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Recently, The Foundation for Civil Society in collaboration with different stakeholders organized the 4th Annual Civil Society Forum and Exhibition.

The two-day event was held at Karimjee Grounds in Dar es Salaam on 17-18, August 2006 under the banner: "Civil society organizations' fight against corruption." About 500 participants attended the Forum from different parts of the country.

We would like to express our gratitude to civil society organizations, which made the Forum a success story. Their warm, willing participation in the event shows how mature the civil society sector has become.

Our thanks also to numerous organizations, which filled the forms for participation, but due to the large number of CSOs, which sought to take part, it was not possible to accommodate all.

Editorial

Dear readers, welcome once more to the second edition of "The Foundation News". I would like to thank all those who wrote to us on how we could improve the newsletter.

Allow us to boast a little for being an extremely lucky organization. We have a new Board chair, Prof. Chris Maina Peter of University of Dar es Salaam. Like her predecessor, Ms de Vries, he is amiable, able, a man of the people and above all, he is a person of high integrity. Not many organizations, have been so fortunate to be lead by such people.

In this edition, we have news about The Foundation and other stakeholders. The gist of the news consist what was discussed at the 4th Civil Society Annual Forum and Exhibition, starting with what our guest of honour at the event, Vice President Dr Ali Mohamed Shein said about the civil society sector.

Public Expenditure Tracking Survey (PETS), good governance and Client Service Charters are some of the debates covered in the forum, which this issue has given prominence.



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Definitely, next year we will seek better ways of involving more participants.

We do appreciate also the participation of government departments, development partners, academicians, activists and members of religious community in the forum.

Our special thanks goes to Vice President Dr Ali Mohamed Shein for answering the call to be the guest of honour at the event. His address, which recognized CSOs as partners with government in bringing community development, clearly set the tone for the two-day event.

**John Ulanga, Executive Director,
The Foundation for Civil Society**

We have an article on leadership and organizations development, two concepts which are fundamental for the success of any CSO. The importance of Information Communications Technology cannot be

gainsaid. That is why we have decided to build websites for CSOs we fund to make communication easier. And have you ever wondered why some CSOs fail to qualify for grants from The Foundation? That, and more news from different stakeholders, you will find in this issue.

We would like to take this opportunity to encourage civil society actors to contribute articles for the next issue as well as giving us feedback about this edition.

Wishing you a happy reading,

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Confronting corruption:

Vice-President hails 4th Annual Civil Society Forum & Exhibition



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- CSOs partners in fight against corruption
- Should use resources wisely

The Vice President Dr. Ali Mohamed Shein has congratulated Civil Society Organizations (CSOs) that participated in the 4th Annual Civil Society Forum and Exhibition in Dar es Salaam for debating important issues to the community, especially on development of good governance and the fight against corruption.

Addressing the Forum at Karimjee grounds, which was attended by over 500 delegates from all over the country, the Vice President, who was the Guest of Honour at the event, said:

"I am very happy to see the forum has brought together CSOs to discuss their participation in community development for our nation."

Dr Shein praised the forum's slogan which made it clear it was the responsibility of CSOs to fight against

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Vice President Dr Ali Mohamed Shein listens to one of The Foundation's Grants Officers, January Basela at the organisation's pavilion during the 4th Civil Society Annual Exhibition & Forum in Dar es Salaam.

Vice President hails 4th Annual Civil Society Forum & Exhibition

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corruption, a phenomenon he described as a big problem in the country.

"I have been impressed to realize the debates will involve the contribution of CSOs in the fight against corruption. As we all know, corruption is a big problem in our society, which needs urgent but long term solution. Discussing ways of fighting the vice is a step forward," Dr Shein said.

The Vice President called on CSOs to present proposals to the government on how their relationship with the government could be improved for the posterity of the nation.

"It is my ardent hope that after deliberations by CSOs on their participation in implementation of the local government improvement programme the organisations will be convinced to participate fully in it. The government wants the citizens to be fully involved in the programme as well as making it progressive. No doubt in your deliberations about the programme, you will discuss what CSOs should do to make its successful," he said.

Indicating that he was satisfied by preparations of the forum, the Vice President said: "Let me take this opportunity to congratulate the organizers of this event - The Foundation for Civil Society, for considering it important for CSOs to deliberate on their contributions in seeking solutions to encumbrances to community development."

For CSOs to work well, the organizations must adhere to principles of good governance, he said adding he was gratified to see on the discussion board good governance with CSOs was going to be deliberated on.

"Several reports indicate some CSOs misuse resources given to them for community development projects. That shows such organizations don't adhere to principles of good governance and accountability," Dr Shein said.

The Vice President said The Foundation was doing a good job, funding CSOs and building their capacity for assisting members of community to be involved in developmental programmes.

He expressed his gratitude to local and international development partners for supporting The Foundation. He mentioned them as:- Department for International Development (DFID), Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA), Royal Netherlands Embassy (RNE), Danish Development Agency (DANIDA),



Participants follow up proceedings at the 4th Civil Society Annual Exhibition & Forum at Karimjee Hall in Dar es Salaam

Development Cooperation of Ireland (DCI), Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation (SDC), Royal Norwegian Embassy and IPP Limited.

The Vice President said, the support offered to The Foundation which in turn supports CSOs, goes a long way in provisions of essential services to communities in Tanzania.

Earlier, the new FCS Chair, Professor Chris Maina Peter said FCS realizes that CSOs have a great role to play for National Strategy for Growth and Reduction of Poverty (NSGRP) goals to be achieved. For CSOs to play their roles effectively in the implementation of NSGRP, it was imperative to build their capacities, he said.

In executing its roles, The Foundation adheres highly to principles of transparency, he said adding:

"We believe in transparency, in that case all grants dished out to CSOs are made public through the mass media. We explain clearly which organization got what amount and for what purpose,"

Since January 2003 up to August 2006, FCS dished out grants to about 669 CSOs totaling 12.44bn/-, he said.

Just as the Vice President did, Prof Maina thanked the International organization which contributed the funds.

The Chairperson of FCS Council, Mr. Alais Morindat thanked Dr. Shein for agreeing to inaugurate the forum. "This shows that the government values contributions made by the civil society in bringing development to the people," he said. ❖



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Don calls for transparency in public expenditure

“Citizens have the right to following up public funds expenditure without any hindrance whatsoever from government officials from ward to national level”

The citizens have the rights to local governments’ public expenditure reports so as to know how income obtained on their behalf is used, according to Dr Lemoyan Melyoki of the University of Dar es Salaam.

In his contributions on improvement of transparency in public financial management during 4th Annual Civil Society Forum and Exhibition in Dar es Salaam late last August, Dr Melyoki, said:

“Recently, a research was done to ascertain if local government officials observe transparency as far as income and expenditure of public funds is concerned; the results show that citizens staying far away from their local government headquarters had very minimal possibilities of coming across public expenditure reports.”

According to the study, the reports are usually pinned

on notice boards in the local government headquarters or in public places near the head offices.

It was rare for the reports to reach villages located far away from local government headquarters, he said calling for a solution to the problem for the sake of transparency.

Other participants in the meeting called for the masses to be educated on how to follow up public income and expenditure as it was the people’s right.

On her part, Getrude Mugizi of Policy Forum said her organization was developing training guidelines to be used by CSOs in Public Expenditure Tracking Surveys (PETS).

Citizens have the right to following up public funds expenditure without any hindrance whatsoever from government officials from ward to national level, she said. The forum was attended by over 500 participants from all over the country. ■

Client Service Charters: Unknown concept?



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THE government has directed all its institutions to come out with Client Service Charters outlining how they provide services to members of the public as their ‘customers.’

Deputy Principal Secretary, President’s Office Public Service Department, Mr. George Yambesi, made the assertion when addressing the 4th Annual Civil Society Forum and Exhibition in Dar es Salaam.

He was addressing the forum on “the concept of Client Service Charters, initiated by the government as one of the strategies to improve Public Services and ensure that

Public Servants are accountable and therefore reduce corruption.”

“The intention of the government in introducing Client Service Charters was to improve services delivery to the community, to make civil servants more accountable and reduce corruption,” Mr. Yambesi said.

On his part, FCS Executive Director, John Ulanga said most members of public do not know the level of the services to expect.

“If a person writes a letter to any of government institution, the procedure is that letter should be replied after seven days, this has never happened,” he said.

Participants agreed the charters were a milestone in the battle against corruption but confessed that it was the first time to hear of the concept.

They called for public education on the concept.

Client Service Charters are agreements between government and all clients, which outline the way members of public are supposed to be served in particular institutions or departments.

The aim of the charter is to improve service delivery and reduce bribery loopholes.



Mr. George Yambesi

Government to work with civil society in education development

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THE government has reiterated that it will continue to work with non governmental organizations for the development of education sector, Primary Education Development Programme (PEDP) Coordinator Juma Sagini, has said.

In his contribution to debate on "Participation of CSOs in the Implementation of Education Sector Programmes" during the 4th Annual Civil Society Forum and Exhibition in Dar es Salaam, he said:

"One of the development programmes to improve education sector programme was PEDP which was initiated on July 2001, with the

“Education is the key to eradication of poverty and for the success of National Strategy for Growth and Reduction of Poverty (NSGRP). For this reason it is necessary for the civil society to be fully involved in implementation of education development programmes for the benefit of all,”

following objectives:- Enrolment expansion; quality improvement; capacity building; strengthening institutional arrangements; and cross-cutting issues.”

On his part, TENMET Representative, Dr. Joseph Kisanji said it was imperative for the civil society to be given a chance to participate in development and implementation of education policies for the sake of communal development.

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poverty and for the success of National Strategy for Growth and Reduction of Poverty (NSGRP).

For this reason it is necessary for the civil society to be fully involved in implementation of education development programmes for the benefit of all,” he said.

During general contributions in the session, participants were irked by the problem of shortage of teachers’ houses, which they said has not been prioritized in education programmes.

They called on the government to come up with a comprehensive programme that will ensure the problem of teachers’ houses is solved as it was their basic right.

Participants also recommended that the government should check schools’ environment as some were not conducive for learning and teaching as they are surrounded by businesses such as kiosks, bars and hotels.

Such environment, they said, makes learning difficult. ❖



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Civil society important in good governance-Human Rights Commission

The Commission for Human Rights and Good Governance (CHRGG) has pledged to work together with CSOs as they are within the community in order to bring about direct changes to the community.

CHRGG Training Director Ms. Rosemary Jairo made the pledge when she was contributing to the topic "The Role of CSOs in Enhancing Good Governance Practices at all Level" during 4th Civil Society Exhibition and Forum in Dar es Salaam

“Given the fact that CSOs are within the community, the Commission has given them priority in the involvement of Human rights and good governance issues in order to bring about changes directly to the community,” Ms Jairo said.

She said the success of the Commission largely depended on close working relationship with other stakeholders. Participants challenged the Commission on how ready it was to work with CSOs.

On his part, Theofida Kapinga of TACOSODE said good governance is one area all CSOs should take concern of. He said the organizations should fight for justice and expose corruption in the government, private institutions and even within the civil society.

Kapinga called on CSOS to be capacitated so as to know their responsibilities like being exemplary in good governance and to know how the government works at different levels.

She said the government should cooperate more with CSOs as the organizations are there to help the government improve its services and not otherwise. ❖

**Cover photo:
Breaking the ice- Vice President Dr Ali Mohamed Shein officially inaugurates the 4th Civil Society Exhibition & Forum in Dar es Salaam.**





Members of public listens to the Vice President Dr Shein during the 4th annual Civil Society Exhibition and Forum at the Karimjee Hall auditorium.

When UNGO took Mkata village land issue to the exhibition

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The Union of Non Governmental Organization (UNGO) in Morogoro actively took part in 4th Annual Civil

Society Forum and Exhibition held at Karimjee grounds in Dar es Salaam last September.

Apart from UNGO, other CSOs from the region, like Chama cha Waalimu –Women’s wing, MVIWATA, Morogoro Paralegal Centre, Children and Youth Development Association and UNGO – Kilosa also participated in the forum.

During the Exhibition, UNGO- Morogoro aimed at showing how it fulfills its obligations in advocacy and lobbying for National Strategy for Growth and Reduction of Poverty (NSGRP), especially in the aspects of land ownership, women’s and children rights, education and involvement of society

in planning and implementation of development programmes.

UNGO used Information and Communication Technology in sending out message to visitors and participants at the exhibition. Among the equipments used were computers to show different types of pictures.

The UNGO pavillion at the forum, which was number 78, received over sixty five (65) visitors. Members of UNGO- Morogoro also managed to visit fellow participants’ pavilions to exchange experiences.

Regarding the land issues as championed by UNGO, the emphasis has always been to make sure villages are given enough land for agricultural purposes. As an example, the CSO used Mkata Village in Kimamba Ward, Kilosa District in Morogoro Region as a case study in the exhibition.

This village was established 100 years ago but only got its registration on June 16th, 1999 with a registration number MG/KIJ/527. The village is in the middle of the Mkata National Ranch. The central railway line passes through it. Actually, the village was in existence even before the

ranch was officially created.

The ranch, which has now been privatized has made the village to lose some of its land. Villagers are now left without enough land for agriculture and livestock keeping.

They are forced to look for farmlands far away from their residences. UNGO’s job has been to convince the government to give the villagers back the land which they had been using for a century instead of giving the same to investors from afar. The area Member of Parliament Mr. Mustafa Haidi Mkulo (Deputy Minister of Finance) was asked to intervene in the matter and seek a lasting solution.

Another area of concern UNGO exhibited at the Forum was the diverse activities which are carried out by its members. Among them are: - Legal counseling to women and children, caring for the orphaned children, CSOs public debates on development and relationship with other development stakeholders.

The topics and issues discussed at the exhibition managed to improve participants’ knowledge in different matters touching their daily activities in the society.

LEADERSHIP & ORGANIZATIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Big challenge to Civil Society Organizations (CSOs)



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One of the main challenges facing civil society in the county is lack of enough resources. The Foundation and other development partners are working hard to solve the quandary.

At the same time, leadership and organisational development are big challenges to CSOs, which in the long run determines how effective the organisations are.

These two principals can be said to be the backbone of every CSO:- they ensure that an organisations performs well and survives to achieve the aims it was established for.

Tanzania's many CSOs mushroomed immediately after adoption of multiparty democracy when the nation also moved away from a socialist to free market economy.

Many CSOs were established by a small group of people, who joined hands to work on important matters of common interest.

After a decade those establishments have changed ownership from a few individuals who were controlling them. They have become public entities for the benefits of the masses.

Most of the times, pioneers of CSOs are also the leaders and managers of the organizations. These two kinds of leadership, that is, constitutional leadership and executive leadership must be separated in order to create more responsibility and transparency

for the organizations to prosper.

In this case, CSOs must change with time and become more public and sorely responsible to the society.

One of the ways to show that an organization has become of age, though not always, is to check how strong and democratic is its leadership; if its leadership plans can be implemented to bring effective changes to the community, as well as plans for developing the organization and its works.

This is only possible if the organization has put into practice and efficiently. its 'mission', by understanding its working environment and targeted groups as well as forming partnerships with other organizations and stakeholders.

Organizational development (OD) and Institutional development (ID)

Organizational development (OD) involves a number of concerns. Among them are: - capacity building on the organizational leadership, drawing work plans, implementation plans, good management and utilisation of available resources. OD can also show, if the organization is being run formally or informally.

A formally run organisation will have established policies and guidelines, which are adhered to. Such policies could be procedures for use of transport facilities, staff regulations manual, board management policies, financial regulations, gender policy etc.

Other aspects will be organisational targets, technology

to be applied and how. If the organization is being run informally what matters are people's feelings, attitudes, values, informal interactions and acceptable of norms thereof.

On the other hand, Institutional Development (ID) involves organizational capacity building in order to enable it fulfill own goals by understanding organization's surrounding environment. Development of the institutions always lies in the improvement of the services offered by the organization to achieve its goals.

Leadership in the Organization

Two old Kiswahili proverbs say: "Cheo ni dhamana" and "Uongozi ni kuonyesha njia." Roughly, translated they mean respectively:- "leadership position is bail" and "To lead is to show the way". The two old adages still hold a lot of water today.

Experts like Allan Kaplan say the most important role of a leader is to make sure people understand the importance of their jobs and to improve their organizations' development.

The second one, is to make the organization discover itself; understand its targets and priority areas.

Finally, the third aspect of leadership is to ensure rules are affected, the communications is effective as well as making sure concerned agreed up on are implemented on time.

“The most important role of a leader is to make sure people understand the importance of their jobs and to improve their organizations' development.”

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NGO officials trained on grant management



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When you have a purpose of mind persistence pays off as the Union of Non Governmental Organization (UNGO) Morogoro can testify today.

For six times the organisation applied for support from The Foundation and received varied legitimate responses. UNGO never gave up and kept on following the advice given by the grants officials at The

Foundation. In the seventh trail, got a positive response for funding this year, for executing a capacity building project, which aimed at sensitizing residents in the Morogoro region to participate in implementation of National Strategy for Growth and Reduction of Poverty (NSGRP).

The project, to be implemented from the district levels, aims at building the capacity of civil societies and wananchi in general as well as their leaders to unite in seeking for ways of eradicating poverty.

In unity, the people can overcome the barriers to development, and eventually strengthen the economy.

For the success of the initiative, two officers from UNGO were invited to attend to a workshop convened by Dar es Salaam based NGO, TRACE to acquaint them with

knowledge on how to manage and supervise the grant they were to receive from FCS.

The three-day workshop really benefited them as well as all the other participants from different regions in the country.

The training reminded participants about good project management and increased their understanding on the same especially on drawing correct work plans following necessary the organizational values and mission as well ways of ensuring set goals are realized.

The training also increased participants' knowledge on safe record keeping for purposes of preparing and writing project development reports. ❖

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Big challenge to Civil Society Organizations (CSOs)

Duties of a civil society Leader

Among the responsibilities of a civil society leader are:-

1. Loyalty -To make sure that personal matters and desires don't interfere with official responsibilities.
2. Duty of care and skills -To enable one perform duties diligently and make decisions according to set rules and regulations for the benefits of the organization.
3. Knowledge - One must know how the organization is performing and its relationship with other stakeholders.
4. Attention - must ensure attendance to all the important occasions of the organization, be well versed with the important documents before any meeting and ensure the organization's policies go hand in hand with the organizations' values, vision and mission.

In short, a good leader in an organization is required:-

1. To be able to focus ahead in his vision of improving the organization
2. To be able to give members of the organization as well as its staff and other leaders a chance to prosper professionally so

that they can undertake their duties to the best of their abilities.

3. To be caring, one who knows the needs and expectation's of his workforce in their struggle to hit organization targets and personal goals.
4. To understand and acknowledge weakness and strength to be able to change weakness to strength and improve.

More qualities required of a good leader are:-

1. One who can explain to the followers about a problem facing the organization so that they can look for a solution
2. One with the ability to convince and woo members, staff and stakeholders to accept and execute their responsibilities
3. One who seeks the truth and others people's opinions before making decisions.
4. One who can participate in a discussion and respect others opinions
5. One who appreciates well done jobs by his staff or followers but also able to offer constructive criticism when necessary.
6. One who is able to delegate jobs to members of the organization and other staff. ❖

NEWS IN



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1 Members of the civil society organisations at Karimjee Hall, Dar es Salaam during the 4th Civil Society Annual Exhibition & Forum.

2 The camera catches it all—Katharina Haembri films the proceedings of the 4th Civil Society Annual Exhibition & Forum.

3 Ha, ha, ha this is good news, Lyimo from Kilimanjaro region could be saying as he reads the first issue of the Foundation News.

4 “We are listening”, the trio in the photo candidly follow proceedings at the Forum. Centre is, Joseph Butiku of Mwalimu Nyerere Foundation

5 Former Political parties registrar George Liundi addresses the Forum.

6 Executive Director of LHRC, Dr Hellen Kijo Bisimba and Abudul Njaidi of Habari Communications at the Forum.

7 Public debate in Coast Region

8 Public debate in Zanzibar.

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Development Corner



Maryam Aboubakar

ANGOZA consolidates self in Zanzibar

“For Mkuza to succeed Anticorruption programmes, good governance and human rights must be taken into consideration”

The Association of NGOs in Zanzibar (ANGOZA) recently organized a five-day seminar in Zanzibar for its members. The seminar was held at Pellican Villa Hotel in the outskirts of Zanzibar municipality, and it was funded by PACT-Tanzania.

The aim of the seminar was to build the capacity of the organization’s members to enable them understand fully human rights issues.

About 25 participants from the

civil society organizations and leaders of non governmental organizations from Unguja and Pemba islands took part in the training.

The seminar was well organized and participants were active throughout the training.

Three primary issues, which are important to community based organization as far as implementing Programme for Eradicating Poverty in Zanzibar (MKUZA) is concerned, were discussed in the meeting. These were: - anticorruption programmes, good governance

and human rights.

Participants agreed to work within ANGOZA’s network in ensuring the issues agreed up on in the meeting are implemented.

It was also suggested in the meeting that organizations such as PACT-Tanzania should continue to support community based organizations in the battle against poverty, diseases and ignorance. ❖



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Public debate succeeds in Tanga

by david chanyeghea

Tanga Youth Development Association(TAYODEA), with the support of The Foundation for Civil Society organised a public debate last August, which was very successful.

Over 110 people from CSOs, media, local government leaders and experts from Tanga Region secretariat and all 8 districts in the region participated in the event.

Tanga regional planning officer, assisted by a team of specialists from SIDO and several government departments presented at the forum the region’s progress in achieving National Strategy for Growth and Reduction

of Poverty (NSGRP) goals. A representative from the civil society addressed the meeting on the role of CSOs in the development of the region.

After presentation of the topics, participants were given ample time to discuss and offer their opinions about the region’s development in realizing NSGRP goals.

It was proposed in the meeting that frequent public debates involving the government and CSOs, should be held once a year. Such forums will enable CSOs to give opinion’s on planning, implementation and follow up of different development plans for the sake of the regional development.

The participants were very happy with the meeting/debate and expressed satisfaction

with public and private sectors cooperation for the sake of the regional development.

The regional secretariat, which was represented by Tanga Assistant Regional Administrative officer, Mr Kisheru N.S, accepted the proposal and promised in future the regional authorities, will co-operate with CSOs.

When closing the meeting, Tanga District Administrative Officer Ms Doro Kato thanked FCS for supporting local CSOs.

She said she would continue working with TAYODEA in the future. She called on for CSOs unity and co-operation with the government for the sake of regional development. ❖

Best grantees win 2006 awards



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Umoja wa Watu Walemavu Zanzibar emerged the overall winner in the 2006 awards for best CSOs during the 4th Civil Society Annual Forum and Exhibition in Dar es Salaam.

Salaam.

The society emerged the winners after being the first in all three criterions which were being considered. The organization had managed to improve the lives of many people with disabilities, especially in building their capacity.

During the competition, another group which also won was Seven Blind Beats Band which scooped the creativity prize. The group, which comprises seven members with visual disability, had managed to be the most creative in sending messages to the public.

Ruvuma Orphans Associations (ROA) romped home with the prize for "motivating the people to form groups to fight abject poverty". One of the objectives of ROA is to advocate for the rights of orphaned children.

The Lusango Ward Development Association scooped the "Fight for women rights and participation in development issues" prize.

According to the FCS Executive Director Mr. John Ulanga, about 240 civil societies had qualified for the competition. In the first stage only 40 managed to sail through. A special committee screened the organizations down to 18.

The committee physically visited the 18 CSOs and selected four of the most impressive for the top four prizes.

Advocacy and lobbying on policy issues; involvement in developmental activities to uplift lives of the most marginalized groups; and creativity in communicating to the masses.

The FCS has put in place the competition so that CSO which manage well their activities are awarded.

The winners received their prizes during 4th Annual Civil Society Forum and Exhibition in Dar es Salaam. The guest of honour in the event was Vice President, Dr Ali Mohamed Shein. ❖

The factors used to get the winners were: -



A representative of one of the four best grantees receives an award from Vice-President.

Foundation Help – Musoma, a non governmental organization, through its project of good governance, in collaboration with the surrounding community managed to promote Kamuyonge Ward councillor to address problems faced by wananchi.

The organization provided training to the people about the roles local government authorities leaders play. After the training, the residents in the ward demanded from their councillor a solution to long standing problem of sewerage system in the area.

In a turn of events that clearly showed the leader was tasked, he had this to say:

"Your Radio programmes have awakened the electorates, more so when you teach them the roles of local governments leaders... they wanted to kill me recently after I called for a public rally. I have come to believe that if the citizenry will understand good governance, then our nation can develop." ❖

Child Concern Consortium (C3) - a non governmental organization based in Dar es Salaam- through its project – "addressing issues that expose youths to HIV/AIDS infections to enable them change behavior," managed to successfully advocate for cessation of a number of Television and Radio advertisements. The advertisements lobbied against were seen as sexually provocative for the youths.

"Those adverts were seen as provocative - like the one that was relaying information about condoms showing two girls posing as passengers waiting at a train station while drinking water.

At the same time, there was a young man bending to lick water from a low faucet.

The two girls then decided to cap the condom over a bottle neck while kissing each other as a provocation gesture to the male who was within their vicinity," says a report from C3. ❖



Group discussion during a public debate in Iringa

Why many stakeholders fail to qualify for grants

- Stakeholders' selfishness big problem
- Year 2005, Dar made 251 requests for grants, Manyara and South Unguja only one each



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There are myriad problems that make CSOs fail to get funding from The Foundation for Civil Society. Among the problems are: poor budget proposals, lack of training plans, misfilling of FCS official forms, unattached bank statements and lack of recommendation letters from the trustees of CSOs seeking funding.

In the issue of budget write up there is a big problem as many CSOs fail to write simple, correct and presentable proposals.

In some instances you will find in the budget

one indicating the fare from Morogoro to Dar es Salaam as 20,000/-, where if the truth be, the fare is not more than 4,000/-.

Many requests for grants, more so small amounts fail to be realized because of presentation of falsified budgets.

The other problem is the arrangement for training. Under normal circumstances for an organization to be able to get funding, it is a must for organizers to explain how the project will be run, unfortunately, many requests for grants fail on this, despite the issue being the foundation of such projects.

FCS has also discovered in filling up grantee's forms a number of people do so for their own selfish ends without informing their colleagues, such that in some places the forms are not filled. It is not possible to fund CSOs which have not filled the forms correctly.

Inside FCS, one of the requirements for a grant to be approved is that it should be given to the

actual people running a particular project and not comen within a particular organization. That is why we require the CSOs seeking funding to give us bank statements. This helps in ensuring the funding is given to the right organization.

To ensure a CSO gets funding, it is a must for the organization to ensure in their letter requesting for the assistance is accompanied by a letter from the board of directors or top leadership. This helps to ensure it is not just a few members within the organization who want to benefit out of the project.

To ensure the problem of not filling forms correctly does not arise, FCS once in a while give projects additional time so that stakeholders are trained on project write ups adequately.

It is good when filling the forms in an organization to involve as many members as possible, to ensure the project is not for a few people within, taking advantage of the organization for personal gain.

Some people ask how come most of the grants are for CSOs within Dar es Salaam. We would like to assure that though the headquarters of FCS are in Dar es Salaam, majority of beneficiaries are in other regions.

At the same time there is a reason for majority of CSOs in Dar to quality for grants more than in other regions. Take for example; grants offered in 2005, there were 251 requests from Dar es Salaam, while in South Unguja and Manyara regions there was only one request for each. Unless an organization requests for funding, it cannot get it.

In Dar es Salaam also, residents get information that is not easily available in other regions. Residents as a result are more informed and more understanding. Some groups lose hope after they are told to correct their application forms.

FCS has started a fund for national projects with the aim of ensuring CSOs all over the country get grants as they are the main target group of the organization. National CSOs, it has been discovered have the ability to get funding from international financial institutions as well.

FCS will not grant a lot of funding for use in the battle against HIV/AIDS, as there are so many organizations involved in funding the same. ❖

The Foundation has new chairperson



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Professor Chris Peter Maina, a Senior Lecturer in the Department of Law at the University of Dar es Salaam is the new Board chair of The Foundation for Civil

Society.

He takes over from Ms Henny de Vries of the Royal Netherlands Embassy in Tanzania, one of the founder members of The Foundation, who has been its chair since it was established in the year 2003. Ms de Vries remains an honorary member of the Foundation's Board.

During her farewell message as the Chairperson of the Foundation at the end of 4th annual Civil Society exhibition and forum in the city of Dar es Salaam, Ms de Vries said during her tenure as the Chairperson of the Foundation she was always happy to serve. She said she used to get support and co-operation from her fellow leaders and

members.

Professor Maina before becoming the Foundation's Chairperson, he was its Deputy Chair from year 2003.

The law don was born in 1954 in Shinyanga Region, where he got both primary and secondary education.

Later on, he was admitted at the University of Dar es Salaam where he got his first degree. To advance his education he joined Konstaz university in Germany.

Just like many academicians, Prof Maina says he likes very much to read books. He says he can not pass a day without reading a book in order to gain new knowledge. Also he likes visiting different websites, which means that he has not been left behind in this era of Information and Communications Technology (ICT).

Professor Maina is also a football lover and during his hey days he played together with the current Dar es Salaam Regional Commissioner, Mr. Abbas Kandoro! ❖



Alais Moridant, Chairman FCS Council



Katharina Haerbri, Board member



Could Ms de Vries (centre) be telling her successor, Prof. Chris Maina Peter (left), take the mantle... I hand over to you a very strong organisation, don't let me down. Looking on is, The Foundation board member, Kaushi Shah

FCS to build websites for CSOs



A makeshift Cyber Cafe at the 4th Annual Civil Society Forum and Exhibition in Dar es Salaam, which was sponsored by internet service provider - Satcom

■ Stakeholders to have websites /e-mails



The Foundation for Civil Society (FCS) will in future ensure the Civil Society Organizations (CSOs) it finances have websites, a move that will lead to simplified and better communication between the organization and its beneficiaries.

FCS will finance building up of the websites and other incidental that might occur as a result.

To ensure the targeted people will benefit from the programme and are able to use the created websites, FCS will build their capacity through training them

on the use of Information Communication Technology (ICT). This will enable them to move ahead in the spirit of science and technology.

The targeted people and CSOs will be encouraged to open emails to ensure simplified communication between FCS and the beneficiaries as well as reduce the costs of communication.

The beneficiaries will be required to open free emails from sites like www.yahoo.com, www.hotmail.com (and others). FCS will ask those with the know-how on how to open and use email accounts, to teach their colleague the same within their organizations.

If really targeted groups will be able to take advantage of the communication technology, then life will be much simpler for them as they will not have to go physically to the headquarters of FCS in search of information already available on line.

In the website for FCS - www.thefoundation-tz.org all important information about the organization can be found there, which can be accessed anywhere in the world as long as one is connected to the internet.

For example you can find information regarding all the community based organizations which have received assistance and the progress of financed projects. ❖

Give views on code of conduct for CSOs



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Non Governmental Organizations' council in the county is developing a code of conduct for CSOs, which will be used to ensure ethics, transparency and accountability within the NGOs' operations.

This was revealed by Mr. Godfrey Tweve in his contribution during the debate on "The Role of CSO in Enhancing Good Governance Practices at all Level" at the 4th Annual Civil Society Forum and Exhibition in Dar es Salaam city.

"Copies of the code of conduct will be available at the offices of TANGO. Stakeholders should read the same and make their recommendation before the document is presented to the government for approval," Mr. Tweve said.

On his part, CARE International representative, Mr. Zabdiel Kimambo

said corruption practices within NGOs were rampant.

"Some NGOs don't do any undertaking apart from using available but correct information to seek funding," he said.

Mr. Kimambo said it would be prudent for NGOs in the country to follow examples of different organizations in out of the country which have adopted codes of conduct, which helps them in observing good governance. He gave as an example, MS- Tanzania and Uganda NGOs Network.

A representative of the director of NGOs in the Ministry of Community Development, Gender and Children, Mr. John Likumbi said wrangles within NGOs comes about as leaders don't adhere to requirements of transparency when dealing with members of their organizations, power thirsty leaders who refuse to step down, failure to hold meeting and lack of income and expenditure accountability.

For NGOs to run smoothly, he said wrangles must be settled first and members of the organizations must ensure aims for establishing the organization are achieved.



FCS gets US\$ 2,076,923 grant from Swiss Agency



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The Foundation for Civil Society has signed a three years funding agreement with Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation (SDC).

The contract, worth US\$ 2,076,923 is aimed at supporting implementation of the Foundation's activities geared towards strengthening civil society organisations (CSOs) in Tanzania. The agreement is the first out of the series of bilateral agreements that the Foundation is due to sign before the end of the year.

The Swiss Agency is among the key development partners supporting the Foundation since its inception. The Foundation has received from SDC a financial support worth USD 2,131,900 for the period of 2003-2005.

Since 2003, the Foundation has been providing grants and other capacity-building initiatives to enable CSOs to effectively deepen and widens citizens' engagements in poverty reduction processes through four thematic areas of policy awareness and engagement, good governance enhancement, safety nets for the vulnerable as well as advocacy strengthening.

To August 2006, the Foundation had supported projects worth Tsh 12.44 billion to 669 organisations throughout the country. The Foundation also has facilitated two national CSOs exhibitions and more than 34 public dialogues on MKUKUTA and other pressing issues in 19 regions.

Like-minded development partners which supports the Foundation for Civil Society include; the Department for International Development (DFID), Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA), Royal Netherlands Embassy (RNE), Danish Development Agency (DANIDA), Development Cooperation of Ireland (DCI), Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation (SDC), Royal Norwegian Embassy and IPP Limited. ♦



Public debate in Zanzibar



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Medium Grants-June 2006

The Foundation for Civil Society during the month of June 2006 gave out Medium Grants amounting to 1, 0003, 8889, 893/- to about 39 civil society organisations. In July, Rolling Small Grants beneficiaries were about 70 CSOs, which got a total amount of 341,102,846/-. Both Medium Grants and Rolling Small Grants mainly covered the following thematic areas: - Policy, advocacy, safety nets and governance.

NAME AND ADDRESS OF ORGANIZATION	THEMATIC AREA	AMOUNT
1 Africa 2000 Plus Network Tanzania P.O Box 71193 Dar es Salaam	Policy	32,000,000.00
2 African Networks for Prevention & Protection Against Child Abuse & Neglect, P.O. Box 32021 DSM	Advocacy	22,299,225.00
3 Alpha Dancing Group, PO. Box 1002 Iringa	Safety Nets	20,935,600.00
4 Association for Advancing Low Cost Mobility, P.O. Box 63229, Dar es Salaam	Policy	24,739,840.00
5 Chama cha Viziwi Tanzania - Tawi la Mkoa wa Arusha P.O. Box 11154 Arusha	Advocacy	21,187,400.00
6 Chama cha Viziwi Tanzania - Tawi la Mkoa wa Mbeya P.O. Box 3543, Mbeya	Safety Nets	15,840,000.00
7 CHAVITA - Pwani P.O. Box 30317, Kibaha	Policy	28,641,375.00
8 Community Development Services, P.O. Box 7878, Dar es Salaam	Governance	32,845,792.00
9 Community Initiative and Development Association P.O. Box 9742, Dar es Salaam	Governance	18,932,700.00
10 Deep Development Foundation - P.O. Box 6479 Morogoro	Safety Nets	10,167,350.00
11 Good Life Trust Fund P.O. Box 5461, Morogoro	Governance	18,484,000.00
12 Institute of Cultural Affairs - Tanzania, P.O. Box 79, Handeni	Advocacy/Governance	51,645,000.00
13 Jumuiya Endelevu Bagamoyo, P.O. Box 85, Bagamoyo	Gov./Safety Nets /Adv.	32,762,250.00
14 Kabenze Development Trust Fund, P.O. Box 80217, Dar es Salaam	Safety Nets/Policy	14,624,700.00
15 Kibondo Non-Governmental Organisations Network (KINGONET), P.O BOX 50, Kibondo	Policy	24,814,060.00
16 Kiteto Civil Society Organization Forum, P.O. Box 83 Kiteto	Policy	34,222,850.00
17 Masasi Non-Governmental Organization Network (MANGONET P.O. Box 524, Masasi-Mtwara	Policy	34,563,300.00
18 Mbeya Youth Development Organisation (MYDO), P.O. Box 590, Mbeya.	Governance	24,806,880.00
19 Mbozi Highland Economic Group, P.O Box 594, Mbeya	Policy	9,822,700.00
20 Mtanzania Culture and New Generation Arts, P.O. Box 19647, Dar es Salaam	Governance	27,154,600.00
21 Mtwara People`s Umbrella Organization, P.O. Box 888 Mtwara.	Advocacy	11,172,000.00
22 Nash-Talents Promotion And Entertainment (NTPE), P.O. Box 32789, Dar-es-Salaam	Policy	22,545,500.00
23 Nassa Brotherhood Society for the Aged, P.O. Box 299 Magu, Mwanza	Advocacy	19,220,100.00
24 National Youth Information Center Trust Fund, P.O. Box 79424 Dar es Salaam	Policy	29,475,000.00
25 Njombe District Non-Governmental Organization (NJODINGO) P.O. Box 202 Njombe, Iringa.	Advocacy	34,897,200.00
26 Nzega Women Development Association, P.O. Box 404 Nzega	Safety Nets	30,685,620.00
27 Ruvuma Orphans Association, P.O Box 1196 Songea	Safety Nets	34,743,335.00
28 (SHDEPHA+) Kigoma P.O. Box 16, Kigoma	Policy	25,628,600.00
29 Shirikisho la Vyama Vya Watu Wenye Ulemavu Tanzania, P.O. Box 2190 Tabora	Policy	19,311,800.00
30 Songea Women Community Based Peer Educators Association, P.O. Box 163, Songea	Safety Nets	18,396,900.00
31 Tanzania Action for Coastal Education Advocacy P.O. Box 30352, Kibaha	Advocacy	34,069,360.00
32 Tanzania Pastoralist and Hunter-Gatherer Organization, P.O Box 12568 Arusha.	Policy/Advocacy	34,999,900.00
33 Temeke Youth Culture Group (TYCG,) P.O. Box 42910, Dar es salaam.	Safety Nets	17,617,875.00
34 Union of Non Governmental Organizations, P.O. Box 6075 Morogoro	Policy	29,448,448.00
35 VICOPA Sustainable Development Agency, P.O. Box 719 Songea	Advocacy	30,029,220.00
36 Wafanyabiashara Soko Kuu Mtwara 1994 Ltd, P.O Box 423, Mtwara	Governance	34,992,705.00
37 Women in Social Entrepreneurship (WISE), P.O. Box 589, Dar es Salaam	Advocacy	34,970,000.00
38 Young Tanzanian`s New Hope, P.O.Box 98339 Dar es Salaam	Governance	8,494,464.00
39 Zanzibar Youth Forum, P.O. Box 3900, Zanzibar	Policy	32,702,243.75
Total		1,003,889,892.75

Rolling small grants July 2006

S/N	NAME AND ADDRESS OF ORGANIZATION	TZS
1	African Benedictine Sisters of St. Agnes, P.O. Box 9, Sumbawanga	5,000,000
2	Amani the Foundation of Life, P.O. Box 240, Mbeya	5,000,000
3	Baraza la Kuu la Waislamu Tanzania, Tawi la Mbinga, P.O. Box 300, Mbinga	4,940,784
4	Bukombe Community Development Group, P.O. Box 192, Buombe, Shinyanga	5,000,000
5	Bukombe Socio-Economic Development Organization, P.O. Box 75, Bukombe, Shinyanga	5,000,000
6	Centre for Widows Children Assistance, P.O. Box 60202, Dar es Salaam	4,997,362
7	Chama cha Maalbino Tanzania, P.O. Box 1967, Tabora	3,600,500
8	Chama cha Marafiki wa Kuhifadhi Bonde la Mto Manonga na Tungu, P.O. Box 61540, Dar es Salaam	4,979,300
9	Chama cha Sanaa za Maonesho Tanzania, P.O. Box 25578, D'Salaam	4,995,760
10	Chama cha Viziwi Tanzania Tawi la Dodoma, P.O. Box 1074, Dodoma	5,000,000
11	Chama cha Viziwi Tanzania Tawi la Mkoa wa Ruvuma, P.O. Box 1019, Songea	5,000,000
12	Chama cha Viziwi Zanzibar, P.O. Box 725, Zanzibar	5,000,000
13	Chama cha Waalimu Tanzania, Tawi la Tunduru, P.O. Box 29, Tunduru	4,929,686
14	Chama cha Walemavu Tanzania Tawi la Pwani, P.O. Box 30430, Kibaha	4,994,000
15	Communication and Transport Workers Union of Zanzibar (COTWU - Zanzibar), P.O. Box 2341, Zanzibar	5,000,000
16	Developers of Sustainable Community Based Activities, P.O. Box 104606, Dar es Salaam	4,990,627
17	Handeni Youth Development Culture Group, P.O. Box 5079, Tanga	4,904,250
18	Juhudi Arts Focus Centre, P.O. Box 52238, Morogoro	4,778,750
19	Kaebona Orphans and Training Center, P.O. Box 3038, Unguja Ukuu, Zanzibar	5,000,000
20	Kamma Integrated Development Trust Fund, P.O. Box 2371, Arusha	5,000,000
21	Katubuka Savings and Credit Cooperative Society, P.O. Box 238, Kigoma	4,868,000
22	Kigoma AIDS Campaign and Home Based Care, P.O. Box 325, Kigoma	4,579,875
23	Kikundi cha Maendeleo Kuchele Kijiji cha Mtopwa, P.O. Box 125, Newala	4,996,485
24	Kupata si Nguvu, P.O. Box 132, Chake Chake, Pemba	5,000,000
25	Managing Solid Waste & Sewage, P.O. Box 60252, Dar es Salaam	4,984,410
26	Matumaini Women and Care of Children, P.O. Box 404, Kigoma	4,994,785
27	Mfuko wa Maendeleo ya Waislamu Mkoa wa Ruvuma, P.O. Box 1258, Songea	4,951,500
28	Mission Mapinduzi Development Programme, P.O. Box 935, Morogoro	5,000,000
29	Mkwasondo Women Group, P.O. Box 234, Mkuu Rombo	5,000,000
30	Morogoro Women Focussed Afforestation Project, P.O. Box 5431, Morogoro	4,952,200
31	Mradi wa Umoja wa Kuendeleza Uchumi wa Wakulima, P.O. Box 133, Bukombe, Shinyanga	
32	Muungano wa Vikundi vya Urubithishaji na Ufugaji Kamachumu, P.O. Box 73, Kamachumu, Bukoba	4,997,000
33	Mwafrika Asilia Group, P.O. Box 41337, Dar es Salaam	4,941,850
34	Mwangaza Women Group - Tabora, P.O. Box 1934, Tabora	4,993,500
35	National Youth Information Centre, P.O. Box 1340, Kigoma	4,973,540
36	Ndela Kituo cha Maendeleo ya Vijana, P.O. Box 1360, Kigoma	4,960,150
37	Pemba Environmental & Malaria Control, P.O. Box 351, Wete, Pemba	4,994,000
38	Pemba Madrassa Association, P.O. Box 47, Wete, Pemba	4,979,100
39	Ruvuma Mental Disabilities Care Centre, P.O. Box 135, Songea	4,999,950
40	Safina Women Association, P.O. Box 542, Njombe	4,940,000
41	Saidia Kudhibiti UKIMWI Vijijini, P.O. Box 6427, Moshi	5,000,000
42	Saidia Wazee Tanzania Tawi la Singida P.O. Box 655 Singida	4,969,800
43	Salesians of Don Bosco, P.O. Box 4649, Dar es Salaam	5,000,000
44	Service, Health and Development for People Living with HIV/AIDS (SHDEPHA +) P.O. Box 33, Meatu	5,000,000
45	Shinyanga Foundation Fund, P.O. Box 1038, Shinyanga	5,000,000
46	Shujaa wa Kuupiga Umaskini Vita (SKUVI), P.O. Box 13, Mbarali, Mbeya	4,990,237
47	Songea Livestock and Agricultural Development Association, P.O. Box 184 Songea	4,999,000
48	Songea Women Movements on Development, P.O. Box 811, Songea	4,989,765
49	Strategic Environmental Conservation, P.O. Box 35595, Dar es Salaam	4,831,970
50	Tabora Housing and Environmental Protection Organization, P.O. Box 1641, Tabora	4,999,900
51	Tanga Press Club, P.O. Box 6124, Tanga	5,000,000
52	Tanzania Association for Mentally Handicapped, P.O. Box 2006, Shinyanga	4,970,850
53	Tanzania Children Concern, P.O. Box 7814, Moshi	4,517,300
54	Tanzania Children's Road Traffic Association, P.O. Box 19641, Dar es Salaam	5,000,000
55	Tanzania League for the Blind, Uyui Branch, P.O. Box 621, Tabora	4,995,011
56	Tanzania Union of Government and Health Employees, Women Committee, P.O. Box 780, Shinyanga	4,999,100
57	Tanzania Vision Limited, P.O. Box 10200, Dar es Salaam	4,997,800
58	Tanzania Women Action Fighters against HIV/AIDS, P.O. Box 54171, Dar es Salaam	5,000,000
59	Tanzania Youth Positive Ambassadors Living HIV/AIDS Organization (TAYOPA) P.O. Box 80124, Dar es Salaam	4,974,000
60	Tanzania Youth Talents Upbringing and Education Giving Organization, P.O. Box 100119, Dar es Salaam	4,999,070
61	Tanzanians and Friends Eco Tourism Limited, P.O. Box 7393, Moshi	4,999,600
62	The Struggle for Social Awareness and Development, P.O. Box 45998, Dar es Salaam	4,820,032
63	Tufae Education AIDS Trust, P.O. Box 290, Tunduru	4,991,000
64	Tulinje Women Group, P.O. Box 30474, Kibaha	4,921,800
65	Twivope Luponde Tea Association, P.O. Box 782, Njombe	4,986,800
66	Uishi Moyo Roho na Upendo (UMRU), P.O. Box 386, Arusha	4,992,750
67	Umoja wa Wazee wa Morogoro, P.O. Box 5415, Morogoro	4,940,100
68	Ushirika wa Wauza Mboga na Matunda Kibaigwa Sokoni Ltd., P.O., Box 98, Kibaigwa	5,000,000
69	Wazazi Sanaa Promotion, P.O. Box 935, Morogoro	4,999,693
70	Young Environment Saviours, P.O. Box 35595, Dar es Salaam	4,999,904
	TOTAL	341,102,846

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