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In the year 2006, the civil society sector continued to play a critical role in service delivery to the communities. It also went on playing effectively its traditional watchdog and monitoring roles.

Looking down the memory lane at FCS, 2006 was another fruitful year in many ways. From the word go, we adjusted our lenses to take a concerted look at our goals and to see how we could reach higher milestones.

One of our cardinal goals is to strengthen the capacity of CSOs so that they can enable the citizenry all over the country to be actively engaged. We were able to realise the goal through grant-making and capacity building initiatives.

About 352 CSOs received grants worth Tsh 6.6bn/-. We also supported CSOs in terms of capacity development. Training

Editor's Note

Iwould like to thank our readers for their overwhelming support, especially in sending us feedback. The previous issue generated a lot of enthusiasm and criticism. All comments and critique are highly respected -we consider them invaluable. Our message to you readers is to keep feedback coming. Our hands and hearts are open to receive and embrace them. We know that success is a journey and that the road to success has many pitfalls. A feedback in form of advice, comment or opinion is our compass that keeps us following the right direction!

In our third issue, we have mixed grill information including letters to the editor. Some of your letters suggested that *The Foundation News* team, find ways to invite other development partners to contribute.



were conducted in various disciplines like: Corporate social responsibility; gender budgeting; budgeting processes and on financial management and organisational development.

We had a number of meetings with CSOs and other stakeholders for learning, planning and networking. In May, we had candid interactions with CSO networks in which the foundation on how to partner was laid down.

In April, we co-organised the CSO Bunge exhibition in Dodoma together with SUNY Tanzania and Bunge Office. About 130 CSOs representatives from over 18 regions

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In this issue we have findings of a research on the civil society organisation capacity commissioned by the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP). The story highlights capacity challenges faced by many CSOs in Tanzania.



In the civil society, public dialogue is a lifeline. That is why we have a story on a successful public debate in Shinyanga. Also covered in the issue are news on various

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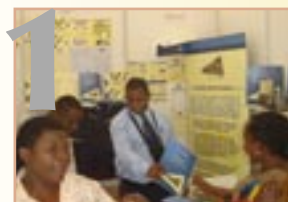
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took part. At the same time 240 members of parliament visited the exhibitions and shared with CSO representatives on various policy issues. Likewise, in August we successfully organised the CSOs annual forum and exhibition. The event, officiated by the Vice President Dr. Ali Mohamed Shein, brought together 600 dedicated people to share about the role of CSOs in the fight against corruption.

We also facilitated public dialogues in 17 regions in which about 2,000 participants had opportunities to discuss and deliberate on the National Strategy for Growth and Reduction of Poverty (NSGR-MKUKUTA). We also managed to publicise and disseminated information to and about CSOs through both electronic and print media. And above all, we launched the Foundation Newsnewsletter.

Confidently, as we usher in 2007, we are looking forward to accomplish more and we will do this with gusto for the benefit of the people.

As we sit down to reflect and plan, we would also like to thank everyone who supported us in one way or the other to make all the 2006 achievements real as they were no mean fete. We embrace the fact that *success is not a matter of chance but choice; it is not a thing to be waited for, it is a thing to be achieved.*

Wishing you a fruitful New Year

John Ulanga
Executive Director
The Foundation for Civil Society

Make other CSOs have their voices

Gladly, we received two copies of your newsletter, The Foundation News. The issue was of high quality and the content was truly informative. The writings were open-minded and addressed various questions that cannot be gainsaid as far as the operations of CSOs are concerned.

It would be good if more civil society stakeholders could also have their voices heard in the newsletter. Also we work with about 26 CSOs and it would be better if next time we could get more copies of the newsletter. Two copies were too few for us.

Stephen Banda
SOPF-Songea

Mr. Banda, thank you for your views. In my editorial column I have been encouraging readers to contribute stories and features. Keep them coming. Editor

I could connect myself

I was impressed by “the Foundation News”, second edition of July- September, 2006 which covered the 4th civil society forum and exhibition. I could easily connect myself with the newsletter because I was one of the participants of the annual event held at Karimjee Grounds in August. Send us more copies of the newsletter as our organization (FOGOTA) has

24 partner groups, in four regions; we definitely need more copies.

Emmanuel Kazungu
Forum for Grassroot Organisations Tanzania,
DSM

Pleasant news

Thanks very much for the two copies of the Foundation News sent to us. All the same, we would really like to get more copies in the future for distributing to civil society stakeholders in Lindi Region. If possible, next time send us at least ten copies. We are pleased and grateful for cooperation and support that the Foundation offers to all CSOs in the country. Keep it up!

Sharif Maloya
LINGONET-Lindi

More copies please

We acknowledge receipt of few copies of your newsletter. As our organisation has many members it would be good if we could get more copies. All our members need to know what the Foundation is doing for the betterment of our society. Thanks for the mutual support.

Alatanga Nyagawa
NJODINGO-Njombe

... and more

We got some copies of the second issue of The Foundation news (July-September 2006). We would like to get about sixty copies, which we can distribute to other CSOs and grassroot

organisations in Sumbawanga

Stanley Mshana
RANGO-Sumbawanga
Comrades Kazungu, Mshana, Maloya and Nyagawa, The Foundation will explore possibilities to print and distribute more copies.

Too many photos

With due respect, we would like to inform that we have received on three occasions different publications, which have been of immense benefits to us as we are able to get to know what is taking place at the Foundation.

Advice: in the second edition there are too many photos; maybe we should have more news. We would like to read the CSOs success stories as well as failures.

Let us know if stakeholders who want to contribute on important issues if they can be reimbursed some costs involved in getting the news.

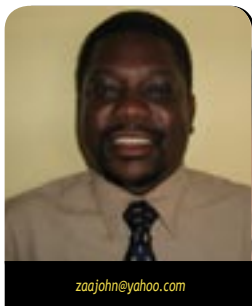
Abdalla Mmanga
Jumuiya ya UHAI-Zanzibar

Mr. Abdalla, we appreciate your comments we will accommodate them. On the reimbursement, there are ideas to put in place mechanisms to refund a token to writers who demonstrate they incurred some cost in the process of collecting stories. However, for sustainability purpose and CSOs spirit, we encourage voluntary contributions – Editor



More Needed to be Done on Civil Society Capacity

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Findings of a Civil Society Organizations (CSOs) Capacity Assessment (CA) commissioned by the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), which was conducted by Japhet Makongo of Uibunifu Associates, has hinted that CSOs in Tanzania fail to effectively engage in the development process at the local level due to low technical and functional capacities.

This was revealed at a five days training for CSOs representatives drawn from all over Tanzania, who were being trained on how to undertake evidence based advocacy and conducting poverty impact assessment and analysis. The training session took place at Morogoro Hotel.

The assessment which was part of the baseline study for the Tanzania Association of Non-governmental Organizations (TANGO) and UNDP project which aims at enhancing the involvement of CSOs in the local government processes, noted that “very few CSOs have the skills needed to undertake comprehensive policy analysis and therefore, fail to follow through the local government’s policy making and implementation processes.

“Another challenge in terms of CSO technical capacity is the low capacity of most local level CSOs in the area of research, therefore most of their work is not taken to be credible by the government and other development actors”, added Makongo.

“Even when they have an issue to put across, oppose or promote Tanzanian CSOs fail to do so due to low lobbying and advocacy skills”, stressed Mr. Makongo.

To test the validity of another finding which stated that local level CSOs are poor at strategic planning and therefore undertake haphazard advocacy activities which are not ground rooted, Mr. Makongo asked each participant to give a brief account about their organizations advocacy plans, but only three out of 40 participants gave a semblance of an advocacy plan.

Makongo also reaffirmed the low common knowledge that CSOs working at the local government level lack the necessary com-

munication and information systems, therefore effective communication, feedback and feed forward between the CSOs and their constituencies is hindered.

“CSOs in Tanzania engage in a number of developmental activities, however their impact is under valued because they lack documentation and information packaging skills”, noted Makongo in his briefing to the CSO representatives.

Regarding functional capacity gaps, Makongo says, “local level CSOs do not have very clear visions and missions—therefore the communities or the people they suppose to serve can not identify with the work done by these CSO”. This according to Makongo is because most CSOs fail to live by their set vision and missions.

Networking is one other CSOs functional capacity gap noted by Makongo’s assessment which needs to be improved. The reason is that despite the recent increase in the number of district and regional NGO networks, still CSOs in the country have not maximized the benefits brought about by networking and solidarity building. “The CSO sector is still seen as working in separate pock-

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training organised by the Foundation and why corporate social responsibility is important.

Want to know what is up? We have a calendar of information on upcoming features like the next CSOs exhibition in Zanzibar for members of the House of Representatives next April; there is a study of the state of CSO networks and impact assessment of our grantees. Also you will find out how our grant-making service is working.

Finally, I would like once again to thank our esteemed readers and encourage you to bring more stories and feedback. Many of your letters show that you would like to receive more copies for your members. We will heed to that call by sending more copies for each organisation as request.

Enjoy the issue

Joseph Mzinga
Editor

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ets", notes Makongo. "The other but equally important relationship issue noted by the CA is that there is gross mistrust between local government authorities and the CSOs; there it is difficult for the two to build effective partnerships", adds Makongo.

Mr. Makongo also touched on the issue of accountability of Tanzanian CSOs saying "the accountability is lopsided in that they are more accountable to government and the donors, than to their constituents who are the reason why the CSOs exist".

The capacity assesment also reaffirmed the fact that Tanzanian CSOs, mostly those at the sub-national level, do not have adequate human and financial resource, therefore, this threatens the sustainability of most CSOs in Tanzania.

Using the findings stated above the UNDP and TANGO have come up with a programme aimed at addressing capacity gaps. The interventions are on two levels short and long-term activities.

Among the activities planned on the long-term approach is the enhancement of CSOs skills in monitoring and tracking policy and budgetary allocations from the national to the sub-national levels. This includes the use of Citizens Records Card (CRC), Community Score Cards (CSC), Poverty Social Impact Assessments (PSIA), Public Expenditure Tracking (PETS), Qualitative Service Delivery Surveys (QSDS), Poverty Analysis Macroeconomic Simulator (PAMS) and Integrated macroeconomic model for

poverty analysis (IMMPA) to mention a few. In the initial stages the of the engagement initiators shall focus on the specific policy areas of education, health and agriculture.

Other long-term plan arrangement is to explore networking modalities so as to find the most effective way to network and build solidarity, among Tanzania CSOs.

The medium term activities include improving communication among CSOs at the district level by establishing one stop information resources centre in each district and improving dialogue between CSOs and Local Government Authorities (LGAs) by what are called Public Private Dialogues (PPD) and roundtable talks.



Group discussions is one way of enhancing capacity of CSOs

Capacity Assessment of Civil Society Organizations in Tanzania BY UNDP study in a nutshell

- **Policy analysis:** Very few CSOs have the skills needed to undertake comprehensive policy analysis.
- **Research:** Most CSOs lack the skills for undertaking research which can be taken to be credible.
- **Programming and Planning:** Most CSOs in Tanzania do not have well defined strategic plans.
- **Communication and information:** Most CSOs have very poor information and communication systems.
- **Advocacy skills:** Many Tanzanian CSOs do not have the skills needed for effective advocacy.
- **Documentation:** Many CSOs have poor documentation and information packaging.

Regarding the issue of functional capacities the following were observed:

- **Vision and Mission:** Most CSO do not have very clear visions and missions.
- **Relationship:** CSOs in the country have not maximized the benefits brought about by networking and solidarity building.
- **Accountability:** CSOs in Tanzania are more accountable to government and the donors.
- **Human and financial resources:** Most CSOs do not have adequate and competent human resources.
- **Mindset:** Gross mistrust exists between government and CSOs at all levels.

The Foundation to Assess the State of CSOs Networks

By Deogratius Mlay, Dar es Salaam



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Preparations are underway to commission a study on the state of civil society organizations networks in Tanzania. The undertaking is

to enable the Foundation and other stakeholders get a clear picture of CSOs networks. This will inform future engagement and support to networks both generic and thematic working at various levels.

The study is set to commence in early 2007

The idea to conduct the study was born out of the realization of the fact that networks have potentials of overcoming complex problems of CSOs working in isolation, duplications of projects and limited information flow among players in the society sector.

The main objective of the research will be to assess the institutional capacity of existing CSOs networks and its members so as to come up with interventions for their institutional strengthening, making them able to increase active citizens' participation in development processes.

The scope of the research will include assessment of the civil society networks in Tanzania since 2000 and their purpose of existence, analysis of the mandate of CSOs networks and the relationship with their members and examination of their involvement in policy/development dialogues and to study the level of engagement of those CSOs networks with the government leaders and elected representatives of citizens including Members of Parliament and Members of the House of Representatives.

Also, the research will examine major critical areas, which might require capacity building

and capacity development initiatives by other stakeholders to support CSOs networks. The research will explore ways in which the Foundation can enhance partnership with existing networks with intention to extend its services to grassroots organisations.

The findings of the research are expected to provide factual update information of CSOs networks, their growth, challenges and their contribution to social poverty reduction.

To enhance common ownership of the study, a reference team to input in the processes was setup. A team is made up of representatives from umbrella organisations of TANGO and TACOSODE, other capacity building and international organisations; PACT Tanzania, SNV, German Development Services (ded), and the NGO Council. Other represented in the reference group are the Directorate of NGOs Coordination, and other government departments.



Some of the representatives of CSO networks in a group discussion

Talking CSOs Networks

By Deogratius Mlay, Dar es Salaam

What are Network?

A network is any group of individuals or organisations which, on a voluntary basis, exchange information or undertake joint activities and who organize themselves in such a way that individual autonomy remains intact.

What are CSOs networks?

- Networks consist of individuals or organisations that share information, ideas and resources to accomplish individual or group goals.
- Networks tend to be loose, flexible associations of people and groups brought together by a common interest or concern to share information and ideas.
- Most networks have been established mainly to improve information exchange among members, and information sharing is a primary objective.

Networking

- Networking involves making contacts and encouraging reciprocal information exchange and voluntary collaboration.
- Networking is a process of acquiring resource and building power by using or creating linkages between two or more individuals, groups, or organisations.

Coalition

Coalitions are groups of people or organisations working together to pursue a single goal. Coalitions often have a more formalized structure with the members making a long-term commitment to share responsibilities and resources. Their permanence can

give clout and leverage. Whenever possible, organisations should seek to build or join a coalition to strengthen impact of their advocacy.

Alliance

Alliance generally involves short term relationships among members and are focused on a specific objective. Being limited in time and goal, alliances tend to be less demanding on members.

What are Challenges Facing Networks?

1. Many networks have no clearly defined goals.
2. Networks with wide range of members may experience difficulties in obtaining a balance of member involvement, therefore domination and membership disparity, hierarchical differences of network members may be difficult to be accommodated,
3. Networks can easily become dominated by particular organisations
4. Networks often suffer from lack of funds for their activities and coordination,
5. Where networks do have funds, considerable tensions can be generated through the way funds are administered. There may be jealousies and complaints on how funds are allocated,
6. Networks can be affected by competition from other networks or organisations with overlapping agendas. This can lead to creative collaboration, but it can lead also to competition for recognition, limited resources and membership.
7. Donor or resource-rich institutions may use their financial muscle to influence network policy,



Female representatives from a Health Equity Network exchanging ideas with stakeholders during CSOs Bunge exhibition in Dodoma

Third Grantees Audit and Impact Assessment to start in February 2007

By Marilyn Elinewinga, Dar es Salaam



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The Foundation for Civil Society is expecting to conduct an audit and study to assess the impact made by its grantees in the communities

where they implemented their projects.

More than 120 organizations will be involved in the study to be conducted by an independent team starting from February 2007.

The exercise is expected to provide highlights on how the planned objectives as per the Foundation for Civil Society strategic plan 2005-2008 are realised.

This is the third time for the Foundation to commission audit and impact assessment of the projects it funds. The first and second activities of the kind were conducted by the Economic Development Initiatives (EDI) Limited in 2003 and 2005 respectively.

The major findings of the previous studies were the capacity gaps of CSOs in terms of financial management, project design management, monitoring and evaluation, advocacy and lobbying techniques, organizational development and fund raising. The forthcoming study will focus more on the impact of the Foundation grants to CSOs and the community they serve.

The findings obtained from the study are important to the performance of the Foundation and to the greater extent they have been useful in fine tuning the Foundation



CSOs representatives in one of the lobbying activities

focus and priorities especially in designing new products that suit the capacity needs of the grantees.

The most recent capacity building initiatives which its implementations started late 2005, resulted from previous recommendations after the study findings. Generally these are training packages offered by the Foundation to grantees; financial management, project design, management, monitoring and evaluation, policy

analysis, organisational development, fund raising, public- private and civil society sector partnership.

We hope that this year's study will be useful in informing us on the difference we are making to the community and our contribution towards achievement of the National Strategy for Growth and Reduction of Poverty (MKUKUTA), Zanzibar Poverty Reduction Strategy (MKUZA) and millennium development goals (MDGs).



A cross section of participants of one of the capacity building session organised in DSM by the Foundation

183 CSOs Representatives Trained on Projects Cycle and Financial Management

• others attend fundraising training

By Bernard Kindoli, Dar es Salaam



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Sixty eight non financial managers and officials from 34 civil society organisations from all over Tanzania benefited from the tailor-made

training programme on projects and financial management organised and financed by the Foundation in December 2006.

The five days training was held in Dar es Salaam between 10th to 15th December 2006 whereby CSOs representatives participated in the Project Design, Management, Monitoring and Evaluation programme and others equipped with financial management skills. All of the beneficiaries of these capacity building sessions were from organisations which received grants from the Foundation.

The training was part of the Foundation's initiatives to contribute towards improving performance of civil society organizations through various capacity development initiatives. The overall aim is to empower CSOs to perform their functions more professionally and efficiently and make them better players in the implementation of development programmes in their areas. The programme targeted Programme Managers, Coordinators and Treasurers of the civil society organizations as they play a crucial role in planning and management of projects funded by the Foundation.

Capacity building service providers, (MS TCDC - Arusha and Global Associates Tanzania LTD – Dar es Salaam) applauded

participants for their cooperation, hard-working, eager to learn and determination to make differences in their operations. Participants on the other hand commended the Foundation for organizing and financing the training. They said that the skills learnt will be of benefit to them as individuals and their organizations as well.

In his training closing remarks, the Executive Director of the Foundation for Civil Society, Mr. John Ulanga said that it was the expectation of the Foundation that organizations benefited from that training would improve

and become a body of knowledge to the organizations", He emphasised.

In the same development, 69 representatives from CSOs received training on fundraising skills during a training designed and organized by the Foundation for Civil Society and held in Dar es Salaam from 11th to 16th December, 2006.

The training sessions facilitated by trainers from SEIDA and TACOSODE equipped participants with skills about resource mobilization, principles of fund raising and



The Executive Director of the Foundation for Civil Society, Mr. John Ulanga, speaking to participants who attended one of the training organised by the Foundation

their performance and hence contribute to the Foundation's aim of providing support mechanism for Civil Society Organizations to effectively engage in poverty eradication efforts in Tanzania.

Mr. Ulanga urged trainees to practice what they have learnt by saying that unless knowledge is put into practise it has no benefit. "The funds will be spent and finished but if well nurtured, the skills learnt will grow

fund raising approaches and techniques. The objective was to enable participants to think, share, learn and socialize different sustainable fundraising techniques for exploring alternative sources of funds to ensure sustainability of their organisations.

The Foundation for Civil Society intends to see grantees accessing funds from other sources as a way of empowering CSOs to become more self sustainable.

Public Dialogue in Shinyanga

- Be socially responsible, companies told
- The region needs teachers training college

By Bernadeta Gambishi, Shinyanga



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Mining companies should support developmental activities in the region according to participants

to a heated public policy dialogue on MKUKUTA, organised in Shinyanga recently.

Participants noted that though the region was endowed with minerals like gold and diamonds it was regrettable that big mining companies operating in the region, were providing only minor assistance to the communities around the mines. They said they only give out mosquito nets, food and clothes, items that are perishable.

Abeli Seni, Tausi Nchenye, Agnes Makambajeki said that the region needs good and reliable infrastructure like roads, hospitals and schools. They argued that big mining companies could support that instead of offering minor support in terms of consumables.

Responding to participants' questions and views, a panelist from the regional secretariat, Engineer James Sudi told the platform that taxes paid by the mining firms go direct to the national coffers. He said the main companies mining in the region were Williamson Diamonds (diamond), Kahama Mining Corporation (gold) and E.L. Hilal Minerals Limited (Diamond – Buganika).

The dialogue brought together over 100 participants from the six districts of Shinyanga. Other participants were from the neighbouring regions. It was organized by Shinyanga NGO network (SHINGONET) with financial support from the Foundation. Among the participants were retired members of parliament, deputy mayor of Shinyanga Municipality, local government officials, students, people with disabilities and those living with HIV/AIDS.

Speaking on how to improve education sector, the participants noted that it was not very appropriate to have many well-constructed schools without good teachers. Mr. Paschal Kilagula, a participant from Tabora noted that Tanzania has many teachers who have left the trade for greener pastures in other fields. He said many members of

parliament, public and private officers left teaching for other jobs, which are better paying. He said creation of good environment and better incentives would woo teachers to remain in the profession. "If we have good teachers and less luxurious classrooms, we can produce the best students in the region as classes can be held even under the trees," said Mr. Kilagula as participants gave him a standing ovation.

Participants also said that it was high time for Shinyanga to have a teachers training college. They wondered why SHYCOM was changed from a teaching college to a high school leaving the region without a teaching college.

At the policy dialogue, the Shinyanga Regional Planning Officer, Ahmad

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A section of participants of the public policy dialogue in Shinyanga in a group discussion

Development Partners sign MoU for supporting the Foundation

By Sitta Peter, Dar es Salaam



Five out of eight development partners who have expressed willingness to support the Foundation for Civil Society have signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) being their expression of commitment to support implementation of the Foundation's Strategic Plan 2005 to 2008.

The MoU has been commonly agreed between the Foundation for Civil Society and eight development partners to be used as a base for funding agreements to support the Foundation.

Development partners who signed the MoU by the end of 2006 included the Royal Netherlands Embassy (RNE), Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation (SDC),

Royal Danish Embassy, Department for International Development (DFID) and the Embassy of Ireland. The rest of the partners who are Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA), Royal Norwegian Embassy and Royal Swedish Embassy are expected to sign the MoU in 2007.

It was agreed that the MoU would be effective once it is signed by at least two development partners, hence three development partners signed bilateral agreements for financial support to the Foundation immediately after that condition was met. Development partners who have signed bilateral agreements with the Foundation include Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation (SDC), Embassy of Sweden and the Danish International Development Agency (DANIDA).

SDC was the first to sign the funding agreement to provide US\$ 2,076,923 to support implementation of the Foundation's activities for the period of three years under

which the Foundation will receive approximately USD 690,000 per year.

SDC is among the key development partners supporting the Foundation since it came into operation in 2003. In 2003, it provided financial support of USD 516,300, USD 615,600 in 2004, USD 1,000,000 in 2005 and USD 200,000 in 2006.

The Embassy of Sweden was the second to sign a bilateral agreement of Swedish Kronor (SEK) 1,600,000 (approx. USD 220,000) to support the Foundation during which it expressed its satisfaction with services provided by the Foundation and its commitment to support civil society organisations in Tanzania.

Of interest and appreciation is the Danish Embassy through its Danish International Development Agency (DANIDA) which has joined hands with other development partners in supporting the Foundation. In November 2006 the Royal Danish Embassy signed an agreement of USD 845,000 to support the Foundation and that was the first time for the Foundation to receive support from that embassy.

The Royal Danish Embassy expressed willingness to support the Foundation since 2005 when funding consultations with a group of development partners and the process of developing Memorandum of Understanding started. The time for implementation of the financial support from the Embassy is from October 2006 to December 2008 and was disbursed as one-off payment.

The total cost of the Foundation Strategic Plan 2005 -2008 is expected to amount to USD 30,279,000.



From left, Mr. John Ulanga (FCS), Mr. Paul Sherlock (DCI) na Ms. Anne Lucie Lefebvre (CIDA) in one of the brainstorming sessions between the Foundation and its Partners

House of Representatives CSOs' Exhibition set for April

By Sitta Peter, Dar es Salaam

The Foundation for Civil Society is organising Civil Society Organisations' exhibition for members of the House of Representatives in Zanzibar during the House' session of next April. The event is scheduled to take place on 18th and 19th April 2007.

That kind of exhibition will be the first in Zanzibar and has been planned after successfully organising and supporting two consecutive CSOs Bunge exhibitions in Dodoma in the last two years.

The first exhibition held in July 2004 was organised in collaboration with the State University of New York (SUNY) and supported by the United States Agency for International Development (USAID)-sponsored under the Parliamentary Strengthening Program. It was attended by nearly 200 Members of Parliament and over 60 CSOs.



The Foundation booth at the CSOs Bunge Exhibition in Dodoma held in April 2006

The year 2006 exhibition was held in April and organised and supported by the Foundation, SUNY and Bunge Office. Sixty seven (67) CSOs from 16 regions of Tanzania (Mainland and Zan-

zibar) participated during the exhibition whereby 50 CSOs were supported by the Foundation.

Official communications with the Clerk of the House of Representatives as well as CSOs in Zanzibar led by ANGOZA and UWZ as part of the preparation process for the Zanzibar-House of Representatives CSOs exhibition are in good progress. 50 civil society organizations from Pemba and Unguja are expected to attend the exhibition.

The exhibition is expected to provide an avenue for actors from the civil society to advance their agendas before members of the House of Representatives using different approaches, including informal presentations, policy briefs and memoranda, research reports, videos and poster displays.



CSOs Exhibition in Dodoma in April 2006 attracted many Members of Parliament

CTS: An NGO Fighting for the Rights of Travellers

By Robert Mgeni, Dar es Salaam



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There is a change of wind in the direction the civil society organisations are heading to in the country as far as coming

up with solutions to solve problems afflicting the people are concerned. The Creation of Campaign for Travellers Safety (CTS), an organization fighting for the rights of travelers can attest to that fact.

CTS applied for grants from FCS thrice but failed to but fortunately 2006 was different, when the organization got a small grant.

Despite being under funded the association with its headquarters in Dar es Salaam has been at the forefront in fighting for the rights of travelers.

To ensure that the rights of travelers are in known and respected the association had organised a seminar last February for all stakeholders in the transport sector. According to CTS managing director Mr. Adam Msenga participants included police chiefs, traffic policemen, and representatives of insurance companies, ministries, CSOs and international organisations.

“It is true that our seminar was a success as we had representatives from all segments of the transport sector. We had traffic police representatives from Pwani, Dodoma, Morogoro and Kinondoni. Others were

representatives from SUMATRA, BIMA, ministry of health, Ministry of roads, WHO and BP among others,” Mr. Msenga said. The seminar was held at the Landmark Hotel in Dar es Salaam. After the seminar, the association became accepted by various stakeholders in the transport industry, Mr. Msenga said.



Mr. Adam Msenga

Speaking about the international road safety week to be marked for the first time this year from April 13 to 29th, Mr. Msenga said that his association will organize a seminar for four primary schools whose pupils are at a risk of being knocked down

by vehicles.

Also during the safety week, CTS in collaboration with the World Health Organisation (WHO) will sponsor Cecilia Sintara, a form four student at Jitegemee Secondary School for a trip to Geneva in Switzerland to attend a world conference on road safety for the youth from April 23rd to 27th this year.

On their future plan, Mr. Msenga said that they will be pushing for a law that protects travelers. He lamented there was no act that guarantees a person’s safety while traveling against the problems which might be encountered along the journey including loss of passengers’ commodities. He said the existence of government vehicles that are not insured was a problem for in case of an accident, the victims are not compensated, he said.

The association is unique indeed – as most of the current CSOs deal with environment, health, children, the youth and law issues. CTS has shown creativity that should be emulated by other CSOs in seeking and solutions to problems in the society. All CSOs should not operate in the same saturated domain.

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Likoko, led a team of panelists of various sectors from Shinyanga Region Secretariat. Other presenters were Mary T Mashaka (Agriculture), Charles Ng’atimwa, (Forestry); James Sudi (Minerals); Eng Deogratus Ntembeleha (Water); I.K Sulusi (Education); Raymond Kiwesa

(Health) and Ahmad Likoko (Good Governance).

The guest of honour was the regional commissioner Brigadier (rtd) Dr. Balele. Ms. Mwamvua Jilumbi represented him at the event.

CSOs in Morogoro Embrace Information Communication Technology

- Kinship, culture of secrecy and bad governance among the major challenges

By Venance Mlali, Morogoro



CSOs in Morogoro region now can communicate effectively through Information Communication Technology

(ICT) after undergoing a capacity building training on the same.

And to ensure CSOs in Kilombero, Kilosa and Ulanga district can keep in touch reliably HYVINKAA, a not for profit organization based in Finland gave CSOs in the three districts mobile phones.

UNGO – a network for CSOs in Morogoro also benefited its members for organizing ICT training, which would enable them to communicate well and efficiently with stakeholders within and outside the country.

Meanwhile, it has been explained that civil society is an important pillar in the development of any country alongside the private sector and the public sector. Effective CSOs ensure leaders in the government do their duties and are answerable to the people especially in fulfilling their public duties.

When you talk about CSOs and other non state actors you are talking about one of the three pillars of development alongside the public and private sectors. The three sectors have a place in bringing about development and growth in the society and

the nation. The government is supposed to offer essential services in addition to improving the living standards of its citizens. The private sector ensures that it improves and creates economic growth while CSOs ensures that the government meets its goals to the people and those leaders are accountable to the electorate.

Many CSOs at the national, regional and district levels have done an excellent job in meeting their objectives. Many have braced themselves in creating awareness among the people to participate in planning, implementation and follow up of issues pertaining to their development. Actually many regional and district network's efforts in poverty eradication can be seen.

We have CSOs offering education on human rights, gender equality, MGDS goals and MKUKUTA. They do all these through reaching the people directly or

carrying out research on poverty reduction while other actors offer reproductive health services.

Despite the good work done by CSOS there still exist challenges which include; inadequate finances and lack of goodwill from the government especially when the civil society actors enquire about public expenditure. CSOs officials usually don't get assistance from government officials when making such enquires.

Another huge menace is that some CSOs' leaders are so lax and do not carry their duties effectively and they lack self-drive. Others are influenced by nepotism, hence those who are qualified find themselves working under bosses who are less qualified but in the respective positions because they are relatives of the organisation's founder. Thus some qualified workers quit jobs and such organisations are left to be run by relatives of the founder who could be under qualified.



CSOs representatives in Morogoro following the computer course supported by UNGO

The Foundation Grants Application Forms, Guidelines Now Online

By Sunday Mtega, Dar es Salaam

To keep abreast with the ongoing advancement in Information and Communication Technology (ICT), the Foundation for Civil Society has taken some initiatives to develop a resourceful website which aims at providing a quick way to deliver primary information to its stakeholders and users.

The website www.thefoundation-tz.org has been enriched with valuable information available in both English and Kiswahili; the grants application forms and guidelines being among the documents to its stakeholders, especially its current and future grantees.

Unlike before, where grant applicants were supposed to collect forms from the Foundation offices, regional information points or to request them by post, applicants can now easily download these forms from the Foundation website. This will definitely reduce time spent and costs incurred in



Stakeholders looking at the Foundation's grants application forms and guidelines

collection and distribution of forms to the applicants.

Grantees online database is also available

on the website. This provides information of projects supported by the Foundation, total value of support, their location and thematic areas something which will enable stakeholders, especially the civil society to learn and share information and experience in their contribution to development of the society.

Grantees profiles on the website provide more information on various CSOs, their areas of operations and what they do. Available profiles are expected to encourage networking and collaboration.

Additionally, from the website you will be able to find the Foundation publications, including various reports, plans, mailing list and E-newsletter for subscribers.

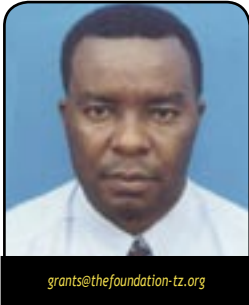
To the last month of 2006 the website has attracted more than 22,000 visitors worldwide.



Mr. Sunday Mtega, IT Specialist of the Foundation

Who Decides on Grants' Applications?

By Amon Mrutu, Dar es Salaam



I n this feature article, I will explain procedures on how the Foundation receives grants applications, how processed and finally how

grants are awarded. This will clarify some of questions we frequently encounter from grants applicants in the grants department.

Many times we find ourselves in quagmire to explain to those who forward to us their applications but unfortunately their applications fail to sail through to the selection committee.

This is a challenge we have been facing most of the time, especially for the clients who visit our office. When we conduct various workshops we also meet the same challenges. This is because many of applicants are not aware on how the entire system on how the Foundation grants award is designed.

There are some applicants who believe that some of the Foundation staff have the ability to influence the grants selection committee to approve their applications even though they fall short in meeting the basic requirements. As a matter of fact that thinking is wrong.

The procedures for providing grants at The Foundation are very transparent and involve a free organ that is a grants selection committee. The committee is made of representatives from the NGOs, professional associations and academia. The committee reports to the Board of Directors of the Foundation and they

perform their duty according to rules and regulations. In no way, any Foundation staffs can influence decisions made by the committee.

Basically, a first step requires the grant applicant to get a project idea. The applicant is supposed to collect guideline forms concerning grant applications, which are available at the Foundation offices in DSM, from regional representatives for Mbeya, Singida, Mtwara, Arusha and Zanzibar or from the Foundation website (www.thefoundation-tz.org). It is important to involve members of associations during the drafting of the project in order to facilitate the implementation of the project and avoid conflicts when funds are released from the Foundation.

After completion of the draft and filling in the application forms, the applicant is supposed to attach legal documents as it is indicated in the guidelines of the project according to the type of the grant which is applied for. Remember to consider the deadlines for application.

The process starts when the application forms are submitted to the Foundation offices. Every form is registered and given an identification number. After that what follows is a Foundation officer examining the applications to check whether all the requirements are fulfilled, including the attachment of the required documents. Then the staff members are supposed to fill in forms on Declaration of Vested Interest.

When this process is completed, the project application forms that meet requirements are forwarded to grants selection committee for second appraisal. For those applicants who did not fulfil the requirements are informed through letters.

The letter explains areas of shortcomings and asks organisations to correct and resend the application for consideration in the next round.

Application forms that are awarded grants by the selection committee must meet all the requirements.

The grants selection committee critically examines the forms to find out worthiness of the project and see whether the organisation seeking grant has good governance and whether the project will bring intended results to the community.

Before application forms are submitted to the grants selection committee, the committee members are obliged to fill in the Declaration of Vested Interest Forms. This is whether they have personal relationships with any of the applicants. When members have finished examining the forms, they report to a special grants award committee meeting which discusses reports of each project and the decisions to award or not award grants are made by voting.

For the projects that are approved by the grants selection committee, procedures of signing contract follows.

However, projects that are not approved at this stage, unsuccessful applicants do receive letters explaining the shortcomings and advises them to resend their applications after correcting the mishaps.

The grants selection committee of the Foundation has the final say to award or not to award grants and not any other staff of the Foundation. Is the right of any organization to be awarded grants provided meets all the necessary conditions and requirements as stipulated in the grants application guideline.

Medium Grants - October 2006

In October 2006, the Selection Committee approved grants worth TZS 2,045,623,742.50 to support different civil society organizations to implement different projects. The following are 60 organizations approved to be supported:-



No	NAME OF ORGANIZATION	BRIEF PROJECT DESCRIPTION	PROJECT AREA	AMOUNT GRANTED
1	Afri Art, P.O. Box 6073, Morogoro	Sensitize Community on how to implement law, rules and regulations of good governance.	Morogoro	32,864,400.00
2	Arusha NGO Network (ANGONET), P.O. Box 2388, Arusha	Enhance the capacity of District NGO Networks and CSO's of Arusha.	Arusha	64,768,650.00
3	Base for Education Dissemination, P.O. Box 6369, Mwanza	Capacity building to CSO's in Mwanza municipality.	Mwanza	34,960,012.50
4	Centre for Women and Children Development, P.O. Box 10740, Arusha	Provision of education on children's rights to stakeholders.	Arusha	15,136,400.00
5	Chama cha Viziwi Tanzania Tawi la Morogoro, P.O. Box 1776, Morogoro	Provide education on leadership and good governance to CHAVITA members in Morogoro.	Morogoro	28,296,450.00
6	Chama cha Viziwi Tanzania, Tawi la Mara P.O. Box 1013 Musoma	Advocacy strengthening among the community of people with disabilities.	Mara	16,936,700.00
7	Children, Youth and Family Support Trust (CHIYOFAST), P.O. Box 71283, Dar es Salaam	Empower community to participate in poverty eradication initiatives.	Dar es salaam	34,411,000.00
8	Community Concerns of Orphans and Development Association, P.O. Box 711, Njombe	Increase knowledge on land rights and ownership.	Iringa	69,946,000.00
9	Community Development and Relief Agency, P.O. Box 10636, Mwanza	Creating awareness to civil society groups on local government reform programme.	Mwanza	104,961,900.00
10	Human Development Trust, P.O. Box 65147, Dar es Salaam	Strengthening of youth groups and networks to participate in policy processes.	Dar es salaam	34,680,000.00
11	Jumuiya ya Uhifadhi wa Mazingira, P.O. Box 2576, Zanzibar Kusini Unguja	To educate the Southern Unguja community on the National forestry policy and laws.	Southern Unguja	13,122,200.00
12	Kasulu Initiatives and Development Trust Fund, P.O. Box 287, Kasulu	To educate farmers on the crop pest control law ("Batobato"- Cassava Bug)	Kigoma	34,455,070.00
13	Kibondo Environmental Management Association, P.O. Box 39 Kigoma	Educating the community on widows and women rights to property and land ownership.	Kigoma	33,808,250.00
14	Kijichi Beach Development Association, P.O. Box 41574, Dar es Salaam	Enhancing good governance to local government leaders and community members.	Dar es salaam	33,635,,750.00
15	Kikundi cha Mazingira Holili, P.O. Box 11 Himo, Moshi	Educating the community on the importance of good governance for sustainable development.	Kilimanjaro	20,652,200.00
16	KILUMPA, P.O. Box 313, Kyela	To fight against outdated values which hinder development and good governance.	Mbeya	16,504,000.00
17	Legal Services and Social Research Foundation, P.O. Box 5895, Dar es Salaam	Strengthening and capacity building to ward tribunals and ward development committees in Ilala district.	Dar es salaam	34,270,900.00
18	Life at Cross Roads Registered Trustees, P.O. Box 76124, Dar es Salaam	Integrated approach towards building youth to become responsible citizens.	Dar es salaam	34,965,675.00
19	Life Skills Association (LISA), P.O. Box 78303, Dar es Salaam	Strengthen the capacities of NGO's and CSO's in life skills facilitation.	Dar es salaam	34,340,050.00
20	Lumbesa Group, P.O. Box 4114 Dar es Salaam	Empowering the Kinondoni district communities on understanding Public expenditure for sustainable development.	Dar es salaam	34,922,043.00

21	Maji na Maendeleo Dodoma, P.O. Box 311, Dodoma	Conduct training on National Water policy as related to MKUKUTA.	Dodoma	17,152,896.00
22	Makoye Resources and Technologies Agency, P.O. Box 2002, Tabora	Creating awareness on children's and widows rights.	Tabora	28,700,550.00
23	Mategemeo Women Association, P.O. Box 742, Arusha	Urban and rural youth education project in building youth rights.	Arusha	32,912,880.00
24	Mfuko wa Maendeleo ya Wanawake Mkoa wa Ruvuma, P.O. Box 88, Songea	Establish and strengthen women economic groups in Ruvuma.	Ruvuma	69,999,950.00
25	Mkolowony Development Agency Limited, P.O. Box 283, Marangu, Moshi	Sensitize on National Strategy on Economic Growth and Poverty Reduction (MKUKUTA)	Kilimanjaro	34,887,215.00
26	Morogoro Paralegal Centre for Women and Children, P.O. Box 6584, Morogoro	Awareness creation about the new Land laws for ward and village Land committees.	Morogoro	34,813,900.00
27	Muungano wa Vikundi vya Maendeleo Mzungu, P.O. Box 38, Kabuku, Korogwe	Improving governance at community level by enhancing participation, transparency and accountability on different development issues.	Tanga	27,117,500.00
28	Mwela Theatre Group, P.O. Box 42590, Dar es Salaam	Enlighten the community on good governance at grassroots' level.	Dar es salaam	31,351,710.00
29	Neighbours without Borders, P.O. Box 238 Kigoma	Educating the community about land laws (Laws no. 4 and 5) of 1999	Kigoma	34,979,480.00
30	Nenda Group, P.O. Box 726, Songea	Education on proper diet to people living with HIV/AIDS.	Ruvuma	22,447,100.00
31	Network Against Female Genital Mutilation (NAFGEM) P.O. Box 6413, Moshi	Promote studies and dissemination on to what extent women and children's rights are violated.	Kilimanjaro	34,668,662.00
32	Newala Development Foundation, (NDF), P.O. Box 191, Newala	Training seminar on good governance to grassroots village leaders and NDF members.	Mtwara	31,951,947.00
33	Novelty Youth Centre, P.O. Box 5551, Tanga	Capacity building to young girls on ways of reducing poverty in Tanga town.	Tanga	34,994,883.00
34	Organization for Youth, Community Rights and Development, P.O. Box 5947, Dar es Salaam	Community engagement in Health System at Mkuranga District.	Pwani	26,113,900.00
35	Pensioners Union of Tanzania, P.O. Box 71000, Dar es Salaam	Improving the living standard of pensioners and elderly people.	National	18,389,000.00
36	Relief to Development Society P.O. Box 157, Kibondo	Enhancing labor force and capacity building to people living with HIV/AIDS	Kigoma	35,000,000.00
37	SAIPRO Trust Fund, P.O. Box 1, Same	Citizens' participation in leadership and governance process.	Kilimanjaro	83,976,965.00
38	Songea Beekeeping Association, S.L.P 591, Songea	Environmental education and improved bee-keeping skills to Songea Beekeepers.	Ruvuma	21,249,670.00
39	Tanga Youth Development Association P.O. Box 5344, Tanga	Participation of youth towards the implementation of the National Youth Development policy.	Tanga	24,200,280.00
40	Tanzania Arts Program, P.O. Box 2067, Morogoro	Kids participatory theatre and sports against HIV/AIDS project.	Morogoro	21,773,600.00
41	Tanzania Cheshire Foundation, P.O. Box 10269, Dar es Salaam	Stimulating disabled people in the community in order for them to know their rights.	Coast	34,623,000.00
42	Tanzania Mineral Mining Trust Fund, P.O. Box 887, Songea	Capacity building to small scale miners and villagers on environmental conservation.	Ruvuma	26,480,000.00
43	Tanzania National Institute for the Blind, P.O. Box 16454, Dar es Salaam	Enabling blind people to be self reliant.	National	73,931,960.00
44	Tanzania Water & Environmental Sanitation, P.O. Box 71, Kibondo	Empowering the community on management of water schemes.	Kigoma	34,914,600.00
45	Tanzania Youth Exchange Network, P.O. Box 95073, Dar es Salaam	Raising awareness on the importance of youths in the development process.	Dar es salaam	32,800,000.00

46	Tanzania Youth Self-Employed Development Association, P.O. Box 545, Njombe	Creating awareness on HIV/AIDS among groups of migrant labourers in tea plantations in Njombe district.	Iringa	33,800,000.00
47	TCCIA Songea Rural, P.O. Box 442, Songea	Provide education on business and entrepreneurship to small scale farmers and businessmen.	Ruvuma	34,887,450.00
48	The International Good Samaritan Mission (MIBOS) P.O. Box 501, Kigoma	Equal rights to access and own land for agricultural activities.	Kigoma	34,990,700.00
49	Tukolene Youth Development Centre, P.O. Box 43090, Dar es Salaam	Empowering Quran teachers with life skills education.	Dar es salaam	34,965,000.00
50	Tushirikiane Kupambana na UKIMWI Tanzania, P.O. Box 4, Tabora	Provide education on inheritance and human rights to widows and orphans.	Tabora	28,285,550.00
51	Umoja wa Vijana wa Kusaidiana na Kuelimishana Tegeta, P.O. Box 66615, Dar es Salaam	Education on effects of drug abuse in Kinondoni district.	Dar es salaam	15,533,880.00
52	Umoja wa Wawezeshaji wa Kioo, P.O. Box 1359, Kigoma	Educating the Ilagala community on good governance.	Kigoma	24,494,600.00
53	Umwema Group Morogoro, P.O. Box 1272, Morogoro	Sensitize the rural community on anti corruption initiatives at grassroots' level.	Morogoro	64,008,000.00
54	Unity for Disaster and Development Assistance, P.O. Box 867, Shinyanga	Capacity building for farmers and increasing food security.	Shinyanga	22,248,600.00
55	Unity in Diversity Foundation, P.O. Box 6404 Mbeya	Sensitizing and educating the community on their own rights.	Mbeya	20,287,500.00
56	Uprising Cultural Group, P.O. Box 912, Jang'ombe, Mjini Magharibi, Zanzibar	Build sustainable and peaceful families of fishing communities in Micheweni.	Northern Pemba	7,054,500.00
57	Vijana Vision Tanzania, P.O. Box 28099, Dar es Salaam	Training of the civil societies on the National Strategy for Growth and Reduction of Poverty (MKUKUTA)	Pwani	32,701,450.00
58	Vuka Tanzania, P.O. Box 11460, Dar es Salaam	Community empowerment on orphans care.	Dar es salaam	33,113,600.00
59	Women Assistance Orphan Group, P.O. Box 628, Moshi	Advocacy for children rights as stipulated under UN convention of April 2001 to the community.	National	28,292,224.00
60	Youth Advisory and Development Council P.O. Box 410, Shinyanga	Control and prevention of HIV/AIDS in Songwa ward community.	Shinyanga	33,891,390.00

Rolling Small Grant –November 2006

In November 2006, the Selection Committee meeting approved grants worth TZS. 172,691,565.00 To support different civil society organizations to implement projects starting from January 2007. The following are 35 organizations approved to be supported:-

No	NAME OF THE ORGANIZATION	BRIEF PROJECT DESCRIPTION	PROJECT AREA	AMOUNT GRANTED
1	Association of Iringa High Quality Farmers Products Company Limited P.O Box 246, Iringa	Build capacity to farmers on entrepreneurship and the use of proper weighing measures on selling their crops.	Iringa	5,000,000.00
2	Birikau Farming and Fishing Cooperative Society P.O Box 183, Chake Chake, Pemba	Conduct training on environmental protection to the Kwale community.	South Pemba	4,350,350.00
3	Chama cha Kusaidia Watoto Yatima Makambako P.O Box 103, Makambako	Build sustainable strategies in helping orphans who are living in difficult conditions.	Iringa	5,000,000.00
4	Chama cha Maendeleo ya Wafugaji Purka P.O Box 17, Handeni	Conduct seminar on The National Environmental policy and law governing the Pastoralists.	Tanga	4,999,800.00
5	Chama cha Walemavu Tanzania, Tawi la Mbeya P.O Box 2361, Mbeya	Promote equal participation to people with disabilities in life reinforcement and community's wellbeing.	Mbeya	5,000,000.00

6	Chama cha Walimu Tanzania, Tawi la Songea Manispaa P.O Box 1232; Songea	Provide education on HIV/AIDS to teachers of Songea municipal.	Ruvuma	4,929,680.00
7	Chemba Savings and Credit Cooperative Society Limited P.O Box 1568, Iringa	Raising awareness to farmers on the National Policy for agriculture, and development of villages in life reinforcement.	Iringa	4,974,790.00
8	Community Development Support P.O Box 129, Shinyanga	Raising awareness on children rights at grass root level.	Shinyanga	4,999,800.00
9	Environmental Conservation, Water Supply and AIDS Control Organization	Empowering street committees for improved performance in executing their daily responsibilities.	Dar es salaam	4,989,500.00
10	Family and Care of the Needs Group P.O Box 2006, Shinyanga	Increasing understanding to the Ngokolo community on orphans and widows rights.	Shinyanga	4,999,600.00
11	Hope Farming Group P.O Box 340, Urambo	Build capacity to widows and orphans in fighting for their basic rights.	Tabora	4,973,600.00
12	Jiendeleze Trust Fund P.O Box 5057, Dodoma	Improve psychosocial support services for orphans and vulnerable children.	Dodoma	4,962,550.00
13	Jumuiya ya Matumaini – Hope and Care P.O Box 188, Wete, Pemba	Education on the effects of drug abuse and HIV/AIDS in Wete district.	Pemba	5,000,000.00
14	Jumuiya ya Wafugaji, Wakulima na Mazingira , P.O Box 159, Zanzibar	Raising awareness on the National Policy for agriculture and pastoralism to farmers and pastoralists.	Kusini Unguja	4,974,400.00
15	Kawe Ridhika Shinda HIV/AIDS P.O Box 60148, Dar es salaam	Community sensitization on the prevention and re-infection of HIV/AIDS and fighting against stigma to the people infected.	Dar es salaam	5,000,000.00
16	Kikundi cha Walemavu Makete P.O Box 76, Makete	Educating the community on the needs and rights of people with disabilities.	Iringa	4,782,440.00
17	Kilombero High Quality Rice Growers Company Limited P.O Box 454, Kilombero	Conserving and protecting the natural environment of Kilombero valley.	Morogoro	4,999,800.00
18	Kisinga Women Group P.O Box 114, Makete	Educating the community on Land Act No. 4 and 5 of 1999.	Iringa	5,000,000.00
19	Kituo cha Maendeleo ya Utamaduni Ngerengere, P.O Box 484 Morogoro	Provide training to the community on the prevention of environmental destruction(pollution)	Morogoro	4,776,650.00
20	Mawengi Development Association P.O Box 162, Ludewa	HIV/AIDS awareness among the youth and Local Government leaders.	Iringa	4,996,550.00
21	Mihovu United Group P.O Box 1632, Morogoro	Education provision to Government leaders about transparency on the issues of financial public institutions.	Morogoro	4,891,200.00
22	Mtama Organization for Poverty Eradication P.O Box 63, Lindi	Provide entrepreneurship skills to youth in Lindi district.	Lindi	5,000,000.00
23	Nzega Gospel Choir P.O Box 335, Nzega	Train community leaders on Good governance at the grass root level.	Tabora	4,994,100.00
24	Plan Poverty Alleviation P.O Box 874, Songea	Provide education on entrepreneurship to youths in streets and who have no proper place to live in.	Ruvuma	4,724,650.00
25	Save the Youth Development Association, P.O Box 10752 Dar es salaam	Provide education on entrepreneurship to youths and leaders of Buguruni ward.	Dar es salaam	5,000,000.00
26	Society for Women and AIDS in Africa (SWAAT) Tanzania Branch, Morogoro rural, P.O Box 762 Morogoro	Provide psychosocial skills to guardians of orphans and children living in difficult conditions.	Morogoro	5,000,000.00
27	Tabora Women Network Limited P.O Box 693, Tabora	Community sensitization on raising awareness to women in fighting for their basic human rights.	Tabora	4,999,995.00

28	Tanzania 4H Organization P.O Box 245, Himo, Moshi	Entrepreneurship training and Policy identification to youth in rural Moshi.	Kilimanjaro	4,674,800.00
29	Tanzania Chamber of Commerce, Industry and Agriculture P.O Box 31, Namumbo	Build capacity on the National Development Policy implementation of small industries and businesses to private sectors.	Ruvuma	4,996,300.00
30	Tanzania Peasants Rights Association P.O Box 75965, Dar es salaam	Provide training to the Temeke district community on environmental protection.	Dar es salaam	4,999,400.00
31	Tanzania Volleyball Association P.O Box 3868, Dar es salaam	Awareness creation among the youth on the Sports Development Policy.	Dar es salaam	5,000,000.00
32	Tupendane Group Himo P.O Box 1, Himo	Provide education on Land Acts of 1999.	Kilimanjaro	4,951,100.00
33	Tuwajali Watoto Wasiojiweza na Yatima Community Centre P.O Box 1621, Tabora	Awareness raising on the basic widows rights.	Tabora	4,847,150.00
34	Widem Youth Future Programme P.O Box 28099, Kisarawe	Capacity building to youths on Entrepreneurship skills in Pwani region.	Pwani	5,000,000.00
35	Women Rights Action Group P.O Box 471, Kigoma	Forest conservation and life reinforcement to the communities of Kigoma region.	Kigoma	4,903,360.00

Strategic Grants

At the end of the year 2006, the Selection Committee of the Foundation approved grants worth TZS 1.9/- billion to support different civil society organizations to implement different projects. The following are 8 organizations approved to be supported:-

No	NAME OF THE ORGANIZATION	BRIEF PROJECT DESCRIPTION	PROJECT AREA	AMOUNT GRANTED
1.	Carpe Diem Ink - DSM	Increasing awareness of the National Pro-poor policies to the general public and development workers across the government and civil society through a published 6-monthly simplified policy review magazine	National	300,000,000.00
2.	Concern for Development Initiatives in Africa (ForDIA) - DSM	Strengthening structures of governance at local government level for improving the quality of governance with a special focus of effectively reducing corruption.	National	298,869,180.00
3.	International Trachoma Initiatives - DSM	Reducing the burden of trachoma and thus improving quality of life and social well being in 10 districts within Tanzania Mainland.	National	267,180,000.00
4.	Kilimanjaro NGOs Cluster (KINSHAI) - KILIMANJARO	Promotion of Socio-Economic and Reproductive Health Rights of Women and Youth in Kilimanjaro Region.	Kilimanjaro	299,384,371.00
5.	Mkombozi Centre for Street Children - ARUSHA	Protection of street and vulnerable children and young people by providing supporting and strengthening and advocating for community services in Moshi, Kilimanjaro and Arusha regions.	Kilimanjaro and Arusha	299,253,938.00
6.	Social Action Trust Fund (SATF) - DSM	To build capacity of partner NGOs in order for them to enhance their knowledge on psychosocial skills delivery to orphans and vulnerable children.	National	104,019,750.00
7.	Umoja wa Walemavu Zanzibar (UWZ) - ZANZIBAR	To build capacity of persons with disabilities so as to enable them to be included in the mainstream of society development through improved quality of life and standard of living.	National	100,000,000.00
8.	Youth Action Volunteers (YAV)- DSM	Contributing to the engagement and interaction between young men and women as health service users on one hand, policy makers and health service providers on the other hand.	Dar es Salaam and Pwani	300,000,000.00
Total amount committed				1,968,707,239.00

The Foundation urged to Spearhead Corporate Social Responsibility

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Development partners of the Foundation for Civil Society have called on the Foundation to spearhead

ideas regarding Corporate Social Responsibility as means for mobilising more resources for support to the civil society.

The call was made during a meeting in which the management team of the Foundation and development partners exchanged views on progress and challenges facing the Foundation.

The donors said that if the business community is sensitised to be socially responsible to support the vulnerable, resources would be available locally to ensure sustainability of both the civil society

organisations and the Foundation.

It was emphasised that the private sector should be sensitised to behave ethically and contribute to economic development while improving the quality of life of the local community and society at large rather than concentrating on profit making only.

However, they said the initiative would be possible and easy if the Foundation markets success of its services and those

of civil society organisations and hence called for continuous documentation and publicising of civil society organisations' success stories.

By documenting and publicising success stories, the community will be able to see and appreciate contribution by civil society organisations in development and therefore, local community members including the business community will easily respond to CSOs requested for support.



A section of Development Partners in a meeting with the Foundation for Civil Society representatives (not in picture).

CONGRATULATION!

The Foundation congratulates the former Board Chairperson, Henny de Vries and a former Programme Officer Grants, Ms. Halima Dedengo who was appointed a District Commissioner for Mpwapwa



Ms. Dendego the new District Commissioner for Mpwapwa.



Ms. Henny ended her tenure with the Foundation's Board after chairing it since 2003.

OBITUARY

The Foundation for Civil Society lost one of its employees, Hilda Mvinile, who was an Administrative Assistant. Hilda passed away on 7th December, 2006 after she was admitted in hospital with low blood pressure.

She will be remembered as person who could mingle easily and work with people of different levels with no problem. For those who knew Hilda say she was a dedicated, hardworking, polite and a charming person who easily forgave and forgot. These traits made her the "Best Worker" of the Foundation for the year 2005.



May God rest her soul in eternal peace- Amen



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