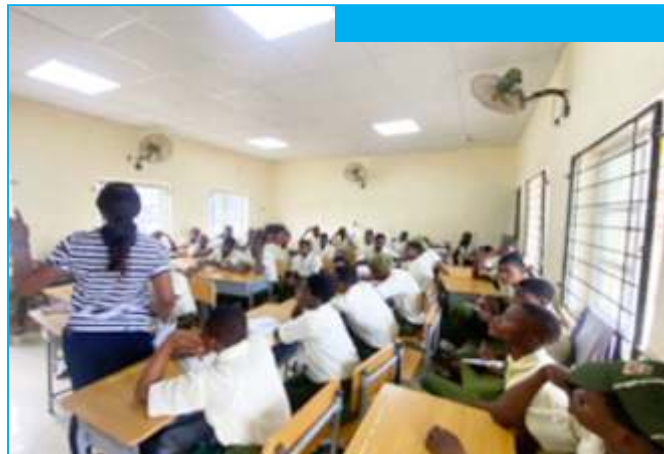
PEACE Education

Active Non- Violence & Peace Education Program

West Africa Network for Peacebuilding (WANEP) -Nigeria implemented the following activities from January- December, 2022 for the promotion of Peace Education to address the rising involvement of children in violent conflict. The activities were executed with the participation of the Lagos State Ministry of Education, Kosofe School Based Management Committee (SBMC) and Lagos State Universal Basic Education Board (LASUBEB). The activities included;

One Day Sensitisation/ Training on Peace Education for Public Secondary Schools in Lagos State:

WANEP-Nigeria in collaboration with Kosofe School-Based Management Committee (SBMC) and the Ministry of Education carried out Peace Education Training from Jan. –Dec. 2022 for students in thirty-four (34) public secondary schools spread across six (6) zones of Education Districts VI and I namely: Oshodi/Isolo Zone, Mushin Zone, Ikeja Zone, Agege Zone, Ifako Ijaiye Zone and Alimosho Zone. The training sessions consisted of topics such as Understanding Conflict, the Role of Youth in Violent Conflicts, How to Resolve Conflict in Schools, Definition of Peace and Peace Education, Identifying Factors That Promote Peace, Why Peace Education in Schools and Attributes of a Peace Ambassador. The slogan used by the students during the program was "Peace Ambassadors, Responsible People". The program aimed to enlighten the students on the need for peaceful co-existence, how they can curb violent acts, build peace and become Peer Mediators in their respective schools and community. The students identified ways of resolving conflict amicably without resorting to violence, the attributes they should possess as Peace Ambassadors.



Cross section of students in public secondary schools being trained on peace education in Lagos State

One Day Sensitisation/ Training on Peace Education for Public Primary Schools in Lagos Mainland LGA, Lagos State

WANEP-Nigeria in participation with Lagos State Ministry of Education, Kosofe School Based Management Committee (SBMC) and approval from the Lagos State Universal Basic Education Board (LASUBEB) carried out Peace Education Training in nineteen (19) Public Primary Schools from 22nd June – 7th July, 2022.

The training session included the use of songs and pictorial diagrams to help the pupils understand the need for peace. The pupils were enlightened on the three methods of resolving disputes – Dialogue, Negotiation and Mediation. As children, mediation was the skill they needed to acquire to effectively resolve disputes amongst their peers within and outside the school environment.



Training of Pupils in Public Primary Schools in Lagos State on Peace Education



Advocacy Visit to the Lagos State Ministry of Education:

WANEP-Nigeria and officers from Kosofe School Based Management Committee (SBMC) paid an advocacy visit to the Lagos State Ministry of Education on 24th June, 2022 for further discussions on the extension of the implementation of Peace Education Training in Public Secondary Schools in the State. The team was well received by Hon. Adesoye and he promised to follow up on the request as regards the approval for the extension of the project to Educational District I. WANEP- Nigeria was given approval by the Lagos State Ministry of Education to implement the Peace Education Training in the remaining four education districts in Lagos State namely education Districts I, III, IV and V.

Humanitarian and Peace Club Inter-School Debate Competition.

WANEP-Nigeria in partnership with Department of Peace, Security and Humanitarian studies in the University of Ibadan, Oyo State organized an inter-school debate on 1st July, 2022 tagged "Conflict Prevention, Peacemaking and the use of Punishment. Advocate for the importance and practicability of one over the others to achieve peace in a secondary school setting." Debaters highlighted on the negative outcomes of punishment such as aggression, disruptive behaviour in school. Proving that punishment rapidly resolves the problems especially in a short term but not long term. It was also highlighted that peacemaking spoils the ambience and spread of negativity amongst their peers and Conflict Prevention reduces risk of violence. To prevent conflicts, teaching techniques that foster collaboration among students should be introduced.

3- Day National Advocacy Training and Dialogue on Youth, Peace and Security

Building Blocks for Peace Foundation (BBFORPEACE) and United Network of Young (UNOY) Peacebuilders in collaboration with WANEP-Nigeria organized 3-day "National Advocacy Training and Dialogue on Youth,

Peace and Security (YPS) on 27th to 29th July, 2022. The event brought together over twenty (20) participants drawn from youth Civil Society Organizations across the country. The objectives of the advocacy training was to raise awareness on the existing global, regional, and national policy frameworks on Youth, Peace and Security (YPS) and equip young persons with skills and capacities to drive implementation at state levels. Participants expressed gratitude to the organizers of the training and promised to network, initiate and implement activities aimed at educating other young persons on the Youth, Peace and Security Agenda.



Group picture of participants at the training

Community Education Development Forum

The Kosofe School Based Management Committee (SBMC) in collaboration with the Lagos State Universal Basic Education Board (LASUBEB), WANEP-Nigeria and other Civil Society partners organized Community Education Development Forum on 4th August, 2022. The aim of the community forum was to highlight the achievements of the civil society in the educational sector in Lagos State and give award to outstanding partners that have contributed immensely to the development of education in the state. In recognition of the organization's efforts in building the capacity of pupils in public primary schools to adopt non-violent approaches to resolving disputes, WANEP-Nigeria was presented with an award for being the most supportive NGO towards the development of Basic Education in the state. The award was received by the Head of Programs- Ms. Patience Ikpeh-Obaulo on behalf of the organization.



Commemoration of International Youth Day 2022.

WANEP-Nigeria joined the rest of the world to commemorate the International Youth Day on 12th August, 2022 with the theme: "Intergenerational Solidarity: Creating a world for all Ages". In achieving the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), the world needs to leverage the full potential of all generations. Solidarity across generations is key for sustainable development. As part of the activities to celebrate the International Youth Day, WANEP-Nigeria organised a Twitter Chat on "Bridging Intergenerational Gap for the Promotion of Peace and Security" highlighting one of the most effective strategies to promote collaborations with young persons as the implementation of the National Action Plan on Youth, Peace and Security.

One Day Advocacy Visit to Education District I, Agege, Lagos State.

WANEP-Nigeria paid an advocacy visit to Education District I, Tutor General Permanent Secretary, Agege, Lagos State on the 7th September, 2022. The visit aimed to discuss the implementation of the peace education project in secondary schools across three educational zones (Agege, Ifako-Ijaiye and Alimosho) in Lagos State. The fifteen (15) public secondary schools where the peace education training will be held in Agege Local Government Area (LGA) were identified during the visit. The district also agreed to send a letter to the Principal and Guidance and Counseling unit of the selected schools to ensure receptiveness and easy coordination for the training.

Commemoration of International Peace Day 2022.

WANEP-Nigeria organised a one-day sensitisation programme for students of three (3) public secondary schools: Unity Junior College, Yewa Junior High School, Sango Senior Secondary School and Dairy-Farm Senior Secondary School, Agege, Lagos State on the 21st September, 2022 in commemoration of the World Peace Day to recognise all the efforts of

those who have and continue to build the culture of peace. The theme was "End Racism. Build Peace". Over fifty (50) students participated in the sensitization program and they promised to educate other students in their schools on the need to stop ethnic bias/ discrimination and embrace a culture of peace.

Engaging with Schools to Promote a Culture of Peace in Sports:

WANEP-Nigeria in partnership with Kosofe School Based Management Committee (SBMC) supported the Annual Inter House Sports Festival competition of Anthony Model Nursery/ Primary School, Anthony Village, Lagos State held on 23rd November, 2022. WANEP-Nigeria being the patron of Yellow House encouraged the pupils to embrace the culture of peace and dismiss all forms of violence. Yellow House which is named WANEP House participated actively in all the activities and came overall best in the competition. The event was attended by officers from the Lagos State Universal Basic Education Board (LASUBEB), teachers, parents and



Members of WANEP House Participating actively in the sporting events

guardians of the pupils.

Engaging with Street Children in Peacebuilding to Promote National Unity:

WANEP-Nigeria in collaboration with Prince Children Foundation Nigeria and Alice Goodwill Foundation organized a sensitization program/ Christmas funfair for the street children on 24th December, 2022. The event was attended by street children, parents, community members and



event partners. Several games were played during the event and all the children felt special. The event also provided a platform for the children to share experiences on the meaning of peace to and how they have been practicing peacebuilding. They were very excited about the funfair with lots to eat and drink. They promised to be Peace Ambassadors wherever they find themselves in the community.

Sports for Peace: Engaging Corp Members in Building a Culture of Peace

WANE Nigeria in partnership with the National Youth Services Corps (NYSC) provided information, Education and Communication Materials to corp members to educate them on the need to embrace a culture of peace. As part of the orientation course for 2022 Batch C Stream 2 Corp Members, the "Inter-Platoon Games and Sports" event was held on 18th December, 2022. WANE Nigeria was at the program to create awareness on the role young person play in peacebuilding. A banner produced by WANE Nigeria was on display to encourage corp members to build social cohesion and peace.

PROGRAMS ATTENDED BY STAFF MEMBERS

Commonwealth Professional Fellowship 2022:

During the year, the Head of Programs – Ms. Patience Ikpeh Obaulo was awarded a Commonwealth Professional Fellowship tenable at Lifegate Outreach Centre, administered with funds from the Commonwealth Scholarship Commission (CSC) in the United Kingdom (UK). The special Professional Fellowship Program centered on promoting Girls' Education as part of the UK government initiative to get 40 million more girls into primary and secondary schools in developing country by 2025 and improve learning levels so that girls can achieve their full potentials. The fellowship program provided her with the opportunity to enhance knowledge and skills which has had catalytic effects on the organization's programs. The fellowship lasted for a period of three months between March and June 2022.

3- day Workshop on Intergenerational Dialogue: Reinforcing Youth Capacities on Conflict Prevention and International Humanitarian and Human Rights Law:

WANE Nigeria represented by Peace Education Intern– Valerie Edem attended the training organized by ECOWAS Commission on the theme "Intergenerational Dialogues: Reinforcing Youth Capacities on Conflict Prevention and International Humanitarian and Human Rights Law" from 29th to 31st March, 2022 in Lilygate Hotel, Lekki Phase 1, Lagos. At the program, youths representatives from fifteen (15) member states were enlightened on inter-generational differences and the need for collaboration. Their capacity was also enhanced in conflict prevention and international humanitarian law and human right law. Over twenty (20) participants were in attendance at the training program.

Three-Day workshop on "The Role of Youth in Preventing and Countering Violent Extremism in West Africa":

WANE Nigeria represented by Peace Education Intern– Valerie Edem attended the above named training at Azalai Hotel de la plage, Cotonou-Benin Republic from 15th to 17th November, 2022 organized by Algeria and Germany, co-chairs of Global Counter-terrorism Forum's (GCTF) - Capacity Building in West Africa Working Group (WAWG), with the support of the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC) as their implementing partner. The workshop had in attendance a hundred (100) participants including; a mix of officials, experts and youth representatives of Civil Society Organisations across West Africa region. The workshop offered an opportunity to understand the impact of violent extremism amongst children and youths; the involvement of children and youths in violent extremist groups; criminal justice response to children recruited and exploited by terrorist and violent extremist group; the prevention of youth radicalization in prisons; rehabilitation and reintegration of children and youth involved with terrorist groups; the relationship between the youths and security forces; and the need to put youths' perspectives at



the forefront of national efforts.

Democracy and Political Transition in Africa: Harnessing Voices for Change

The Peace Education intern- Valerie Edem represented WANEP-Nigeria at a 2-day seminar held in Accra, Ghana organised by Expertise France in partnership with WANEP-Regional, ECOWAS and AU from 28th - 29th June 2022. Present at the summit were selected youth representatives and stakeholders from thirteen (13) member states. Participants were equipped with skills on identifying the benefits of inter-generational dialogue in governance and best practices to deepen their knowledge of youth participation in political transition and peacebuilding.



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	2021 ₦	2020 ₦
Gross income	438,124,197	233,283,962
Program expenses	(315,464,763)	(109,811,578)
Total administrative expenses and others	(53,832,994)	(32,266,892)
Surplus of income over expenditure	102,432,145	91,205,491
Total fixed assets (Net Book Value)	2,237,638	3,505,170
Cash at bank and in hand	231,008,113	124,472,383
Accumulated fund	237,607,840	139,299,048



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West Africa Network for Peacebuilding – Nigeria
Financial Statements for the year
ended 31st December, 2021
General Background, Vision, Mission and Objectives

General Background

The WEST AFRICA NETWORK FOR PEACEBUILDING (WANEP) NIGERIA is a regional non-profit making organisation with the mandate to enable and facilitate the development of mechanisms for cooperation among civil society-based peace building practitioners and organisations. That is by promoting cooperative prevention and responses to violent conflicts, providing the structures through which these experiences and information on issues of peacebuilding, conflict prevention and transformation, social, religious and political reconciliation and promoting West Africa's social and cultural values as resources for peacebuilding.

Vision

A Nigeria characterised by just and peaceful coexistence among communities where dignity of the human person is paramount and where the people can meet their human needs and decide their own direction.

Mission

To enable and facilitate the development of mechanisms for cooperation among civil society based peacebuilding practitioners and organisations in Nigeria by providing cooperative responses to violent conflicts, providing structure through which these practitioners and institutions can regularly share experience and information on peace building, conflict transformation, social ethnic-religious and political reconciliation and tolerance and promoting cultural values as resources for peacebuilding.

Goal

To build a sustainable peaceful co-existence amongst all the various sectors and groups of the Nigerian community, for an enabling environment towards national growth and development.



West Africa Network for Peacebuilding – Nigeria General Background, Vision, Mission and Objectives (Cont'd)

Objectives

WANEP – NIGERIA seeks to:

- Create a critical mass of women with enhanced voice and capacity for conflict management, political participation and enhancing their livelihood;
- Community-based conflict early warning/response system with direct links to ECOWAS and AU early warning systems and policy makers;
- Promote the culture of peace and tolerance through peace education at primary and secondary level and radicalization prevention among youths;
- Support small scale farmers to adapt their practices to the realities of climate change toward enhanced livelihood and mitigating the tension between pastoralist and farmers;
- Support government actors and communities to prevent and address the risk of outbreak of violence in elections;
- Build the capacity and resilience of vulnerable communities to engage their government to mitigate natural disaster;
- Community-based dialogue and mediation to promote peace and security.



West Africa Network for Peacebuilding – Nigeria

Report of the Directors for the year ended 31stDecember, 2021.

The directors have pleasure in submitting their report together with the WANEP – NIGERIA audited financial statements for the year ended 31stDecember, 2021.

1. Operating Result

Surplus of income to expenditure for the year

Surplus Brought Forward

Surplus Carried Forward

N
2021

102,432,145

135,175,695

237,607,840
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2. Legal Form

The WEST AFRICA NETWORK FOR PEACEBUILDING – NIGERIA was incorporated on 14th July, 2003 and commenced operation on the 15th July, 2003.

3. Principal Activities

The WEST AFRICA NETWORK FOR PEACEBUILDING – NIGERIA was created with the goal of capacity building in conflict prevention, collaborative peacebuilding, response, mitigation, advocacy and good governance in order to create an enabling environment through sustainable peace as prerequisite for growth and development.

4. Directors

The names of the directors of WANEP-Nigeria are shown on page 47.

5. Donations and Contributions to Charitable Organisations

The Network made donations during the year 2021 as corporate social responsibility to the development and improvement to our host communities. The donations to the tune of N700,000 were for charitable and non-political activities

6. Property, Plants and Equipments

Movement in fixed assets during the period are as shown in Note 1 on page 61 of the accounts. In the opinion of the directors/trustees, the market value is not less than the value shown in the accounts.

7. Events after the reporting period

There are no post reporting period events which could have had material effect on the financial position of WANEP-Nigeria as at 31st December, 2021 which have not been adequately provided for or disclosed in these accounts.

8. Employment and Employees

I. Employments of Physically Challenged

WANEP- Nigeria maintains a policy of giving fair consideration to the application for employment made by disabled persons with due regard to their abilities and aptitude. WANEP- Nigeria's policy prohibits discrimination against disabled persons in the recruitment, training and career development of its employees. In the event of members of staff becoming disabled, efforts will be made to ensure that their employment continues and appropriate training arranged to ensure that they fit into WANEP- Nigeria 's working environment.



West Africa Network for Peacebuilding – Nigeria Report of the Directors (Cont'd)

ii. Health, Safety at Work and Welfare of Employees

WANEP-Nigeria enforces strict health and safety rules and practices at the work environment, which are reviewed and tested regularly. The COVID-19 pandemic also presented an opportunity for WANEP-Nigeria to enhance its health and safety protocols in all its operating locations.

Fire prevention and fire-fighting equipment are installed in strategic locations within WANEP-Nigeria's premises, while occasional fire drills are conducted to create awareness amongst staff.

iii. Employees Involvement and Training

WANEP-Nigeria ensures, through various fora, that employees are informed on matters concerning them. Formal and informal channels are also employed in communication with employees with an appropriate two-way feedback mechanism.

In accordance with the Network's policy of continuous development, training facilities are provided in well-equipped training centres. These are complemented by on-the-job training.

9. Board of Directors' Responsibilities in relation to Financial Statements

The following statements which should be read in conjunction with the report of the auditors set out on page 53 is made with a view to distinguishing the respective responsibilities of the board of management and of the auditors in relation to the financial statements.

The Board of Directors is responsible for the preparation of the financial statements which gives a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the WEST AFRICA NETWORK FOR PEACEBUILDING (WANEP) NIGERIA as at the end of the financial year.

These responsibilities include ensuring that:

- i. Adequate internal control procedures are instituted to safeguard assets and prevent and detect fraud and other irregularities;
- ii Proper accounting books and records are kept and maintained;
- iii Applicable accounting policies are followed;
- iv Suitable accounting policies are used and consistently applied;
- v The financial statements are prepared on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that WANEP-Nigeria will continue to be in existence.

10. Auditors

The auditors, Messrs Ademola S. Adegoke & Co. (Chartered Accountants) , having satisfied the relevant corporate governance rules on their tenor in office, have indicated their willingness to continue in office as auditors in accordance with section 401(2) of the Company and Allied Matters Act, 2020

By Order of the Board of Directors

Secretary
Lagos, Nigeria.



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**INDEPENDENT AUDITORS REPORT TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES AND BOARD MEMBERS OF
WEST AFRICA NETWORK FOR PEACEBUILDING – NIGERIA.**

Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of West Africa Network for Peacebuilding – Nigeria as at 31st December, 2021 and of its operating result and cashflow for the year then ended in accordance with the Statement of Accounting Standards applicable in Nigeria and in the manner required by the Companies and Allied Matters Act of Nigeria.

Report on other Legal and Regulatory Requirements

Compliance with the requirements of schedule 6 of the Companies and Allied Matters Act of Nigeria

In our opinion, proper books of accounts have been kept by the WANEP - Nigeria, so far as appears from our examination of those books. The West Africa Network for Peacebuilding – Nigeria balance sheet and income and expenditure account are in agreement with books of accounts.

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of West Africa Network for Peacebuilding – Nigeria which comprise of balance sheet as at 31st December, 2021, the income and expenditure, cashflow statement for the year then ended, the statement of accounting policies, notes to the financial statements and the five-year financial summary, as set out on pages 56 to 61.

Respective Responsibilities of Trustees and Board Members.

The Trustees and board members are responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with the Statement of Accounting Standards applicable in Nigeria and the manner required by the Companies and Allied Matters Act of Nigeria. This responsibility include: designing, implementing and maintaining internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, selecting and applying appropriate accounting policies and making accounting estimates that are reasonable in the circumstances.

Auditors' Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with the International Standards on Auditing. Those Standards require that we comply with ethical requirements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditors consider internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control.

An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by the board/trustees as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Lagos, Nigeria.

5th May, 2022.

Ademola S. Adegoke
FRC/2013/ICAN/00000006685
For: ADEMOLA S ADEGOKE & CO.
(CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS)





West Africa Network for Peacebuilding – Nigeria
Income and Expenditure Statement for the year ended 31st December, 2021.

	Notes	2021 N	2020 N
Gross income	6	438,124,197	233,283,962
Cost of programmes		(315,464,763)	(109,811,578)
Surplus of income over programmes cost	7	122,659,434	123,472,384
Other Income		35,605,705	-
		=====	=====
		158,265,139	123,472,384
		=====	=====
Administrative Expenses:			
Telephone/mobile phone		14,200	22,000
Courier & postages		485,513	74,395
Internet access		1,005,000	522,701
Bank charges		419,771	254,117
Fuel and lubricants		1,357,800	951,500
Newspaper and magazines		47,150	39,950
Printing, stationery and consumables		1,675,450	946,200
Entertainment		459,600	217,600
Depreciation		2,497,532	2,368,630
Repairs and maintenance		2,588,888	810,250
Travelling and transport		2,071,952	1,323,105
Cleaning and cleaning consumables		86,500	18,250
Office rent		1,625,000	1,519,200
Office running expenses		1,229,300	722,350
Audit and accountancy		1,000,000	450,000
AGM Board meeting expenses		5,035,245	1,188,025
Electricity and lighting		454,900	377,640
Legal and other professional fees		-	-
Contract labour/security		215,000	750,000
Public relations		733,500	84,000
Donation		706,200	20,000
Publicity		30,000	658,000
Salaries		30,980,194	23,072,312
Consultancy		630,000	-
Medical expenses		450,000	-
Motor vehicle expenses		8,500	-
Surplus /(Deficit)for the year		=====	=====
		(55,832,994)	(36,390,225)
		=====	=====
		102,432,145	87,082,159
		=====	=====

The accounting policies on page 58 to 60 and the notes on pages 61 to 63 form an integral part of these financial statements.



West Africa Network for Peacebuilding – Nigeria
Statement of Financial Position as at 31st December, 2021

		Dec. 31 2021	Dec. 31 2020	Jan. 1 2020
Assets	Notes	₦	₦	₦
Non-current assets				
Property, Plant and Equipment	1	2,237,638 =====	3,505,150 =====	4,138,809 =====
Current Assets				
Receivables and Prepayment	3	5,362,089	7,432,422	5,322,256
Cash and Cash Equivalents	2	- 231,008,113 -----	- 124,938,123 -----	- 40,911,393 -----
Total Assets		236,370,202 =====	132,370,545 =====	44,354,727 =====
Current Liabilities				
Payables	4	(1,000,000) -----	(700,000) -----	(700,000) -----
Net current assets		235,370,202 -----	131,670,545 -----	43,954,727 -----
Net Assets		<u>237,607,840</u>	<u>135,175,695</u>	<u>48,093,536</u>
Represented by:				
Accumulated fund	5	237,607,840 =====	135,175,695 =====	135,175,695 =====

Directors

19/4/2022

Directors

21/4/2022

The accounting policies on page 58 to 60 and the notes on pages 61 to 63 form an integral part of these financial statements.



West Africa Network for Peacebuilding – Nigeria
Statement of Changes in Net Asset
For the year ended 31st December, 2021.

Details	Accumulated Fund N	Total N
Jan, 1, 2020 Opening Balance	48,093,536	48,093,536
Dec. 31, 2020 Surplus for the year	<u>87,082,139</u>	<u>87,082,139</u>
Dec. 31, 2020 Closing Balance	<u>135,175,695</u>	<u>135,175,695</u>
Jan, 1, 2021 Opening Balance	<u>135,175,695</u>	<u>135,175,695</u>
Prior year Adjustment		
Jan, 1, 2021 Opening Balance	135,175,695	135,175,696
Dec. 31, 2021 Surplus for the year	<u>102,432,145</u>	<u>102,432,145</u>
Dec. 31, 2021 Closing Balance	<u>237,607,840</u>	<u>237,607,840</u>



West Africa Network for Peacebuilding – Nigeria
Cashflow Statement for the year
ended 31st December, 2021.

	2021 ₦	2020 ₦
Cashflow from operating activities		
Surplus/(deficit) of income over expenditure	102,432,125	87,082,159
Adjustment for non-cash items: Depreciation	2,497,532	2,368,630
	-----	-----
Operating surplus/(deficit) before changes in working capital	104,929,677	89,450,789
Changes in working capital:		
(Increase)/decrease in Receivable	(2,0703,313)	(3,989,059)
Increase/(decrease) in Other payables	(300,000)	300,000
	-----	-----
Net cash from operating activities	107,299,990	85,761,730
	=====	=====
Purchase of fixed assets	(1,230,000)	(1,735,000)
Sales considerations of damaged Laptop	-	-
	-----	-----
Net cashflow from investing activities	(1,230,000)	(1,735,000)
	-----	-----
Cashflow from financing activities	-	-
	-----	-----
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	106,069,990	84,026,730
Cash and cash equivalents at 1st January	124,938,123	40,911,393
	=====	=====
Cash and cash equivalents at 31st December	231,008,113	124,938,123
	=====	=====
Bank and cash balances at 31st December	231,008,113	124,938,123
	=====	=====



West Africa Network for Peacebuilding – Nigeria Statement of Accounting Policies adopted which have been applied consistently throughout the current and preceeding years

The following are the principal accounting policies which have been consistently applied throughout the current and preceding years:

1. Basis of Accounting

These financial statements have been prepared under the International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS). This is the Company's first set of financial statements presented under this reporting framework.

The effect of transition to IFRS from Nigerian Generally Acceptable Accounting Practices (NGAAP-based) reporting on the equity, financial performance and cash flow position for the comparative year is explained in note... of this financial statement.

2. Reporting Period and Comparative Information

The reporting period of these financial statements is for twelve-month period ended 31st December, 2021. Information covers comparative twelve-month period ended 31st December, 2020.

3. Grants Received

These are donations and grants from various donors in the form of cash and cash equivalents which are given for the purpose of achieving the objectives of programmes execution for which the grants are provided. They are received on different programmes which are concurrently executed within a period but the donations are not presented as separate components of net assets.

Undertakings to provide funding by donors in any form, is not contractual. Therefore, subscriptions from individuals and corporate organisations who share the aspirations of WANEP-Nigeria's objectives are not contractual, and are thus classified as part of donations.

Donations are measured as the exact amount of the cash and cash equivalents transferred to WANEP-Nigeria by donors. Other than subscriptions, donations are recognised on the approval by donors of proposal for programmes to be pursued by WANEP-Nigeria and the receipt of associated funding for such programmes, and are spread over the periods in which WANEP-Nigeria recognises the expenses related to the programmes.

WANEP-Nigeria's principal activity is the prosecution of programmes to realise the objectives therein, based on the donations received. Therefore, donations are presented gross in the statement of income and expenditure without the netting of their related expenses incurred on the programmes. Such expenses are separately presented in the statement of income and expenditure.

4. Fixed Assets

i Fixed assets are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation. Costs include expenditure directly attributable to the acquisition of the assets.

ii The costs of the day-to-day servicing of fixed assets are recognised in the income and expenditure account as incurred.

iii Gains or losses on disposal of fixed assets are determined by reference to those carrying values and are included in the income and expenditure account.



West Africa Network for Peacebuilding – Nigeria Statement of Accounting Policies (Cont'd)

5. Depreciation of Fixed Assets

Depreciation is calculated to write-off the cost of fixed assets on a straight-line basis over the expected useful lives of the assets concerned. The principal annual rates used for this purpose are:

	%
Plant and machinery	25
Office equipment	25
Motor vehicles	25
Furniture and fittings	25
Library books	25

6. Receivables

Receivables are indebtedness to the WANEP-Nigeria arising from advances to its staff.

Receivables are recognised only when WANEP-Nigeria becomes a party to contracts or statutory framework giving rise to them. Other receivables are measured at amortised cost as they are advances to staff by WANEP-Nigeria. WANEP-Nigeria collects these advances from staff at specified payment dates and they are solely repayment of principal and interests.

Loss allowance is recognised for impairment for expected credit loss. Expected credit loss is the weighted average of credit losses with the respective risks of a default occurring at different weights. The loss allowance is measured using lifetime expected credit loss if the credit risk on other receivables has increased significantly since its initial recognition. Where there is no significant increase in credit risk since an initial recognition, loss allowance is measured at an amount equal to 12-month expected credit losses.

To ascertain expected credit loss, the carrying amount of other receivables at the reporting date is multiplied by the probability of default and the exposure at default. Probability of default is the risk likelihood that the carrying amount as at a reporting date would be lost as a result of the credit risk involved. The index of probability or probability co-efficient is arrived at by factoring the risk triggers – which are reasonable and supportable information that is available without undue cost or effort at the reporting date – to which the credit assessment system of WANEP-Nigeria assigns risk percentages at various bands. Exposure at default is the amount of the carrying amount or credit advanced at a reporting date not covered by collateral.

7. Provisions

Provisions are liabilities of uncertain timing or amount.

Provisions are recognised when the company has legal or constructive obligation at a reporting date as a result of past event where the Company is more likely than not will be required to transfer economic benefits in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be reliably estimated.

Provisions are initially measured at the best estimate of the amount required to settle the obligation at a reporting date. When the effect of the time value of money is material, provisions are measured at the present value of the amount expected to be required to settle the obligation. Subsequently, the Company charges against provisions only those expenditures for which the provisions were originally recognised. The Company reviews provisions at each reporting date and adjust them to reflect the current best estimate of the amount that would be required to settle the obligation at that reporting date.



West Africa Network for Peacebuilding – Nigeria Statement of Accounting Policies (Cont'd)

8. Foreign Currency Transactions.

Foreign currency transactions are transactions carried out by WANEP-Nigeria that are denominated in or requires settlement in currency other than the Nigeria naira which is the functional currency. These transactions are associated with the income, expenses, assets, liabilities and components of equity which serve as the bases for the transactions.

9. Employee Benefits

Pension

In line with the provision of the Pension Reform Act 2004, the WANEP-Nigeria instituted a defined contribution Pension Scheme for the management and non-management staff. Staff contributions to the scheme are funded through payroll deduction while the WANEP-Nigeria contribution is charged to the income and expenditure account. WANEP-Nigeria contributes 13% for management and non-management staff respectively. While the employees contribute 5%.

10. Related Party Transactions

Related party transactions are transfers of resources, services or obligations between the WANEP-Nigeria and related parties, regardless of whether price is charged.

A related party is a person or a close member of that person's family or an entity related to WANEP-Nigeria when that person or entity is a member of the key management personnel of WANEP-Nigeria or has control over WANEP-Nigeria or has significant influence over or significant voting power in WANEP-Nigeria. Key management personnel are those persons having authority and responsibility for planning, directing and controlling the activities of WANEP-Nigeria, directly or indirectly, including, any director of WANEP-Nigeria. Where there are related party transactions, WANEP-Nigeria discloses the nature of the related party relationship as well as information about the transactions, outstanding balances and commitments. WANEP also discloses the total compensation paid to key management personnel at all times.

11. Program Expenses

Cost of programmes is the collection of expenses incurred in the prosecution of programmes on which donations have been received. They are financed from donations made in their regard.

Cost of programmes is recognised as the set of expenses incurred in a year towards the realisation of the objectives of the programmes. They are measured as the amounts expended or contracted for the expense items concerned.

It is presented gross in the statement of income and expenditure and deducted from donation income to arrive at gross surplus from donation income over cost of programmes executed in a period.

12. Prepayments

Prepayments are money and resources paid by the Company to other parties in advance of the use of services or for the supply of goods.

Prepayments are recognised only when the Company becomes a party to contracts or statutory framework giving rise to them.

At initial recognition, they are measured at the amount of cash or cash equivalents paid or the fair value of the consideration given to establish the rights to the prepayments at the time of the transactions. Subsequently, prepayments classified as current assets are measured at the undiscounted amount of cash, cash equivalents or benefits given the counter party.

West Africa Network for Peacebuilding – Nigeria
Notes on the Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 2021.
Fixed Assets Schedule

Note 1

Description	Cost			Depreciation			Net Book Value		
	<u>2021 B/F</u> ₱	<u>2021 Addition</u> ₱	<u>Disposal</u> ₱	<u>Total</u> ₱	<u>B/F</u> ₱	<u>Addition</u> ₱	<u>Disposal</u> ₱	<u>Total</u> ₱	<u>2021</u> ₱
Plant & machinery	2,089,965	-	-	2,089,965	2,089,955	-	-	2,089,955	10
Motor vehicles	5,892,000	-	-	5,892,000	5,271,156	620,834	-	5,891,990	10
Furniture & fittings	3,512,623	-	-	3,512,623	2,613,774	296,877	-	2,910,651	601,972
Library books	51,200	-	-	51,200	51,190	-	-	51,190	10
Office equipment	5,398,325	-	-	5,398,325	4,844,812	553,503	-	5,398,315	10
Computer/Laptops	8,659,460	1,230,000	-	9,889,460	7,227,516	1,026,318	-	8,253,834	1,635,626
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	25,603,573	1,230,000	-	26,833,573	22,098,403	2,497,532	-	24,595,935	2,237,638
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West Africa Network for Peacebuilding – Nigeria
Notes on the Accounts(Cont'd).

	2021 ₦	2020 ₦
2 Cash and bank		
Current account– Ecobank I	26,901,222	726,012
Current account– Ecobank II	4,434	12,793,721
Ecobank– USD	128,879,864	26,856,404
Ecobank– Euro	8,103,335	59,783
GT Bank Plc – Euro	17,733	17,733
GT Bank Plc II	1,602	1,602
GT Bank Plc (Staff welfare)	1,272	1,272
GT Bank Dollar	18,949	18,949
Oceanic Bank I (Ecobank Pl)	1,306	1,306
Oceanic Bank II (Ecobank Plc)	409	409
Oceanic Bank Euro (Ecobank Plc)	24,855	24,855
Oceanic Bank Dollar (Ecobank Plc)	6,509	6,509
Cash in hand	68,051	68,051
Oceanic Bank III (Ecobank Plc)	38,803	38,803
GT Bank Pound	13,676	13,676
Zenith Bank Plc –Naira	41,588,043	1,014,260
Zenith Bank Plc – Euro	225,852	225,852
Zenith Bank Plc – Dollar	241,703	46,971
Zenith Bank Plc – Naira ₦)	9,175,647	90,098
Ecobank– 0429	3,651,402	82,931,857
Zenith Bank Welfare	12,043,447	
	<u>231,008,113</u>	<u>124,938,123</u>
3 Receivables		
Prepayment – Rent	2,125,000	750,000
Receivables	<u>3,237,086</u>	<u>6,682,422</u>
	<u>5,362,089</u>	<u>7,432,422</u>
	=====	=====
4 Payables		
Audit Fees	1,000,000	700,000
Accrued expenses (salaries and other expenses)	-	-
Sundry creditors	-	-
	<u>1,000,000</u>	<u>700,000</u>
	=====	=====
5 Accumulated fund brought forward	135,175,695	48,093,536
Add: Prior year adjustment (5.1)	102,432,145	-
Surplus fund for the year	<u>238,607,840</u>	<u>87,082,159</u>
Accumulated fund carried forward	=====	=====



West Africa Network for Peacebuilding – Nigeria
Notes on the Accounts(Cont'd).

	2021 N	2020 N
6. Gross income		
United State Institute of Peace	208,441,968	58,999,342
WANEP Regional office	97,151,412	8,473,299
Oxfam Nigeria	-	10,959,020
Bank interest	-	8,781
Other incomes	35,709,055	23,152,819
Urgent Action Fund Africa	8,280,000	2,230,000
UNDP	-	106,942,144
NORAD	49,220,666	21,761,057
GNWP	69,812,068	757,500
US Embassy	5,114,732	-
	=====	=====
	438,124,197	233,328,962
	=====	=====
7. Cost of Programme		
Regional Programmes	14,091,530	4,018,742
United States Institute of Peace	159,260,824	30,067,040
OXFAM Nigeria	-	2,180,500
ICCT	-	760,000
GNWP	13,469,136	-
NORAD	49,940,890	45,782,237
Urgent Action Fund - Africa	4,088,500	1,503,984
LITE Africa	-	120,000
UNDP	74,013,883	25,379,075
US Embassy	600,000	
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	315,464,763	109,811,578
	=====	=====



West Africa Network for Peacebuilding – Nigeria
Five Year Financial Summary

	2021 ₦	2020 ₦	2019 ₦	2018 ₦	2017 ₦
Fixed assets	2,237,638	3,505,170	4,138,829	4,159,385	4,775,018
Net Current Assets/(liabilities)	235,370,202	131,670,525	43,954,727	20,901,173	20,644,159

	237,607,840	135,175,695	48,093,556	25,060,558	25,418,851
=====					
Represented by:					
Accumulated fund	237,607,840	135,175,695	48,093,556	25,060,558	25,419,177
=====					
Total income	438,124,197	233,283,962	232,160,502	202,178,197	94,911,015
Less: Expenditure	371,297,757	146,201,803	209,127,505	202,536,816	88,404,730
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Surplus/(Deficit) for the year	102,432,145	87,082,159	23,032,998	(358,619)	6,506,610
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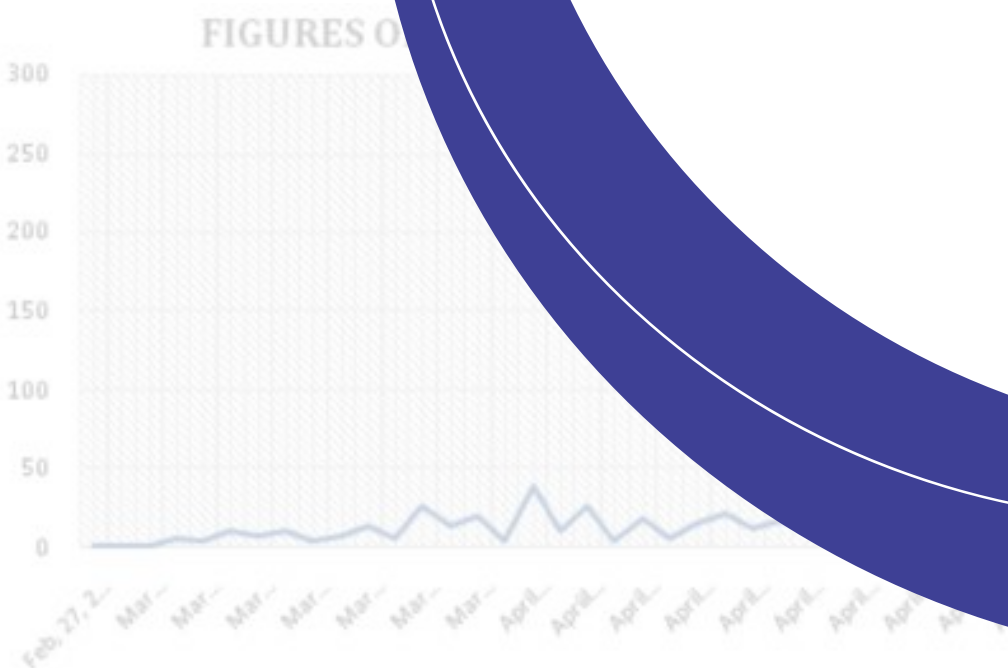


GLOSSARY of Abbreviations

ADSEMA	Adamawa State Emergency Management Agency
AM	Administrative Manager
AU	African Union
BBFORPEACE	Building Blocks for Peace Foundation
CBO	Community Based Organisation
CBRC	Community-Based Reconciliation Committees
CDP	Capacity Development Plan
CDS	Chief of Defence Staff
CEPAN	Centre for Peace Advancement in Nigeria
CEWERS	Conflict Early Warning Early Response System
CEWIMs	Conflict Early Warning Indicator Monitors
COPAC	Coalition of Civil Society on Peace and Conflict Prevention in Central Africa
CPAID	Citizens Participation for Inclusive & Accountable Democracy
CRNA	Conflict Rapid Needs Assessments
CS	Conflict Sensitivity
CSC	Commonwealth Scholarship Commission
DNH	Do-No-Harm
ECOWAS	Economic Community of West-Africa States
EWER	Early Warning Early Response
EWMRGs	Early Warning Monitoring and Reporting Groups
FC	Football Club
FCT	Federal Capital Territory
FGD	Focus Group Discussion
FMWASD	Federal Ministry of Women Affairs & Social Development
FM	Finance Manager
GA	General Assembly
GBV	Gender Based Violence
GCTF	Global Counter Terrorism Forums
GEPaDC	Gender Equality, Peace and Development Centre (GEPaDC)
GNWP	Global Network of Women Peacebuilders
HOP	Head of Programs
HRH	His/Her Royal Highness
IBNM	Interest-Based Negotiation and Mediation
ICT	Information & Communication Technology
IDP	Internally Displaced Person
INEC	Independent National Electoral Commission
IPCR	Institute for Peace and Conflict Resolution
IPOB	Indigenous People of Biafra
JSD	Justice & Security Dialogue
KII	Key Informant Interview
KSPC	Kaduna State Peace Commission
LAP	Local Action Plan
LASUBEB	Lagos State Universal Basic Education Board
LGA	Local Government Area
MEL	Monitoring, Evaluation & Learning
MFR	Member of the Order of the Federal Republic
MOU	Memorandum of Understanding
NAP	National Action Plan



NASFAT	Nasrul-lahi-li Fathi Society of Nigeria
NDLEA	National Drug Law Enforcement Agency
NEWS	National Early Warning System
NGO	Non-Governmental Organization
NNC	National Network Co-ordinator
NORAD	Norwegian Agency for Development Cooperation
NRC	Nigerian Railway Cooperation
NSCDC	Nigeria Security and Civil Defence Corps
NYSC	National Youths Service Corps
OCA	Organizational Capacity Assessment
OCI/A	Organizational Capacity Index/ Assessment
OFR	Order of the Federal Republic
PARTNER	Peace Action for Rapid and Transformative Nigeria Early Response
PLWDs	Persons Living with Disabilities
PM R&D	Program Manager Research & Documentation
PM (CP)	Program Manager (Conflict Prevention)
PO	Program Officer
PPBA	Plateau Peacebuilding Agency
PWDs	Persons With Disabilities
SAS	Stopping at Success
SBMC	School-Based Management Committee
SDGs	Sustainable Development Goals
SEMA	State Emergency Management Agency
SGBV	Sexual and Gender Based Violence
START	Study of Terrorism and Responses to Terrorism
TOR	Terms of Reference
TOT	Training of Trainers
UAF-A	Urgent Action Fund-Africa
UNDP	United Nations Development Program
UNODC	United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime
UNSCR	United Nations Security Council Resolution
UNOY	United Network of Young Peacebuilders
USAID	United States Agency for International Development
USIP	United States Institute of Peace
USSD	Unstructured Supplementary Service Data
WAANSA	West Africa Action Network for Small Arms
WAWG	West Africa Working Group
WEFON	Women for Fairness and Equity Organisation Nigeria
WILPF	Women's International League for Peace and Freedom
WIPNET	Women in Peacebuilding Network
WPS	Women, Peace and Security
YPS	Youth, Peace and Security



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