

REPORT OF COMMUNITY PEACE ARCHITECTURE FORUM SHENDAM LGA FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL

The Plateau Peace Building Agency (PPBA) is a Government institution that is non-partisan and serves as a dedicated institutional framework for the effective coordination of all conflict prevention and peacebuilding activities in Plateau state.

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 C-PAF platform is a localized structure that provides opportunity for community stakeholders to come together, talk about the challenges they face as regards peace and security and find solutions to them. Also, it is an avenue for harvesting ideas and discussing emerging threats to peace as well as proffering solutions to mitigate violence at the community level. This structure serves as an instrument for the decentralization of the PPBAs activities at the local level.

After extensive deliberation, the following actionable points were raised;

- The Ardo and the chairman of AFAN will speak to Farmers and herders so as to encourage them to take the path of non-violence in resolving conflict issues.
- A committee should be constituted that will take a tour of the wards in Shendam LGA and identify areas which have the potential of generating conflict issues during this rainy season and give a feed back to the platform before or during the next meeting.
- A committee should be constituted comprising of farmers and herders who will operate under the Local Government Council. (Security Desk Officer).
- The traditional leadership of Lakushi Community is encouraged to connect with the community stakeholders with a view to bridging gaps and promoting cooperation and synergy.
- Herders are advised to avoid using under age children for grazing as the rainy season is setting in.
- Kawan people (farmers/herders) should take charge of their area.
- Chairman AFAN and Miyetti Allah can attend the meeting between Shendam, Qua’an Pan and Mikang.
- Farmers and herders in Lakushi agreed that they will both benefit from each other.
- The Traditional Council would invite the Ward Head of Lakushi for a meeting.
- Shendam LGC should set up a join committee between farmers/herders.
- The meeting agreed that stakeholders present should step down resolutions to their respective communities and associations.

