

A REPORT ON WORKSHOP FOR DEVELOPMENT OF PARTNERSHIPS ON SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS HELD ON 16TH OCTOBER 2019 AT COAST INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY, VOI

1. Introduction

Coast Region has embarked on forming engagements between government and other key stakeholders in the region including Academia and Media to bring the spirit of collaboration / partnership and cohesion which Sustainable Development Goals are all about, to help improve lives of the current and future generation.

There is dire need to utilize the presence of socio-economic organisations present in the region so as to feel their impact in terms of improved health and overall well-being. Food security, improved lives, quality education, increased useful innovations to mention just a few.

The media will help communicate programs developed under SDGs. The private sectors will utilize their CSR (Cooperate Social Responsibility) to support the SDG Framework. The community will feel involved because of the research done by the Academia on the current status and needs of the community from projects in Institutions that will be tailored within the region. This way the community will feel part and parcel and at the end of the day the whole region will be speaking one language and SDGs will be felt in the community.

This approach will make sure the framework is well disseminated in the ground. This way as a Region we will be synchronized in our thinking.

Slowly one month, three months, six months down the line, effect will be felt, sustainable growth. This small records will be paramount. Organisations have a mandate and a role to better the lives of the community. In Article 1 of the constitution the sovereign power is from the people. With the people and Academia we will develop innovations that will help the people and attract donors. They will be self-initiated innovations because as a region we know where the shoe pinches.

Thus the organisations present representing the county were called upon to work smart and be accommodative because a strong working structure was being built The bar was to be raised and skyrocket what is done on daily basis.

Africa's greatest assets are its values and skills from the human resource.

The key sectors in the SDG are:

- a. Agriculture
- b. Education
- c. Health
- d. Climate Change
- e. Tourism
- f. Extractive
- g. Governance
- h. Infrastructure
- i. Water Sanitation&hygiene

A baseline survey of socio-economic status for county was to be done, an example being baseline survey of Donor funds impact in Coast Region on matters Agriculture, Water sanitation and Health sector were to be conducted too.

2. Organizations present

The workshop was attended by participants from the following organizations:

- The Association Of Kenya Elders
- Mazido
- Maji Na Ufanisi Organization
- Volunteers Services Overseas
- Wildlife Works
- Coast Institute Of Technology
- Taita-Taveta University
- Kenya Red Cross Services
- World Vision
- County Department Of Water And Sanitation
- Taita-Taveta Human Rights Watch
- County Department Of Environment And Natural Resources
- Taita-Taveta Women Professional Association
- Nature Kenya
- Coast Development Authority

- Ngha Mlambo Development Trust
- Oasis Peace Web Organization
- Taitan Hoops
- Women For Change
- NDMA
- Sauti Ya Wanawake(Mwatate)
- Msorongonyi Self Help
- Agricultural Sector Development Support Programme(Asdsp) Taita Taveta County
- Ministry Of Agriculture, Fisheries And Irrigation
- Citizen Network For Rural Development In Kenya

3. Way forward

The following action points were agreed upon:

- Development of vision, mission, objectives and values for the consortium
- Training partners to be SDGs champions.
- Signing MoU's /Agreements for partnership on SDGs secretariat.
- Forming database for University students to aid in Research, Innovation and Development.
- Networking through creation of SDGs website and through social media.
- Awareness, Sensitization, Localization and Mainstreaming of SDGs to local Communities in Coast Region in partnership with Community Based Organizations and Self-Help Groups.
- Memberships
- Internal Contributions Framework
- Funds Management System
- Submission of Organisational Logos to put in Partnership framework
- Furnishing the secretariat Office at Coast Institute of Technology

