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ABBREVIATIONS/ ACCRONYMS

AfDB	African Development Bank
ARFSD	African Regional Forum on Sustainable Development
AUC	African Union Commission
AWDF	African Women Development Fund
CEDAW	Convention on Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination Against Women
CLTS	Community-Led Total Sanitation
COP 21	21 st Conference of Parties
CSW	Commission on Status of Women
ECA	Economic Commission for Africa
ECOSOC	Economic and Social Council
FCT	Federal Capital Territory
FMWASD	Federal Ministry of Women Affairs and Social Development
GEF	Global Environment Facility
GGF	Global GreenGrants Fund
G-WIN	Girls and Women Initiative in Nigeria
ICESCR	International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights
IPCR	Institute for Peace and Conflict Resolution
NSCDC	Nigeria Security and Civil Defence Corp
OPs	Organizing Partners
PACJA	Pan African Climate Justice Alliance
SDGs	Sustainable Development Goals
UNDP	United Nations Development Programme

UNEP	United Nations Environment Programme
UNESCO	United Nations Education, Scientific and Cultural Organization
UNFCCC	United Nations Framework convention on Climate Change
UNSC	United Nations Statistical Commission
WASH	Water, Sanitation and Hygiene
WASHCOMs	Water, Sanitation and Hygiene Committees
WECF	Women in Europe for Common Future
WEDO	Women's Environment and Development Organization
WEP	Women Environmental Programme
WRAPA	Women's Right Advancement and Protection Alternative (WRAPA)
WSSCC	Water Supply and Sanitation Collaborative Council

FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



Every year, I find myself writing an introduction to our Annual Report. As the Executive Director, it falls on me to sum up the year and in doing so, I quite often find myself weighing the achievements, disappointments and hopes which is not an easy task.

Looking back the years that WEP started in Kaduna, North West of Nigeria, I can say that we have recorded tremendous achievements and have expanded beyond our imagination and are adapting to the rapidly changing world. We have scaled through some hurdles, trials and disappointments but beyond this, WEP has continued to expand beyond Nigeria to become a regional and global organization and I can say that I am proud of our work.

All these achievements would not have been possible without the commitment, unflinching support and contributions of the board members, donors, government, International partners, CSO/NGOs, Women Major Group, Women and Gender Constituency, GEF CSO Network, Water Supply and Sanitation Collaborative Council, African Working Group on Gender and Climate Change, our beneficiaries, philanthropist, staff and volunteers who have stepped forward-giving themselves, their resources, their time- in order to effect positive change in our world.

Thank you for your support in the past and future investment in our life changing work and vision.

The 2015 was a highly anticipated year for the whole world in general and Nigeria in particular. While the whole world anticipated the new global development frameworks – Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), and the new Climate Change Agreement, the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction – Nigeria was also highly anticipatory in many aspects but especially with respect to the general elections that saw the change in leadership of the country.

For us at WEP, 2015 was yet another year we strived to deliver on our objectives, expanded our outreach while simultaneously strengthening commitment to our causes and programs. In this regard, WEP was one of the Organizing Partners of the Women's Major Group who actively participated throughout the nine months to influence the outcomes of the negotiations on the SDGs as well as the Paris Agreement to ensure gender responsiveness and empowerment of women, girls and boys.

WEP also partnered with institutions of government, UN Millennium Campaign and CSOs across Nigeria to create awareness on the SDGs, the High Level Political Forum and the African Development Agenda 2063.

WEP joined the Women's Global Call for Climate Justice to launch a global campaign that called for a gender-responsive climate agreement in Nigeria and it climaxed in Paris, at the venue of the 21st Conference of Parties (COP21) to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change.

At the sub-regional level, WEP Burkina Faso entered into a contract with other partners from Africa under the platform of Switch Africa Green for a project which aims at supporting transformation towards an inclusive green business by providing services to micro, small and medium enterprises that will enable them to start and develop more resource efficient and green business based on more sustainable production practices.

WEP Togo took off with projects on sustainable agriculture, sustainable land management and farming thus empowering women economically.

Concerning leadership of women in elective and appointive positions as one of our core thematic programs, WEP had worked tirelessly to ensure women's inclusion in politics/governance as a fundamental issue in the 2015 general elections in Nigeria. Furthermore, WEP continued to advocate for appointive positions for women especially in Zamfara state, North West Nigeria where no woman has been elected since the transition from military to civilian in 1998.

We were also able to support women and girls to realize their potentials economically as they took control of their finances through a government scheme, Girls and Women Initiative in Nigeria (G-WIN) project, raised awareness on Water, Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH) and menstrual hygiene management issues amongst others.

Beyond the projects mentioned above, WEP continued to deliver programs that empowered women and youth, skills acquisitions for post conflict victims that would transform their lives and the communities at large, renewable energy programs targeted at household and rural women, research and documentation, gender and climate change.

We foresee a more challenging and gainful 2016. WEP will continue to implement her strategic plan of action by focusing on the issues of extremism, creating awareness at the regional level on SDGs, the implementation of the Paris Agreement, ensuring that national and regional budgets work for women, advocating for changes in laws and policies, sharing knowledge with partners and capacity building of grassroots women organizations who can then replicate our most successful programs to reach even more communities around the world.

We plan to achieve our targets with the support of partners and donors around the world together with a passionate team of smart, talented, dedicated staff, advocates and volunteers.

With climate change impacting negatively on the mother earth, natural resources and living creatures, we cannot afford to do less, but with your support we'll do much more in 2016 to continue to effect the change needed to make our societies more livable and lives worth living.

Priscilla Achakpa

Executive Director,

Women Environmental Programme

ABOUT WOMEN ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAMME (WEP)



Who We Are

Women Environmental Programme (WEP) is a non-governmental, non-profit, non-political, non-religious and voluntary organization formed in April 1997 by a group of women in Kaduna State. The organization emerged in response to the environmental pollution by industries in Kaduna State particularly and Nigeria in general, but its founders have always viewed the Nigerian environmental crisis only as an entry point for the deepening of engagement with the various stakeholders and enlightenment of Nigerians on other socio-economic and political issues within and internationally. To facilitate this process, the organization creates and sustains interest in socio-economic and political issues especially among women and youth in the country and across the globe.

WEP has United Nations ECOSOC special status, Observer Status to the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) Governing Council/Global Ministerial Environment Forum, and United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC). With the Observer Status, WEP participate as a major group organization in contributing to the intergovernmental decision-making process in the UN-System. WEP is one of the Organizing Partners (OPs) of Women's Major Groups and serves as the National Coordinator for Water Supply and Sanitation Collaborative Council (WSSCC) in Nigeria. WEP is the Focal Point for Global Environment Facility (GEF) CSOs in West and Central Africa.

Vision

To create a society where the environmental, economic, social and political rights of women and youths are protected.

Mission

To empower women and youths to address the environmental, economic, social and political issues that affect them.

Our Values:

- Accountability and Transparency
- Team Work, Hard work and Commitment to work
- Honesty and Integrity
- Gender Justice and Fairness

- Trust and Confidentiality
- Excellence and Cost Effectiveness

Strategic Objectives

- To sensitize and raise awareness of the general public on the impacts of climate change particularly on gender, its strategies of mitigation and adaptation;
- To stimulate the management of natural resources within the framework of national and international policies/convention for sustainable development of the environment;
- To advocate for the rights of the rural and urban dwellers to land, housing settlement and basic social infrastructure within the framework of The International Covenant on *Economic, Social and Cultural Rights* (ICESCR);
- To build capacity of the relevant stakeholders on the management of the environment, conflicts, renewable energy, water and sanitation, dry lands, desert and desertification and organic pollutants;
- To educate women and youths on their civic rights and responsibilities, and on democratic governance.

WEP's Core Values

Networking: WEP recognizes the value and strength of networking with our partners and other NGOs. We realize that mutually beneficial relationships with people who share our values, goals and objectives will enhance social and sustainable development.

Integrity, Accountability and Transparency: WEP appreciates the trust of our donors, partners and the public by striving to maintain the highest standards of accountability, integrity and transparency in the conduct of all our activities.

Excellence and Cost Effectiveness: We are committed to excellence and cost effectiveness in all our activities so as to reach a greater number of people with our services.

Teamwork and Self Esteem: WEP is committed to teamwork. We will promote the self-esteem of our staff and encourage collaboration on projects and encomiums for each other for reaching our goals and targets.

Learning and Leadership: WEP is committed to being a learning organization in which all staff are continuously striving to learn to sustain and improve organizational outputs. Our leadership culture is aimed at making leaders out of our staff.

Gender Equity and Justice: To ensure the full participation of all in the development process, we support and promote gender equity and mainstream gender in all we do. Our Strategic Plan particularly seeks to empower women to maximize their potentials and gain autonomy to become agents of change.

Organizational Structure

WEP is currently structured along 2 main organs, namely: the Board of Directors and Management.

WEP's Board of Directors comprises 9 members of which 4 are females and 5 males. The Board is the decision making body of the organization and meets annually to review performance of the organization, approve programmes and budget for the organization. The Management is saddled with the responsibility of day-to-day running of the organization and implementation of programmes and it is headed by the Executive Director. It is also made up of the Project Implementation Body and the support Staff.

Programmes

The organization works in two thematic areas viz; Environment and Governance.

Environment

- Gender & Disaster Risk Reduction
- Gender, Lands & Human Settlement
- Water, Sanitation & Hygiene
- Renewable Energy
- Environment, Peace & Security
- Natural Resource Management

Governance

- Women and Youth Empowerment
- Budget Tracking and Monitoring
- Peace and Conflict Transformation

Board of Trustees and Advisory Board

Board of Directors

Mr. Yakubu Aliyu	-	Chairman
Ms. Priscilla M. Achakpa	-	Executive Director
Prof. Kabiru Isyaku	-	Member
Mr. Charles Lubem Abaagu	-	Member
Prof. David I. Ker	-	Member
Ms. Anne Marie Abaagu	-	Member

Advisory Board

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Where We Are

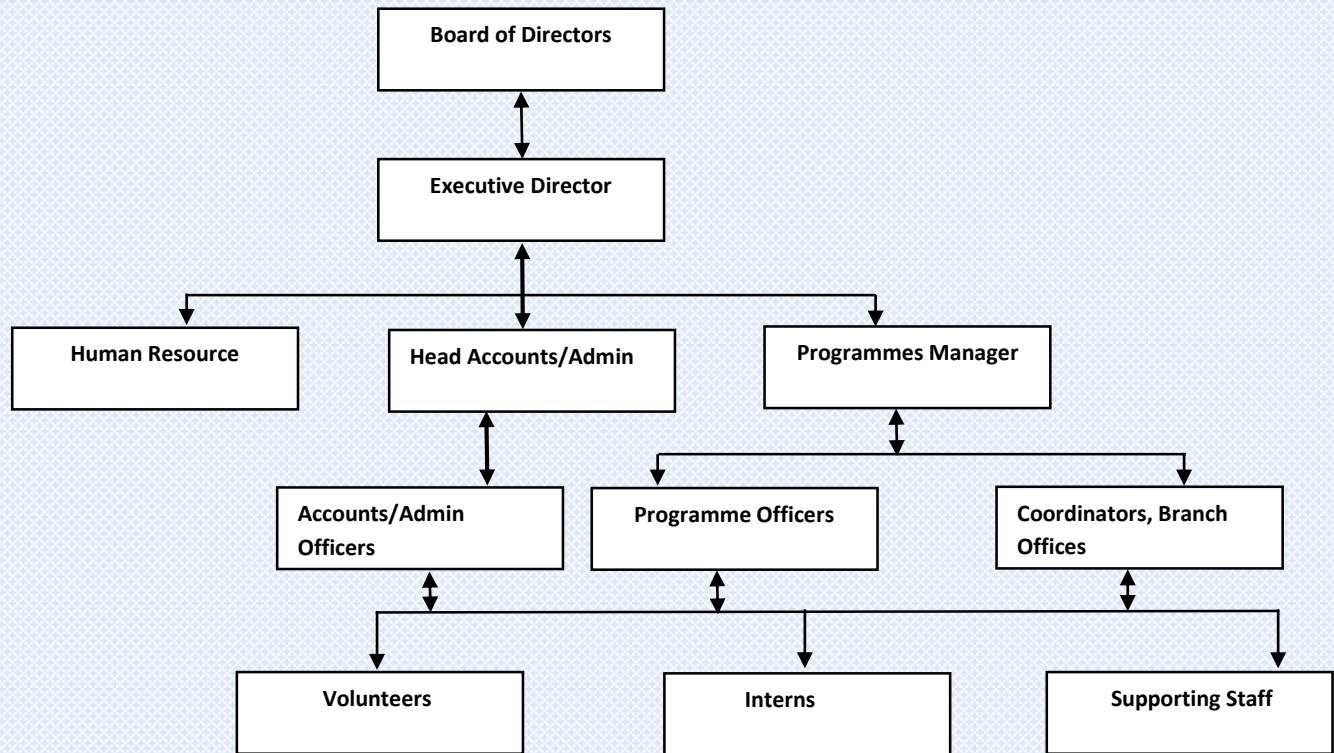


WEP's office locations in West Africa



WEP's office locations in Nigeria

Organizational Organogram



WEP's Team



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Executive Director



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OUR WORK



ENVIRONMENT PROJECTS



1. Girls and Women Initiative in Nigeria (G-WIN) Project



Women Environmental Programme (WEP), in the year under review trained 60 women and girls on public sanitation and soap/detergent production; established Water, Sanitation and Hygiene Committees (WASHCOMs) in 15 communities; and triggered 15 communities of Community-Led Total Sanitation (CLTS), under the Federal Ministry of Water Resources' Girls and Women Initiative in Nigeria (G-WIN) project in Taraba, Kebbi and Delta States.

The G-WIN project was aimed to make women and girls leaders in the water sector, increase access to/promote water supply and sanitation especially in public places, and economically empower women with water and sanitation related skills.

The following were the 15 communities that benefitted from G-WIN project in 2015:

- Delta State, Aniocha South Local Government - Ogwuashi-Uku, Aboh-Ogwashi, Ubulu-Uku, Ubulu-Unor, and Azagba-Ogwashi communities
- Kebbi State, Danko-Wasagu Local Government – Benna, Ribah, Unasi –Waje, Wasagu, and Maga communities
- Taraba State, Takum Local Government – Gahweton, Dutse, Rogo, Tor-Tsee, and Takum Motor Park communities

In 2014, WEP was for the first time engaged by the Federal Ministry of Water Resources as one of the

organizations that would facilitate the training component of the G-WIN project in Abia, Bauchi, Osun and Plateau States. WEP liaised with stakeholders in the target states to identify beneficiary communities and community members (women and girls) and delivered training to them on Community-Led Total Sanitation (CLTS), Slab Construction, Leadership and Conflict Resolution and also facilitated the formation of Water and Sanitation Committees (WASHComs) in target communities.

Based on the success recorded in the first phase of the project, WEP was again engaged in 2015 during the second phase of the G-WIN project in Delta, Kebbi and Taraba States where she participated in the identification of communities and beneficiaries in target states and delivered training to the beneficiaries on Public Sanitation, Operations and Maintenance of Water and Sanitation Schemes, Soap/Detergent Production as well as facilitate the formation of WASHComs in target communities.

The G-WIN project was conceived under the administration of President Goodluck Jonathan in 2012, and in 2013, developed into an implementable programme. The project was conceived in recognition of the fact that *“...the nation’s resources and opportunities currently place girls and women at a disadvantage position, and in realization of the potentials inherent in the average girl and woman in Nigeria to sustainably contribute to the overall growth and development of the community and the country.”*

2. Women’s Global Call for Climate Justice



Towards the 21st Conference of Parties (COP21) to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC), held in Paris, France, in December 2015, where another climate agreement was reached, Women Environmental Programme (WEP) in collaboration with some of her partners around the globe, with support from Women’s Environment and Development Organization (WEDO) launched a global campaign for climate justice.

Worried that women and girls around the world have continued to face severe impacts of climate change due to lack of just and sufficient actions on climate change by the world’s leaders, as governments of the world were moving too slowly, with too little effort, and without the ambition, commitment and financing that it would take to stop or reverse the global climate crisis, women launched this call to demand for climate justice from world’s leaders.

WEP kicked off her global campaign for climate justice in Abuja, Nigeria on 18th of August, 2015, during a forum she collaborated with Federal Ministry of Women Affairs and Social Development (FMWASD) to convene - an agenda setting forum on SDGs, titled: “SDGs: Leave no Nigerian Woman Behind” at the Secretary to the Government of the Federation’s Conference Room, Federal Secretariat Complex, Phase 1, Central Area, Abuja.

This was followed by a One-Day Consultative Forum on Gender-Responsive Climate Agreement at COP 21, at the Conference Hall of Heinrich Boll Foundation, Rukayat Plaza, Jabi Abuja, on 9th September, 2015. This forum was used to consolidate and articulate the position of Nigerian women on the potential climate agreement that will be reached in Paris. The forum which brought together rural women across the country, women organizations, civil society organizations, government institutions, private sector and the media, saw women told stories of how they have been impacted by climate change. See [Climate change, WEP and women stories](#)



Participants at the consultative forum on gender-responsive climate change agreement in Abuja, Nigeria.

After this forum, WEP continued with her campaign for climate justice through advocacies to relevant stakeholders, media campaigns and climate actions at rural and urban communities in Nigeria.

The campaign for climate justice climaxed at COP 21 in Paris, where different women organizations and Women’s Major Group came together and staged several actions ranging from side events, media conferences, meetings with heads of governments, climate marches, to push their demands in the new global climate agreement.

At COP21, WEP in collaboration with Women in Europe for Common Future (WECF) and Women’s Environment and Development Organization (WEDO), organized a side event on ***Gender Just Climate Solutions*** where WEP showcased the works of the organizations that help women to mitigate the impacts of climate change. WEP’s John Baaki also participated in UNESCO side event on World Water Assessment Programme and made a presentation on “Nigerian Perspective on Water, Gender and Climate Change.”



The role of Women Environmental Programme in the global campaign for climate justice towards COP 21 was recognized globally as WEP's Executive Director, Priscilla Achakpa was featured by Vogue magazine as one of the 13 women "Climate Warriors" who were on the front line for climate justice.

"The impact of climate change on women is huge. The men are forced to migrate and they leave the women, who are now the caregivers because they find they cannot leave the children . . . We don't want a top-down solution. "We want bottom-up. But we need to be at the table." – Priscilla Achakpa in [Vogue's Climate Warriors](#)



"...when it comes to the issues of negotiation, the African women are most of the times completely absent or nearly absent. And this is something that is very important for us, because we cannot be talking about negotiations that half of the populations are affected, which are the women. And then, the issues that are being discussed, they are completely being neglected, or they're not even involved at all. For us, coming from the background of Africa, this is something that is very crucial for us, and it's something that we want our leaders to really take on board and look at it very critically, because we cannot be discussing the issues that affect us without us being at the table to negotiate these issues."

- Priscilla Achakpa's interview with Democracy Now during COP 21, in Paris, France [African women hit hardest by climate change](#)

The Women's Global Call for Climate Justice demanded the following actions from organizations, individuals and governments of countries and for incorporation into the new climate agreement:

- System change not climate change
- Avoiding a 1.5 degree global temperature rise
- Ensuring gender equality and human rights in all climate actions
- Keeping oil and fossil fuels in the ground
- Transitioning to 100% safe and renewable energy
- Implementing energy efficiency and conservation measures everywhere, by everyone
- Dramatic and urgent reduction in production and consumption patterns by everyone, including and especially by those who have contributed the most to this problem from the developed

world

- Commitment by developed countries to take the lead in the fight to address the climate crisis and to provide developing countries with the means to mitigate and adapt to climate change, in a spirit of solidarity and justice.



One of the actions by women at COP 21, in Paris, demanding for climate justice. 2nd from right is John Baaki of Women Environmental Programme.

3. WEP's Climate Actions in Togo



Walk for Climate Justice and Sustainable Development Goals in Togo

In the year under review, WEP-Togo carried out several actions to raise awareness of the general public on the issues of climate change, and advocated for inclusion of women's concerns in national and global climate actions and in the Sustainable Development Goals.

On 24th September, 2015, WEP-Togo in collaboration with Pan-African Climate Justice Alliance, PACJA-Togo, and Action Movement 2015, organized an advocacy walk for climate and Sustainable Development Goals.

The aim of the walk was to influence decision makers to implement effective and concrete measures in the fight against climate change and the inclusion of women's concerns in the adoption of Sustainable Development Goals. Over 200 persons participated in this walk.

Also as part of its communications activities on climate change, WEP-Togo had on Thursday 20th September 2015 organized awareness and information exchange with women farmers from the village of Mékoviade. Mékoviade is a village located 70 Kilometers from Lomé, with approximately 500 inhabitants including 300 women mostly farmers. The objective of this activity was to speak to the women about the impacts of climate change in the local language in order to find participatory solutions to local adaptation and mitigation to climatic risks.

About fifty women took part with enthusiasm in this meeting of exchange and during which they indicated the impacts they have experienced this year on their agricultural activities, in particular, the pockets of dryness, delay of the rainy season, reduction in the agricultural outputs to more than 50%, and drying up of the sources of water.

With technical guidance from WEP-Togo, the women came up with local solutions to address these impacts. These solutions include: development of alternative activities that are non-dependent on the climate; establishment of two community forests; construction of dam for water storage for irrigation; use of improved stoves to reduce consumption of coal and wood.



Information exchange forum with women of Mékoviade village, Togo

4. Enhancing Local Programmes for the Host Community Network of Abuja, Nigeria, for Sustainable Environmental Protection

Over the years, the activities of mining companies and other unsustainable practices on the environment in the Federal Capital Territory (FCT) of Nigeria have had devastating effects on the landscape and the communities in the suburbs of FCT where these activities take place.

To support the communities to take actions that will address these challenges, Women Environmental Programme in her previous project had set up and built capacity of Host Community Network of Abuja with support from Global GreenGrants Funds (GGF). The setting up and building capacity of the network was to equip the communities with relevant skills to advocate for safe environmental practices by mining/ construction companies and individuals in their activities and operations, and to effectively participate in managing the resources of their local environment.

In the year under review, Global GreenGrants Funds again supported WEP to continue to build capacities of local communities in Abuja, Federal Capital Territory of Nigeria, to initiate programmes for sustainable environment protection. In this regard, WEP held several discussions and capacity building sessions with community members of Karmo, Mpape, Chika, Gwagwalada and Kuje communities to enable them draw up and implement actions that enhance sustainable environmental protection of their communities.



During a meeting with youth in Tsinka community, in Gwagwalada Area Council

5. WEP Elected as GEF CSOs Network Regional Focal Point for West African Region

WEP emerged as the new Focal Point for the GEF-CSO Network for West Africa Region for a term of 4 years (27 May, 2015 – 26 May, 2019) through the election for the West Africa Regional Focal Point that was conducted from 17th March – 5th April 2015, where she polled 70% of the valid votes received.

With her emergence as the Regional Focal Point, WEP is responsible for coordination and mobilization of GEF-CSO member organizations in the region towards actions that shape environmental policies and programmes to ensure environmental sustainability both within the region and globally.

WEP was also further appointed as the Interim Focal Point for Central African Region.

The Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) Network of the Global Environment Facility (GEF), known as the GEF-CSO Network, was established in May 1995. It was the result of a GEF Council decision to strengthen dialogue and partnership between NGOs worldwide and the GEF Secretariat, the GEF Council, the GEF Assembly and various partner agencies. The GEF-CSO Network is made up of member organizations comprising organizations accredited by GEF between 1995-March 2010 and which have updated their information with the GEF Secretariat as at March 2010 as well as new members admitted directly by the Network after March 2010 whose work in the environment and sustainable development is aligned with the GEF mandate.

The Global Environment Facility is a financial mechanism that promotes international cooperation and fosters actions to protect the global environment. It was created in 1991 as a result of mounting concern in the preceding decade over global environmental problems and efforts to formulate financing responses to address these problems.

6. Strategic Engagement and Capacity Building to Promote Water Supply and Sanitation in Nigeria

The Executive Director of Women Environmental Programme, WEP, is the National Coordinator of Water Supply and Sanitation Collaborative Council (WSSCC) in Nigeria, who coordinates and supervises all activities of the Council in the country to ensure they contribute to promoting water availability, and promote sanitation and hygiene towards the ultimate goal of improving health and livelihood.

Following the development of the Nigeria Strategic Engagement Plan (SEP), which aims at: strengthening management and operational structures in WASH for effective coordination, partnership and monitoring and evaluation activities; improving and maintaining strong partnership amongst stakeholders working in WASH sector at all levels; and instituting and facilitating the development of WSSCC Monitoring and Evaluation, communication and advocacy plan at all levels, WEP has coordinated implementation of activities that aims to achieve the objectives of the Strategic Engagement Plan.

Mapping and capacity building of WSSCC members

One of these activities was the mapping and capacity building of WSSCC members and other stakeholders in WASH sector in the country. The mapping has resulted to the development of a comprehensive data base of active members of WSSCC and stakeholders; identified expertise and thematic areas of focus and geographic locations of members and partners.

Following the mapping exercise, WSSCC and Civil Society Network on Water and Sanitation (NEWSAN) organized a strategy meeting and capacity building of members on advocacy and budgeting at Crown Princess Hotel, Wuse Zone 7, Abuja.



WSSCC/NEWSAN members at the strategy meeting and capacity building workshop on advocacy and budgeting training held at Crown Princess Hotel, Wuse Zone 7, Abuja

Institutional capacity strengthening for WASH

To improve WASH service delivery for public institutions, WSSCC organized a 3-day capacity building workshop on advocacy and lobbying related to budgeting process from 1st-2nd September, 2015 for States Task Group on Sanitation (STGs for Benue and Cross River) and Local Government Task Group on Sanitation (LTGS). The training that was held in Benue State had in attendance over 80 participants drawn from 6 LGAs from Benue and Cross River States, Civil Society Organizations, Federal Ministry of Water Resources, Benue Rural Water Supply and Sanitation Agency (BERWASA), Water Aid, Global Sanitation Fund and Concern Universal.

After this training, WSSCC National Coordinator, Priscilla Achakpa, and WASH Ambassador, Engr. Ebele Okeke, paid a courtesy visit on the Governor of Benue State, Dr. Samuel Ortom, to solicit his support to WASH programmes in the state, a request that was obliged by the Governor as he pledged to provide counterpart funding to WSSCC to upscale WASH programmes in the State.



Priscilla Achakpa, WSSCC National Coordinator (3rd left) and WASH Ambassador, Engr. Ebele Okeke (middle) during a courtesy call on Benue State Governor, Dr. Samuel Ortom (3rd right).

Research on menstrual hygiene management

WSSCC also in the year under review conducted a research on menstrual hygiene management among women and girls and the physically challenged in rural and urban communities in Benue and Cross River State.

Prior to the research, Volunteer Hygiene Promoters were identified and trained on menstrual hygiene management by WSSCC in Makurdi, Benue State, before going into the field.

The findings from the research revealed results of concerns concerning menstrual hygiene management in the areas surveyed. Based on some of the findings from the research, 18% of women and girls surveyed use tissue paper as sanitary pad during menstruation. The research also revealed how water availability has affected menstrual hygiene management as 43% of the respondents' water source is from water vendors while 29% access water only from streams and ponds. Worrisome also are cultural practices and myths that affect proper menstrual hygiene management, which according to the research still exist as 8.2% of the respondents surveyed said they suffer discrimination during their menstrual cycle while 9.2% experience mockery from male folks.



A cross section of Volunteer Hygiene Promoters (VHPs) from Cross River and Benue States at the Menstrual Hygiene Management Training organized by WSSCC in Makurdi, Benue state.

Training on sanitation programming with equity and inclusion

From 14th -15th September, 2015, WSSCC organized a training for civil society organizations on sanitation programming with equity and inclusion. These civil society organizations from Benue and Cross River States are organizations that are implementing the Rural Sanitation and Hygiene Promotion in Nigeria (RUSHPIN) programme, under the WSSCC's Global Sanitation Fund (GSF). This training was aimed at enhancing capacities of the civil society organizations to implement sanitation programmes that are inclusive, that take into consideration the needs of different categories of people. The training was calculated at effective delivery of RUSHPIN programme by the civil society organizations.



Priscilla Achakpa, WSSCC National Coordinator (Left) and Barr. Mwuese Mnyin, Commissioner for Women Affairs, Benue State (Right), facilitate discussion during training on sanitation programming with equity and inclusion, in Makurdi, Benue State.

GOVERNANCE PROJECTS



1. Agila Livelihood Support Project



Beneficiaries of Agila Livelihood Support Project were presented with items during their graduation ceremony at Ado Local Government Secretariat, Igumale.

Women Environmental Programme (WEP) in collaboration with the Institute for Peace and Conflict Resolution (IPCR), with support from the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), implemented a livelihood support project in Agila community, in Ado Local Government Area of Benue State. This project was part of the peace intervention in Agila community by WEP, IPCR and UNDP which started since 2009.

The project entitled: “Agila Livelihood Support Project – Skills Acquisition Programme for Women and Youths of Agila Community” was aimed at sustaining peace and enhancing the economy of Agila community through equipping women and youth with vocational skills.

50 women and youth from the community were selected and trained in three different vocational skills in Makurdi, Benue State capital. While 23 beneficiaries were trained on cosmetics production, 19 were trained on tailoring and 8 on decoration and baking.

The 6-month vocational training ran from 5th September, 2014, to 13th of March, 2015.



Mr. Matthew Alao of UNDP, presenting certificates of completion of vocational training to beneficiaries of Agila Livelihood Support Project.

On 19th August, 2015, a graduation ceremony was organized for the beneficiaries at Ado Local Government Secretariat, Igumale, where certificates and items were presented to the beneficiaries to enable each of them startup a trade.



Mr. Emmanuel Maman, Representative of DG, IPCR, Prof. Oshita Oshita delivering a goodwill message at the graduation ceremony for beneficiaries of Agila Livelihood Support Project



Mr. Zebulun Takwa, Representative of UNDP Country Director, delivering a Keynote Address at the graduation ceremony organized for beneficiaries of Agila Livelihood Support Project

2. Sensitization of Voters Towards 2015 General Elections in Nigeria



Ahead of the 2015 general elections in Nigeria, the Federal Ministry of Women Affairs and Social Development (FMWA&SD), in collaboration with Women Environmental Programme (WEP), with support from the United Nations Development Programme, under her Democratic Governance for Development project, organized a one-day sensitization workshop for female voters in Benue State.

The one-day workshop which took place on 9th February, 2015 at Pauline Makka Hall, Women Center, Makurdi, was aimed at educating the women to promote their participation in the forthcoming general elections which were scheduled for 28th March and 11th April, 2015.

Women were sensitized on the concept of election, the processes involved and rationale for participation in election. The participants were encouraged to vie for political positions, support female political aspirants, report cases of violence, remain at the polls till votes are counted and step down training in their various communities. Participants were also sensitized on basic election etiquettes such as conduct at the polls, and how to thumb-print on a ballot paper. Furthermore security emergency numbers were distributed to all the participants.

Participants were elated with the workshop as they revealed issues that were obscured prior to the intervention were now clarified.

Over 100 women were sensitized in this workshop and they all expressed satisfaction at the quality of information provided and how the workshop has enlightened and inspired them to effectively participate in the general elections.

3. WEP at CSW 59

Women Environmental Programme (WEP) participated in the 59th Session of the UN Commission on the Status of Women (CSW), which was held in New York from 9-20 March, 2015. The main focus of CSW59 was to assess the level of implementation of the Beijing Platform for Action, a global agenda on women's empowerment, 20 years after it was adopted at the 4th World Women's Conference in Beijing by UN member countries.

WEP as one of the Organizing Partners of Women's Major Groups www.womenrio20.org/ were involved in discussions on the Beijing +20 and Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), to make sure they address critical issues affecting women's empowerment, gender equality, development and peace.

At the CSW59, WEP partnered and organized two side events.

In the first side event, WEP in collaboration with Change Managers International Network, Women and Youths Environmental Safety and Empowerment Organization, and Women's Right Advancement and Protection Alternative (WRAPA) organized a side event to assess the Beijing Platform for Action in Nigeria after 20 years.

The side event which took place on 16th March, 2015, at the Salvation Army Auditorium, 221 East 52nd Street, New York, was tagged - ***Beijing+20: An Appraisal of Women, Governance and Gender Based Violence in Nigeria***. The event was aimed at assessing the status of Nigerian women in governance and challenges towards achieving Beijing aspirations with special focus on violence against women and girls in Nigeria.

The panelists for the side event which was chaired by Barr. Felicia Onibon were: Mrs Iran Ajufo, Director, Women and Gender Affairs, Federal Ministry of Women Affairs & Social Development, Nigeria; Prof. Olaiade Adedokun, Prof. Bola Akanji, Hajia Saudatu Mahdi, Anne Addeh and Priscilla Achakpa.

At the end of the event, there was a consensus that the Beijing Platform for Action has led to increased women participation in governance in Nigeria through policies reforms and mainstreaming of gender. However, there still exist several challenges that pose as barriers to the improvement on the status of women in Nigeria, thus more needs to be done by the country to overcome these challenges.



Priscilla Achakpa, ED WEP, making a presentation at the side event organized on Beijing+20: An Appraisal of Women, Governance and Gender Based Violence in Nigeria organized by WEP, E-WAY, CMIN & WRAPA in New York during CSW 59.



Participants at the side event on Beijing+20: An Appraisal of Women, Governance and Gender Based Violence in Nigeria, organized by WEP, E-WAY, CMIN & WRAPA in New York during CSW 59.

The second side event was organized on Monday, 23rd March, 2015 at the UN Conference Room 7. WEP and Water Supply and Sanitation Collaborative Council (WSSCC), in collaboration with Women Major Groups, Permanent Mission of Palau, Blue Planet Project of the Council of Canadians, NGO Mining Group, Public Service International Workers and Trade Unions Major Group organized a side event tagged: Rights-based Perspectives on Indicators and Means of Implementation for Water and Sanitation.

The side event critically examined the list of preliminary indicators compiled by the United Nations Statistical Commission (UNSC) for monitoring the implementation of the SDGs especially as it related to Goal 6 of the SDGs and made appropriate recommendations to the Commission on how best the indicators be set to support the implementation of human rights to water and sanitation amongst other critical water-related issues.

The Executive Director of Women Environmental Programme, Priscilla Achakpa was one of the speakers at the side event. She made a presentation that delivered key recommendations of the side event on indicators and means of implementation for water and sanitation.

Click on this link to view the text of presentation by Priscilla Achakpa

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/0BzuFSUeHFVrTSnpgam90cGN4Mmc/view?usp=sharing>

Other speakers at the side event were: H.E. Dr. Caleb Otta, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary Permanent Representative of Palau; Meera Karunanathan, the Blue Planet Project of the Council of Canadian and the NGO Mining Working Group; Sandra Vermuyten, Public Services International Workers and Trade Unions Major Group; and Roberto Mukaro Borrero, International Indian Treaty Council, Indigenous Peoples Major Group.



R-L: Queensley Ajuyakpe, Programme Manager, WEP; Benson Attah, ED, CER; Priscilla Achakpa, ED, WEP, at the side event on Rights-based Perspectives on Indicators and Means of Implementation for Water and Sanitation, at CSW 59 in New York.



Group photograph of participants at the side event on Rights-based Perspectives on Indicators and Means of Implementation for Water and Sanitation, at CSW 59 in New York.

4. High Level Conference on Data Revolution in Africa



A High Level Conference on Data Revolution in Africa was held in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, from 27-29 March, 2015 during the African Conference of Ministers. This conference was organized by the United Nations Economic Commission for Africa (ECA), African Union Commission (AUC), African Development Bank (AfDB), in collaboration with the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP).

The conference was organized at the request of the Heads of States and Governments of the African Union, based on the recommendations of the United Nations Secretary General's Independent Expert Advisory Group on Data Revolution for Sustainable Development. The conference was to chart a road map for African data revolution.

Owing to the importance of data to informed decision making, African data revolution is expected to stir sustainable development in Africa that is based on accurate, accessible, open and timely disaggregated data for decision-making, service delivery, citizen engagement and information for Africa to own its narrative. The African data revolution will form the basis for monitoring the implementation of the SDGs in Africa.

Stakeholders ranging from national statistics bureaus, development partners, civil society, academia, Open Data expert groups, application developers, etc participated in this conference and made their contributions to the African data ecosystem.

Stakeholders were grouped into data communities to make their contributions. WEP convened the data community on gender. The gender data community identified current data gaps in Africa relating to gender and proposed way forward for enhanced collection and availability of gender data for informed decision making.

See contribution of gender data community

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/0BzuFSUeHFVrTZVJnOE55WTU5dG8/view?usp=sharing>

African Data Consensus

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/0BzuFSUeHFVrTV2x5cUxxMEZUSTA/view?usp=sharing>

5. Promoting Women's Participation in Politics in Zamfara State

In deepening democracy in the northern region of Nigeria, specifically Zamfara State, the African Women Development Fund (AWDF) supported Women Environmental Programme (WEP) to implement an action tagged - *Democratic Dialogue for Strengthening Women's Political Participation* as a follow-up to its previous interventions in 2010 and 2012. Women in Zamfara State are facing great challenges of democracy in the 21st century. Since the return to democracy in 1999, Zamfara has not elected a woman to any political position at state or federal level. With the conclusion of the 2015 general elections, no woman emerged at party level which is worrisome development for women empowerment in Nigeria.

This challenge is attributed to cultural and religious beliefs, patriarchy, money politics, lack of internal democracy and illiteracy. In responding to these challenges, WEP initiated a post-election strategy to advocate and lobby stakeholders to clamour for appointive positions for women in the State as the new administration settled in for governance.

These post-election strategies include building capacities on the Convention on the Elimination of all Forms of Discrimination against Women (CEDAW), its Optional Protocol and other international and national frameworks for women empowerment, instituting network for continuous advocacies and lobbying to increase women participation in governance and politics.

It is based on the above that WEP undertook a swift advocacy to Zamfara State immediately after the 2015 general elections in Nigeria from 14th – 15th April, 2015 to ensure that women are considered for appointive positions both at the state and nationally.



Advocacy visit to Emir of Gusau

6. Agenda Setting Forum on Sustainable Development Goals

Women Environmental Programme (WEP), in collaboration with the Federal Ministry of Women Affairs and Social Development (FMWASD) convened an agenda setting forum on Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) titled “SDGs: Leave no Nigerian Woman Behind,” at the Secretary to the Government of the Federation’s Conference Room, Federal Secretariat Complex, Phase 1, Central Area, Abuja, on 18th of August, 2015.

Following the launch of the process to develop the post 2015 development agenda, the African Regional Forum on Sustainable Development (ARFSD), Government Ministries and Agencies, major groups and stakeholders from 16th -18th June 2015, deliberated and provided Africa’s collective input to the High Level Political Forum.

Going by Nigeria’s performance with respect to MDG 3 – promoting gender equality and women empowerment, WEP and FMWASD convened a One-Day Agenda Setting Forum on the Outcome of the African Regional High Level Forum on Post-2015, to brainstorm on the gender perspectives and implications of the new agenda.



Priscilla Achakpa, Executive Director, Women Environmental Programme addressing participants at the agenda setting forum on SDGs

The Objectives of the forum were:

- To promote and secure buy-in among critical actors as a strategy for achieving gender equality goals and targets;
- To define meaning of the global SDG agenda for Nigerian women, enhance understanding of the negotiation processes and implications for sectorial development; and
- To facilitate discourse among stakeholders on required action for effective implementation of the adopted SDGs at all level of Governance.

The forum which was supported by Global GreenGrants Fund (GGF) had in attendance Civil Society Organizations, women groups, Government Ministries, Departments and Agencies and the media.

Discussions at the forum were led by the Executive Director, Women Environmental Programme, Priscilla M Achakpa and the Director, Women and Gender Affairs of the Federal Ministry of Women Affairs and Social Development, Mrs. Esther Eghobamien Mshelia.

7. Commemoration of 2015 International Day of Peace

21st September of every year has been set aside by the United Nations for the observance of the International Day of Peace around the world. This day is meant to strengthen the ideals of peace both within and among all nations and peoples.

Women

Environmental

Programme (WEP) in

conjunction with the

Institute for Peace and

Conflict Resolution

(IPCR), Nigeria

Security and Civil

Defense Corp

(NSCDC), Ministry of

Niger Delta Affairs,

with support from the

United Nations

Development

Programme (UNDP),

commemorated the 2015 International Day of Peace in Abuja, Nigeria.



Novel Peace Walk to commemorate the 2015 International Day of Peace

The theme for the 2015 International Day of Peace was “Partnerships for Peace, Dignity for All”

The partners commemorated the day with activities ranging from press conference and advocacy visits to media houses to sensitize Nigerians on the need for peaceful co-existence and on the complimentary roles of different stakeholders to achieve peace in the country; Novel Football Peace Cup for secondary schools in Abuja; National Peace Prayers by Muslim and Christians; Social Media Peace Campaigns; Peace Walk and Peace Lecture. The activities to mark the 2015 International Day of Peace were heralded by a Press Conference at the Conference Hall of IPCR on 10th September, 2015. This was followed by other activities before the Peace Walk and Peace Lecture which took place on Monday, 21st September, 2015.

The Peace Walk started off from 3 different points: Eagle Square, Central Area, Abuja; Banex Plaza, Wuse II, Abuja and; IPCR’s office, near Church Gate, Central Area, Abuja and culminated into Peace Lecture at the Congress Hall of Transcorp Hilton. Professor Patricia Donli, the Guest Lecturer delivered a lecture on the topic “**Partnership for Peace and Security: The Role of Stakeholders in Nigeria’s Era of Change.**” Discussants of the lecture were: General Ishola Williams; Dr. (Mrs.) Hannatu Ibrahim, MFR; Prof. Abubakar Momoh; Prof. Sunday Ochoche; General Paul Boroh; and Prof. Dakas C.J. Dakas.

The Peace Lecture was well attended by Civil Society Organizations; labour unions; Diplomatic Corps; Government Ministries, Departments and Agencies; United Nations agencies; religious organizations; private sector and the media.

7. Innovative Initiative for Community Peace Building Network's Elections

The Innovative Initiative for Community Peace Building Network resulted from the harmonization of community peace-building networks formed from different peace projects and interventions from Women Environmental Programme (WEP), Institute for Peace and Conflict Resolution (IPCR), United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) and other partners. The network started operations under informal structure, with Interim Executives and was been supported by United Nations Development Programme. To formalize its structure, the Network was registered with the Corporate Affairs Commission of Nigeria. After registration, the Interim Executives were dissolved and a call for membership was placed in two national dailies – Daily Trust Newspaper of 3rd and the Guardian of 4th December, 2013. Applications were received from both old and new organizations. In 2014, the applications were evaluated and a total of 34 organizations emerged as successful members of Innovative Initiative for Community Peace Building Network.

Having recruited new members, it was time to establish leadership for the Network to take charge of all the affairs relating to the Network as well as chart a way forward for the Network. It was based on this that WEP convened a strategic meeting for members of the Network, in collaboration with the Institute for Peace and Conflict Resolution (IPCR), with support from the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) at Lapour Hotel, Plot 794, Okonjo-Iweala Way, Wuye District, Abuja, on 27th October, 2015. This meeting saw the election of officers into various offices of the Network.

Elected officials of the Network

S/N	Position	Name	Organization
1.	Network National Coordinator (NNC)	Ade Bodunde	Trios Human Development Foundation, Kwara State
2.	Deputy Network National Coordinator (DNNC)	Ms Olutoyin Falade	Innovative Strategy for Human Development, Lagos State.
3.	General Secretary	Mercy Chido	Family for Peace and Development Initiative, Abuja
4.	Asst. General Secretary	Auta Menson Elisha	Youth for Peace and Development Initiative, Kaduna State.
5.	Treasurer	Violet Ocheikwu	IANSA Women Network Nigeria, Abuja
6.	Financial Secretary	Mai Abba Umar	Community Empowerment Association, Borno State
7.	Communication and Publicity Officer	Femi Musa	Volunteers for Human Rights and Development, Kogi
8.	Capacity Building and Training Officer	Sa'ad Muh'd Hashidu	Community Empowerment and Development Association (CEDA), Gombe State
9.	Internal Auditor	Boniface Koson	Youth Progressive Association in Taraba (TYPA)
10.	Legal Adviser	Rev. Fr. Felix Apine ESQ	Foundation for Justice, Development and Peace
11.	Ex-Officio Members	Mrs. Ajayi Mary	Women's Organization for Development and Empowerment of Communities, Ogun State
12.		Kabiru Ahmed	Community Development Support, Kano State
13.		Stephanie Apel	Charles and Doosurgh Abaagu Foundation, Abuja

14.		Amaka Tony Michael	Global Health Awareness Research Foundation (GHARF), Enugu State.
15.		Ogwuche Otene	Gender and Environmental Risk Reduction Initiative, Benue State

After this meeting, the elected officials re-convened again at Lapour Hotel, to evolve innovative strategies to spearhead the affairs of the Network.



New Executives of Innovative Initiative for Community Peacebuilding pose for a group photograph immediately after their elections in Abuja

MEDIA REPORTS



MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES TO PROVIDE BOREHOLES, SANITARY FACILITIES

The Pointers Newspaper, Thursday, February 12, 2015, Page 9.

Water boreholes and sanitary facilities are to be provided in Ogwashi-Uku by the Federal Ministry of Water Resources with the involvement of women and girls from the community. According to the Ministry of Water Resources, Sanitation Facilities will also be provided in public places, especially markets, motor parks among others.

The Federal Ministry of Water Resources, Mrs. Sarah Ochekepe Who dropped the hint while flagging off a two-day Federal Ministry of Water Resources-Girls and Women Initiative in Nigeria (G-Win) Project in Ogwashi –Uku, Maintained that the project is aimed to enhance the economic well-being of both Women and Girls in the area.

According to the Minister who was represented by a director in the Ministry, Mrs Zuliat Muhammad, the programme that was put together in collaboration with Women Environmental Programme and African Themes Limited (ATL), among other things, is aimed to create employment and generate wealth with the sole aim of alleviating poverty through the provision of water Kiosks, Public sanitation faculties and the enhancement of capacity of women and girls who will own and upscale the facilities on an economic basis.

For effective implementation of the project, communities are to be put in place in the various communities where the pilot project is to be located. Therefore, sanitation and hygiene committees are to be established in the beneficiary communities. The communities are to monitor the public sanitation facilities and supervise caretakers on a regular basis in order to ensure that the facilities are properly operated and maintained.

“Furthermore, the community leaders are to ensure that individuals households build and properly operate and maintain their latrines and environments as a way of encouraging good healthy attitude and living”, she disclosed.

In his Remark, the chairman of Aniocha South council Area, chief Isaac Anwuzia called on beneficiaries of the program to ensure they channel the starter fund to the purpose for which it was given to them, adding that the fund will go a long way in enhancing their economic status if they apply them for the purpose they were meant for.

The representative of Women Environmental Programme (WEP), Mr John Baaki hinted that millions of people in sub Saharan Africa die from water borne diseases.

“It was for this reason the Federal Ministry of Water Resources in collaboration with our office came up with the idea of training girls and women on the importance of water sanitation. It is therefore important the beneficiaries of this pilot project take the training seriously” he said.

The Punch (Thursday, September 17, 2015) pg. 27

CLIMATE CHANGE, WEP AND WOMEN STORIES: by Greg Odogwu

We must connect the dots between climate change, water scarcity, energy shortages, global health, food security and women’s empowerment. Solutions to one problem must be solutions for all. – Ban Ki-moon. There is always a sense of urgent reality when people who directly experience the impacts of climate change discuss the matter. But there is definitely a greater sense of clear and present danger when women who feel these impacts lend their voices to the conversations. This is because naturally women are the ones who feel the direct impact of domestic challenges. Climate change has become a domestic concern especially in the developing world. Recently in Abuja, some Nigerian women told their stories to the world. Organized by the Women Environmental Program with the support of Women’s Environment and Development Organization, the event was under the project: Regional Actions for Climate Justice towards COP 21. As the world prepares for a historic climate change conference in Paris in December, it is apt to mobilize women for climate leadership and influence. As I watched the determination of these women in their demand for climate justice, I could not help wondering what would be their reaction if the worst fears of climate activists become the reality during COP 21. What if world leaders and scientists who shall be negotiating over our collective destinies in Paris fail to reach an agreement on the document that replaces the Kyoto Protocol? What would be the reaction of these women, who plan to arrive en masse in France – trust women, they vowed that even if it means trekking to Paris they would do that to tell world leaders how serious they are. One can only shudder at the contemplation of a worst-case scenario in Paris. Will the women occupy the streets of Paris with their most potent weapon – their bare womanness? Well, under the European cold, they may have to resort to other weapons. Nevertheless, Nigerian women in the delegation should go and consult historians to know about the Aba Women Riot of 1929, because the strategies that moved the colonial masters might just be what the women need to move world leaders of today. Women and girls of all ages, in all diversity and from every region of the world, are now speaking

with one voice. What are their concerns and what are they demanding? Women are gravely concerned about the lack of just and sufficient action on climate change by the world's leaders. They are concerned about the increasing number of disastrous mega storms that are killing people, eradicating species, and destroying ecosystems and livelihoods. They are concerned about sea-level rise and disappearing land masses, in addition to the serious environmental and human casualties caused by droughts, desertification, ocean acidification, water salination, crop failures, air pollution, oil spills, plastics and other pollution, glacier melt, record cold summers and warm winters, and out-of-season cyclones and tsunamis. They are concerned about all women and the communities and environments in which we live, including those of them from indigenous lands and oceanic societies who have contributed the least to climate disruption but who are suffering the greatest impacts first and most intensely. They are concerned that governments of the world are moving too slowly, with too little effort, and without the ambition, commitment or financing that it will take to stop and reverse the global climate crisis. They are stunned, upset and outraged that our future, and the future of our children, grandchildren, great grandchildren, and of all living beings and ecosystems is being abandoned for short-term self-interest and lack of vision, leadership and political will. They are determined to refuse to allow corporate control of the planet, their rights, or sanction a world that prioritizes growth and greed over human rights, decent and equal work, healthy ecosystems and a just distribution of wealth. They aver that as women and girls, they are not only facing severe impacts, but they are central to the implementation of real solutions that produce real results. Women therefore demand that they must be full and equal partners in the fight to combat global climate chaos. Ms Priscilla Achakpa the Executive Director of WEP was able to voice these feminine resolve, "Together, we are creating a mass movement for climate justice. Together, we pledge to take action. We call on all women, all girls and all of our allies to join us in this pledge, to join our Women's Global Call for Climate Justice and our 2015 Campaign of six actions, on six themes, over six months towards the UN Climate Meeting this December in Paris. We will talk, sing, shout, stand, and sit. We will lobby, hold vigils, protest, blockade, and barricade. We will take action in the smallest villages, the largest cities, the highest mountains, in the oceans, and at the UN Climate Conference." During the WEP women stories event, some rural women from different regions in Nigeria told the stories of how their yields in farms kept dwindling without them knowing the cause. These low yields are usually due to false starts in rainfall, and saturation of soil through flooding. There are some issues that came up through this forum that should be noted by the relevant stakeholders if we can make impact in mitigating the effects of climate change. It becomes obvious that women are not properly mainstreamed in these matters in Nigeria. The last administration of former President Goodluck Jonathan used to pride itself over the appointment of women into political appointments, which is supposed to be a strategy to make developmental deliverables trickle down to the women who make up a large chunk of the grassroots. To be fair, he did well in appointing women into

key political positions. But it must be noted that the environmental sector did not feel the political feminine leadership. The fact is that as long as climate change and the environment is concerned, only knowledgeable women in the sector can make a difference. In this sector, capacity is critical in order to make reasonable impact. A clear example is the reality of the last two environment ministers who were women, and yet could not make any noteworthy impact. In fact, the immediate past minister of environment is well known for her lack of capacity, and “cluelessness” in the sector, which obviously added to her fumbles, for instance the 9.2billion Naira clean cook stoves brouhaha. Secondly, women and gender based NGOs should consciously embrace environment and climate change issues in their advocacy projects because as it stands today, there are few of such platforms specializing on these issues. Unlike areas like HIV/AIDS, child/girl education, etc., climate change and the environment have very few NGOs engaged in it. Thirdly, our institutions have to make a conscious effort to help women take up expert positions in climate change leadership. For instance, no woman is seen in Nigeria’s negotiating team to the COPs; and none is even visible in the backup. This trend has to be consciously changed not just as an all-inclusive affair, but as a strategic development strategy in global engagements. It is very easy to see that when other countries sit together to discuss women-in-climate change and environment issues, Nigeria is scarcely represented. And as the world prepares to start implementing the Sustainable Development Goals this September, Nigeria may find itself outsourcing many fundamental processes that would have been easy for us to close if we have a formidable cadre of women environmentalists and development experts. The truth is that women must not be highly educated to affect development or grow a nation’s real sector. All they need is a little bit upgrade of their capacity and some hands-on coaching and training and they are ready to serve their communities. Nigeria can learn from India in its Barefoot College project, which raises unschooled rural women into technical experts and innovators overnight.

Vanguard (Friday September 25,2015) pg. 34

WEP CALLS ON FG TO FIX A RENEWABLE ENERGY TARGET: by Funmi Olasupo

ABUJA-The Women Environmental Programme (WEP) has called on federal government to fix a renewable energy target in order to reduce the amount of coal and gas used to generate energy in the country.

Speaking in Abuja at a one Day Forum on Gender Responsive Climate Change Agreement COP@21, the director, Heinrich Boll Stiftung Nigeria and West Africa Christine K said 100% of renewables will bring global carbon emission and save people’s livelihood in the North and in the south by a certain amount of time.

She said although the government cannot do everything but if the government can set the tone, the amount of coal and gas used to generate energy will be drastically reduced.

“I equally agree that if government cannot do everything but if it can set the tone, if there is such a policy and there is such a policy and there is a real action plan then already you are reducing the amount of coal used to produce energy.

“We don’t need yet another two years action plan that won’t see the light of the day because presently Nigeria is still sitting on 400mw which is far from it.

PARTNERS AND NETWORKS



WEP collaborates with agencies and community based organisations in the implementation of its activities and projects. Some of the activities implemented range from women political participation, promoting communities participation in slum development, environment protection, empowerment of youth and career development etc. These organisations include;

Donors

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Delegation of the European Commission to Nigeria

United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)

Irish Aid International

Global Environment Facility (Small Grant Programme)

African Women Development Fund (AWDF)

Water Supply and Sanitation Collaborative Council (WSSCC)

Global Greengrants Fund (GGF)

Federal Government of Nigeria

Federal Ministry of Environment

Federal Ministry of Water Resources

Federal Ministry of Women Affairs and Social Development

National Networking Partners

Charles & Doosurgh Abaagu Foundation

Community Emergency Response Initiative (CERI)

Shacks and Slum Dwellers Association of Nigeria

Innovative Initiative for Community Peace Building

Society for Water and Sanitation (NEWSAN)

Climate Change Network of Nigeria (CCNN)

Nigerian CAN

Benue NGOs Network (BENGONET)

Transition Monitoring Group

UNWOMEN Civil Society Advisory Group

Grand Alliance Against Terrorism (GAAT)
Green Alliance, Nigeria
GEF CSOs Network

Regional Working Partners

African Working Group on Gender and Climate Change
West African Network for Peacebuilding (WANEP) Nigeria
Network of African Peace-builders (NAPS)

Global Networking Partners

Women and Gender Constituency (WGC) of the UNFCCC
Women's Major Group-UN
Gender and Disaster Network
Gender and Climate Change Network
Global Land Tool Network
International Land Coalition (ILC)
Habitat International Coalition
Women for Water Partnership
World Alliance for Citizens Participation (CIVICUS)
Shacks and Slum Dwellers International (SDI)
Women's Environment and Development Organization (WEDO)
Women Engage for a Common Future (WECF)

HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT



In the year under review, WEP staff participated in the following meetings, workshops, and conferences:

- Two-day UN REDD+ Stakeholders' forum held at Channel View Hotel Calabar, from 7th-8th February 2015.
- Market Research Dissemination Workshop on Sanitation Marketing organized by Water Aid Nigeria From 19th -20th February at Reiz Continental Hotel, Abuja.
- Meeting of In-Country Team for Sanitation and Water for All 2015 High Level Meeting, organized by The National Task Group on Sanitation at Rock View Hotel, Abuja From 25th-26th March 2015.
- High Level Conference on Data Revolution in Africa, organized by Economic Commission for Africa in Ethiopia, Addis Ababa, from 27th-29th March, 2015.
- National Task Group on Sanitation Meeting at the NTGS Secretariat, Central Business District, Abuja on 20th April, 2015.
- One-Day National Stakeholders Initiation Workshop on the Development of Nigeria's Intended Nationally Determined Contributions (INDCs), held at Barcelona Hotel, Wuse II, Abuja 29th April 2015.
- National Task Group on Sanitation Meeting at NTGS Secretariat, Central Business District, Abuja on 30th April, 2015.
- Inauguration of Inter-Ministerial Steering Committee on National Environmental Sanitation and 2015 National Environmental Sanitation Day (NESD) pre-commemoration meeting held at Federal Ministry of Environment, Mabushi, Abuja on 30th April 2015
- 1 Day Strategic Membership Meeting of WSSCC Members Held at Crown Princess Hotel on 1st May ,2015 organized by WSSCC
- Rural Sanitation Promotion in Nigeria (RUSPIN) Programme of Global Sanitation Fund (GSF) held at NTGS Secretariat, Central Business District, Abuja, on 14th May, 2015.

- National Stakeholders Validation Meeting for Validation of the Completed 2013 Glass Questionnaire Report For Nigeria, at Reiz Continental Hotel, Abuja, on 27th, May, 2015.
- 14th Session of The Development Partners Coordinating Meeting on Water and Sanitation Sub Sector at Reiz Continental Hotel on 20th, May, 2015.
- Wash Emergency Meeting with the Minister of Water Resources towards the Fight Against Ebola, May, 2015.
- Two days dialogue on strengthening women's engagement on peace, security and reconciliation in the post-insurgency North-East. Organized by Institute For Peace And Conflict Resolution (IPCR) and Guidance Counselling Development Reconciliation Support (GCDRS), supported by United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), held at Gombe International Hotel from 9th – 10th June 2015.
- National Task Group on Sanitation Meeting on 23rd June, 2015, at NTGS Secretariat, Central Busines District, Abuja.
- The first session High Level Political Forum on Sustainable Development organized by Economic and Social Council at the United Nations Headquarters New York, from 29th June- 2nd July, 2015.
- Final Inter Governmental Negotiations on Sustainable Development Goals at United Nations Headquarters, New York, from 20th July- 2nd August, 2015.
- Joint Emergency Meeting of The National Task Group on Sanitation with Wash Sector Emergency Response Working Group at The Conference Hall of Federal Ministry of Water Resources, Abuja On 15th August, 2015.
- Re- National Emergency Flag-off Of Hand Washing Campaign To Prevent The Spread Of Ebola Virus at The Conference Hall of The Federal Ministry of Water Resources, Abuja, on 19th August, 2015
- 2015 Ministerial Platform on Water Sector Reform Programme in Nigeria, organized by The Federal Ministry of Water Resources, Abuja on 16th September, 2015.
- Stakeholder Session on Wateraid's Global Strategy 2015-2020 Held at Reiz Continental Hotel, Abuja on 18th September, 2015.
- 2 Days Stakeholder Meeting With State Task Group on Sanitation in Benue State on 1st – 2nd September, 2015 organized by WSSCC
- Wash Sector Emergency Response Working Group held at the Conference Hall of Federal Ministry of Water Resources, Abuja, on 17th September, 2015.
- 2 Days CSOs/STGs/LTGs Workshop On Equity and Inclusion Held in Benue State On 25th-28th September 2015 organized by WSSCC, Nigeria

- 2nd Consultation of the Inter-agency Expert Group on Sustainable Development Goal Indicators (IAEG-SDGS), held in Bangkok, Thailand, from 26th-28th October, 2015.
- One-week fossil fuels, climate change and women's rights exchange meeting organized by Kebetkache in collaboration with WOMIN, held at Beverly Hills Hotel, Port Harcourt, Rivers State, from Sept 27th - Oct 3rd, 2015.
- Consultation Meeting on Extractive Industries and Women Human Rights Defenders in Africa. Organized by AWID, held at Maanzoni Lodge, Nairobi, Kenya, from 16th -18th October 2015
- Society Cluster Meeting on BUHARIMETER organized by Centre for Democracy and Development at Ibeto Hotel Abuja on 29th October 2015.
- National Task Group on Sanitation Meeting on 24th October, 2015 at Theodak Plaza, Central Business District ,Abuja.
- 2014 Global Hand Washing Day Celebration Held at Asokoro Community School, Abuja on 15th October, 2014.
- Women for Water Partnership and Global Water Development Conference Held in Sri Lanka, 8-13 October, 2015.
- State Level Coordination of Wash Emergency Response organized by UNICEF at UNICEF Office, Abuja on 18th November, 2015.
- Multi- Stakeholder Forum on oil theft and illegal refining organized by CORDAID held at Transcorp Hilton Hotel, Abuja on 28th November 2015.
- 4 Days National Stakeholders Workshop on Draft Hygiene Promotion Strategy Held In Rockview Hotel, From 23rd-28th November, 2015 organized By UNICEF.
- National Task Group on Sanitation Meeting Held at Theodak Plaza on 29th November, 2015 in Abuja.
- 3rd NTGS Meeting for National Sustainable Total Sanitation Advisory Committee organized by Water Aid Nigeria On 12th December, 2015 At Stonehedge Hotel, Abuja.
- 11th Meeting Of The Wash Sector Emergency Response Working Group Held In UNICEF Office, Abuja on 16th December, 2015
- Abuja Climate Justice March organized by Abuja Climate Groups, on 2nd December, 2015
- 21st Conference of Parties (COP21) in Paris, France, from 5-12 December, 2015.

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DIRECTORS AND PROFESSIONAL ADVISERS

Board of Directors

Priscilla M. Achakpa
Dr. Kabiru Isyaku, Mni
Charles Abaagu
Mr. Yakubu Aliyu
Prof. David I. Ker
Anna Maria Abaagu

Executive Director
Director

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Advisory Board

Mrs. Sarah Jibril
Festus Okoye
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Bankers

Eagle Bank, Abuja
Heritage Bank, Abuja
United Bank for Africa Plc, Abuja
EcoBank, Abuja
Zenith Bank, Abuja

Auditors

PKF Professional Services
[Chartered Accountants]
Abuja, Nigeria.

WOMEN ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAMME

DIRECTORS REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2015

The Directors present to the members their report for the year ended December 31, 2015 together with the Financial Statements and report thereon.

Principal Activities

The main activities of the Programme are to protect the Economic and Social rights of Women, Youths and Children, Conflict Management and Environmental Issues, Research and Documentation.

Legal Form

The Programme is a non-profit making organization registered under part C of the Companies and Allied Matters Act of 1990.

	Dec. 2015 N	Dec. 2014 N
Result for the Year		
(Deficit)/ Profit for the Year	(665,772)	23,774,714

Fixed Assets

Information on the fixed assets owned by the Programme as at the end of this financial Period is given in note 2 to these financial statements.

Health, Safety and Welfare of Employees

The Programme places a high premium on the health, safety and welfare of its employees in their place of work.

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DIRECTORS REPORT- [CONTINUES] FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2015

Employees and Disabled Persons

No disabled persons were employed by the company during the year. However, it is the company's policy to consider disabled persons for employment bearing in mind the respective aptitudes and abilities of the applicants concerned. In the event of members of staff becoming disabled, every effort shall be made to ensure that their employment continues and appropriate training is arranged. It is the policy of the company that the training, career development and promotion of disabled persons should be identical with that of other employees.

Auditors

In accordance with section 357 (2) of the Companies and Allied Matters Act 1990, Messrs PKF Professional Services, Chartered Accountants, have indicated their willingness to continue in office. A resolution will be proposed authorizing the directors to determine their remuneration.

By Order of the Board



PROGRAMME SECRETARY

REPORT OF AUDITORS TO THE MEMBERS OF WOMEN ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAMME

We have audited the financial Statements of **Women Environmental Programme** for the year ended December 31, 2015 set out on pages 5 to 13, which have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

In accordance with the Companies and Allied Matters Act, 1990, the Programme trustees are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements. It is our responsibility as Auditors to form an independent opinion, based on our audit, on those financial statements and to report our opinion to you.

Basis of Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards. An audit includes examination, on a test basis, of evidence relevant to the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. It also includes an assessment of the significant estimates and judgment made by the directors in the preparation of the financial statements and of whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the Programme circumstances, consistently applied and adequately disclosed.

We planned and performed our audit so as to obtain all the information and explanations which we considered necessary in order to provide us with sufficient evidence to give reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material mis-statement, whether caused by fraud or other irregularity or error. In forming our opinion, we also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of information in the financial statements, and assessed whether the Programme books of account had been properly kept.

In common with many businesses of similar size and organization, the association's system of control is dependent upon the close involvement of the Directors who are the shareholders. Where independent confirmation of the completeness of the accounting records was therefore not available, we have accepted assurances from the Directors that the entire Programme transactions have been reflected in the records made available for our audit.

Opinion

Subject to the foregoing, in our opinion, these financial statements give a true and fair view of the state of the Programme affairs at December 31, 2015 and of the deficit and cash flows for the year ended on that date, and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies and Allied Matters Act, 1990.



PKF Professional Services
Chartered Accountants
Abuja, Nigeria

WOMEN ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAMME

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2015

The following are the significant accounting policies adopted in the preparation of these financial statements.

Basis of Accounting

The Financial Statements are prepared under the historical cost convention.

Taxation

The Programme is a non-profit making organization registered under part C of the Companies and Allied Matters Act 1990 and as such no provision is made for taxation in the Financial Statements.

Depreciation

Depreciation of fixed assets is provided on straight-line basis using the following annual rates:

Motor Vehicles	25%
Electricity/Generator	25%
Computer, Office Furniture, Fittings and Equipment	15%

Foreign Currency

The foreign currency balances are translated using the exchange rate as at the end of the period.

WOMEN ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAMME

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2015

		Dec.'31 2015	Dec.'31 2014
	Notes	N	N
Grants And Interest Received	1	36,287,915	136,755,216
Donations & Local contribution		970,000	844,896
Membership Dues		280,000	-
Exchange gain		4,040,292	-
		41,578,207	137,600,111
LESS EXPENDITURE			
Direct project expenditure	7	30,976,772	99,886,478
Payee		131,250	887,588
Workshop, Seminar and Affiliation Expenses		3,399,100	4,360,058
General maintainance		132,500	1,092,455
Postages and Telecommunications		30,000	-
Bank Charges		227,288	318,711
Advocacy Visit		2,832,500	1,862,650
Audit Fees		120,000	120,000
Depreciation		3,767,619	3,717,819
Insurance		-	549,800
Newspapers/Periodicals		4,350	58,800
Electricity and Water		110,800	125,000
Computer Maintenance		102,500	15,000
Security Fees			20,000
Medical Bills		-	30,000
Rent and Rates		148,300	-
Gift and Present		50,000	-
Legal and Professional Fees		50,000	456,500
Internet		161,000	306,000
Exchange loss		-	18,539
		42,243,979	113,825,397
Deficit for the year		(665,772)	23,774,714

WOMEN ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAMME

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT DECEMBER 31, 2015

	Notes	Dec.' 31 2015 N	Dec.' 31 2014 N
Fixed Assets	2	<u>58,947,054</u>	<u>49,973,813</u>
CURRENT ASSETS			
Other Debtors	3	5,563,692	5,193,082
Bank Balances	4	<u>11,727,380</u>	<u>21,616,899</u>
		<u>17,291,072</u>	<u>26,809,980</u>
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Creditors and Accruals	5	<u>240,000</u>	<u>120,000</u>
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>17,051,072</u>	<u>26,689,980</u>
NET ASSETS		<u>75,998,126</u>	<u>76,663,794</u>
FINANCED BY:			
Accumulated Fund	6	<u>75,998,126</u>	<u>76,663,794</u>





DIRECTORS

The Statement of Accounting Policies on page 5 and Notes on page 10 - 13 form part of these Financial Statements.

WOMEN ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAMME					
STATEMENT OF CASH FLOW					
AS AT DECEMBER 31, 2015					
				Dec.31	Dec.31
				2015	2014
				N	N
		Notes			
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES					
Cash From Operating Activities:					
Cash receipts from donor				41,578,207	137,600,111
Payments to suppliers and employees				<u>(38,726,866)</u>	<u>(114,913,160)</u>
Net cash provided by operating activities				<u>2,851,341</u>	<u>22,686,951</u>
Cash flows from Investing Activities					
Interest Received				-	
Purchase of fixed assets				(12,740,860)	(5,267,000)
Net cash used in investing activities				<u>(12,740,860)</u>	<u>(5,267,000)</u>
Net Increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents				(9,889,519)	17,419,951
Cash & cash equivalent 1st January				<u>21,616,899</u>	<u>4,196,948</u>
Cash & cash equivalent 31 December				<u>11,727,380</u>	<u>21,616,899</u>

WOMEN ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAMME					
STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSET					
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER, 2015					
			Restricted fund N	Unrestricted fund N	Total N
Balance at 1 January 2015			76,663,794	-	76,663,794
Deficit for the year			(665,772)	-	(665,772)
Prior year adjustment			<u>104</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>104</u>
Balance at 31 December 2015			<u>75,998,126</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>75,998,126</u>
Balance at 1 January 2014			52,836,580	-	52,836,580
Surplus for the year			23,774,714	-	23,774,714
Prior year adjustment			<u>52,500</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>52,500</u>
Balance at 31 December 2014			<u>76,663,794</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>76,663,794</u>

WOMEN ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAMME						
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS						
AS AT DECEMBER 31, 2015						
2	FIXED ASSETS	Land & Building	Motor Vehicles	Generator	Office Furn. & Equipment	TOTAL
	Costs		N	N	N	N
	As at 01/01/2015	41,400,000	28,125,000	1,730,000	6,228,500	77,483,500
	Additions During the Year	12,408,860	-	-	332,000	12,740,860
	As at 31/12/2015	<u>53,808,860</u>	<u>28,125,000</u>	<u>1,730,000</u>	<u>6,560,500</u>	<u>90,224,360</u>
	Depreciation					
	As at 01/01/2015	-	21,486,400	1,416,564	4,606,723	27,509,687
	Charge for the Year	-	3,231,801	156,719	379,099	3,767,619
	As at 31/12/2015	<u>-</u>	<u>24,718,201</u>	<u>1,573,283</u>	<u>4,985,822</u>	<u>31,277,306</u>
	Net Book Value					
	As at 31:12:2015	<u>53,808,860</u>	<u>3,406,799</u>	<u>156,717</u>	<u>1,574,678</u>	<u>58,947,054</u>
	As at 31:12:2014	<u>41,400,000</u>	<u>6,638,600</u>	<u>313,436</u>	<u>1,621,777</u>	<u>49,973,813</u>

WOMEN ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAMME						
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS						
AS AT DECEMBER 31, 2015						
					Dec.'31	Dec.'31
					2015	2014
					N	N
1	GRANTS AND INTEREST:					
	Federal Ministry of Environment				-	18,777,860
	Federal Ministry of Water resources				-	85,276,913
	GEF				-	482,809
	United Nations Development Programme				786,000	32,217,107
	Women Environmental Programme				36,000	-
	Water Supply Sanitation & Collaboration Council				20,298,037	-
	Global GreenGrants Fund				2,623,620	-
	Women Environment and Development Organizations				4,618,999	-
	African Women Development Fund				4,311,360	-
	OXFAM				325,000	-
	Global Environmental Center				480,408	-
	European Commission				2,807,119	-
	Interest				1,372	527
					<u>36,287,915</u>	<u>136,755,216</u>

WOMEN ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAMME

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AS AT DECEMBER 31, 2015

		Dec.'31 2015 \$	Dec.'31 2014 \$
1 GRANTS AND INTEREST:			
Federal Ministry of Environment	-	95,561.63	
Federal Ministry of Water resources	-	433,979.20	
GEF	-	2,457.04	
United Nations Development Programme	4,000.00	163,954.74	
Women Environmental Programme	183.21	-	
Water Supply Sanitation & Collaboration Council	103,297.90	-	
Global GreenGrants Fund	13,351.76	-	
Women Environment and Development Organizations	23,506.36	-	
African Women Development Fund	21,940.76	-	
OXFAM	1,653.94	-	
Global Environmental Center	2,444.82	-	
European Commission	14,285.59	-	
Interest	6.98	2.68	
	184,671.32	695,955.30	

WOMEN ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAMME						
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS						
AS AT DECEMBER 31, 2015						
					Dec.'31	Dec.'31
					2015	2014
					€	€
1	GRANTS AND INTEREST:					
	Federal Ministry of Environment				-	87,703.40
	Federal Ministry of Water resources				-	398,292.22
	GEF				-	2,255.00
	United Nations Development Programme				3,671.07	150,472.41
	Women Environmental Programme				168.14	-
	Water Supply Sanitation & Collaboration Council				94,803.50	-
	Global GreenGrants Fund				12,253.81	-
	Women Environment and Development Organizations				21,573.38	-
	African Women Development Fund				20,136.53	-
	OXFAM				1,517.94	-
	Global Environmental Center				2,243.78	-
	European Commission				13,110.86	-
	Interest				6.41	2.46
					169,485.43	638,725.49

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AS AT DECEMBER 31, 2015

		Dec.'31 2015 N	Dec.'31 2014 N
3	OTHER DEBTORS		
	Staff Loans	1,613,260	952,650
	WEP Projects International	3,640,432	4,240,432
	Others	310,000	-
		<u>5,563,692</u>	<u>5,193,082</u>
4	CASH AND BANK BALANCES		
	Eagle Bank	2,143	2,143
	Heritage Bank (Garki)	7,845	7,845
	Heritage Bank (General)	14,423	951,294
	UBA Dollar	7,456,236	1,813,991
	UBA - Current Account	2,138,039	11,242,760
	UBA Makurdi	1,152	17,770
	EcoBank - irish	27,604	27,604
	EcoBank Misereor	(37,038)	(37,038)
	Ecobank Co-operative	103,384	103,384
	Zenith Bank	143,804	6,194,726
	UBA Euro 2	803,715	565,683
	UBA Euro 1	595,618	21,406
	Heritage Bank (BNRCC)	470,455	705,330
		<u>11,727,380</u>	<u>21,616,899</u>
5	CURRENT LIABILITIES		
	Accrued Audit Fees	<u>240,000</u>	<u>120,000</u>
		<u>240,000</u>	<u>120,000</u>
6	ACCUMULATED FUND		
	Balance Brought Forward	76,663,794	52,836,580
	Surplus for the Year	(665,772)	23,774,714
	Prior year Adjustment (reversal on Guarantee fees)	<u>104</u>	<u>52,500</u>
		<u>75,998,126</u>	<u>76,663,794</u>