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MESSAGE FROM THE BOARD CHAIR

Gradually overcoming the Covid-19 pandemic, Nigeria continues to grapple with serious security challenges, economic instability, rising inflation and a high cost of living, which continue to compound the challenges of marginalized groups. ActionAid Nigeria (AAN) remains committed to championing social justice-based responses to the issues of widening inequality of power and wealth, injustice and poverty in Nigeria.

In recent years, growing discontentment and violent agitations that have roots in deprivation and poverty, have led to increased violent extremism, insurgency and violent self-determination struggles. These are in addition to the increasing incidents of kidnapping and violent crimes due to unemployment, lack of opportunities for young persons, degradation of natural resources and climate change stressors.

AAN continues to campaign for equality of rights and greater equality for women and girls. An outcome of some of this work in collaboration with our community partners is that a girl born today will more likely live and grow in a world that is more conscious of her capabilities and appreciative of her value as a productive member of society. She will have a better chance of being involved in designing and fighting for a more equitable, just, and peaceful world. It is our position that violence against women and girls is not inevitable, but rather, it is preventable.

From our work with young persons, we have learnt that to achieve more, the resourcefulness and energy of the youth must be moulded into productive resources, through engagement and building leadership for the future. We have demonstrated leadership through our various programmes on Education, Governance, Women's Rights, Migration, Livelihood & Household Empowerment, Climate Change and Humanitarian/Resilience Response programmes.

We will continue to fight for the right policies and actions that are inclusive of everyone. ActionAid appreciates the partnership and collaboration of all our partners and donors, which have made this impact possible.

As we approach Nigeria's election year, AAN will continue to champion peaceful and credible elections that deliver good governance towards ensuring social justice. To do this, we will keep strengthening our coalitions to enhance capacity of marginalized groups and our community partners in demanding social justice.

Dr. Jummai Umar-Ajjola



MESSAGE FROM THE COUNTRY DIRECTOR

ActionAid Nigeria has continued to strive in the fight for social justice. The increased capacity of the most vulnerable to challenge unequal power and injustice has been our strength.

The challenges posed by the Pandemic is no longer a threat as we embrace new ways of working, breaking digital barriers and facilitating effective connection and reaffirming our courage in pushing ahead the agenda of the most vulnerable.

More than ever, ActionAid is taking a lead in the promotion of Development Humanitarian Nexus, working with the relevant stakeholders in ensuring holistic development in view of increase level of insecurity, disasters management, humanitarian responses and climate emergencies across the globe.

Through the support of our donors at national and international levels, we are breaking new grounds, supporting life changing initiatives and creativity of women, young people and persons living with disabilities.

Sadly, the year has witnessed more incidences of Sexual and Gender Based Violence in the mist of heightened cases of insecurity. However, as the pattern of violation unfolds, women are getting stronger and taking up the challenge at individuals and as a collective, with the support of Human Rights Defenders who are also experiencing series of violation and life-threatening ordeals.

While acknowledging the efforts of government in tackling the challenges of insecurity, it is pertinent to note that the increase in the activities of the bandits has rendered more Nigerians vulnerable to poverty. Abduction and ransom taking has become an open day business and payment of ransom does not even guarantee the release of victims. This issue if not given due attention is already a threat to national food security as farming activities becomes impossible in the food production zones.

ActionAid continues to be hopeful for better days ahead.

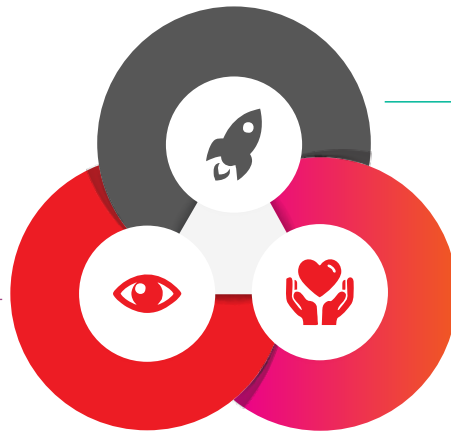
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WHO WE ARE

ActionAid Nigeria is a social justice organization working to eradicate poverty through gender equality and the redistribution of wealth and power. We apply a human rights-based approach to development. We mobilize the active agency of people to confront unequal power relations that exclude them or others from participating in decision-making and limits their access to and control of resources and opportunities. We also challenge the norms and practices that undermine women's rights and promote patriarchy in formal and informal spheres. These we believe will contribute to the realisation of social justice for all

MISSION

To achieve social justice, gender equality and poverty eradication by working with people living in poverty and exclusion, their communities, people's organisations, activists, social movements and supporters.



VISION

A just, equitable and sustainable world in which every person enjoys the right to a life of dignity, freedom from poverty and all forms of oppression.

VALUES

HUMILITY

recognising that we are part of a wider alliance against poverty and injustice.

INDEPENDENCE

from any religious or political party affiliation.

COURAGE OF CONVICTION

requiring us to be creative and radical, bold and innovative - without fear of failure - in pursuit of making the greatest possible impact on the causes of poverty, injustice, and gender inequality.

MUTUAL RESPECT

requiring us to recognise the innate worth of all people and the value of diversity

EQUITY AND JUSTICE

requiring us to ensure the realisation of our vision for everyone, irrespective of but not limited to gender, sexual orientation and gender identity, race, ethnicity, caste, class, age, HIV status, disability, location and religion.

INTEGRITY

Integrity, requiring us to be honest, transparent and accountable at all levels for the effectiveness of our actions and our use of resources; and open in our judgements and communications with others.

SOLIDARITY WITH PEOPLE LIVING IN POVERTY AND EXCLUSION

being the only bias in our commitment to the fight against poverty, injustice, and gender inequality.

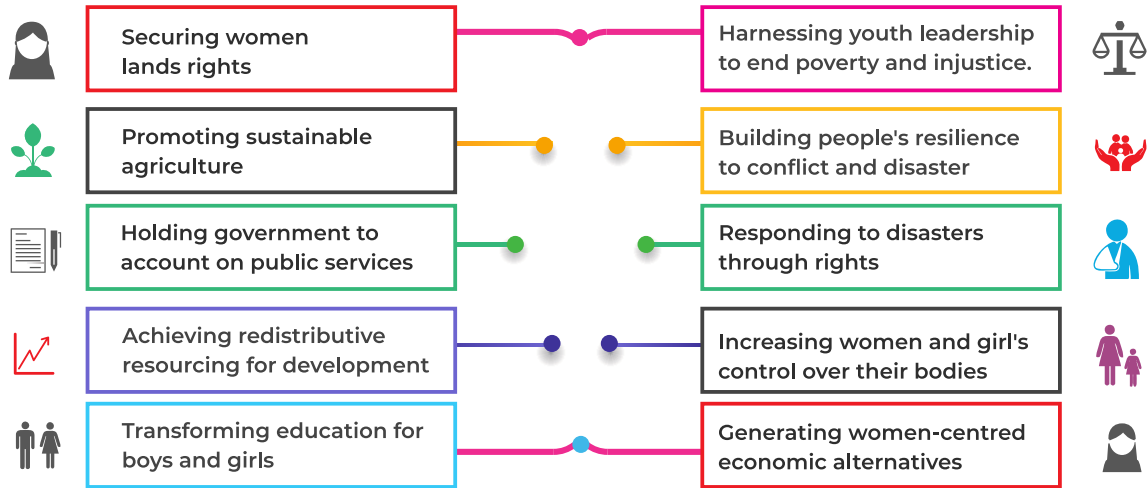
DONORS



PROJECTS IN 2021

- Women's Voice and Leadership-Nigeria Project (WVL-N)
- Strengthening Local Women's Rights Organisation towards Combating Violence Against Women and Girls in Nigeria (SLOC -VAWG (Violence Against Women and Girls)
- Scaling up Public Investments in Agriculture. (SUPIA)
- Systems and Structures Strengthening Approach Against Radicalization to Violent Extremism (SARVE II)
- Migration II project
- World Food Programme
- Strengthening Social Service Provision for Young Persons Youth Organizing and Leadership (YOL) project
- Promoting Accountability & Transparency in the Home-Grown School Feeding (HGSFP)
- Effective Tax Provision for Public Education (Breaking Barriers Project)
- Mobilising Action Towards the Abolition of Infanticide in the FCT (MATAI)
- Local Rights Programme (LRP)
- WE-YOU-PRO
- Youth Digital Engagements

10 KEY PROMISES



OUR THEORY OF CHANGE

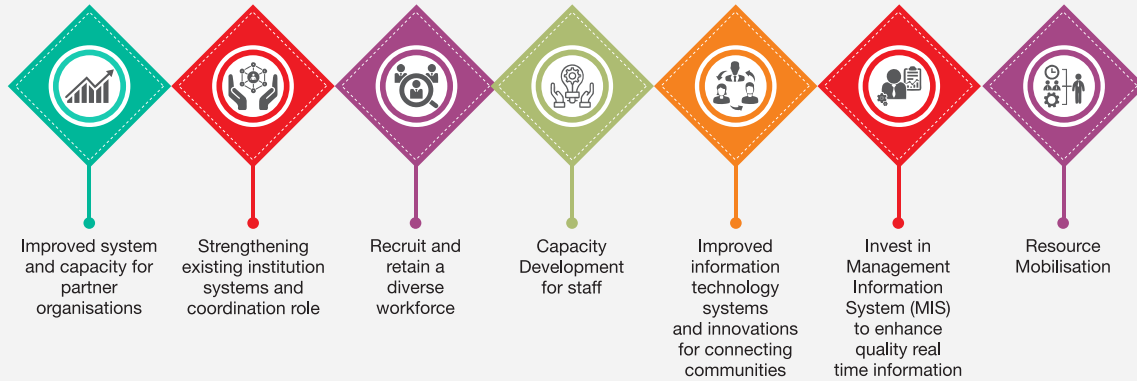
Our theory of change is premised on empowering citizens especially young people, women and girls, and building accountability mechanisms. This will lead to enhanced peoples' power in inclusive governance, improved quality of life for girls and women; while achieving social justice, gender equality and poverty eradication.



We believe that investment in human and social development at all levels; creation of accountability mechanisms with increased citizens' participation in democratic processes and governance; redistribution of resources results in social justice and gender equality. We will thus work to empower citizens' especially young people, women and girls and their movements; support the building of accountability mechanisms that will lead to enhanced peoples' power in inclusive governance, improved quality of life for women and girls; while improving social justice, gender equality and poverty eradication in Nigeria.

ORGANISATIONAL PRIORITIES

To ensure effective implementation and delivery of AAN strategy, the following priorities were identified:



Central to our programmes is the full enjoyment by female and male citizens of their rights; reducing inequality; promoting gender responsive public services; and providing alternatives to the status quo in solving complex development challenges.



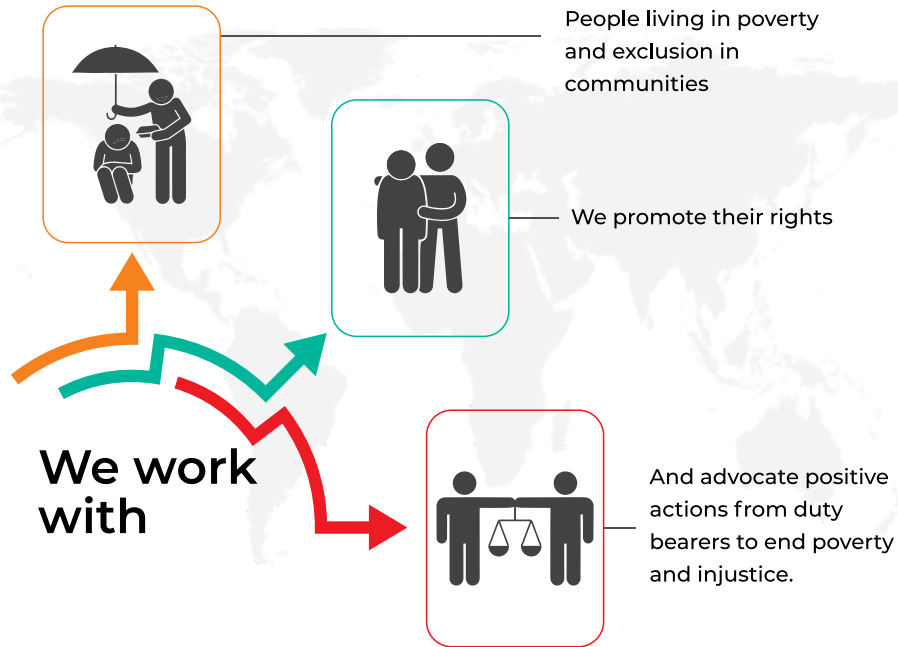
Promoting the Right to Just and Democratic Governance and Women's Rights are cross-cutting themes which apply across the whole programme, but also have stand-alone initiatives.

Linking all these is our geographically based integrated Local Rights Programme which is being implemented in twelve states of the federation. Our projects are currently spread across the 36 States in Nigeria and over 250 communities and are benefiting millions of people.

From reflections and lessons of our programmes in Nigeria, we achieve good governance and accountable policies centred on the improvement of gender sensitive public services in Nigeria.

Applying the Human Rights Based Approach, we centre our work on the active agency of citizens – males and females, young and old – thinking locally and acting globally. We build an awareness of rights, analyse and confront unequal and unjust power relations, advance women's rights, build partnerships, and are accountable and transparent. Our work is structured around the principles of empowerment, solidarity and campaigns.

PEOPLE WE WORK WITH



To ensure that these actions and services are felt in the rural communities, ActionAid engages multiple agents at different levels; and in different situations, we thereby, act as enablers, advocates, facilitators, and catalysts. By so doing, we create space and interest for the voices of people living in poverty and their respective agencies to be embedded in government policies and actions.

ActionAid Nigeria not only maintains a strong solidarity with the poor, but equally takes sides with them even against adversity.





OUR CONTEXT



COVID-19 AND POVERTY

According to the World Data Lab, a non-governmental data analysis organisation, nearly 102 million Nigerians live in extreme poverty—the largest extremely poor population in the world. The World Bank estimated in early 2020 that roughly half of Nigerians were living on less than \$1.90 per day. This has been worsened by the unprecedented outbreak of COVID-19 in 2020, where lockdown and control measures led to a slowdown in economic activity and in near total shutdown in social interactions due to social distancing and COVID-19 control measures.



INSECURITY AND SHRINKING CIVIC SPACES

The rise of insecurity across the country is concerning. There has been widespread kidnapping, banditry and recurring cycles of deadly violence and communal clashes. In recent times, the clampdown on peaceful protests, arrest and detention of activists, protesters and media repression signifies a renewed intolerance of free speech and dissent by Nigerian authorities indicating the shrinking of political and civic spaces. The recent “End SARS” and “End Police Brutality” protests, broadly coordinated across the country by young Nigerians indicated a level of dissatisfaction with the current Nigeria Police Force (NPF) formation, especially with the activities of the Special Anti-robbery Response Squad (SARS).



COVID-19 AND GENDER BASED VIOLENCE (GBV)

During COVID-19 lockdown, ActionAid Nigeria a grassroots non-governmental organisation reported cases of gender-based violence spiked with a monthly increase of 149% in 23 out of the 36 states in Nigeria where data could be obtained on SGBV. Between January and June 2020, the Nigerian police recorded 717 cases of rape which indicates almost a 200% increase; the Inspector General of Police had suggested that the movement restrictions put in place because of COVID-19 may have contributed to the sharp increase (ActionAid Nigeria, 2020). High profile killings like that of Tina Ezekwe (#Justice4Tina) and Uwavera Omozuwa (#Justice4Uwa); to mention a few, traumatised the nation and led to country-wide protests and demonstrations



CHILD'S RIGHTS

As at 2017, 21 out of 36 States had adopted the Child Rights Act 2003 enacted by the Federal Government following the signing and ratification of the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child. In spite of this, children are at risk of multiple violations of their rights such as violence, trafficking, exploitative labour, abuse, child marriage and female genital mutilation. Sixty percent of children often experience one or more types of violence before attaining adulthood. Over 17.5 million children can be categorised as orphans and vulnerable children while a quarter of Nigerian children age 5-14 are involved in child labour (UNICEF).

ORGANIZATIONAL EFFECTIVENESS

With the COVID-19 pandemic which broke out early in 2020 still ravaging the world, the OE directorate continued to ensure smooth operations of AAN work by creating a safe environment in line with COVID-19 protocols (use of facemask, temperature checks, stationed sanitizers in different sections of the office, physical/social distancing) as well as facilitated the 1st and 2nd dose AstraZeneca vaccine administration from the Healthcare Centre. There was increased online/virtual meetings,

trainings and other engagement digitally during the year; with support from the IT unit. This improved staff ability to effectively take up online engagements especially with the launch of the Digital Collaboration Course.

The directorate 's respective units were able to support teams for effective programme delivery as well as the continued implementation of the country strategy paper.

RMID

The COVID-19 has no doubt altered the course of social and human existence broadly; including the donor funding architecture. The global economic distress has also impacted donor focus to the prioritization her local contents and development requisites. In the face of the changing contexts, RMID have continued to pursue her funding targets in tandem

with our Country Strategy Paper (2018-2023). We are increasing efforts to secure an increased funding base through strategic resourcing and innovation and have continually worked and engaged with the donor community, towards achieving the ambition of a diversified income source.

SOCIAL MOBILISATION

Insecurity is chronic in many areas, and inflation and unemployment accentuate the problem.

Protectionist economic policy was used in an attempt to support local industry. The methods employed, in particular by the Central Bank of Nigeria, contributed to macro-economic imbalances, notably high inflation and periodic hard-currency shortages.

Near-term economic growth will be muted by high inflation and unemployment, and low nominal wage growth and consumption.

There was a lot of impasse between ASUU, Resident Doctors and other essential

service providers.

Core infrastructure for economic growth suffered retrogression, though there is significant investment in credit-financed rail & highway projects.

There was spiral hike in rate charged for electricity.

Social unrest forced government to make new populist concessions.

The government adopts a permanently restrictive attitude towards regional trade.

Recession continued into 2021 amid high inflation leaving many more people poorer

ACTIONAID NIGERIA TOTAL REACH

LRP



49

schools with accessible and inclusive environment

TARGET 36

PERCENTAGE 136



3

existing agroecology policies in the states (Agric policies & Climate Change)

TARGET 4

PERCENTAGE 75



6

reported cases of harmful traditional practices in LRP communities

TARGET 24

PERCENTAGE 25



18

Government responses to issues raised through platforms IFAS, PRRP and other advocacy platforms/dialogue forums and peer group pressure Communities

TARGET 60

PERCENTAGE 30



863

farmers practicing model agroecology at community level

TARGET 250

PERCENTAGE 345



22,723

of persons reached (by type of activity)

TARGET 20000

PERCENTAGE 114

MATAI



5

Area Councils with functional Child Rights Implementation Committees (CRICs) working towards the abolition of infanticide in the FCT.

TARGET 5

PERCENTAGE 100



5

targeted area councils with functional child protection desks collaborating with community-based mechanisms (CAAs) involved in the safeguarding of children

TARGET 5

PERCENTAGE 100



2

community platforms created challenging violence against children with emphasis on infanticide practice (e.g. Change Advocates Against Infanticide (CAAI))

TARGET 2

PERCENTAGE 100



79

Social workers trained on case management in the targeted communities

TARGET 100

PERCENTAGE 79



441

people reached by grass roots support for prevention, referral, rehabilitation and services at the community level and communities care initiatives focused on building the protective environment to eradicate harmful norms and practices

TARGET 162

PERCENTAGE 272



10

community actions taken to challenge the practice of infanticide

TARGET 12

PERCENTAGE 83



168

ostracized children receiving improved care and support from the Vine Heritage Home (VHH)

TARGET 158

PERCENTAGE 106



3

physical structures in place to aid the living, educational and health/nutritional development of ostracized children in VHH

TARGET 3

PERCENTAGE 100



441

people reached by grass roots support for prevention, referral, rehabilitation and services at the community level and communities care initiatives focused on building the protective environment to eradicate harmful norms and practices

TARGET 1000

PERCENTAGE 44



79

Social workers trained on case management in the targeted communities

TARGET 100

PERCENTAGE 79



3

administrative policies and systems put in place at VHH to better deliver on set organizational goals

TARGET 3

PERCENTAGE 100

YDE



5

accountability and advocacy initiatives supported financially by AA

TARGET

5

PERCENTAGE

100



40

people organized in COVID-19 response committees / groups

TARGET

40

PERCENTAGE

100



9

COVID-19 information and awareness raising initiatives supported financially by AA

TARGET

9

PERCENTAGE

100



35000

people reached by COVID-19 related online campaigns, media, etc.

TARGET

30,000

PERCENTAGE

117



120

people trained on COVID-19 related topics

TARGET

120

PERCENTAGE

100

WVL-N



28

supported women's rights organizations who are now using best-practice governance and management practices (such as: a result tracking and reporting system)

TARGET

75

PERCENTAGE

37



100

grantees reporting greater reach of program

TARGET

75

PERCENTAGE

133



4

targeted policies, laws, frameworks, mechanisms, procedures, plans etc. that were influenced by interventions of LWROs (Advocacies, collaborative drafting) from LWRO and networks

TARGET

5

PERCENTAGE

80



28

supported women's rights organizations that have adopted innovative approaches to meet their annual work plan targets

TARGET

30

PERCENTAGE

93

SLOC-VAWG



8

WRO setting their agenda and managing the delivery of their program

TARGET

12

PERCENTAGE

67



12

WRO Using best practice in implementing GBV action

TARGET

12

PERCENTAGE

100



10

WROs who have met objectives and targets as stated in their annual work plans reporting greater reach of GBV interventions

TARGET

12

PERCENTAGE

83



10

grantees reporting increased number of people reached through GBV interventions

TARGET

12

PERCENTAGE

83

MIGRATION II



100
returnees employed or
enrolled in a vocational
training course

TARGET

1

PERCENTAGE

133



1
participants obtaining at
least 75% in the final test
and showing increased
knowledge of life skills
and technical skills

TARGET

90

PERCENTAGE

150



0
women-led cooperatives
in the intervention area

TARGET

60

PERCENTAGE

150



1
government officers
obtaining at least 75% in
the final test and
demonstrating increased
knowledge on good
governance and migration
management/
coordination

TARGET

97

PERCENTAGE

139



15,000
key community
members involved in
sensitisation activities

TARGET

850

PERCENTAGE

1,765

SUPIA



31
briefings, meetings,
roundtables and policy
dialogues held with Key
government officials

TARGET

31

PERCENTAGE

100



6
parliamentary Briefings
held

TARGET

8

PERCENTAGE

75



111
Smallholder women
farmer leaders and CSOs
representatives trained
on the use and
deployment of the VAB
toolkit for state/national
level data generation for
the Biennial Review (BR)

TARGET

111

PERCENTAGE

100



37

Smallholder women farmers' state level data (related to the BR indicators) generated to feed into the Nigeria BR report

TARGET

37

PERCENTAGE

100



60

commitments secured from policy makers regarding increased public funding for issues relating to smallholder agriculture

TARGET

28

PERCENTAGE

214

SARVE II



100

Community cooperatives are established and functional

TARGET

100

PERCENTAGE

100



2,700

Livelihood Empowerment Number of individuals provided with startup kits for generation of income

TARGET

2500

PERCENTAGE

108



1

Establishment of a functional Kogi Youth Development Commission

TARGET

1

PERCENTAGE

100



1

Organized first National PVE Summit in Nigeria

TARGET

1

PERCENTAGE

100



6

Policy dialogues on PVE held

TARGET

6

PERCENTAGE

100

WFP



11,704

children 6 – 23 months
served with
Supplementary food

TARGET **12,698**

PERCENTAGE **92**



5,040

women reached with
IYCF messages

TARGET **5,040**

PERCENTAGE **100**



2,160

men reached with IYCF
messages

TARGET **2,160**

PERCENTAGE **100**



1,260

cooking demonstration
session carried out

TARGET **1,680**

PERCENTAGE **75**



7,000

persons reached with
cooking demonstration

TARGET **8,400**

PERCENTAGE **83**



221,160

individual reached with
food assistance with
scale up for August and
September

TARGET **245,053**

PERCENTAGE **90**



10,233

women served under the
BSFP-PLW program

TARGET **10,584**

PERCENTAGE **97**

WE YOU



5

political parties committed to engendering inclusion of young people and women

TARGET **5**

PERCENTAGE **100**



2

Policy and manifesto dialogues held

TARGET **2**

PERCENTAGE **100**



92

stakeholders identified and trained to promote young people and women's inclusion in political party structures

TARGET **100**

PERCENTAGE **92**



2

actions undertaken by the We-You ambassadors

TARGET **6**

PERCENTAGE **33**



5

party engagements held

TARGET **3**

PERCENTAGE **167**

YOL



271

people trained

TARGET **120**

PERCENTAGE **226**



500

people taking action on common causes

TARGET **500**

PERCENTAGE **100**



15

discourse (meetings, youth forums, mobilization events) held on tax and GRPS

TARGET **12**

PERCENTAGE **125**



20

significance of advocacy initiatives

TARGET **20**

PERCENTAGE **100**



1,500,000

people reached by online campaigns, media, social media

TARGET **2,000,000**

PERCENTAGE **75**

BREAKING BARRIERS



8

instances where Civil Society Organisations use evidence generated by the project in interactions with elected representatives and key decision makers.

TARGET **6**

PERCENTAGE **133**



29

type of media coverage on domestic resource mobilisation and progressive taxation linked to public education. (Episodes)

TARGET **24**

PERCENTAGE **121**



7

Evidence of government consultation processes concerning inclusive public education and education financing involving girls, marginalised children, civil society organisations.

TARGET **2**

PERCENTAGE **350**



12

type of actions by girls, community groups, Civil Society Organisations and other stakeholders to improve (a) access, (b) attendance and (c) retention of girls and other marginalised children in target schools

TARGET **5**

PERCENTAGE **240**

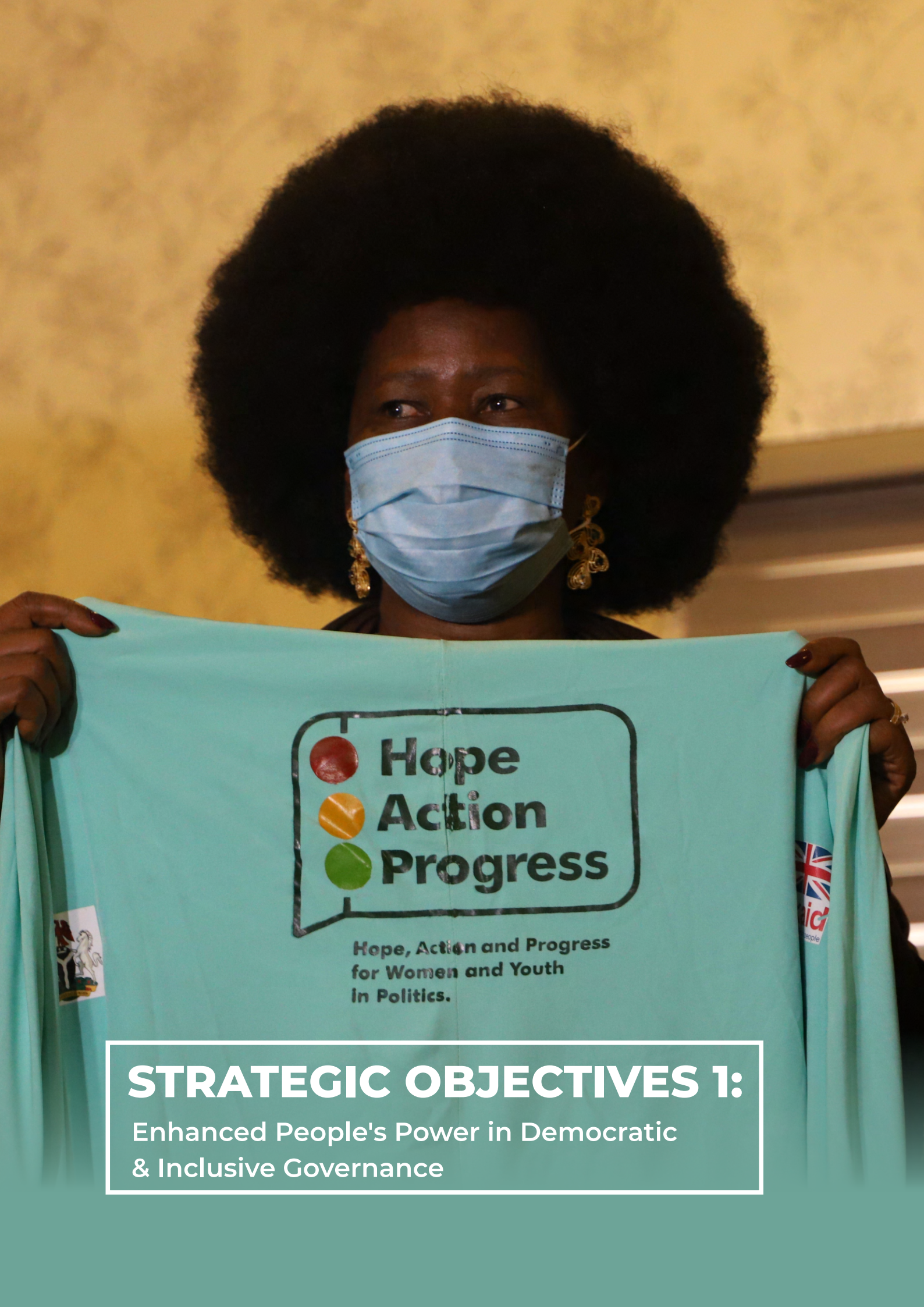


30

schools targeted by the project respecting children's rights to gender responsive and inclusive education.

TARGET **30**

PERCENTAGE **100**



 **Hope
Action
Progress**

Hope, Action and Progress
for Women and Youth
in Politics.

STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES 1:
Enhanced People's Power in Democratic
& Inclusive Governance

STRATEGIC OBJECTIVE 1

ENHANCED PEOPLES' POWER IN DEMOCRATIC AND INCLUSIVE GOVERNANCE.

01



Restoration of electricity in Tunga Maje community in Kaiama LGA, Kwara, Raishe Kebbi, Tungan Ashere community FCT. Tunga Maje has been without electricity for close to 3 years due to a defective transformer. The community members continuously engaged PHCN and their elected representatives at the National Assembly. Their engagement finally paid off in early July 2021, when PHCN came to restore their electricity. It is pertinent to note that the Women Community Based Organisation (CBO) played a crucial role in spurring the community leader in the engagement.

02



Construction of borehole in Gari Guja community in Negere LGA of Yobe state. The partner with support from AAN constituted and conducted training on advocacy for the Community Action Group. This skill boosted the confidence of the CAG and the team were able to pay advocacy to the representative at the Yobe State House of Assembly who in turn linked them up with the SDGs office which led to the installation of borehole in Takawa. This community usually trekked 3 KM to get water in the past. More communities are using this achievement to start contribution to enable them conduct advocacy to their stakeholders too.

03



11.6 million naira to Sholu community for construction of health centre and construction of borehole as a result of advocacy

04



Renovation of blocks of classrooms in Gida Agoda, Hakimawa Kebbi



SUPIA: Strengthened citizens' participation and inclusion towards making the 2022 Agriculture budget responsive for food security and wealth creation through the National Stakeholders Consultative forum on the 2022 Agriculture Budget





STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES 2:


Work to Protect Women & Girls from Violence,
Create Opportunities for Economic
Independence & Decision-making


STRATEGIC OBJECTIVE 2


WORK TO PROTECT WOMEN & GIRLS FROM VIOLENCE, CREATE OPPORTUNITIES FOR ECONOMIC INDEPENDENCE & DECISION-MAKING

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01 Women vanguard constituted in Gombe state to receive cases of VAWG as a result of our work and partnership with Min. of Women Affairs.
- 


02 Support the passage of child protection and VAPP law in Kebbi through LRP sponsored live discussions on Radio, TV and engagement of IFAS forum and Kebbi concerned citizens chaired by LRP partner which began since 2018.
- 


03 Partners increased response to cases of VAWG in Ebonyi, Cross River, Kogi as a result of PSS training
- 


04 Women in Okwenor community Delta LRP who for centuries were denied access to townhall were able to have their aspiration and wishes met. Women now have the rights to enter and use the facility during decision making and for livelihood.
- 


05 Reduction of 3 year mourning period to 3 months in Delta


WOMEN'S RIGHT

- 


01 States (Imo, Cross River, Ondo and Kebbi) passed the Violence Against Persons Prohibition (VAPP) Act and Child Rights Act passed in Kebbi State.
- 


02 123 Women's Rights organisations assessed grants by WVLC and SLOC partners as a result of their improved systems and capacities
- 


03 6805 women and girls assessed survivor centered GBV services in 23 States (evacuation, medical, legal aid) through WIPe-GBV, WVLC COVID top up grants. Of this number, XXX number secured justice.
- 


04 Increased collaboration with State government leading to integration and strengthened systems for LWROs' VAWG response (Vehicular support, recognition and inclusion into the Domestic and Sexual Violence Agency).
- 


05 Increased traction on the feminist hub with 2,835 people, 5,367 views, 548 downloads from 58 countries. This contributed to increased awareness on women's rights issues. (Throughout the period, AAN feminist hub ranks 2nd on google hub search Engine under Feminist research hub search. In 2021, the Feminist hub revolved from a database to a tool used by women or gender focused organization or individuals to improve their research and programming)


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06 126 WROs received GBPXXX grants to implement feminist and women rights interventions in 23 states. Of this value, XX went into economic empowerment.
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07 N19,388,100 (approx. \$59,000 CAD) generated and disbursed by community women through the Village Savings and Loans Scheme implemented by partners across Bauchi, Kebbi, and Kwara States.
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08 300 (Cross River) and XX Kwara women empowered economically to manage and control small businesses
- 

09 9 women included in traditional councils in Aninri and Enugu Ezike LGA in Enugu state leading to increased voice for women.
- 

10 11 LWROs in project states (Kwara, Lagos, Imo, Kebbi, Bauchi and Cross River States) leading and/or participating in State's women's rights coordination spaces. This has reduced duplication of interventions, and increased synergy among women's rights led organisations.
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11 AAN leading and setting gender agenda within the Development Partners Group (DPGG) resulting in increased engagement with the apex gender machineries and stakeholders, and improved coordination.
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12 Improved partnership with the National Assembly and donor agencies through two additional grants Paving the Path for Women in Leadership: Past, Present and Future and Strengthening State Level Institutional Capacities to Enhance Women's Meaningful Participation in Peace & Security in Nigeria funded by FCDO.

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SARVE II:



Hand Over of skills Acquisition Equipment to 100 cooperatives in Nasarawa and Kogi consisting of 2050 Women and Youths



The 1st National PVE Summit was organized that galvanized the coordination between non-state actors and state actors in Preventing Violent Extremism programming in Nigeria



Operationalization of the Kogi Youth Development Commission to implement skill acquisition Programmes, empowerment, and livelihood initiative for the youths in the state



The Launch of Youth Action Plan (UNSCR 2250) in states of implementation has succeeded in creating an enabling environment for PVE programming in states

WFP:



Women were given leadership roles within the project management and the rights of women were fully represented as women form part of the decision makers and also the labour force of almost 50/50%



Women were selected to form part of the project management committees across all locations, and they constitute the decision-making bodies of the entire project

Migration II:



1000 young people (18-35) empowered with life skill, vocational skills and seed grants (funds, equipment and materials) to commence income generating activities.



Capacity of 38 returnees built on child safeguarding, and communication 4 development skills for awareness creation in secondary schools using their personal experiences.



Women and girls are enlightened and empowered with information to enhance safe migration decisions

SUPIA:



Supported SWOFON States Advocacy Visits to states MDAs. A total of 148 advocacies were carried out across the 36 states and the FCT. These advocacy visits resulted in increased access to government's agricultural services such as trainings and inputs support across Nigeria.



STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES 3:

Improved Women's Leadership in Accountable
Humanitarian & Resilience System Building
Women's Leadership

STRATEGIC OBJECTIVE 3

IMPROVED WOMEN'S LEADERSHIP IN ACCOUNTABLE HUMANITARIAN & RESILIENCE SYSTEM BUILDING WOMEN'S LEADERSHIP

01



Rehabilitation of Owode-Oja health centre, Asa LG by Kwara Women Community Based Organizations as a result of several advocacies to State Ministry of Health. Government responded with its rehabilitation in October 2021.

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End of communal clash between Pero Shomgom communities in Gombe due to inter-intra dialogue. Collaboration with office of the SA on Budget, Planning and Development Partners Coordination of Governor also contributed to this.

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Provision of fertilizers from Chikun Local Government Kaduna as a result of concerted effort of women. This was towards improving crop yield.

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MIGRATION II: Contributed to building leadership and management capacity of women. Over 50% of women are cooperative leaders.

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Financial independence of women built with 60% of the 1000 beneficiaries being women. They have acquired life skills and vocational skills, and livelihood support to start their own business.

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Women are empowered to play the role of safe migration champions through sensitization activities

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STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES 4:

**Strengthen System and Increase Resource
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STRENGTHEN SYSTEM AND INCREASE RESOURCE DIVERSIFICATION FOR QUALITY PROGRAMME DELIVERY

TOTAL FUNDS RAISED IN 2021

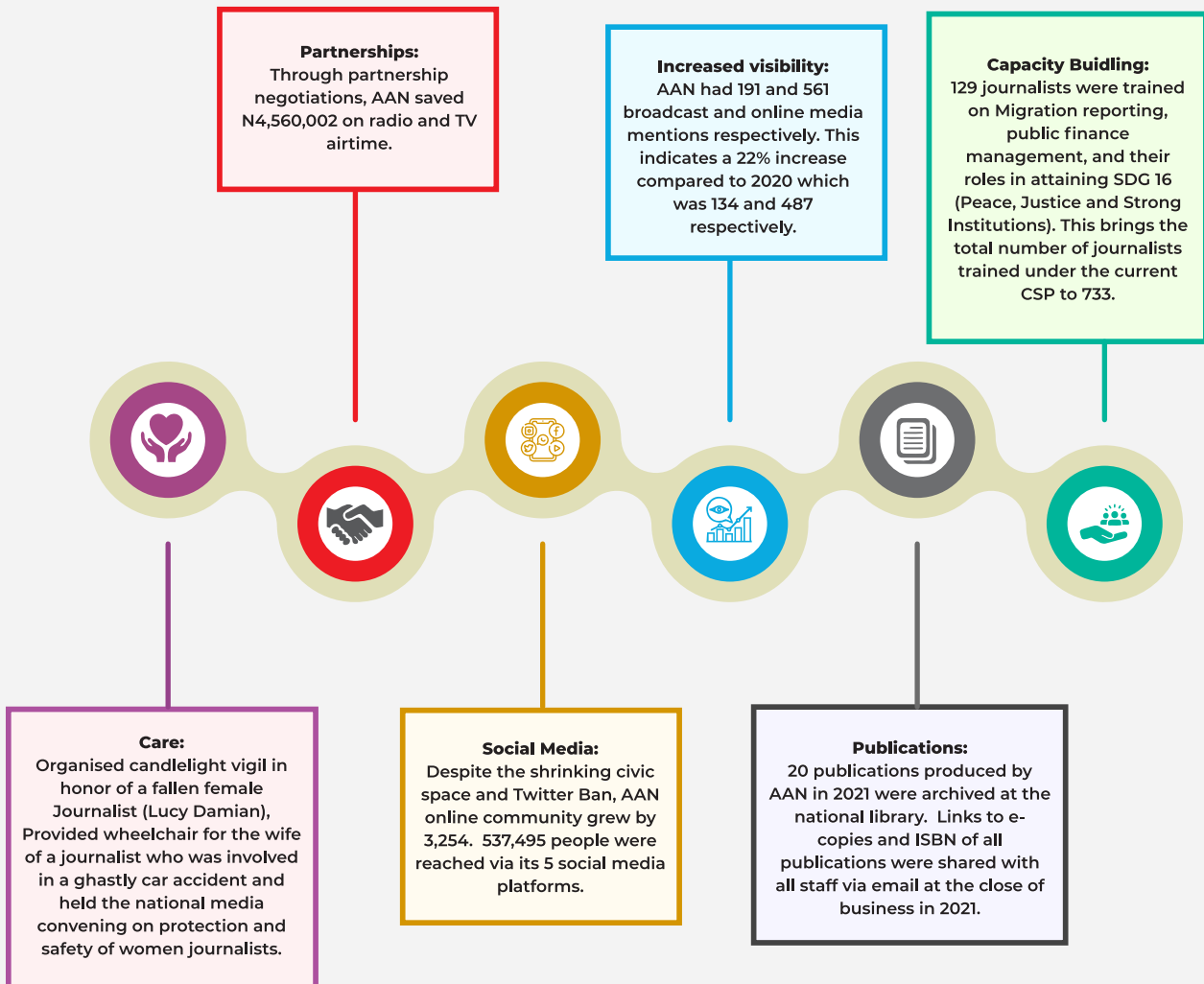
FUNDING STRANDS	£ (Pounds)	₦ (Naira)
Institutional Partnership & Development	£4,661,933.93	₦ 2,628,026,588.47
Community Sponsorship N11,779,161	£20,722.68	₦ 11,779,161
Child Sponsorship - AS AT NOVEMBER	£ 1,024,073.72	₦ 582,121,597.99
Grand Total	£5,706,730.33	₦ 3,221,927,347.46

TOTAL FUNDS RAISED IN 2021 – CS Breakdown

Key Indicators	Count	Amount
New Supporters	234	₦ 1,314,500
Reactivations	91	₦ 1,039,100
Continued Support	473	₦ 4,350,761
Total	798	₦ 6,704,361



MAINSTREAM MEDIA





STORIES
FROM THE FIELD



EMBOLDENED ACTIONS

Madam Ada Ukpa is a woman leader from Ephuenyim community in Abakaliki Local Government Area of Ebonyi State, Nigeria. She is 35 years old. Ada is quite enthusiastic to narrate a story of how PDA's programs in her community, especially the women peer education program, has built her capacity in seeing the need to send girl-children to school and also strengthened her financial status. Ada who was once a house-wife who depended solely on her husband for everything is now both a farmer and a business woman.

She narrated her story as follow: "Before I learnt of PDA and ActionAid, I was just a housewife, and all my financial needs were at the mercy of my husband. That was not all; my girl-child who had just finished elementary education was not sent to secondary school. Not because my husband who was a farmer could not afford to send her to school as Ebonyi State had free education at that time, but because we did not see the need to waste resources on a girl who would finally be

married to another family. I thank God for PDA. I got to know of PDA and ActionAid when I was invited to one of their programs. In that program they taught us the need for educating the girl-child. After that day, I resolved that if I can't go to school, then my girl-children must attain the highest qualification necessary.

I discussed this with my husband. He agreed that we will send our girl to school, but he insisted that it can't be with his money. So, I took it upon myself to ensure that our girl goes back to school. The first step I took, according to the advice of PDA staff, was to join Obinwanne women peer education group in my community. In this group, I learnt a lot of things especially how I can start up a small business with little money. I collected loan from the group, and started selling pepper at the community market. Thank God my business grew. I gradually paid back the loan. Lastly, I was able to send our girl-child back to school. Currently, she has taken Junior WAEC, which I paid for with my money and is in SS1."



BUILDING BACK AND BETTER

YDE was conceptualised to leverage the use of technology to support the work of young people in holding duty bearers to account. Through the creation of digital engagement tools, young people were supported and empowered to access information, analyse data, present evidence, and lead their communities in taking action.

YDE Project trained 50 (Female 25; Male 25) youth in a 3-day intensive entrepreneurship skills acquisition. The participants were drawn from five (5) YDE rural communities (Nkana, Ikot Udobia,

Ikot Unya, Minya Ntak and Ikot Umiang Ede) in two Local Government Areas (Etinan and Mkpato Enin (LGA), of Akwa Ibom State. The training was organized to tackle the challenges of unemployment in the state and also to build the capacity of young people to be self-reliant as they are the most affected by the scourge of COVID-19 in Nigeria today. YDE Project later organized MyCovid19 Experience video contest to empower 9 young people whose livelihood were affected by the COVID-19 to build back better in the post COVID-19 era.

DOGON DAJI: TAX FUND DREAMS

In a voice laden with confidence and courage, Rukayya Muhammad Khalid made a compassionate appeal to the government to help her reach the life goal of becoming a midwife – Rukayya is a student at the government girls' secondary school Dogon Daji Tambuwal Local Government Sokoto.

As a member of the school safe space, Rukayya learnt the benefit of taxation. “In

our safe space, we were taught that from revenue collected by the government, they buy material to construct infrastructures such as class laboratories libraries and furniture I learnt that tax is money collected from civil servants and business owners” she said, “I want to study midwifery, but my father is poor so with government support, I will achieve my dream of becoming a midwife”



WESERE COMMUNITY WATER PROJECT

Wesere community is located off Owode-Apa-Kankon road. This community is about 50 minutes' drive from Badagry town and about 5 minutes away from popular government boarding school – Lagos state model college, Kankon (LSMC). The community did not have a functional source of portable and clean water. Women and children walk several miles to the stream or walk about 30mins to other communities with borehole to fetch water. As a result of this, water borne diseases was rampant in the community.

The community Facilitator, Ogunwole Adebayo provides an update on the water

situation in Wesere: "In 2019, AAN through her LRP partner, commissioned a consultant to conduct a water analysis on the water in Wesere community. The analysis revealed that the acidity content of the water from their ground makes it unsuitable to drink or cook. However, considering their proximity with Kankon water corporation, operated by the Local Government water board, AAN committed to linking the community to Kankon water corporation. In February 2021, Wesere community was successfully connected to Kankon water corporation. We are finally relieved of the burden of walking a long distance to access clean and portable drinking water."

FINANCIAL REPORT


ACTIONAID NIGERIA

STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION


AS AT YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

	NOTES	2021 N	2020 N
ASSETS			
Non-current assets			
Property, plant and equipment	10	18,333,333	25,208,333
Current assets			
Receivables	11	1,402,977,618	995,757,173
Prepayments	12	43,227,130	15,191,881
Cash and cash equivalent	13	1,139,402,378	936,390,728
		2,585,607,126	1,947,339,782
TOTAL ASSETS		2,603,940,459	1,972,548,115
Reserves			
Accumulated fund	14	1,052,905,098	784,501,225
Non-current liabilities			
Employee defined liabilities	15.3	270,927,493	283,206,000
Current liabilities			
Payables	16	30,828,189	61,611,765
Employee defined liabilities	15.3	2,133,254	-
Deferred income	17	935,539,276	515,512,135
Other liabilities	18	311,607,149	327,716,990
		1,280,107,868	904,840,890
TOTAL LIABILITIES		1,551,035,361	1,188,046,890
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND RESERVES		2,603,940,459	1,972,548,115

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees on 25 August 2022 and signed on its behalf by:



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See notes to the financial statements.




ACRONYMS/ABBREVIATIONS


AAI	ACTIONAID International
AAN	ActionAid Nigeria
AIT	African Independent Television
ASRH	Adolescent Sexual and Reproductive Health
BB	Breaking Barriers
CSO	Civil Society Organizations
FCT	Federal Capital Territory
GBV	Gender Based Violence
GRPS	Gender Responsive Public Service
HGFP	Home Grown School Feeding Programme
IDP	Internally Displaced Persons
ICT	Information, Communication and Technology
LASODA	Lagos State Office of Disability Affairs
LGA	Local Government Area
LRP	Local Rights Program
LWROs	Local Women Rights Organizations
NAWOJ	National Association of Women Journalist
PRRP	Participatory Review and Reflection Process
SBMC	School Based Management Committee
SGBV	Sexual Gender Based Violence
SLOC VAWG	Strengthening Local Organizations to Combat Violence against Women and Girls
SWOFON	Small Holder Women Farmers of Nigeria
UBEC	Universal Basic Education Committee
VHH	Vine Heritage Homes
WASH	Water, Sanitation and Health
WROs	Women's Right Organizations
WVL	Women Voice and Leadership Program
YOL	Youth Organizing and Leadership



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