

## DEX QUARTERLY REPORTS

**Period: Quarter 1 (January - March 2016)**

<b>Country Office:</b>	<b>KCO</b>
<b>Annual Umbrella Authority:</b>	<b>Yes/No</b>
<b>Project Specific Authority</b>	<b>Yes/No</b>
<b>Substantive Reporting Accomplishments</b>	<p>During the reporting period, 40 representatives of CSOs from Nyanza and Western were reached through a learning forum held in Homa Bay County. The forum was widely covered by Regional FM Radio Stations including Osienala and Radio Namrolwe. In addition, CEDGG continued to use WhatsApp and Facebook to disseminate content on the Bill and mobilize citizens to press for its enactment. A tentative committee of CSOs from the region was established to draft a petition to the senate seeking for the Bill to be prioritized. In conjunction with the Integrated Devolution Project, Amkeni provided technical support to the Nyeri County Government in the development of a strategic framework for implementation of the Public Participation Law. The framework was drafted in the first quarter and shared with the Nyeri County Government for comments. The framework shall be finalized and validated in the second quarter. Amkeni participated in the Conference of County Executive Members (CECs) that was held in Mombasa County. The Conference was attended by over 200 County Executives Members (CEMs), County Secretaries (CSs), County Attorneys (CAs), County Communication Directors (CCDs) members of Council of Governors, Senators and Civil Society Representatives. The Capacity Building Specialist participated in a panel discussion on the role of CECs in promoting public participation. The experience of Amkeni in supporting establishment of PP frameworks in Nyeri County. Out of our involvement, the conference resolved to adopted enabling legal and policy frameworks for PP, establish civic education units and organize roundtables with CSOs and private sector in order to provide platforms for effective engagement. Amkeni supported Transparency International – Kenya Chapter (TI-K) to run a campaign for recovery of allowances that were irregularly and unlawfully awarded to Members of County Assemblies (MCAs). This entailed collection of signatures from members of the public and petitioning the national parliament to investigate the matter with a view to ordering for a refund of the said allowances. TI-K was also supposed to reach out to key dutybearers with a view to securing their support for the campaign. In total, the project reached over 2,500,000 individuals with anti-corruption messages. In addition citizen awareness on integrity issues was enhanced through 4000 Information Handbills (Leaflets) containing information on the Campaign. These were disseminated in Kisumu, Nairobi, Uasin Gishu counties. 3 wall banners were used to brand the activity during the campaigns. Implementation of the project implemented by Transparency International faced challenges of a political nature since it involved return of the irregularly-received allowances by elected leaders. Most of the elected members especially at counties misled the public that the Campaign was designed to popularize particular candidates. Other challenges included lack of adequate resources to reach the wider members of the public and others felt that much has already been lost through corrupt deals and has not been recovered and therefore the process may not bear any fruits. On the online petition, most people felt they cannot access it due to lack of technical knowhow and inaccessibility of the service due to inadequate internet facilities. On the environmental matters, the just concluded unsuccessful OKOA Kenya campaign demoralized members to participate in any other campaign stating that nothing will be achieved..</p> <p>The project implemented by the Society for International Development labelled "Recreating Integrity as a covenant" saw the launching of the first policy brief of 2016 named "Schools at Risk" which captured the efforts in 2015 to secure by titling public school land nationally. The launch of the policy brief was key also in convening the public to mark the one year Langa'ta Road Primary School land grab attempt in January 2015. February and March saw the culmination of work around the County dialogues on Health and Integrity with partners in 4 counties viz Kajiado, Nairobi, Bungoma and Kisumu. In March the project continued to support for the ongoing advocacy on right to emergency health care using the Alex Madaga Case as an entry point and finally in April the project was able to launch the second Policy Brief "Sealing Corruption Loopholes in Kenya's Health Procurement Systems" which looked into corruption in the health procurement system in Kenya scrutinizing the Market Price Index offering recommendations and calling for action to redress. The project continued to facilitate strategic consultations and meetings with key stakeholders, influencers and decision makers including members of parliament, policy and political advisors to the President and convening interested agencies to take action.</p> <p>Among the key achievements of the project are:</p>
<b>Capacity development</b>	<p>CEDGG convened learning forums in 3 counties where the Human Dignity and Monitoring of Economic and Social Cultural Rights Bill was disseminated to an estimated 100 CSOs. This will hopefully empower the CSOs to advocate for the enactment of the draft law especially among Senate representatives and other key audiences. Capacity of 16 CSO staff (representing 3 grantee organizations and members of the strategic reference Group) were supported in monitoring and evaluation, reporting and communication of development results. They were also inducted into Amkeni's new online M&amp;E system. Demonstrations of how the system works, and how to review and upload M&amp;E reports online. The trained partners will participate in the pilot phase of the new system before full-scale roll-out once new grantees are on board.</p>
<b>Exit Strategy</b>	All the ETE recommendations will be considered in the current design for the calls for proposals.

Note: For the substantive reporting please provide a brief description on the achievements, efforts being made even with DEX to improve the national capacities and exit strategies to shift to NEX modality.

### List of Projects

#	Programme Name*	Project/Budget Number	Total Budget 2016	2016 Quarter I Expenditures	Donor	Project Duration	Status (active/completed)	Authorization Period
	2KENO14/236 Amkeni WaKenya II	00093740	\$ 581,107.00	\$ 110,323.02	Embassy of Japan, UNDP	January 2015 - December 2018	Active	Upto 19th August 2016
	TOTAL							