

# Newsletter



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**Tanzania Girl Guides Association**



## **AFRICA REGIONAL CONFERENCE**

The Vice President of the United Republic of Tanzania, Dr. Phillip Isdor Mpango, Officially opened the 13th Africa Region conference which brought more than 30 countries across Africa together...

## **GIRL POWERED NUTRITION**

Girl Guides from Jokate Mwegelo Secondary school received fruits and vegetable seeds.....

## **WHAT WE DO**

Our movement aspires to reach every female in the country and abroad. As an association, we believe that each one of them is entitled to be the best version of themselves. Through education programs, advocacy campaigns, and leadership training, we help girls and young women reach their full potential as leaders and engaged citizens of the world

## **GIRL LED ACTION ON CLIMATE CHANGE**

GLACC trained Girls on how to design an ambitious yet practical and achievable solution to address climate issue affecting girls in their community .....



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# ACKNOWLEDGMENT

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“Look how wonderful and delightful it is when families live together as one”- Psalm 133;1. this has always been one of my favorite bible verses.

First and foremost, I would like to thank our Almighty God for providing us with the power, knowledge and fortitude to ensure that all of activities go off without a hitch. I’d like to thank the TGGGA and WAGGGS planning teams, as well as volunteers who helped coordinate the 13th Africa Regional Conference, which brought together over 100 Girl Guides from across Africa. Throughout the conference, I was inspired by how everyone was

committed to empowering and supporting girls and young women to become independent and strong leaders in their communities, and even better. The leaders and champions from these countries were able to come together and collectively monitor the work done in their respective countries.

In addition to the foregoing, I would like to thank Hon. Dr. Phillip Mpango, Vice President of the United Republic of Tanzania, for sparing his time and attending our Conference's Opening Ceremony as the Guest of Honor. My heartfelt gratitude goes to all of the Ministries and their representatives, our event sponsors, the Legal Service Facility, Nutrition International Icea Lion, and all of the regional leaders who took part in the opening ceremony, as well as the girl guides from Kigamboni and Ubungu regions, who graced the opening ceremony with their magnificent performances. **THANK YOU!!!**

**Mary Richard**

**Chief Commissioner - Tanzania Girl Guides Association**

# FOREWORD

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Welcome our vol 2 no 3 quarterly newsletter of Tanzania Girl Guides Association! It's a great pleasure for me to write some introductory remarks before you dive into the content of this bulletin. Guiding has been such a huge part of my life from a very tender age. The activities, programs and events that I have taken part in or helped to organize as part of TGGA have always made a huge impact on my life. I have attained a variety of skills like those of decisions making, team building, personal development, reflective-thinking, communication, body confidence and leadership skills in

general too. These skills and many others, continue to be imparted by TGGA on a regular basis through activities related to National and International events, projects that TGGA is implementing, trainings and campaigns conducted for members and leaders, without forgetting hosting the 13th WAGGGS Africa Regional Conference which gave a lot of TGGA young leaders a whole new experience and exposure. And I can't think of any better way to showcase all these activities than through a newsletter such as this whereby our activities and achievements of the last quarter are well explained and elaborated upon. I hope you enjoy reading about our recent activities and gain inspiration from the amazing work our members and leaders are doing at both the national and international level too.

**Shahzeen Rashid**

**International Commissioner - Tanzania Girl Guides Association**

# GIRL LED ACTION ON CLIMATE CHANGE

Girl Guides from twelve (12) Guiding regions that implement Girl Led Action on Climate Change received solution lab training, which aimed at enabling girls to design an ambitious yet practical and achievable solution (initiative or 'mini-project') to address a chosen climate issue affecting girls in their community.



**Solution lab training in Singida**



**Girl Guides from Kisarawe in a group discussion amid the training**

The solution lab training empowered Girls with the skills to design girl-led community-based interventions to address their chosen climate issue, develop their leadership, advocacy, communication, creativity and financial Management abilities, helped them network with other girl guides from different schools and backgrounds.



**Girl Guides from Mtwara presenting their solution to address climate issues in their society**



**Guiders from Zanzibar during the solution lab training**

# GIRL LED ACTION ON CLIMATE CHANGE



Girl Led Action On Climate Change Advocacy training kicked off on 4th September with GLACC Advocacy Champions from 12 regions, the Girls received a three Days training on Girl Led Advocacy and they were mentored to carry out Advocacy Campaigns regionally, nationally and take action on Climate Change in their respective regions to increase the diversity of voices in the Climate debate and contributing to better responses.

furthermore, the Advocacy Champions were trained on various topics related to; climate change advocacy, how to involve decision makers in their advocacy campaigns, the right way to convey the message to the decision makers. During the Girl Led Advocacy training the Girls had a privileged to learn from Germaine Umuraza, the WAGGGS Global Advocacy Manager from Rwanda and Ms. Sarah Pima, Chief Executive Director at Human dignity and environment care foundation (Hudefo adaptation hub, Environmental and human rights defender. Ms. Sarah Pima shared her knowledge and experience on Girl led advocacy



**Germaine Umuraza, WAGGGS Global Advocacy Manager, delivering Girl Led Advocacy session**



**Joyce Maganga, Advocacy Champion from Shinyanga presenting on climate issues affecting girls in her society**



**Sara Pima, Chief Executive Director, Hudefo in a shared picture with our GLACC team**

# GIRL POWERED NUTRITION



Girl Powered Nutrition Program works towards creating nutrition environment that foster and enable healthy eating, along with resources that support actions to reduce poor nutrition that may result in chronic disease. Jokate Mwegelo Girls Secondary school is one among the schools in Kisarawe which actively implement nutrition program. It has more than 300 members who have already received training on nutrition. As a way of implementing GPN activities, Girl Guides from Jokate Mwegelo started their school fruit garden

where they planted pawpaw and passion fruits., and this has helped them to have fruits after each school meal, not only the fruit garden but also Girl Guides from Jokate Mwegelo have planted vegetable garden with different greens like; okra, wild tomato, eggplant and spinach.



**Jokate Mwegelo Secondary School, Headmistress, Madam Mariam, after receiving fruits seeds from GPN project officer**



**Girl Guides from Jokate Mwegelo secondary school posing on their school vegetable garden**

Since Girl Powered Nutrition Program supports girls to learn, take action and break intergeneration circle of malnutrition, we successfully paid a visit to the school to emphasize on the importance of balanced diet especially to girls , and due to the good work done by the Girl guides from Jokate Mwegelo Girls secondary school, Tanzania Girl Guides Association awarded the girls with different vegetable and fruits seeds as a token of appreciation towards their good performance on the implementation of Girl Powered Nutrition activities

# GIRL POWERED NUTRITION

Niceta Morris a Girl Guide from Arusha is one of the Girl Powered Nutrition Advocacy Champions. Niceta is campaigning for Nutrition and Environmental conservation, this campaign involves planting multipurpose trees as an important step towards conserving our planet while producing nutritious food. Her Campaign took place at USA river Arusha, with Girl Guides from St. Jude Secondary School. The Guest of Honor was Ms. Lucy Lucas, Community development officer, Meru district.



**Niceta Morris delivering the Girl Powered Nutrition training**

Amid the event, Niceta trained Girl Guides from S.t Jude Secondary School on rationale behind Girl Powered Nutrition program, groups of food making a balanced diet and key consideration to ensure access to balanced diet at all times. The event was attended by 25 girl guides and 10 who were not but they were successfully recruited as girl guides. Niceta Donated more than thirty (30) multipurpose trees which are known for their high nutritive value, and these were; avocados, macadamia nuts and mangoes. Currently Niceta is making follow up to make the planted trees are being taken care of.



**Ms. Lucy Lucas during the launch of Niceta's Nutrition Campaign at St. Jude Secondary School**



**Girl Guides from St. Jude secondary school in a shared picture with Niceta Morris**



# AFRICA REGIONAL CONFERENCE

After every three years, Member Organizations gather at the Regional Conference to discuss strategies for the development of Girl Guiding/ Girl Scouting in the Region. This year Tanzania Girl Guides Association hosted the 13<sup>th</sup> Africa Regional Conference, from 22<sup>nd</sup>– 26<sup>th</sup> August. The conference started with a huge bang!!! The conference opening ceremony was graced not only by Girl Guides from more than 33 countries across Africa, foreign dignitaries and honored ministers, Hon, Doroth Gwajima, and Hon, Liberata Mulamula but our Guest of Honor, H.E. The Vice President of the United Republic of Tanzania, Dr. Phillip Isdor Mpango, who is passionate about girls and young women rightly stated that “Young people are confident and know what they want, we need to provide future generation with the voice to build their capacity and be responsible leaders.



**HE. Dr. Phillip Isdor Mpango, The Vice President  
Of The United Republic of Tanzania**



**TGGA Board of Trustees Chairperson, Anna Maembe  
handing Hon. Dr. Mpango a token of appreciation  
from Tanzania Girl Guides Association**



**HE. Dr Philip Mpango congratulating brownies  
from Mugabe Primary school for a wonderful  
performance**

# AFRICA REGIONAL CONFERENCE



I would like to use this opportunity to recognize the work done by the Tanzania Girl Guides Association (TGGA) which here in Tanzania, has taken on the responsibility of managing the upbringing of the girl child starting from the young age of three years, said Dr. Doroth Gwajima, Ministry of Social Development, Gender, Elderly and Children, during the 13th Africa Regional Conference opening ceremony



Minister for Foreign Affairs and East African Cooperation , Hon. Liberata Mulamula during the 13th Africa Regional Conference Opening ceremony stated that "This Conference is a great opportunity for the girls and young women of the participating countries to build relationship that will strengthen cooperation and open doors of opportunities for them



World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts Chief Executive Officer, Anna Segall giving her speech during the 13th Africa Regional Conference Opening Ceremony



The outgoing WAGGGS Africa Region Chairperson, Larissa BYLL Cataria during the 13<sup>th</sup> Africa Regional Conference Opening Ceremony

# AFRICA REGIONAL CONFERENCE



**Mary Richard, Chief Commissioner, Tanzania Girl Guides Association**

Mary Richard, Tanzania Girl Guides Association's Chief Commissioner during the Conference Opening ceremony said Tanzania Girl Guides Association is dedicated to the social and economic advancement of girls and young women in Tanzania through education programs, advocacy campaigns, and leadership training, we help girls and young women reach their full potential as leaders and engaged citizens of the world. Furthermore, Mary Richard conveyed her gratitude to the President of the United Republic of Tanzania, H.E Samia Suluhu for her guidance and support as our Patron



As an organization that strives to increase access to justice for all, in particular for women through a legal empowerment approach, we are looking forward to work with Tanzania Girl Guides Association for the social and economic development of a Girl Child ~ **Lulu Ngw'anakilala, CEO Legal Service Facility**



Nutrition International have worked with World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts over last 4 years to reach nearly half million girls with nutrition information across Africa and Asia, ~**Lucy Murage, Regional Advisor for Adolescent and Women's health and Nutrition, Nutrition International**

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**Adila Kassim, Regional Leader from Zanzibar performing a poem during the Opening Ceremony**



**TGGA Regional Commissioners in a shared picture with H.E. Dr. Phillip Mpango**



**The outgoing Africa Regional Committee and WAGGGS CEO in a shared picture with H.E. Dr. Phillip Mpango**



**The former and current TGGA Board Members during the Conference Opening Ceremony**



**One of the Opening Ceremony spotted happy moments! If its fun its not Guiding**



**Our Event sponsors representatives from; Legal Service Facility, Nutrition International and Icea Lion**

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# INTERNATIONAL NIGHT HIGHLIGHTS



Embracing cultural diversity calls for respect and a commitment to communicate and foster relationship with people from all cultures, and this has been a tradition to Girl Guides from different places when they come together and celebrate their unique and beautiful culture. Amid the 13th Africa Regional Conference, the participating countries showcased their cultural dance and food, moreover we got an opportunity to witness amazing cultural attire from different countries across Africa. Enjoy some of the International Night highlights



**Mama Anna Maembe, TGGA Board of Trustees Chairperson giving her opening remarks for the International Night**



**From left to right, Mama Symphorosa Hangi, Mama Anna Maembe, TGGA National Secretary and Chief Commissioner**



# INTERNATIONAL NIGHT HIGHLIGHTS



**Liberia**



**Burundi & Rwanda**



**Ghana**



**Benin**



**South Africa**



**Uganda**

# INTERNATIONAL NIGHT HIGHLIGHTS



**TGGA, service Team rocked in their Swahili attire**



**Denmark, Lesotho, Malawi & Nigeria**



**West Africa Dance**



**Madagascar**



**Our Conference Brothers**



**Mauritius**

# CONGRATULATORY REMARKS



Heartfelt Congratulations to Christina Kamili upon being elected as a member of the WAGGGS Africa Regional Committee. Tanzania Girl Guides Association is super proud of you. You are a great fit for this new role and will thrive. This truly is another step in an exciting career, and we wish you the best for your successful tenure

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