

REPORT OF COMMUNITY PEACE ARCHITECTURE FORUM FOR BOKKOS L.G.A. FOR THE MONTH OF MAY 2022

Community Peace Architecture Forum (CPAF) is a monthly meeting platform with support from GIZ through the instrumentality of its PEACECORE project currently implemented in partnership with the PPBA. The platform provides an opportunity for state and non-state actors working for peace and security as well as key stakeholders in communities to interact, dialogue, review, share experience of best practices as well as foster mutual cooperation and synergy. It also serves as a platform for learning exchange, progress reports of peace initiatives specifically focused on farmer-herder challenges. This is with a view to highlight or identify actionable points so as to facilitate mediation and dialogue processes which will lead to sustainable transformation of conflict.

Contextual Issues

During the meeting, the forum highlighted the following as triggers and precursors to conflict in Bokkos Local Government Area.

- i. Land grabbing has remained a challenge in Josho community as the locals find it difficult to cultivate their lands.
- ii. The intentional destruction of farm land by suspected herdsmen is also a challenge in Josho and kwatas communities.
- iii. Josho community is currently facing issues related to land grabbing and stereotyping of the Fulani Community.
- iv. The youths in Kwatas community protested against the Herders in the area because it is suspected that the Herders murdered the youth leader of kwatas community.

Actionable Point;

The CPAF standing committee would visit Josho community with the aim of holding a dialogue then report back to the forum before or during the next meeting. Where necessary, the PPBA will attend the said dialogue.

PICTURE GALLERY

