REPORT OF COMMUNITY PEACE ARCHITECTURE FORUM BOKKOS LGA. FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH 2022

The Community Peace Architecture Forum C-PAF platform is a localized structure that provides opportunity for community stakeholders to come together to discuss emerging threats to peace, exchange ideas and proffer community driven solutions to help douse tension in their communities, emerging threats to peace with an underlined focus on organizing response mechanism to mitigate violence at the community level

This structure serves as an instrument for the decentralization of the Plateau State Peace Building Agency (PPBA), bringing together, relevant stakeholders to brainstorm on ways in which they can induce active participation on solution driven tactics that will help tackle the challenges

The stakeholders admitted that some level of progress as far as Peace and security in the area is concern has been achieved, but there is still more work to be done stating that;

- Indiscriminate felling of trees. The government at all levels should be urged to take decisive steps to address the issue.
- Both the farmers and Herders should sensitize their people on the dangers of allowing animals eat 'pershi' (Irish not yet ready for harvest) because it is harmful.

After extensive deliberation, the stakeholders agreed on the following points:

- Allow for the rule of law to prevail by meting out punitive measures to all individuals or groups who run afoul of the law irrespective of their backgrounds and ethnicity.
- That government should enact laws in the local government which will help curb crime and criminality.
- Some security men are alleged to be complicit in illicit drug dealing and thus the community finds it difficult to address the situation.
- They say the CPAF platform is really important because the raining season is fast approaching and, there is need to sensitize the people in other to minimize the issue of farmers and herders conflict

- There is an underage grazing, thus young herders need elders to guide and coach them in the process herding.

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