

# Civic Education and Psychosocial Rehabilitation Workshop



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**EZO COUNTY  
WESTERN EQUATORIA STATE**

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## **1. Brief history of Ezo County.**

Ezo County was part of greater Tombura. It has one ethnic group only the Zande tribe. The other tribes that are in Ezo have come there as the result of the displacement by the war, either they are soldiers or traders. Ezo County is on the three International borders with Sudan, DR Congo & Central Africa Republic. There is a big market on the point marketing the three border Countries every Saturday. The border has divided people of the same tribe, culture and language.

Although the Comprehensive peace agreement (CPA) was signed in January 2005, the people just heard about it but were not properly enlightened and sensitised about it so that they can own the CPA for effective implementation. In the recent past, two events of conflict happened in Ezo.

1-SPLA-SDF (former government army now part of the Joint Integrated Army called JIU) conflict

2-Zande-Dinka inert-ethnic conflict

The remoteness of Ezo County, from the borders of Uganda and Kenya, also present challenges for local communities as manufactured goods are brought from these areas. This has made prices of goods to be very high. Sometimes twice or triple the prices at the places bordering Uganda & Kenya or Juba.

## **2. Attendance:**

52 PARTICIPANTS were in attendance. The participants were invited from the following groups of community:

- Church Leaders
- Payam Administrators and Bomas
- Chiefs
- The army
- The Police
- Women groups
- Youth groups and
- Teachers

At the beginning of the workshop, participants noted the following expectations for this workshop:

- 1-Harmony in Ezo County and with the people of South Sudan at large.
- 2-Understanding of trauma
- 3-True reconciliation between people in Ezo County.
- 4-Healing the past wounds.
- 5-Importance of knowing the CPA.
- 6- To carry on the implementation process of the CPA.
- 7-To gain more knowledge about human rights.
- 8-Address issues of war victims, e.g. orphans, disable and widows etc.
- 9- Good governance.

## 10- Social transformation, peace through development

### 3. Recommendations for future workshops.

- The participants suggested that this type of workshop in Civic Education and Trauma Healing should be conducted in army garrisons, through out South Sudan. And among Zande, Ballanda, Dinka and other aggressive tribes of the Sudan.
- In the future workshop should be in form of short courses with more days enough to cover detail of each topic, specially the urgent need to enlighten south Sudanese about the new constitution ahead of time before the referendum.
- Proactive processes to build and empower the grassroots to mobilize and carry the activities within the time frame of the CPA. Participants commit themselves to carry the information back to their various administrative areas. E.g. county, payam and bomas.
- Follow-up workshop as a process implementation monitoring/evaluation programme to achieve desire impact/result.



A participant telling her story of trauma



Group discussion



*Opening session*

*Participants share about themselves*

*Group Picture at the close of the workshop*



**(H) NAMES OF PARTICIPANTS.**

- 1-Bernard Kumbora**
- 2-Peter Ngaranyasi**
- 3-Peter Anizanga**
- 4-Benjamin Mangawai**
- 5-William Gaitano**
- 6-John Wagina**
- 7-William Lazarus**
- 8-Cecilia Daugu**
- 9-Simon Ngaranyasi**
- 10-Luka Felix**
- 11-Richard Mbatayo**
- 12-William Nzorasi**
- 13-Joice Bapene**
- 14-Samuel Apoul**
- 15-Mariana Albert**
- 16-Victoria Tutuo**
- 17-Madelina Onorio**
- 18-Dominic Mbrazza**
- 19-Bernard Mbuma**
- 20-Sandeline Keloto**
- 21-Freecer Arube**
- 22-Benti Narkisio**
- 23-John Waali**
- 24-Kennet Elisapa**
- 25-Regina Gbatato**
- 26-Jeckson Barnaba**
- 27-Graciala Bima**
- 28-James Duasangi**

**29-Eugenio Bazee**  
**30-Fhatina Kitowasi**  
**31-Martin Basi**  
**32-William Agbambi**  
**33-Peter Basa**  
**34-Clement Kumboakpa**  
**35-Jackino Leone**  
**36-Mario Kumbo**  
**37- Juma Wandé**  
**38-Issah Gbatanyaki**  
**39-Anjelo Sarawa**  
**40-Patrick Bafuka**  
**41-Morice Jerom**  
**42-Alisan APoul**  
**43-Cyliro Kumborani**  
**44-Paulino Mbianikpi**  
**45-John Biar**  
**46-Micheal Gaitano**  
**47-Rebecca Khamis**  
**48-Micheal Kparakindi**  
**49-ElizabethGbai**  
**50-Margaret Manase**  
**51-WilliamPeter**  
**52-Gbreale Bakindebida**