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About the Network of African Human Rights Institutions

The Network of African National Human Rights Institutions (NANHRI) is a not-for profitorganisation that brings together 46 National Human Rights Institutions (NHRIs) in Africa. The Secretariat of the Network is hosted by the Kenya National Commission on Human Rights in Nairobi, Kenya. The Network supports the establishment and strengthening of the NHRIs across the continent in addition to facilitating coordination, cooperation amongst members and linking them to other key human rights actors at the regional and international level.

Vision

An African continent with enhanced human rights and justice for all.

Mission

To support the establishment and strengthening of Paris Principles-compliant national human rights institutions that effectively discharge their mandate.

Values and Guiding Principles

To achieve its mission and vision, NANHRI is committed to the following: -

Transparency

Accountability

Openness

Cooperation

Professionalism

Gender Equality

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List of Abbreviations

- ACERWC African Committee of Experts on the Rights and Welfare of the Child
- ACPHR African Commission on Human and Peoples' Rights
- AfCPHR African Court on Human and Peoples' Rights
- AfCFTA African Continental Free Trade Area
- APCOF African Policing Civilian Oversight Forum
- ARFSD Africa Regional Forum on Sustainable Development
- ASRHR Adolescent Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights
- AU African Union
- BHR Business and Human Rights
- CNDH Commission Nationale des Droits Humains
- CSO Civil Society Organisation
- DIHR Danish Institute for Human Rights
- ECOWAS Economic Community of West African States
- GANHRI Global Alliance of National Human Rights Institutions
- HRDs Human Rights Defenders
- NANHRI Network of African National Human Rights Institutions
- NHRI National Human Rights Institution

Message from the Chairperson



Let us take a moment to reflect on the remarkable progress NANHRI has made throughout the year 2024 in advancing human rights across Africa.

One of our most notable achievements this year was the establishment of our Partnership and Liaison Office in Addis Ababa. This strategic move has significantly strengthened our ability to advocate for human rights while deepening our partnerships with the African Union Commission and other regional stakeholders. It also ensures that our activities align closely with our mission to enhance NHRIs in line with the Paris Principles.

Furthermore, our engagement in regional platforms, such as

the African Commission on Human and Peoples' Rights and the African Court on Human and Peoples' Rights, has been key in advancing our advocacy. The Memorandum of Understanding we signed with the Court represents a significant milestone in fostering stronger collaboration moving forward.

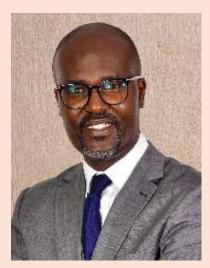
The inaugural NHRI Forum at the margins of the 44th Ordinary Session of the African Committee of Experts on the Rights and Welfare of the Child was another major milestone, offering a platform for important discussions on emerging human rights challenges and further strengthening collaboration among NHRIs.

We have also taken bold steps in addressing systemic human rights challenges, notably through a Human Rights Defenders Scorecard meant to assist in monitoring the implementation by states of the Marrakech Declaration on Expanding the civic space and promoting and protecting human rights defenders, in partnership with NHRI.EU.

Thank you for your ongoing support and leadership as we work together to promote human rights across our continent.

Dr. Joseph Whittal NANHRI Chairperson,

Message from the Executive Director



I am pleased to reflect on NANHRI's key accomplishments and initiatives throughout 2024, which have significantly shaped the human rights landscape in Africa.

NANHRI made remarkable progress in strengthening NHRIs across the continent by supporting the accreditation process and fostering greater government support. Major achievements include the launch of the report on the "Status of Transgender and Intersex Persons in Selected African States," which highlighted the critical legal and healthcare challenges that these communities face.

We enhanced our partnerships with civil society, and regional

and continental stakeholders by hosting the first-ever NHRI Forum at the 44th Ordinary Session of the African Committee of Experts on the Rights and Welfare of the Child, and signing a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the African Court on Human and Peoples' Rights.

Our commitment to protecting Human Rights Defenders (HRDs) included providing subgrants to the NHRIs in Ethiopia and Liberia, as well as developing a HRDs' scorecard. We also strengthened our engagement with climate justice through a new MOU with the Pan African Climate Justice Alliance, which integrates rights-based approaches into climate action. Our participation in international forums, such as the 29th annual meeting of the Conference of the Parties (COP29), emphasized the importance of a balanced approach to addressing climate change.

The establishment of a Partnership and Liaison Office in Addis Ababa has improved our advocacy efforts and strengthened our ties with the African Union Commission. Moreover, our commitment to transparency has fostered donor confidence in NANHRI's dedication to promoting human rights and strengthening NHRIs. We look forward to continued progress and collaboration with our partners in the years ahead.

Thank you for your unwavering support.

Mr. Gilbert Sebihogo

NANHRI Executive Director,

Executive Summary

In 2024, NANHRI played a pivotal role in advancing human rights across Africa through strategic partnerships and advocacy for marginalized communities. A key milestone was the establishment of a Partnership and Liaison Office in Addis Ababa, enhancing NANHRI's ability to advocate for human rights and foster partnerships with the African Union Commission (AUC) and regional actors. This office helped align activities with NANHRI's mission to strengthen NHRIs in adherence to the Paris Principles.

NANHRI's advocacy was further strengthened by its active engagement with regional platforms such as the African Commission on Human and Peoples' Rights (ACHPR) and the African Court on Human and Peoples' Rights, culminating in a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to enhance collaboration with the Court. The organization also tackled systemic human rights violations, notably through the Scorecard project, which addresses the historical impact of colonial-era vagrancy laws in partnership with APCOF.

Efforts to combat torture and ill-treatment were boosted by a new partnership with DIGNITY - Danish Institute Against Torture, resulting in successful workshops and strategic planning sessions. Additionally, NANHRI organized the first-ever ACERWC NHRI Forum, facilitating discussions on emerging human rights challenges.

NANHRI's transparent financial reporting has earned it the trust of donors and stakeholders, enabling effective implementation of initiatives. Media coverage further solidified its reputation as a key player in human rights advocacy.

In conclusion, 2024 marked significant progress for NANHRI, underscoring its role in legal reform, capacity-building, and human rights advocacy across Africa, positioning the organization to make even greater strides in the future.

STRATEGIC OBJECTIVE ONE: ENHANCED CAPACITY OF NHRIS IN AFRICA TO DELIVER ON THEIR MANDATE



Accreditation/Paris Principles

Through targeted capacity-building workshops and technical support, NANHRI contributed to significant milestones across multiple institutions. The Cameroon Human Rights Commission successfully enhanced its institutional framework and accreditation readiness, culminating in its re-accreditation with A status. In Togo, the CNDH deepened its understanding of the Paris Principles and strengthened its institutional capacity, positioning itself for a comprehensive review in March 2025. Meanwhile, on 5th – 7th March 2024 Botswana's Ombudsman transitioned smoothly into its expanded role as a National Human Rights Institution, effectively addressing key legislative and operational gaps.

NANHRI's involvement in pre-review sessions further streamlined accreditation processes across the continent. Notably, Zambia's NHRI retained its A status after the review and re-accreditation process, signaling its compliance and adherence to international human rights standards. However, not all institutions met the requisite criteria and rigour associated with the review of accreditation and re-accreditation. The review process for the NHRIs of the Democratic Republic of Congo, Namibia, and Rwanda was deferred to 2026, allowing them time to address pending gaps, while Egypt's and Burundi NHRIs received a recommendation for downgrading to B status due to concerns over independence and non-compliance with the Paris Principles according to the Sub Committee on Accreditation.

Recognizing the need for sustained support, NANHRI provided documentation reviews for NHRIs of Burundi, Chad, Namibia, and Rwanda, ensuring a structured approach and clarity for future improvements and institutional strengthening.

Finally, NANHRI conducted an advocacy mission to Burkina Faso on 19th – 22nd November 2024. High-level engagements with government ministers such as the Minister of Justice and Minister of Foreign Affairs resulted in pledges of support for the CNDH's accreditation process and broader human rights initiatives. This mission not only reinforced the CNDH's alignment with international standards but also bolstered its credibility on the global stage, positioning it as a stronger advocate for human rights in the region.



New Member	Re-accredited	Deferred	Down Graded
	Cameroon (A)	Democratic Republic	Burundi (A to B)
		of Congo	
Botswana	Zambia (A)	Namibia	
		Rwanda	
		Egypt	
		Chad	

Equality and Non-Discrimination SOGIESC

The report on the 'Status of Transgender & Intersex Persons in Selected African States' marked a critical step toward addressing the challenges faced by these communities. By applying an intersectional lens, the study shed light on issues such as legal recognition and access to gender-affirming care, particularly in overlooked regions like Togo and Côte d'Ivoire. Commissioned by NANHRI and launched on 14th October 2024 at the 7th NHRI's Forum on the margins of the 81st Ordinary Session of the African Commission on Human and Peoples' Rights (ACHPR) on, the research has gained substantial support from leaders committed to its recommendations. This initiative has not only heightened awareness but also sparked meaningful dialogue, paving the way for policy advancements and enhanced protections for transgender and intersex individuals across the continent.

To strengthen institutional capacity, the **induction of commissioners and heads of secretariats from the SADC region** held on 12th – 13th September 2024 in Lilongwe, Malawi deepened understanding of Resolution 275. By fostering engagement with human rights principles, the initiative has empowered NHRIs to counter rising anti-gender movements and align national laws with international standards.

Further bolstering knowledge and protection, the **advanced course on sexual minorities in Africa** brought together NHRIs and LGBTI+ representatives, equipping participants with essential tools for engagement with human rights frameworks. Certificates awarded through the course have enhanced participants' career trajectories while fostering interregional collaboration. These efforts not only promote LGBTI inclusion but also prepare activists and institutions to tackle emerging challenges, ensuring resilience in advancing SOGIESC rights across Africa.

The commemoration of the **10th anniversary of Resolution 275** on 28th – 29th August 2024 in Johannesburg, South Africa, was a pivotal moment, marked by a regional conference that amplified the visibility of the Resolution. LGBTI+ CSOs used the platform to challenge the African Commission on Human and Peoples' Rights (ACHPR) refusal to grant observer status to certain organizations, fostering critical dialogue on the issue. The dissemination of NANHRI's guide for implementing Resolution 275 expanded awareness of NHRIs' protective role to regions such as Mozambique, Seychelles, and Benin. Meanwhile, discussions among state representatives catalyzed actions to strengthen protections. The anniversary also highlighted the Ekurhuleni Declaration's enduring impact as a framework for addressing violence and discrimination.



Across these initiatives, NANHRI has been instrumental in **building and strengthening cross-actors relationships**. By engaging with ACHPR, UNDP, and key organizations like IRANTI and JINSIANGU, NANHRI has facilitated collaborative advocacy and technical support. These partnerships have been crucial in addressing violence, as seen in Côte d'Ivoire and Uganda, where Resolution 275 continues to drive progress. Such alliances ensure that the voices of LGBTI communities remain central to the human rights agenda.

Sexual Reproductive Health and Rights

The Kenya National Commission on Human Rights (KNCHR) strengthened its engagement by collaborating with the Malkia Initiative and the Access to Medicines Platform (ATMP). This partnership culminated in the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) on 30th October 2024, designed to address critical human rights issues impacting women and girls. KNCHR's expanded involvement in Technical Working Groups and strategic forums, such as the Kakamega County Health Forum, further emphasized its commitment to integrating human rights into local and national health policies.



NHRIs, including Zambia's Human Rights Commission and the Commission for Human Rights and Good Governance in Tanzania, demonstrated enhanced collaboration with civil society organizations. These partnerships included capacity-building initiatives, such as the HIVOS Zambia workshop to orient SRHR champions, and policy dialogues like Kenya's engagement on the National Population Policy with KEWOPA. The inclusion of NHRIs in the National Reproductive Health Technical Working Group and the National META Council in Zambia marked milestones in integrating human rights perspectives into reproductive health governance.

Youth engagement was amplified through partnerships such as the MOU signed by CNDH - DRC with the International Youth Alliance for Family Planning (IYAFP) and the relaunch of collaborative meetings between civil society organizations and CNDH - DRC. These efforts strengthened advocacy and training on human rights violations affecting youth and women.

The first-ever NHRIs Forum, held on 4th October 2024 on the margins of the 44th Ordinary Session of the African Committee of Experts on the Rights and Welfare of the Child, provided a platform to deepen the human rights discourse on child welfare and gender equity. This forum, supported by HIVOS Southern Africa, solidified the integration of a human rights-based approach across multiple program interventions.

NANHRI's use of innovative platforms, such as Twitter Spaces, for celebrating African Human Rights Day engaged diverse stakeholders, including duty bearers and media, in advancing regional human rights dialogue. These virtual events and physical forums ensured that NHRIs remained pivotal in advocating for SRHR and inclusive governance.

STRATEGIC OBJECTIVE TWO: ENHANCE THE PROMOTION, PROTECTION AND FULFILMENT OF HUMAN RIGHTS IN AFRICA



Human Rights Defenders

To enhance Human Rights Defenders (HRD) protections at the national level, two National Human Rights Institutions (NHRIs) in **Ethiopia and Liberia** received subgrants of €10,000 each through the NHRI.EU project. This initiative marked NANHRI's first experience with subgranting and provided valuable financial management support for NHRIs. The lessons learned from this experience will guide future capacity-building efforts, ensuring the sustainable implementation of NHRI-led projects.

NANHRI developed a scorecard to monitor the implementation of the Marrakech Declaration and the Regional Plan of Action on Human Rights Defenders, aligning with

NHRIs' civic space monitoring mandates. In this context, a regional dialogue in Addis Ababa, held on 9th – 10th December 2024, co-hosted by NANHRI, DefendDefenders, and EHRC, brought together 65 delegates from NHRIs and Human Rights Networks across Nigeria, Kenya, Ethiopia, Ghana, and beyond. Participants—including Prof. Remy Ngoy Lumbu, Chairperson of the African Commission on Human and Peoples' Rights who is also the Special Rapporteur on the situation of Human Rights Defenders in Africa, OHCHR, embassy representatives, and media stakeholders—reviewed the HRD landscape, assessed NANHRI's scorecard, and exchanged insights on HRD laws. The activity also commemorated International Human Rights Defenders Day and International Human Rights Day, reinforcing commitments to advancing HRD protections. Delegates expressed readiness to implement new assessment tools for monitoring HRD protections and civic spaces, while NANHRI will refine and distribute the HRD scorecard to ensure its practical application in evaluating national human rights conditions in 2025.



Business and Human Rights, and Sustainable Development

At the **10th African Regional Forum on Sustainable Development** in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, on 23rd – 25th April 2024, NANHRI successfully positioned human rights as central to the pursuit of the SDGs. The forum saw increased visibility for NHRIs, with **enhanced awareness** on how integrating human rights frameworks can drive **socio-economic**

equality and **inclusive governance**. This culminated in greater recognition of the vital role NHRIs play in advancing human rights-based approaches to sustainable development.

Significant **progress** was made towards incorporating **Economic, Social, and Cultural Rights (ESCR)** into **national development plans** across the continent. The **feedback** gathered during validation meetings strengthened the understanding of how to embed these rights into national policies, ensuring that future development efforts are aligned with international human rights standards.

The **blue economy** emerged as another area of focus, with NHRIs gaining a clearer understanding of how to advocate for sustainable ocean management. This work led to the development of <u>the Guidance Note for NHRIs on Engaging with the Blue Economy</u> that will guide NHRIs in effectively engaging with the blue economy, enhancing their ability to support sustainable environmental practices.

At the **3rd Business and Human Rights Forum** held in Nairobi, Kenya on 7th – 10th October 2024, discussions led to **improved understanding** of the EU Corporate Sustainability Due Diligence Directive (CSDDD) and how it can address business-related human rights abuses. The forum outcomes emphasized the importance of strengthening **National Action Plans (NAPs)** and ensuring **effective remedy mechanisms** for victims of business-related human rights violations, helping to create a more responsive and accountable framework for corporate responsibility. The **dialogue on synergies between the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights (UNGPs)** and the **AfCFTA** resulted in **key recommendations** that emphasized the need for stronger human rights protections within the trade agreement. Lastly, the panel on the **CSDDD** brought to the forefront the **need for greater collaboration** and **community awareness** to effectively monitor and implement human rights protections. This fostered a more collaborative environment, enabling stakeholders to share experiences and **develop strategies** for meaningful engagement on business and human rights issues in Africa.



Engaging with African Regional Mechanisms

At a Technical Consultative Workshop, NANHRI with the African Union Commission, the UN Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights, government officials, and civil society organizations to review the Human Rights-Based Approach to Conflict Prevention Framework (HRBA-CPF). This workshop aimed to integrate human rights indicators into the African Union's Continental Early Warning System (CEWS), strengthening the continent's ability to prevent conflicts through early detection and intervention. Key outcomes included the finalization of the HRBA-CPF Analytical Framework, the identification of human rights keywords for media monitoring tools, and the development of a comprehensive list of Africaspecific human rights indicators. Additionally, the workshop enhanced the capacity of stakeholders to utilize these indicators, equipping policymakers with evidence-based tools to address human rights violations before they escalate into conflicts. NANHRI also took part in a conference on implementing decisions by the African Court on Human and Peoples' Rights, hosted by the Centre for Human Rights, University of Pretoria, and the African Court Coalition. Discussions revealed significant challenges, including a lack of political will, awareness, coordination, and communication regarding the enforcement of court rulings. To address these issues, recommendations were put forward, such as designating NHRIs to monitor implementation, encouraging advocacy by civil society organizations, and fostering stronger collaboration between the African Court and human rights institutions. Recognizing the complementary roles in protecting human rights, NANHRI and the **African Court on Human and Peoples' Rights** signed an **MoU** to enhance



collaboration. The highprofile signing took place on 3rd June 2024 in the presence of the presidents of both institutions, marking a new phase in leveraging regional human rights mechanisms for greater protection of citizens. A new Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between NANHRI and the African Court presents valuable а opportunity to strengthen monitoring

and accountability mechanisms, ensuring that the Court's decisions lead to tangible human rights improvements.

In another significant engagement, NANHRI participated in an expert meeting under resolution 561/2023 from 17th to 20th June 2024 in Pretoria, South Africa, which tasked the ACHPR Working Group on Economic, Social, and Cultural (ECOSOC) Rights with studying how these rights can be integrated into National Sustainable Development Processes. Conducted in partnership with the Danish Institute for Human Rights and the African Commission, this research aims to align national development plans with human rights principles. Representatives from government ministries and academia contributed to discussions, with NANHRI playing a key role in analyzing existing national policies. Feedback from this meeting will shape the final study, which, once adopted, will guide African states in embedding human rights into their National Development Plans while advancing the Africa Agenda 2063 and the 2030 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

NANHRI also strengthened NHRI engagement with **ACHPR** and the **ACERWC**. At the **79th ACHPR Session**, eight NHRIs presented national human rights reports, while **66 NHRI representatives** engaged in critical discussions. The **43rd and 44th ACERWC Sessions** focused on advancing quality education for all children, tackling gender disparities, and addressing the rights of children with disabilities and albinism. NANHRI emphasized the need for sustained financial resources to enhance NHRI participation in these sessions.

The 7th NHRIs Forum, themed **"The Role of African National Human Rights Institutions in Strengthening Accountability, Promotion, and Protection of Human Rights in Africa,"** brought together stakeholders to address emerging human rights challenges. Key outcomes included:

- Launch of a report on transgender and intersex persons in Africa, providing insights and recommendations for protection.
- **Commemoration of the 10th anniversary of Resolution 275**, addressing violence based on sexual orientation and gender identity.
- **Thematic discussions** on preventing torture, advancing socio-economic rights, promoting Comprehensive Sexuality Education (CSE), and decriminalizing petty offenses.
- Adoption of a Collaborative Action Plan, enhancing NHRI cooperation on SDG 16 and Agenda 2063 Goal 11.

At the **81**st **ACHPR Session**, NANHRI advocated for the integration of human rights into regional economic frameworks, focusing on access to justice, protection of HRDs, and corporate accountability. Efforts will now focus on equipping NHRIs with the necessary tools, institutionalizing the NHRIs Forum, and securing strategic funding for long-term engagement.

A workshop, co-organized in Nairobi on 12 October 2024 by the **OHCHR Regional Office for East Africa and NANHRI**, equipped 16 NHRI representatives with strategies to protect human rights during elections. Discussions addressed misinformation, hate speech, and election-related human rights violations. NANHRI aims to scale up efforts by **providing specialized training** and forming strategic **partnerships to counter online election challenges**.



Torture Prevention and Decriminalization of Petty Offences

Recognizing the disproportionate impact of colonial-era vagrancy laws against marginalized communities, NANHRI has been working alongside the **African Policing Oversight Forum (APCOF)** to drive legal reforms. Through the **Scorecard project**, NANHRI is assessing progress in repealing such laws and ensuring fairer legal treatment for vulnerable groups. As part of this initiative, training sessions were conducted in **Kenya**, **Côte d'Ivoire** and **South Africa** to equip participants with skills in **data collection and analysis**. While efforts in Kenya faced challenges due to limited government participation, the engagement in Côte d'Ivoire benefited from **robust civil society involvement**. Following these sessions, NANHRI convened a virtual meeting with **the 3 NHRIs** to review the collected data, emphasizing the urgent need for **comprehensive government input** to support evidence-based advocacy and legal reforms.

NANHRI has also been working to strengthen efforts aimed at preventing torture and illtreatment. A new **Memorandum of Understanding (MoU)** signed with **DIGNITY - Danish Institute Against Torture** paved the way for enhanced collaboration in **Sub-Saharan Africa**. To operationalize this partnership, NANHRI and DIGNITY hosted a workshop in **Nairobi from** 28th-29th May 2024 , Nairobi Kenya bringing together **14 representatives from various human rights organizations**. The discussions identified key priorities for collaboration, but the limited time available underscored the need for **tailored approaches** to address the diverse challenges faced by NHRIs in different regions. Furthering this agenda, a second workshop brought together **10 representatives from NHRIs and civil society organizations (CSOs)** to develop a **long-term strategy for the period 2025 – 2027**. Participants outlined a framework that prioritizes **legal reforms, institutional capacity-building, and increased advocacy efforts**. This initiative marks an important step toward equipping NHRIs with the necessary tools and resources to combat torture and promote human rights protections across the continent.

Climate Justice



A significant milestone in the reporting period was the signing of a **Memorandum of** Understanding (MoU) between NANHRI and the Pan African Climate Justice Alliance (PACIA). This partnership emerged from discussions on strengthening cooperation between climate justice movements, human rights organizations, and national human rights

institutions. The ceremonial signing marked the beginning of a collaborative effort to **promote rights-based approaches to climate action** and ensure marginalized communities benefit from climate policies.

NANHRI played an active role in the Africa Multi-Stakeholder Conference on Carbon Markets, co-hosted by the African Union and PACJA. The conference provided a platform to explore the opportunities and challenges of carbon markets in Africa, with participation from government officials, private sector representatives, and civil society organizations. A key takeaway was the need for a strategic, rights-based approach to carbon trading, ensuring that emission reduction mechanisms contribute to both climate goals and equitable economic development.

NANHRI joined the **High-Level Consultative Forum on Africa Green Climate Finances**, convened by the **National Designated Authorities Network (AfDAN)**. Representatives from **20 African countries, along with diplomats, development partners, and civil** **society groups**, came together to address financing gaps in climate adaptation and mitigation. The forum resulted in commitments to:

- **Develop scalable models** for improved access to climate finance across Africa.
- Leverage climate funds for locally led initiatives in both rural and urban areas.
- **Support climate resilience projects** targeting Africa's urban poor.

NANHRI and the NANHRI Working Group on Migration organized side events at the margins of the COP29, where the international community addressed critical issues of climate change and biodiversity.

NANHRI represented National Human Rights Institutions, although many could not attend due to funding and accreditation issues. A key discussion focused on integrating climate, biodiversity, and human rights, emphasizing the need for collaboration.

A side event by the Morocco NHRI explored climate-induced migration and human rights, generating recommendations for better protection of displaced populations. Overall, COP29 underscored the need for increased financial commitments and coordinated action to tackle the interconnected challenges of climate change, migration, and human rights.

During the negotiations at the COP29, the African Group had requested \$1.3 trillion for climate finance but received only \$300 billion, highlighting a significant funding gap.

STRATEGIC OBJECTIVE THREE: ENHANCE THE ORGANIZATIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND INSTITUTIONAL SUSTAINABILITY OF NANHRI



NANHRI established a Partnership and Liaison Office in Addis Ababa to enhance its advocacy for human rights and strengthen regional partnerships. The office will be instrumental in engaging the African Union Commission and regional stakeholders, fostering collaboration, and aligning strategic activities with NANHRI's mission to strengthen NHRIs in accordance with the Paris Principles.

NANHRI has established itself as a dependable and respected implementation partner, gaining the trust of various donors and stakeholders across the spectrum.

The organization employs robust financial reporting practices that not only ensure transparency but also significantly bolster the confidence of its donors in the management of funds.

NANHRI has received extensive media coverage for its institutional initiatives, showcasing its commitment to advancing human rights on regional and international stages. This recognition underscores the impact of its efforts and solidifies its reputation as a key player in the field.



ANNEXES

Financial Report

NETWORK OF AFRICAN NATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS INSTITUTIONS REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

Statement of income and expenditure	Notes	2024	2024	2023	2023
		KES	USD	KES	USD
Income					
Members contributions	5	29,623,000	229,116	23,252,000	166,466
Grants and donations	6 7	125,357,736	969,565	137,837,603	986,810
Other income	7	8,257,164	63,864	62,790,878	449,534
Total income	5	163,237,899	1,262,545	223,880,481	1,602,810
Expenditure					
Programme expenses	8 a	105,670,762	817,299	124,032,396	887,975
Administration expenses	8 b	104,853,612	810,979	50,448,292	361,170
Provision for bad debts	11	1,510,664	11,684	(2,711,023)	(19,409)
Total expenditure	08	212,035,039	1,639,961	171,769,665	1,229,737
Balance for the year	10	(48,797,140)	(377,416)	52,110,816	373,073

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	Notes	2024	2024	2023	202.
Assets		KES	USD	KES	USD
Non-current assets					
Property and equipment	9	1,927,342	14,907	1,943,176	12,420
Intangible assets		23,316	180	139,200	890
		1,950,658	15,087	2,082,376	13,309
Current assets					
Account receivables	11	48,159,553	372,485	48,401,022	309,351
Cash and cash equivalents	12	152,864,026	1,182,310	206,051,877	1,316,962
		201,023,579	1,554,794	254,452,899	1,626,313
Total assets		202,974,236	1,569,882	256,535,275	1,639,622
Reserves and liabilities					
Reserve funds					
General fund		198,406,116	1,534,550	247,725,805	1,583,317
Capital fund		2,604,925	20,148	2,082,376	13,309
Restricted fund		1,360,033	10,519	1,360,033	8,693
		202,371,074	1,565,217	251,168,214	1,605,319
Current liabilities					
Other payables	13	603,162	4,665	5,367,062	34,303
Total reserves and liabilities		202,974,236	1,569,882	256,535,275	1,639,622

Membership Fees

Statement of member contribut	THE NETWORK OF AFRICAN NATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS INSTITUTIONS Statement of member contributions as at 20.12.2024							
Member	31/12/2023	Current periods dues	Status	Date Received	Balance			
1 Algeria	10	3,000	3,010	26/04/2024	-			
2 Benin	50,000	5,000	2,862	18/12/2024	52,138			
3 Botswana		3,000			3,00			
4 Burkina Faso	48,000	3,000	48,000	29/08/2024	3,00			
5 Burundi	(381)	5,000	4,619	26/04/2024				
6 Cameroon	14,158	5,000	19,436	28/05/2024	(27			
7 Cape Verte	60	3,000	2,974	02/02/2024	8			
8 Central Africa Republic	12,000	3,000			15,00			
9 Chad	30,703	3,000			33,70			
10 Congo Brazzaville	(55)	3,000			2,94			
11 Comoros	30,000	3,000			33,00			
12 Cote D'Ivoire	4,690	5,000	4,934	15/05/2024	4,75			
13 Democratic Republic of Congo	9,898	5,000	.,		14,89			
14 Djibouti	18,000	3,000			21,00			
15 Egypt	-	5,000	5,000	26/03/2024	-			
16 Ethiopia	25,000				25,00			
17 Gabon	33,015	3,000			36,01			
18 Gambia		5,000	5,000	16/02/2024	-			
19 Ghana	10	5,000			5,01			
20 Guinea Bissau	39,000	3,000			42,00			
21 Guinea Conakry	39,000	3,000			42,00			
22 Kenya (In kind contribution)	-	0,000			-			
23 Liberia	46,050	5,000	10,000	09/10/2024	41,05			
24 Libya	27,000	3,000			30,00			
25 Madagascar	40,013	5,000	5,000	27/05/2024	40,01			
26 Malawi	10	5,000	5,000	06/09/2024	1			
27 Mali	27,316	5,000	401	24/04/2024	31,91			
28 Mauritania	344	5,000	4,973	14/05/2024	37			
29 Mauritius	30	5,000	2,491	20/02/2024	2,53			
30 Morocco		5,000	5,000	04/04/2024	-			
31 Mozambique	3,007	3,000	6,007	06/06/2024	(
32 Namibia	5	5,000	5.005	29/07/2024	-			
33 Niger	25,546	5,000			30,54			
34 Nigeria		5,000	5,000	08/02/2024				
35 Rwanda	235		4,965	14/02/2024	27			
36 Senegal	58,000		1,000		61,00			
37 Sierra Leone	10,000				15,00			
38 South Africa	13		5,013	02/02/2024	10,00			
39 South Sudan	6,000		0,010	,,	9,00			
40 Sudan	27,193	3,000			30,19			
1 Eswatini (Swaziland)	9,006				12,00			
42 Tanzania	50		4,955	27/08/2024	9			
43 Togo	36		1,700	2.700,0001	5,03			
44 Tunisia	33,050				36,05			
45 Uganda	1,091	5,000	6,112	03/07/2024	(2			
46 Zambia	7,504		0,112		12,50			
47 Zimbabwe	10				5,01			
TOTAL	674,617	187,000	165,758	.15	695,85			



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