



May Newsletter



ONGEA PROJECT BY MULIKA TANZANIA



Ongea Project is a program designed to increase young people's understanding of the concept/meaning of Human Rights through visual art. The project directly targets young visual artists 15-24 years of age from different backgrounds, gender, ability, and professions for them to showcase their ideas/design that amplifies change in human rights. Also, it is designed to enable young people to know their rights, responsibilities, and roles in implementing them in their communities.

The project train and capacitate young visual artists on how best they can use their talents in advocating for Human Rights and bring innovative solutions through their arts like cartoons, drawings, and pictures. Moreover, the program provides a platform for young artists to showcase/exhibit their work to decision-makers and the community as a whole.

More than 20 Young Visual Artists have been impacted by the program with training and capacity building on using their talents to amplify issues of human rights, especially in the areas of; Youth and Digital Rights, Climate and Gender Crisis, Youth Active Participation in Decision Making, Gender Equality, and Inclusiveness, Freedom of Expression and Access to information and Youth and Gender-Based Violence.

As a result, more than 20 artworks have been produced that clearly speak about challenges and opportunities on Human Rights agendas and the role of young people in achieving a just society.



AJENDA YA VIJANA





What is Ajenda Ya Vijana?

The *Ajenda ya Vijana* Consortium is a partnership of nine vibrant, Tanzanian, youth-led Civil Society Organizations (CSOs), built from the previous collaboration of 13 youth-led CSOs which collaborated and worked together to champion the creation, validation and launching of the 2020-2025 Tanzania Youth Manifesto. These nine organizations are: Tanzania Bora Initiative (TBI), Tanzania Youth Coalition (TYC), Tanzania Youth Vision Association (TYVA), United Nations Association Tanzania (UNA), Restless Development, Youth Partnership Countrywide (YPC), Bridge for Change, Youth with Disability Organization (YoWDO) and Femina. The consortium aims at advocating, capacitating and engaging youth in friendly platforms and models for sustainable policies and services by intervening in areas of Education, Health, livelihoods, Information and Leadership

The consultative process identified gaps where young men and women in the country are facing numerous challenges which continue to impact youths' perception of the value of engaging in political and governance processes. The challenges include few opportunities for youth to participate in civic and political processes, limitations on freedom of expression and assembly, lack of jobs, access to information, lack of quality health and education, gender inequalities, unmet needs of People with disabilities and limited space or avenues for youth to raise their voices in decision make processes





National Population Policy (2006) Review

The Ministry of Finance and Planning (MoFP) in collaboration with the Civil Society organizations under Tanzania Sustainable Development Platform and other stakeholders, have done a policy review of the National Population Policy (NPP) 2006 as well as preparing its Implementation Strategy (IS).

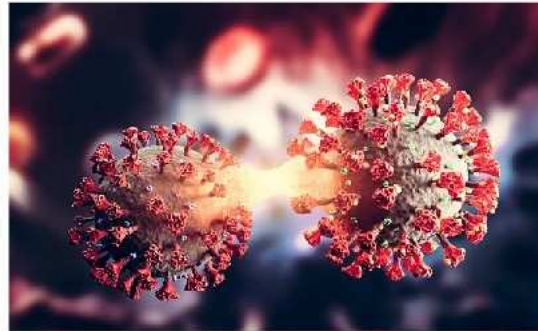


The aim of the review was to assess progress made in implementing the National Population Policy (NPP) 2006 and provide a way forward on the country's development path in the years ahead. It also aimed at ensuring that policy objectives of the revised National Population Policy are in tune with the current views and aspirations of the nation and reflects the country's emerging population issues.

This goes inline with the changes in the paradigm of development blueprint in the early 2000's such as Tanzania Development Vision (TDV) 2025, the Long-Term Perspective

Plan, 2011/12 – 2025/26 implementable through The First National Five-Year Development Plan (2011/12 - 2015/16), the Second National Five-Year Development Plan (2016/17 - 2020/21) and currently the Third National Five-Year Development Plan (2021/22 – 2025/26).

Coordinated under Tanzania Sustainable Development Platform, the policy review convened different stakeholders such as including United Nation Association of Tanzania (UNA), Care International, Restless Development, TGNP, Women in Diplomacy Tanzania, ESRF, REPOA.



Some of key emerging issues from the discussions included;

1. Effects of the population on employment.
2. Inclusion of special groups in social, political and economic activities.
3. Improving provision of Reproductive Health
4. Effects of non-communicable diseases and how the Government should also pay attention to Tropical Neglected diseases
5. Pandemics outbreaks such as COVID 19 which have severe impacts to country's economy and even manpower watershed ding developmental progress that had been attained earlier.



MENSTRUAL HYGIENE DAY!

Action and Investment in Menstrual Hygiene and Health

United Nations Associations Of Tanzania (UNAT) commemorated Global Menstrual Hygiene Day by participating in Women in Diplomacy's (WID) menstrual hygiene day session held on **27th May 2022** with the theme "**Action and Investment in Menstrual Hygiene and Health**" to secondary school girls from Alpha Schools and Diplomasia Secondary School. The session was joined by Temeke District Commissioner **Hon. Jokate Mwegelo**.

The aim of this event was to provide education to the young girls on menstrual hygiene, health and the right products to use during menstrual days, especially the ones that are environment friendly (Sustainable Sanitary Pads). It also aimed at teaching them right ways to keep themselves safe during the menstrual days so that they could be attending classes with confidence.

The session also opened avenue for sharing Sustainable Development Goals to students with key focus on Goal 3 (Good health and well being) Goal 4 (Quality Education), Goal 5 (Gender Equality) and Goal 13 (Climate Action). The discussion rose curiosity to the young girls to be SDGs champions.

Women In Diplomacy distributed 30 boxes of sanitary pads to each school to assist the girls during their menstrual days.







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