

NMJD Trains Elected and Appointed Female Leaders from Six Local Wards in Karene District

NMJD, under the Ireland Civil Society Programme (ICSP), with funding from Irish Aid through Trócaire and in collaboration with Karene District Council (KDC), has facilitated a day of capacity building on the 5th July 2024 for 36 elected and appointed female leaders, including Councilors and Ward Development Committee (WDC) members from six local wards in Karene district. This training covered key topics such as Local Governance Systems and Procedures, Roles and Responsibilities of Councilors and WDCs, Leadership Skills, and Fundraising Strategies.

The capacity building was aimed at strengthening the skills and knowledge of female leaders in local governance and community development. It sought to enhance their understanding of council proceedings and functions, enabling them to effectively represent their constituents and contribute to sustainable local development in their communities. Additionally, the female leaders received guidance on fundraising strategies and resource mobilization techniques to support community development projects and initiatives. The training emphasized the importance of gender equality and women's empowerment in local governance and highlighted the valuable contributions that female leaders can make to local and national development.

Overall, the capacity-building event successfully equipped female leaders in Karene district with the necessary skills and knowledge to effectively participate in local governance and contribute to the sustainable development of their communities. The NMJD team and Karene District Council will continue to support and empower female leaders to play a significant role in promoting inclusive and participatory development processes in the district. The engagement was witnessed by the KDC Chairman and the Deputy Chief Administrator.



A cross-section of women participants at a breakout group work session.