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Acronyms:

- CBOs Community based organizations
- CSOs Civil Society Organizations
- DFID Department for International Development
- MDGs Millennium Development Goals
- NGOS: Non- Governmental Organizations
- SWODEN: Society for Women Development & Empowerment of Nigeria
- NSRP: Nigerian Stability & Reconciliation Program
- OBSTEC: Observatory Steering Committee
- VAWG: Violence against Women & Girls

NSRP PROGRAMME ACTIVITIES ANNUAL REPORT 2016

Background:

The Society for Women Development and Empowerment of Nigeria (SWODEN) is a non-governmental organization (NGO), non-political, non-discriminatory and not for profit community based health organization founded in 1995; registered with both State and Cooperate Affairs Commission (RC 18936) to carry out activities throughout Nigeria. The organization focuses on Reproductive Health, STI/HIV/AIDS and TB, Education and Income Generation Activities (IGA).

Currently, SWODEN is operating in six states of the federation namely: Kano – Head Office, Abuja, Katsina, Gombe, Edo and Jigawa states respectively and planning to expand into other states and LGAs.

Introduction:

SWODEN has executed numerous activities with the support and collaboration of the NSRP. The activities carried out reflected SWODEN's real identity as a non governmental entity, because they are multi-dimensional /multi-disciplinary and SWODEN has vast array of experience and competencies in many areas of intervention such as in women's issues and on Health, Socio-cultural, political, economic, educational etc. The NSRP project is still on-going in the three local government areas of Kano state namely Kumbotso, Doguwa & Bichi.

PROJECT OVERVIEW/ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Focus: Helping Nigerians to manage conflict & ensure the eradication of violent conflict.

Target: Youth groups, Women & girls.

Goal: Reducing violence against women and girls and increasing their participation in decision making in their communities.

Society for Women Development and Empowerment of Nigeria (SWODEN) is currently implementing a Department for International Development funded project termed; Nigerian Stability and Reconciliation program in partnership with the British council.

The NSRP Project aims at helping Nigerians better manage conflict and ensure the reduction in cases of violent conflict. The project implemented a number of cost effective interventions to reduce violence and improve stability. This involves technical assistance which improved the co-ordination of security providers and make them accountable to the public, supporting communities to manage conflict and implemented a National Action plan on women, peace and security as well as creating safe spaces for girls and women so as to protect them from violence.

The Project is in the final Year of implementation. Success was recorded during this year 2016 under review through the community dialogue meetings, advocacy visits, replication of peace clubs in other institutions and continued peace clubs monitoring and supervisions.

ACTIVITIES CONDUCTED DURING THE YEAR

During the year SWODEN conducted the following activities;

Community Dialogue Meetings

The activity was conducted in the three project implementation areas which are namely:

1. Badume Community of Bichi LGA
2. Danmaliki Community of Kumbotso LGA
3. Dadinkowa community of Doguwa LGA

Objectives of the Activity:

- Discussions of key issues and challenges in peace clubs and peace building in the community.
- Empower and reduce violence against women and girls in the community.
- A community-inspired call for action for the sustainability of the peace clubs

The activity recorded large turnout of people in all the project areas whenever it was conducted there was high level of commitments by the village head, Religious leaders, local government representative, security operatives, youth groups, women groups and other community members.

During the year 19 community dialogue meetings was held in the 3 PIA's and 1713 people were reached and out of the amount 642 are males and 1071 are females.

Activity	Male	Female	Total number reached
Community Dialogue Meeting	642	1071	1713



✚ **Advocacy visits to KSSMB, SUBEB, STSB and private schools on the need to replicate peace clubs in their schools**

SWODEN paid an Advocacy visit to schools under the KSSMB, SUBEB, STSB and private schools for them to review their education curriculum and introduce the peace clubs in the schools under their board for the benefit of the younger generation.





Dissemination of Peace clubs

The Activity was done by SWODEN and supported by NSRP and the main aim of the activity was to introduce peace clubs in all schools in Kano state using the curriculum developed by NSRP. There was a full participation by the schools as the activity recorded 208 number of attendees of which 114 is male and 94 female.



Film show screening on VAWG/Education for the Girls rising in the 3 PIA's

The film show on VAWG/Education was aired by SWODEN in the 3 project implementation areas namely Badume, Danmaliki & Dadinkowa. The content in the film video shows the benefits of Girl child education and how girls in our communities are been marginalized from schools and other aspects of leadership. The activity recorded the total number of attendees as 358 and out of it 179 are male and 179 female.

✚ **Training of Trainees for schools on the use of Peace club manual**

The objective of the activity was to go through all the topics in the peace club manual so as to enhance the attendees on how to facilitate the peace club using the manual and also for the school that have interest in replicating the peace club to know about the peace club and also to have the knowledge of the topics that are in the peace club manual. The activity recorded 43 attendees and out of it 19 are male and 24 female.

✚ **Launching of Peace clubs in 4 non-NSRP - PIA schools**

SWODEN with the support of the NSRP help launched the peace club in the 4 non –NSRP schools namely Bennie International school, Gora Academy, GGSS Sharada & Mahmud madakin gini junior secondary school that shows their interest in replicating the peace club so that their students will have the life of peaceful co-existence and stop violence against women and girls, while increasing their participation in decision making in the society. During the Activity SWODEN have reach 437 number of attendees and out of the sum 181 are male while 256 female.



✚ **VAWG incidences reported and documented to the NSRP observatory by the peace club members and peace club facilitators**

Part of the effort of reducing violence against women and girls (VAWG), NSRP opened the observatory. The observatory is a virtual safe space to monitor and collate reports on violence against women and girls (VAWG). The observatory monitors and collates reports and escalates incidences that need further attention. An observatory steering committee

(OBSTEC) was launched which serves as a referral body to respond to and refer cases of violence against women and girls to the appropriate quarters. Members of the OBSTEC are key civil society actors, state government officials and representatives of security agencies.

SWODEN with the help of the peace club members and the peace club facilitators collated and documented 136 cases of VAWG in this year 2016 and send it to the NSRP observatory and some of the perpetrators have face justice and some in the court of law and waiting for the judgment. This reduced the deep seated culture of silence and social stigma in the communities SWODEN/NSRP are working.

✚ On the continued Peace club monitoring and supervision

Part of the effort of the NSRP to reduce the VAWG is the creation of safe spaces for girls, women and young boys in the name of the peace clubs. NSRP opened the peace clubs in the 3 PIA's namely Badume, Danmaliki and Dadinkowa and the number awarded by the NSRP to be enrolled is 200 per PIA. This makes the total attendees for the three PIA to be 600 and as a result of the positive result the peace club is providing by changing the behavior and mind set of the peace club attendees to better individuals this results in parents still bringing their children to be registered in to the peace clubs and this takes the number for the 3 PIA's to be 755 as parents are still registering their children.

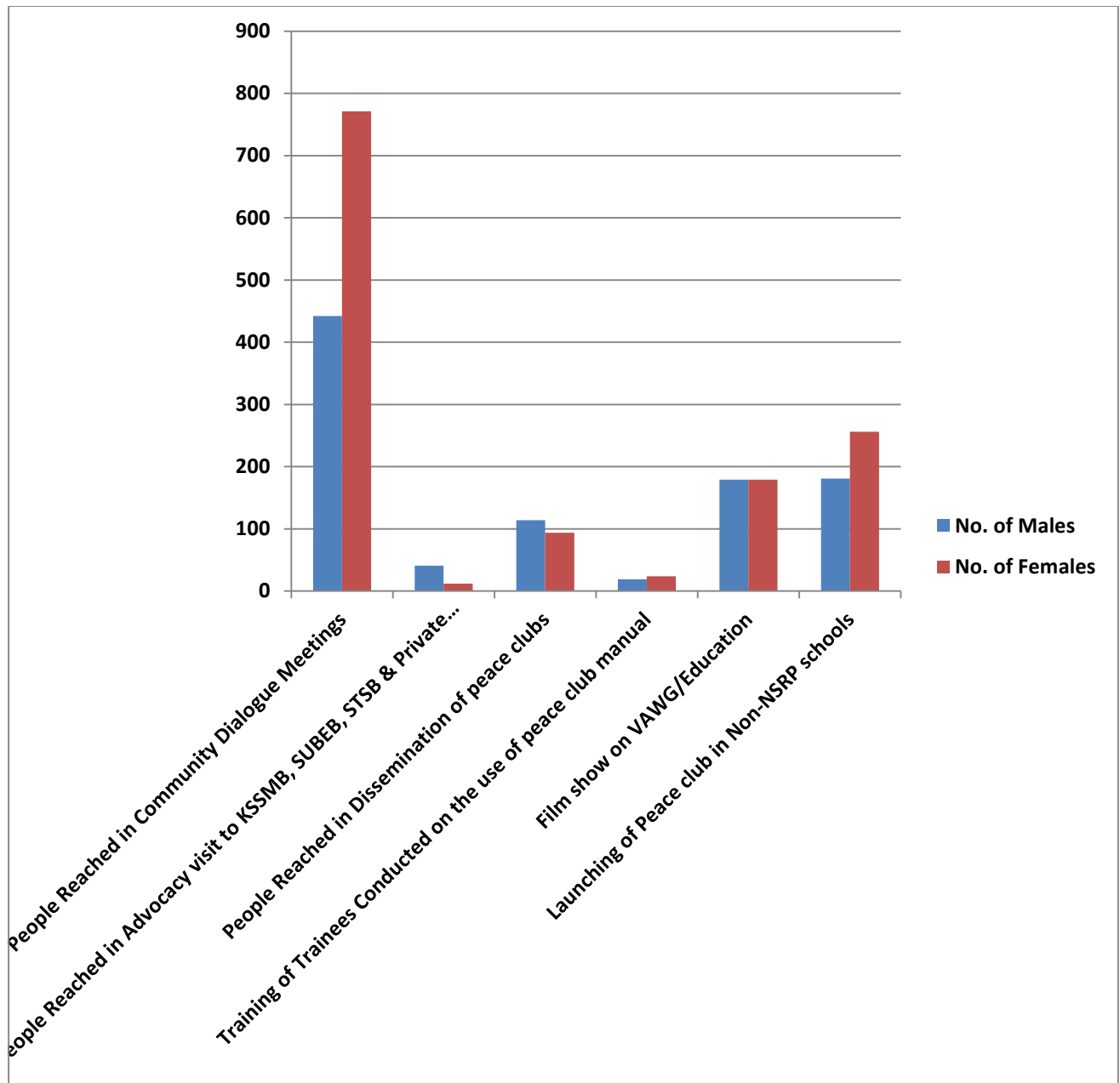
✚ On the skills acquisition gained by the peace club attendees

Part of the effort of the NSRP to wipe out Violence in the areas of intervention is introducing livelihood topic in the peace club manual training in the peace clubs. The livelihood theme helped over 50 attendees in the peace club to now engage into various skill acquisition programs like carpentry, Tailoring, Sewing, Knitting and many other skill programs that now help them to stand on their feet and be productive in the communities.





Activities	No. of Males	No. of Females
People Reached in Community Dialogue Meetings	642	1071
People Reached in Advocacy visit to KSSMB, SUBEB, STSB & Private schools	41	12
People Reached in Dissemination of peace clubs	114	94
Training of Trainees Conducted on the use of peace club manual	29	34
Film show on VAWG/Education	179	179
Launching of Peace club in Non-NSRP schools	181	256



CONCLUSION:

SWODEN/NSRP intervention in the 3 PIA's of Kano helped the community members better manage conflict and ensure the reduction of the deep rooted culture of silence and social stigma that makes it difficult for the victims of VAWG to report cases of sexual abuse and violence.