PRACTICAL EXPERIENCE ON PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON ENVIRONMENTAL DECISION MAKING – RABAT MOROCCO
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General Mission statement on solid waste management in Tanzania

- Provide the citizens of Tanzania municipalities area with sustainable sewerage, drainage and solid waste services in an effective and affordable manner in order to improve the environment for the current and future inhabitants.
Public participation in our contexts is viewed as engaging stakeholders and community to contribute their resources in managing environmental issues.

In other ways is taken, as inter/intra personal relationship in tackling a specific task in hand.
How we use PP in decision making

Background
In these two Municipalities the PP decision – making started when the municipalities were not able to manage solid waste as an government institution.
The PP started by involvement of communities during the cleaning up days.

Communities started formulation of community groups which are responsible for collecting solid waste from the house holds except hospital wastes.

Community groups are responsible for collecting revenues from the house holds where they collect wastes. The community groups remains with the money for their day to day activities.
The councils has the role of building capacities and networking the community with interested NGOs which support Environmental interventions.

Formal meetings with Municipal councils, community groups, and community leaders to discuss successes, challenges and way forward (quarterly bases).
Success stories

- 20 (Dodoma) and 12 (Zanzibar) community groups formed, 90% are women based groups.
- They have created employment to 10–15 people per group.
- No or little heaps of refuse in the street as it used to be when the Municipalities were solely responsible for SWM.
Success stories...

- Decrease of communicable diseases eg Cholera
- There are community ownership of the intervention
- Financial organization conducted training to the community groups on IGAs and support.
Challenges

- The capacity to reach increased population
- Lack of solid waste facilities like sanitary land fill, trucks, bulldozers and compacters etc
- Low knowledge among community members on solid wastes
- Inadequate funds allocated by Municipals on SWM
- Inadequate skilled staff in Municipalities
- Poor urban planning and squatters
- Networking with various stakeholders
Way forward

- Inventory taking of stakeholders and soliciting for collaboration.
- To Increase community sensitization including use of available media
- To Solicit for DONOR support (World Bank and others)
Pictures showing indiscriminate duping sites within the settlements
Municipal tracks collection refuse from the secondary collection centers