

REPORT OF COMMUNITY PEACE ARCHITECTURE FORUM (C-PAF) RIYOM LGA. FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH, 2022

The community peace architecture forum which has been established as a local structure set up by the Plateau Peace Building Agency for the decentralization of its activities, in line with one of the milestone of the GIZ/PEACECORE PROJECT and the five (5) year strategic plan of the Agency which is engaging key stakeholders at the grass root levels and enhancing their capacity in security and peace building process.

Furthermore, it is a safe space and a platform for stakeholders to learn from each other, and communicate their fears, challenges, exchange ideas on solutions, and other initiatives specifically focused on farmer-herder challenge with a view to identify actionable points to facilitate mediation and dialogue processes in support to a sustainable transformation of conflict in their respective communities.

Here is the outcome from the deliberations;

- Four more members were co-opted into the committee. The CAN Chairman in the locality was asked to chair the committee.
- That the movement of cattle between Riyom and other border LGAs should be monitored.
- More attention should be focused on Wereng¹¹ because it is the route through which cattle pass from Bassa to Jos South.
- That the traditional council should look into setting up a peace committee comprising Farmers and herders that will facilitate the peaceful and harmonious coexistence of their people.
- People of questionable character and perpetrators of crime living in communities should be reported to relevant security agencies for necessary action.
- There should be sustained systematic dialogue between farmers and herders in various communities to evolve means of preventing conflict during the forthcoming farming season.
- The authorities in Riyom should establish an inter-boundary security vigilante with neighbouring LGA to check the indiscriminate movement of persons and animals, as well as, to prevent spill over of conflict.

