

# OUR NEWSLETTER

### CYP THIRD-QUARTER (JULY- SEPTEMBER 2021)



## Reviewing the Compilation of Legal Framework for the Elimination of Child Labour and Child Protection

The fundamental dignity of all children in Nigeria is acknowledged in Nigerian law, due to the necessity of protecting their well-being and development. Therefore, it is the state's responsibility to enact legislation to ensure their protection and safety, allowing them to develop to their greatest potential. Hence, we facilitated the compilation of laws that enhance children's protection in Nigeria, and subsequently, the ILO convened a review meeting of the document.

Consequently, participants recommended the following

- The adjustment of the document's title to "Compilation of Legal Frameworks for the elimination of Child Labour and the Protection of Children in Nigeria".
- The addition of footnotes to clarify technical jargon.
- The incorporation of the laws and their relevant provisions.
- The modification of the document contents to a tabular format outlining the four pillars of child rights and specifying the relevant laws within those pillars.

According to the Senior Program Officer of CYPF, the document's essence is to have a compendium of legal frameworks simplified for easy referencing by stakeholders, employers, workers, and the general public.

#### **Meeting of CYPF Staff and Volunteers**

We had several meetings to ensure improvement and engage the organization's staff and volunteers.

The team members resolved to develop a schedule once school resumes with at least two staff/volunteers assigned to each school who will be expected to carry out interventions on leadership and choosing careers. The volunteers will also have discussions and dialogues with school teachers to address issues affecting the school children.

In addition, team members agreed to actively engage in capacity training in areas like administration, report/ article writing, proposal writing, social media/ website management, and online presentations. This will further be achieved by convening regular in-house training.

Team members were also tasked to form a CYPF Advance Team responsible for the office operation, programs, and development of concept notes and proposals. They will also be responsible for sourcing for projects, managing online presence, and accessing and accepting volunteers due for recommendations.



#### **Engaging Young Women on Leadership, Peace-building and Advocacy**

The workshop convened by the West Africa Network for Peacebuilding (WANEP) was titled Training of Trainers Workshop for Young Woman on Leadership, Peacebuilding, and Advocacy Training for Young Women. The workshop, which lasted for three days, targeted young women from ages 19 to 35 from various states. The training focused on peacebuilding to prevent violent outbreaks of conflicts and sustainable transformation of violent conflicts into peaceful action.

During the training, participants were encouraged to have a mentor to help bring out their best and guide them in choosing a career path. They were also advised to note every early warning sign to help prevent conflict or rape. Specifically, the training focused on avoiding conflict, understanding the importance of UNSCR 1325 and UNSCR 2250 and their relevance in our society and for young women. Other topics discussed include implementing the WPS agenda in Nigeria, situational analysis of ongoing conflict\ covid-19 pandemic, advocacy and peacebuilding, and developing community peacebuilding initiatives for gender equality and sustainable peace.

Participants were also made to understand the barriers to women and girls' meaningful participation in political decision-making and peace processes. Finally, they were given guidelines on developing a smart action plan and issued certificates.

The program was enlightening for young women who learned new skills, enhanced their knowledge, and changed attitudes, especially on early warning signs and security.





SOAR Initiative and NEEM Foundation organized a one-day project initiation meeting on promoting staff wellness and resilience for effective response to sexual and genderbased violence programming projects. The executive director of the project noted that the program would run for 12 months with monthly meetings and training in addressing wellness and resilience of staff through:

- Promoting learning about Self-Care, Wellness, and Resilience for Staff of SGBV Prevention and response organizations
- Embedding these principles in organizational culture.
- Generating evidence and learning about staff wellness programming as part of GBV prevention and response programming, and others.

We look forward to participating in this program, prioritizing our health and wellness, and enhancing our knowledge in appropriately and effectively preventing and responding to SGBV.

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