

Report of A-Two Day Capacity Building Training for Young People on Freedom of Information Act and Social Audit in Akwa Ibom State

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1.1 Project Name

Strategic Partnership Agreement Two (SPA II)

1.2 Name of Activity

A Two-Day Training for Young People on Freedom of Information Act and Social Audit

1.3 Date of Meeting

30th August and 31st August 2022

1.4 Venue of Meeting

Aliz Ambruz Hotel, Osongama Estate, Uyo, Akwa Ibom State

1.5 Duration of Meeting

9am – 4pm Daily (Fourteen Hours)

1.6 Target Region

Akwa Ibom State, South South

2.0 Executive Summary

A two-day capacity building training on Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) and Social Audit was organized for young people in Akwa Ibom State by Clemet Isong Foundation (CIF) with support from ActionAid Nigeria (AAN) funded by DANIDA and ActionAid Denmark. The training is one of the activities under the SPA II project. The Overall objective of the training was to empower young people in Akwa Ibom State with key messages on FOIA and Social Audit knowledge to equip them with requisite tools, and resources to organize and engage duty bearers in demanding climate justice and sustainable livelihoods.

The training featured welcome address; goodwill messages from Ministry of Environment as well as ministry of Youth and sports; presentations on Social Audit (Building skills and knowledge for Youth-led Advocacy; Using social Audit to Promote Youth-led Accountability in the Management of Public Resources in Akwa Ibom State); presentations on FOIA (Overview of FOIA; Right to access Information, Obligations of Public Institutions in providing Information; Exemptions under the FOIA, Review of citizen’s engagements in Akwa Ibom State using; Promoting citizens’ participation and good governance through Freedom of Information, Processes and Redress Mechanisms under the FOI Act); group exercises and development of community Action Plan.

A total of sixty nine (69) young people including Persons with Disabilities (PWD) attended the training. Participants were drawn from the three senatorial districts of Akwa Ibom State, precisely (Etinan, Oron, Ikot Ekpene and Ibeno); Civil Society Organizations (CSOs), Media, MDAs and Activista.

(See Figure 1 for Age/Gender distribution of participants).

The challenge encountered during the training was increase in number of participants as a result of live-streaming which made it difficult to provide food and transport reimbursement to all the participants.

What accounted for the critical success of this activity were: CIF SPAII project team spirit, the acceptance and full participation of ministry of Environment and Ministry of Youth/Sport as well as one hundred percent availability and active involvement of participants.

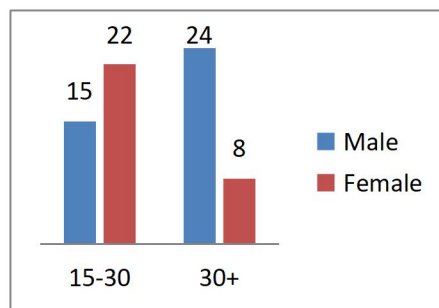


Fig. 1: Age/Gender Distribution of Participants

2.1 INTRODUCTORY SESSION:

The introductory session of the training featured arrival of participants/registration, introduction, setting of ground rules, fears/expectations, opening remarks by the Director of Clement Isong Foundation, Goodwill messages, About ActionAid and the SPAII Project.

2.1.1. Opening Remarks

The Director of Clement Isong Foundation Mr. Elkanah Oluyori welcomed participants to the training. Using the phrases “If not me who?”, “if not now when?” he advised participants to positively contribute to their communities in order to achieve youth friendly public services and development.

2.1.2 Goodwill Message

The Commissioner of Youth and Sports represented by Mr Otobong Paul, appreciated ActionAid Nigeria for collaborating with Clement Isong Foundation in organizing the training on FOIA and Social Audit, noting that its apt. Change in leadership and in service delivery, adding to poverty index problem, bad government; inequality and underdeveloped society and society that want to make progress, so this training is to help improve the realization of fundamental human and democratic right as well as improved sustainable livelihoods and environmental protection for young people. So the representative from the commission wishes all a happy stay as the training last.

2.1.3 About ActionAid and SPAII Project:

Blessing Ifemenam, representative of ActionAid Nigeria appreciated the ministry of environment as well as ministry of youths and sport for honouring the invitation to attend the training. She welcomed participants and gave a brief about ActionAid. According to her, ActionAid is an International NGO present in 44 countries of the world and 23 states of Nigeria. She noted that ActionAid focuses on work for humanity; men, women and youth rights; governance as well as Strategic partnerships. Blessing Ifemenam also stated that ActionAid is particular about young people. One of the reasons

being that young people make-up a high population of the world and more than 50% of the population of Nigeria. She noted that the high youth population should be a blessing but unfortunately in Nigeria, it is indirectly becoming a disadvantage. Issues of poverty, unemployment, economic/political exclusion, insecurity, climate change among others affect the daily life of young people living in Nigeria.

She furthered her message by exposing participants to the SPAII Project. Blessing Ifemenam noted that SPAII means Strategic partnership Agreement two; implying that there has been a strategic partnership agreement one. The SPAI according to her



mobilized the power of young people and their organizations to demand for accountability, advocate for issues around public finance, tax and gender responsive public service.

The SPAII project goes beyond the issues of budget and tax; it includes issues of democracy, how the young people should have a voice of their own in the democratic world, how young people can rightly be involve in decision making as well as issues of climate change and crisis. The objective of the SPAII project according to her is “Improved realisation of fundamental human and democratic rights and improved, sustainable livelihoods, resilience and protection for young people, especially young women living in marginalisation, including in disaster and protracted crises contexts in Nigeria. In conclusion, she expressed gratitude to Clement Isong Foundation for partnering with ActionAid and enjoined all to participate actively in the training.

2.2 TECHNICAL SESSION:

This session featured pre-test and presentations on Freedom of Information Act and Social Audit, group exercises and development of community action plan. These were achieved in two days.

Day 1: 30th August, 2022

2.2.1 Pre-Test

Pretest was administered to participants to ascertain initial understanding of Social Audit and Freedom of Information act. See below result of pretest administered to participants. See Fig. 2 for pretest

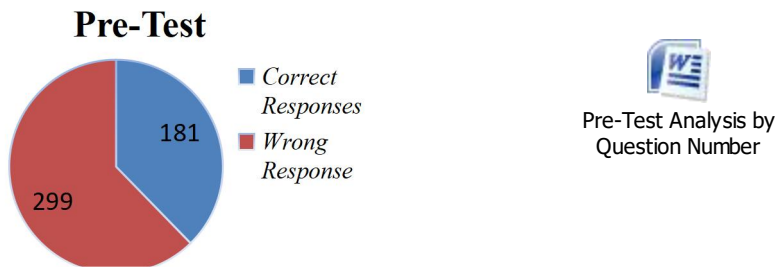


Fig. 2: Pretest Analysis

2.2.2 Social Audit: Building Skills and Knowledge for Youth-Led Advocacy: This was the first topic presented; this session was facilitated by Mr. Mfon Gabriel of Policy Alert. He began this session by calling on participants to be actively involved by asking questions and making observations and inputs. This session featured: definition of social audit, objectives and principles, how to conduct social audit, information gathering, benefits and challenges of social audit among others. According to the facilitator,

Social Audit is an avenue in which citizens participate in governance process by monitoring, tracking, analyzing, and evaluating government performances. He noted that social auditing helps in providing checks and balances which could be internal or external. Internal control is within government ministries, departments and agencies while external control involves external auditing. He made it known that the aim of social audit is not to frustrate government activities no point accusing fingers on government rather, it aims at enabling government perform their work effectively.

Objectives of social audit: according to Mr. Gabriel, social audit promotes good governance, enhances access to physical and financial guard between needs and resources available for local development, create awareness among beneficiaries and providers of local, social productive service, and strengthens government public policy among others.

The Principles of Social Audit include transparency, accountability, participation, good planning and consistency. Other sub topics taken were

How social audit is done: Preparatory ground work; formation of committee, Identification of key stakeholders, understanding the relevant administrative structures, developing performance indicators.

Information gathering and analysis, Public Discuss and Evidence Raise, Benefits and challenges of Social Audit.



2.2.3 Overview Freedom Of Information

This session was facilitated by Mr. Ubong Ekpe of Connected Development (CODE). Introducing the session, Mr. Ubong defined Freedom of Information as a law that empowers citizen to get information from public office holders, stating that FOI Act was passed into law in May 2011. He elucidated the philosophy of Freedom of Information thus:

1. The public servant are the custodian of public trust on behalf of the people
2. It seeks to change the manner in which public records and information are managed.
3. They help build on the presumption of openness and placing of those who use to keep public information away from people in the honor of justifying why they have to do so
4. The act applies not only to public institutions but also to private organizations providing public services, forming public functions or utilizing public funds. And Exxon Mobil, UBA and Zenith banks were given as an example of private organization that provides public services.

Further throwing light on the topic, Mr. Ekpe explained how FOI Letter can be written; noting that Freedom of Information request can be written by any person, group of persons, associations, organizations among others. The request must be written and sent either electronically via email, or hardcopy. The person that FOI letter is addressed to will be the one to respond to the letter. He made it clear that the request is free unless an exemption applies; the information if it's held by the commission must be provided to the writer within seven working days otherwise legal sanctions can be applied. QUESTION: Are all records releasable under FOI Act?

Response: Records that shouldn't be divulged include: Records about the national security of Nigeria, enemies, individual health status, records that constitute law enforcement purposes, individual personal privacy.

The importance of FOI Act

1. It ensures for transparency and accountability
2. It gives room for continuity with accurate information
3. To make public records and information freely available to the public
4. It protects public records on ground of public interests and personal privacy as well as project officers who provide such information with authorization.

He concluded stating the challenges of FOI Act

The obligation of MDAs: This session was presented by Barr. Justine Columbus



Public institutions are largely responsible for the implementation of the policies of government state, local and federal. He expounded that access to information allows the people to query government policies where necessary, and that the act makes provision for disclosure of information. Four general obligations of the MDAs include: To keep record, to provide easy access to record, to train staff and to give a yearly report to the Attorney General of the federation.

According to Mr. Ekpe, MDAs are obligated to transfer the request to other MDA that has the information you need when they don't have the record. He said they also have duty to make partial disclosure. He talked about proactive obligation. And he concluded by asking if FOI letter can be written to a contractor in charge of public project. The response was yes.

DAY 2: 31st August, 2022

The meeting started at about 9:22am

Moderator: Mrs. Caroline Gordian/Akan James

National Anthem

2.2.4 Recap

The recap of day one training was done; participants took turns to give account of lessons learnt on day one. Thus:

1. About freedom of information Act: definition, the year it was passed into law - *Queen Monday*

2. Importance of freedom of information Act; platforms that FOIA Letters can be sent, duration for an FOI Letter to be responded to and what to do if the letter is not responded to - *Deborah Elijah Joseph*
3. Obligations of MDAs in sharing public information, record keeping and how FOI can be transformed into something substantial - *Glory Inyang*
4. Obligations of public institutions, proactive disclose of information and reason why people neglects FOI - *Daniel Bassey*
5. In a country that is not well governed, wealth should be thing of shame, and a country that well govern poverty should be a thing of shame - *Evelyn Eyo*
6. Social audit does not aim at frustrating the government, rather, it helps the government to do their work well for good governance - *Esther Aniefiok*

2.2.5 Using Social Audit to Promote Youth-Led Accountability in the Management of Public Resources in Akwa Ibom State

This section was facilitated by Mfon Gabriel

Keyword: Accountability Actions

He started the training section by giving a brief recap of social audit thus: Social audit is for check and balance on the government, where the MDAs check themselves, check what the ministries are doing on money allocated to them, social oversight which is citizen net, government feedback, also for citizen to check performance, track, access and check the performance of the government policies, programs and projects.

STRATEGY OF SOCIAL AUDIT

Action to take to have a good social audit

1. Public agencies are given mandates like the MDAs, PHCN, NNDC and funds, but their performances are not properly assessed and suitable action is not taken to hold them accountable.
2. Public audits of accounts and parliamentary reviews are done, but follow up actions may leave much to be desired.
3. These discouraging outcomes have been attributed to a variety of factors. Delivery of good governance has been a major casualty in this process.

Needless Waiting for the Next Election

According to Mr. Mfon Gabriel, to have good governance, citizens need to commence social audit on each government agency, conduct check and balances, provide public options, keep watch, keep tag, be vigilant.

PHASES IN SOCIAL AUDITING

Understand the Public Policy Cycle

Social audit can be performed in all stages of the public policy cycle

- **Design Phase:** where problems are defined and issues are raised
- **Deliberation Phase:** is the formulation stage where analysis and politics determines a decision –law, regulation, administrative order or resolution.
- **Implementation Phase:** the stage at which authorized policy is administered and enforced by an agency of government.
- **Follow-up Phase:** Are the goals met? The feedback provided by evaluation is injected back into the agenda designing phase

Social Audit Actions Strategy

Below are variety of strategies approaches and methodologies that have been developed to conduct social audit:

1. Utilizing Freedom of Information Act 2011
2. Citizens Report Cards
3. Tracking and Monitoring Government Performance, Campaign Promises and Compliance with Developmental Plans
4. Public Expenditure Tracking Surveys (PETS)
5. Citizens Charter
6. Integrity Pacts

7. Social Media Initiatives

Social Auditing Tool: FOI Act

Under the FOI Act, the social audit committee can:

- Demand information from the state regarding government projects and schemes'
- Demand copies of various project documents like administration and technical sanction, estimates, running account bills
- Demand samples of materials used in the construction of roads, drains, buildings
- Demand to inspect any development work that may be still under construction or completed
- Demand the status of requests or complaints, details of time delays

According to the facilitator FOI Act is a tool use to hold government responsible for accounting of public fund

Citizen report cards

To check performance of government, conducting participatory surveys, maybe from the PHCN, water board, and hospitals getting feedback to the community to checkmate the government on how the governance is implementing. They are used where demand-side data, such as user perceptions on quality and satisfaction with public entities and services are absent.

Elements of the Citizen Report Cards (CRCs)

The facilitator highlighted the two elements of Citizen Report Cards as follows:

- (a) Scientific Element
 - a. Define the scope of the problem
 - b. Select a sample
 - c. Design a questionnaire
 - d. Collect the data
 - e. Analyze the data
 - f. Write a report
- (b) Socializing Element
 - a. designing a media campaign to disseminate the results of the study
 - b. Build awareness
 - c. Mobilizing broad social coalitions
 - d. Advocating for reform
 - e. Negotiating with government authorities
 - f. Engaging in constructive discussions or public hearings

2.2.6 Tracking Government Performance on Election Promises and Compliance with Development Plans

According to Mr. Gabriel, this tool is used in growing gap between political campaign promises and government actions once they are in office.

Citizens Charters

The MDAs develop what they will do for the citizens; also the civil society used the charters to make promises to citizens, so citizens have the right to hold down the government responsible for not accomplishing/implementing the budgeted project.

Public Expenditure Tracking Surveys (PETS)

The facilitator explained:

- (1) That this tools tracks spending trends to identify how much of the allocated resources reach their targets
- (2) Identify whether there are leakages and/or bottlenecks on the way to the recipient institutions and beneficiaries
- (3) This approach often involves the triangulating of information received from disbursement records of finance ministries

Accountability Actions:

Integrity Pacts

This tool tracks the public procurement funds for agreement between government procurement officials and bidders to ensure that the bidding process abides by internationally recognized procurement standards of fairness,

transparency and efficiency. Examples are construction companies like VKs, NSEK used in implementing road constructions.

Social Media Initiatives

Social media is **becoming a growing tool to implement social audits**, globally. It is being used for crowd-sourcing, reporting crimes, whistle blowing of mismanagement, request information, and linking and tracking contacts with politicians to name but a few. The impact is often very strong and there are several examples like **ENDSAR** when local, national or global citizen movements have reached their aims through demanding accountability via social media.

Conclusion

The facilitator Mfon Gabriel concluded that when it comes to tools, what is more important is their potential to produce significant operational results (e.g. improved performance, the introduction of corrective measures, etc.

Impacts are enhanced when government is willing to collaborate and cooperate with social auditors to enhance government performance and introduce reforms.

2.2.7 GROUP WORK:

Participants were divided into four groups according to their LGA Viz: Etinan, Oron, Ikot Ekpene, Ibeno. Questions were unique to each LGA.



List of All Group Members

Group 1 - ETINAN LGA

Question: Using Public Expenditure Tracking Survey come up with a plan of action to track the 2022 Federal Government Consolidated and Constituency Projects in Akwa Ibom State Etinan LGA

Program Code: ZIP20221307;

Project: Construction of Solar Powered Borehole at Mbioto 2, Etinan LGA, AKA: Type -New; Amount -N15Million; Agency: BCDA; Ministry: Secretary to the Federal Government (SGF)

Program Code: ZIP20221308; **Project:** Reconstruction of Village Hall, Ikot Osong, Etinan Local Government Area; Amount N25Million; Agency: Border Community Development Agency (BCDA); Ministry: SGF

GROUP 1 – Presentation by *Ndikogkeabasi Umoh*

This group highlighted the different stages involved in social auditing as it relates to their exercise as follows:

Stage 1: Preparatory Ground Work

- (i) **Scope:** Construction of Solar Powered Borehole at Mbioto II
- (ii) **Committees:** Etinan social audit
- (iii) **Stakeholders:**
 - a. House of representative member representing Etinan federal constituency
 - b. Etinan Local Government chairman
 - c. The village head of Mbioto II
 - d. Youth leader
 - e. Councilor representing the ward
 - f. The project contractor
 - g. The Agency (BCDA)
 - h. The ministry (SGF)

Stage 2: Information Gathering and Analysis

- (i) Write FOI to relevant stakeholders (BCDA, contractor, SGF)
- (ii) Meeting with KII and FGD
- (iii) Cost and management accountant (data expert)

Stage 3: Public Disclosure and Evidence – Based Dialogue

- (i) Media strategic – Radio, social media campaign
- (ii) Policy dialogue – Agency, contractor, constituency office, community leaders and members, media etc

Stage 4: Follow up

- (i) Training of community members, and also conduct check and balances on the contractors, other agencies

GROUP 2: Ikot Ekpene LGA

Question: Using Public Expenditure Tracking Survey come up with a plan of action to track the 2022 Federal Government Consolidated and Constituency Projects in Akwa Ibom State.

Program Code: ERG30180290; Project: Renovation of Primary School Imama, Ikot Abiam Obot Akara LGA and Supply of Educational Materials in Our Saviour Primary School, Uruk-Usu, Ikot Ekpene LGA, AKs: Type -New; Amount -N12.75Million; Agency: UBEC;

Ministry: Education

Program Code: ZIP20221534; Project: Grant for Market Women in Ikot Ekpene LGA, Obot Akara LGA, and Essien Udim LGA of Ikot Ekpene /Obot Akara? Essien Udim Federal Constituency, AKA.

Project Type: New; Amount N113Million;

Agency: SMEDAN;

Ministry: Trade and Investment

Group 2 Presentation by Etim Lucy Denis and Joseph Deborah Elijah

This group began by presenting an FOI Letter written to the chairman of UBEC, this was followed by enumeration of the different stages of social audit as it relates to their exercise

Stakeholders Identify

The stakeholders identified include: The Local Government Chairman; Educational secretary; School Head Teacher, Commissioner of Education, Community Youth President, the village head, Contractor (UBEC) agency and the Chairman of SUBEB



Develop Performance Indicator: This include: Contractors visit; Sign post of the contract positioned; Presentation of bill of quantity; Renovation of school according to project design; Commissioning of project and Project put to use

The Information Gathered

From the information gathered, the contractor said 60% of the work has been done. Whereas going to the site, it is discovered that only 40% of the work has been done. However no more sign of further constitution was noticed on site. Therefore in the supply of educational material 80% has been supplied.

Public Disclosure and Evidence based Dialogue

Stakeholder meeting with the social audit; Communication strategy weak – radio + social media; Public awareness and media alliance

Follow-up will be done by continuous advocacy visits to:

- o Agency
- o Contractors
- o Constituency office

GROUP 3: Oron LGA



Question: Using Public Expenditure Tracking Survey come up with a plan of action to track the 2022 Federal Government Consolidated and Constituency Projects in Akwa Ibom State.

Oron LGA

Program Code: ERG30180327; Project: Renovation and Furnishing of a BLOCK of 6 Classrooms in Iquita, Oron LGA; AK South Senatorial District, AKS; Type -New; Amount -N21.25Million; Agency: UBEC; Ministry: Education

Program Code: ERG30180325; Project: Fencing of Government Primary School, Uya Oron, Oron LGA, AK South Senatorial District, AKS; Type -New; Amount -N21.25Million;

Agency: UBEC;

Ministry: Education

Program Code: ZIP20220850; Project: Provision of Strategic Empowerment for youths and women in Oron Federal Constituency, AKS.

Project Type: New; Amount N70Million;

Agency: National Productive Centre; Ministry: Labour

Group 3 PresentationORON

This group began their presentation by elucidating the steps in social auditing:

Scope: Fencing of Government primary school, Uya oro, Oron LGA AKS south senatorial district, AKS

Committee: Oron social audit committee

Stakeholders: the stakeholders identified include: LGA Chairman; Senator; Paramount ruler; State house member; Village head; Youth president/councilor and superior; Contractor

Relevant Administrative structure: UBEC (Deputy Director/Coordinator)

- Data mining – government website
- FOIs bill of quantity and project design
- KII and FGD with key stakeholders
- Analysis of data and information gathered

Program Code: ERG30180325

Project: Fencing of government primary school in Uya Oro, Oron LGA

Type: New

Amount: N21.25 million

Agency: UBEC

Ministry: Education

Meeting with the community member and the stakeholders and social media

Follow up: Undertake advocacy

GROUP 4: Ibeno Presentation by Joy Nnitor

Project Code: ZIP20221308

Project Type: Reconstruction of Village Hall, Mkpanak, Ibeno LGA

Project Type: New

Amount: N25 Million

Milestone: SGF

Action Plan

Preparatory Ground

Scope of Audit: To track federal Government fund release and implementation of reconstruction of village hall, Ikot Osong – Etinan LGA

Committee: Social Audit committee – Ibeno (formed)

Key stakeholders: BCDA, SGF office, accountant general of the federation, legislative members, Etinan federal constituency and contractor; LGA chairman, community head, youth/women leader

FOI Request to: Key information needed

- Bill of quantity
- Prompt paid – Government websites
- KIIs and FGDs with relevant stakeholders

Collaboration: Media and CSOs

Information gather and analysis

- Writing FOI request to relevant agencies
- Response of relevant stakeholders about the project
- Informing key stakeholders about project stage and challenges
- Public disclosure and evidence based dialogue

Presentation of gathered data to the community through:

- Town hall meetings
- Creation of awareness
- Dissemination of information
- Media publication

Follow up

- Meeting with agency
- Constituency office
- Community members

FEEDBACK SESSION FROM THE PRESENTATION

After all the groups made presentations, there was a feedback session where the participants and others made comments, ask questions and gave inputs.

What are the possible challenges that you can instigate to bring community leaders, youth leaders, house of rep members, stakeholders etc. to a dialogue

Responses

Umoh, Ndikponkeabasi responded that utilization of the project is in the intention of the stakeholders and the people who are implementing the project

- (1) If their intention is to imbecile the allocated budget fund
- (2) But if the intention of the stakeholder and other members of the board has best interest of the people in the communities at heart will certain implement the project

Ifiok Ime Asuquo responded that is to introduced a friendly strategy with the community leaders, youth leaders, house of rep members, stakeholders etc.

2.2.8 Promoting Citizens’ Participation and Good Governance through Freedom of Information

This session was facilitated by Mr. Ubong Ekpe of Connected Development. The session had the following topics:

Good Governance: A process of measuring how public institutions conduct public affairs and manage public resources, also how good governance must translate to citizen benefitting from government decision

Citizen Participation: this refers to the role citizens play in achieving good governance; citizen involvement in public decision making. The impact of the citizen must be felt; citizens’ voices must be heard

Indicators of good governance

- (a) Sufficient Employment & Job security
- (b) Quality Healthcare services
- (c) Quality Educational Services examples of ASUU strike
- (d) Good roads
- (e) Constant power and water supply
- (f) Clean environment example oil spillage, gas flaring
- (g) Safety of lives and properties
- (h) Citizens Participation
- (i) Rule of Law – people must be judge for their offences
- (j) Transparency and Accountability

- (k) Responsiveness
- (l) Equity
- (m) Economic Prosperity

Citizens Engagement flow chart

1. Provision of information
2. Increases citizen and civil service awareness
3. Citizen and government must function together to promote accountability
4. Citizen must monitor result
5. Citizen must increase public pressure on authorities
6. Monitoring (Using bill of quantity, it will state in details used for construction in a particular site)
7. Increase public pressure

Six ways citizens can participate to ensure good governance using the FOI

- Identify an issue
- Investigate it/ask questions
- Gather your facts together - date, time, figures, sources of information, MDAs/officers involved(i.e. data mining)
- Send out FOI
- Engage in public awareness of the matter - social media or traditional media(radio show)
- Demand a response

Areas Where Citizens Can participate with the FOI

A) The Budget Process/Cycle:

- Formulation (MDAs)
- Approval (Legislature)
- Execution (Contractor)
- Evaluation/Performance (Legislature)

B. Election Process

C. Employment

D. Education/ scholarships

E. Healthcare services

2.2.9 PROCESSES AND REDRESS MECHANISMS UNDER FOI ACT

This session was facilitated by Barr. Justine Columbus

Under the FOI there basically two mechanisms of redress

- (1) Redress provided by the Act (by the court)
 - a. External Act
- (2) Redress provided by the attorney general guard line on the implementation of the information
 - a. Internal Act

Act provided that every issue that comes up under the FOIA must be tried summarily, must reduce into writing, the Act also make speedy dispensation of justice as regards to matter of FOIA

3.0 DEVELOPING ACTION PLAN

After all presentations, the participants developed action plan in their groups for further engagements

Ibena Local Government Area

Identification of Issue:

- (a) **Oil Spillage:** This is as a result of the activities of the major oil company, (Mobil Producing company) in Mkpnanak, Ibena L.G.A Akwa Ibom State

Effects

- (a) Pollution of water bodies thereby rendering the water unfit for human consumption
- (b) Negative impact on the health of the people and aquatic lives
- (c) Adverse effect of the activities of the soil components thereby destroying agricultural ourpouring

S/N	ACTIVITY	OBJECTIVE	TIMELINE	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	MOVs
1.	(a) Vertical farming (b) Sensitization (c) Training	To mitigate the impact of oil spillage on agriculture thereby improving farming activities and result	Oct – Feb 2022 Sensitization March – Sept, 2022 Implementation /monitoring	Joy Nnitor and the Leadership of the youths	Pictures and Attendances

Etinan Local Government Area

S/N	ISSUES	ACTIVITY	OBJECTIVE	TIMELINE	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	MOVs
1	Inadequate information on the part of young people on how to engage government	Step Down Training	To build capacity of other young people in the communities who do not have opportunity to attain the initial training	1 st September 2022 To 30 th November 2022	(a) Victoria Victor (b) Glory Daniel	Pictures and Attendances
2	Poor power supply in Idua Afaha Eduok community and Ukot Okwong	Advocacy Visit to relevant stakeholders	Re-installation of power supply facilities	Sept to Dec. 2022	(a) Hon. Effiong Bassey (b) LG Chairman (c) Village head	Pictures and Attendances
3.	Poor Drainage System Idua Afaha Eduok community and Ukot Okwong	Advocacy Visits	Drainage de-silting	Sept to Dec. 2022	(a) Hon. Effiong Bassey (b) LG Chairman (c) Village head	Pictures and Attendances
4.	Poor health facilities	Advocacy Visit	Building of patient room/	Sept to Dec. 2022	(a) Hon. Effiong Bassey (b) LG Chairman (d) Village head	Pictures and Attendances

Etinan Local Government Area

S/N	ACTIVITY	OBJECTIVE	TIMELINE	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	MOVs
1.	Lack of personnel and functional, equipped health post in Abak Ifia and Nyara Enyin	To ensure efficient functional health facility	Sept to Nov. 2022	Village head, related MDAs, CiF, SWO, ActionAid	Reports, pictures
2.	Lack of chairs/desks for primary school pupil in Ikot Ediet/Nyara Enyin	To ensure safe and comfortable atmosphere	Sept to Nov. 2022	Ministry of Education, village head MDAs, CiF, SWO, ActionAid	Reports, pictures, Videos

3.	Flooding in Nyara Enyin village	To curb the flooding menace	Sept to Nov. 2022	Glory Anietie	Reports, pictures, Videos
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Closing Remarks: This was done by Mr. Justus Etuknwa. He appreciated ActionAid for partnering with Clement Isong Foundation to implement the SPAII project. He expressed gratitude to the director of climate change and the director of youth development for attending the event and taking active participation. Finally, he thanked participants for actively participating in the traing and enjoined them to take the project seriously. The training officially came to a close.

4.0 CHALLENGES: This activity encountered few challenges, these include:

1. There were too many topics for facilitation; this led to inability to adequately manage time. Thus, participants from long distance communities such as Ibeno and oron had to return late due to late closing
2. Inability to Give Certificate of Participation: participants complained of being trained without certificate.
3. There was increase in number of participants due to the event being live-streamed, this posed a challenge on management of food

5.0 RECOMMENDATION

- Training topics should not be cumbersome, so time can easily be managed
- Tags should be made available for participants and provision should be made to give certificate of participation to the participants

SUCCESS: The event reached

The event was live-streamed thus it caught the attention of young people who were not initially invited such that they located the venue and attended the training at no cost.

ANEXXES

1. Link to a one hour live program on EXCEL FM: featuring the capacity building training on FOIA and Social Audit <http://mobile-webview.gmail.com/-1548951763/blocked>
2. **Link to New report by Atlantic FM**

https://ci4.googleusercontent.com/proxy/qYa6_H461C21RR-qYIwSBcI7qqS9WSiFAN0DaF9sKsbdOZ5S3C-vrr7s_W7pZqFo7qGPHn6zXYPCgzf3sLpi6Csr9HA9gNV6rWRnwUrSjrNGKy8ubI-d=s0-d-e1-ft#https://ssl.gstatic.com/docs/doclist/images/icon_10_generic_list.png

3. Link to news report by Inspiration FM

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1cTXp7iM9suxfZT56mMkcdYlrN41ku_8p/view?usp=drivesdk

4. Link to Newspaper publication

<https://themail.com.ng/clement-isong-foundation-partners-actionaid-trains-youths-on-social-audit-foi/>

5. Details of online publications is available @ClementIsongFoundation on Facebook

Picture Gallery







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