

Activities

- Data collection
- Development of anti- FGM strategies
- Sensitization and education seminars at all levels of society
- Cooperation with institutions, police, hospitals, schools and at political level
- Organization of seminars and training workshops for multipliers
- Monitoring and evaluation
- Public relations (participation in events such as Kilimanjaro Marathon, football challenge cups at village level)
- Networking of women's organizations and groups)
- Construction of shelters, Daycarecenters and Kindergardens)
- Managment of sponsorships of Maasai girls (organize their schooling and accommodation – to vocational training or University)
- Training of income generating activities –
Four windows action: maasai woman say no to female mutilation, force marriage, early pregnant and fight for education
Soap production, Sewing and manufacture of traditional jewelery, (Bracelets)

Behavior and attitude change require appropriate dissemination of information, sensitization and training of grass-roots communities.



We care about our daughters!

Fundings

NAFGEM's work is carried out with funds received from members' fees, dues, grants, subscriptions and donations from friends and supporters.

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Forwards Womens Rights Dignity & Integrity



Women and girl health is our aim!



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What is NAFGEM?

NAFGEM stands for Network against Female Genital Mutilation, an association of individuals, groups, institutions and other NGOs dedicated to the eradication of FGM in Tanzania.

Founded in 1999 NAFGEM is a legally registered NGO under the Societies Ordinance, 1954. It is non-religious and non-political.

Vision

Society without harmful traditional practices notably FGM, child marriage and other types of GBV against women and girls. Forwards Womens Rights, Dignity & Integrity

Mission

Community sensitization and awareness creation on effects of harmful traditional practices for the protection and restoration of women and girls dignity.

The FGM Custom

Victims of FGM are over 2 million girls forced to the ritual annually. In Tanzania it is estimated that over 15 million women are victims. NAFGEM operates in northern Tanzania where FGM prevalence rate is up to 70 %. FGM is against the law in Tanzania. However, implementation of the law is very challenging.

FGM has very serious and irreversible physical, social and psychological effects on the victims. Some of the effects are:

- Extreme pain and shock
- Extensive bleeding which may lead into deaths
- Infection including possible HIV-transmission
- Problems during childbirth, increased stillbirths
- Urine incontinence
- Fistula

Target Groups

Our main focus is the grassroots communities, who believe in, and carry on with the practice. It is here that the socio-cultural mechanisms interweave. Community bases organizations (CBOs) as well as other NGOs, traditional and government institutions are targeted as entry points and also as partners.

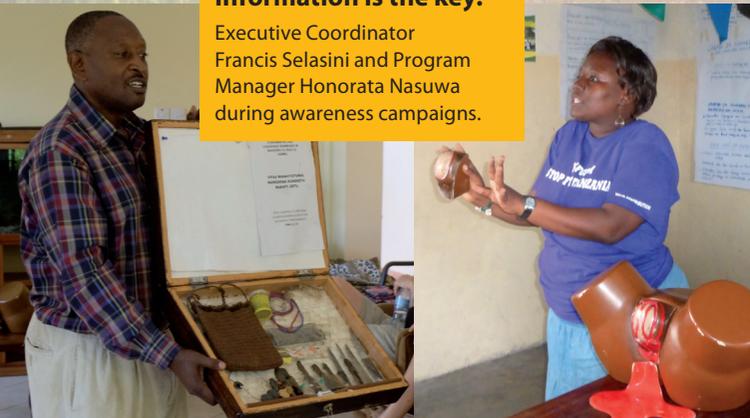
Aims and objectives

FGM and child marriage in Tanzania through proactive engagement of all social groups in communities embracing such practice. FGM is directly linked to child marriage. After FGM, girls are declared women and ready for marriage irrespective of the age unfortunately. NAFGEM has the following specific objectives:

- To identify those areas/ communities where FGM and child marriage is still widely practiced.
- To design and carry out special sensitization and awareness raising programs with participation of the relevant communities.
- To empower groups/communities especially women and girls in designing strategies that will enable them to eradicate the inhumane practices.
- To strengthen cooperation among various anti FGM activists through information exchange, sharing of resources, etc.
- To use the experience and lessons learned from the campaign towards the eradication of other harmful traditions against women.

Information is the key!

Executive Coordinator Francis Selasini and Program Manager Honorata Nasuwa during awareness campaigns.



Young schoolgirls need to be informed



"Four windows campaign"

- Say NO to FGM
- NO to child marriage
- NO to child pregnancies
- Support girls' education

Handmade "four windows" Logo

