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The Network of African National Human Rights Institutions (NANHRI) is a not-for-profit organisation 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



It is my pleasure to present the 2025 Annual Report of NANHRI, which reflects another year of meaningful progress in advancing human rights across our continent.

Throughout 2025, African NHRIs continued to operate in a complex and evolving environment. While many countries have strengthened their legal frameworks and institutional commitments to human rights, persistent challenges remain. Shrinking civic space, governance deficits, conflict-related violations, climate-related risks, and growing socio-economic inequalities continue to test the resilience of institutions mandated to protect human dignity.

In this context, the role of NHRIs is more critical than ever. As independent state institutions grounded in the Paris Principles, NHRIs serve as vital bridges between governments, civil society, regional mechanisms, and communities. They play a central role in monitoring human rights compliance, promoting accountability, supporting victims, and fostering dialogue that strengthens democratic governance.

During the year under review, NANHRI continued to support the establishment and strengthening of NHRIs across Africa while promoting deeper engagement with regional and global human rights systems. Our work supported accreditation processes, enhanced technical capacity, and facilitated peer learning among institutions. These efforts help ensure that NHRIs remain credible, independent, and effective actors in advancing human rights.

Institutionally, NANHRI also made significant strides in strengthening its governance and operational capacity. The operationalisation of the Partnership and Liaison Office in Addis Ababa marked an important milestone in enhancing engagement with the African Union and continental partners. This development further positions NANHRI as a key convener within the African human rights system.

As we look ahead, our collective commitment to cooperation, independence, and accountability will remain essential in ensuring that human rights institutions continue to serve as strong guardians of dignity and justice across Africa.

Dr. Joseph Whittal

NANHRI Chairperson,

Message from the Executive Director



The year 2025 was one of sustained engagement, collaboration, and institutional strengthening. Across Africa, NHRIs continued to respond to an increasingly complex human rights landscape. From civic space challenges and socio-economic inequalities to climate change and technological transformation, human rights institutions are called upon to address both longstanding and emerging issues that affect communities across the continent.

One of the core priorities of the year was supporting the accreditation and re-accreditation processes of several African NHRIs. Through technical submissions and advocacy engagements, NANHRI assisted institutions under review by the Global Alliance of National Human Rights Institutions' Sub-Committee on Accreditation. These efforts contribute to ensuring that African NHRIs continue to meet the standards of independence, pluralism, and effectiveness outlined in the Paris Principles.

During the year, NANHRI also deepened its programmatic work across a range of thematic areas. Our initiatives addressed human rights defenders and civic space protection, business and human rights, migration governance, digital rights, torture prevention, and climate justice. Through capacity-building initiatives, policy dialogues, and regional forums, NHRIs were supported to strengthen monitoring mechanisms, engage with state authorities, and contribute to national and regional policy processes.

A key highlight of 2025 was the continued strengthening of engagement with African Union institutions and regional human rights bodies. NANHRI played an active role in continental policy dialogues, including the AUC-NANHRI Policy Forum, and facilitated NHRI participation in the sessions of the African Commission, the African Court, and the African Committee of Experts on the Rights and Welfare of the Child. These engagements enhance coordination across the African human rights architecture and reinforce the role of NHRIs as essential partners in implementing regional human rights standards, and would not have been possible without the dedication of our member institutions, the continued support of our partners, and the commitment of the NANHRI Secretariat team.

As we move forward, NANHRI will continue to prioritise institutional strengthening, strategic partnerships, and evidence-based advocacy to ensure that African NHRIs remain effective guardians of human rights and accountability.

Mr. Gilbert Sebikago

NANHRI Executive Director,

Executive Summary

Marking the conclusion of the 2021-2025 Strategic Plan, the 2025 Annual Report highlights the key achievements, partnerships, and strategic engagements undertaken by NANHRI during the year.

NANHRI continued to support the strengthening of NHRIs across Africa, promote collaboration within the African human rights system, and advance regional dialogue on emerging human rights challenges. Through targeted technical assistance, policy engagement, and capacity development initiatives, the Network worked to enhance the effectiveness, independence, and visibility of NHRIs in fulfilling their mandates.

A key area was supporting accreditation and re-accreditation processes under the Global Alliance of National Human Rights Institutions. NANHRI provided technical support and regional contextual analysis to several NHRIs undergoing review by the Sub-Committee on Accreditation, contributing to strengthened compliance with the Paris Principles.

The Network also convened and supported numerous training programmes, workshops, and policy dialogues addressing priority thematic areas. These included equality and non-discrimination, adolescent sexual and reproductive health and rights, human rights defenders and civic space protection, digital rights, migration governance, torture prevention, and the promotion of economic and social rights.

Significant progress was also made in advancing the BHR agenda in Africa. NANHRI supported the development of National Action Plans on BHR, facilitated cross-regional exchanges with European NHRIs, and contributed to the Africa Business and Human Rights Forum. These engagements strengthened dialogue on corporate accountability, access to remedy, and responsible business conduct in emerging sectors, including energy transition industries.

Climate justice also emerged as an important area of engagement. NANHRI supported NHRIs in integrating human rights-based approaches into climate governance and contributed to regional discussions on environmental rights and climate finance.

At the continental level, NANHRI continued to strengthen engagement with African Union institutions and human rights bodies. Through participation in sessions of the African Commission on Human and Peoples' Rights, the African Court, and the African Committee of Experts on the Rights and Welfare of the Child, NANHRI facilitated coordinated NHRI contributions to regional human rights processes and strengthened implementation of continental decisions.

Institutionally, 2025 marked an important milestone with the inauguration of the NANHRI Partnership and Liaison Office in Addis Ababa. The office strengthens engagement with African Union institutions, enhances resource mobilisation efforts, and supports coordination with development partners and diplomatic missions.

NANHRI by the Numbers in 2025

NANHRI comprises 46 African NHRIs

27 A-status institutions

6 B-status institutions

13 No-status institutions

6 NHRIs achieved/maintained A status

36 Events organized by NANHRI in 2025

25 Members involved in NANHRI events

635 Participants in NANHRI events

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

Ongoing Support on Accreditation and Re-accreditation of NHRIs

45th and 46th session of the Sub Committee on Accreditation



NANHRI provided targeted technical support to eight African NHRIs that were under review: The Commission on Human Rights and Administrative Justice (CHRAJ) of Ghana, the National Human Rights Commission of Togo (CNDH), the Uganda Human Rights Commission (UHRC), the Independent National Commission on Human Rights of Burundi (CNIDH), the CNDH of Côte

d'Ivoire, the CNDH of Chad, the NCHR of Egypt and the CNDH of Mauritania.

NANHRI submitted tailored written briefs to the SCA for each of these institutions. The submissions provided regional perspectives on the enabling environments in which these NHRIs operate, highlighted the progress made since their previous reviews, and clarified contextual challenges that may affect their structural alignment and performance in accordance with the Paris Principles.

The CNDH of Togo, Côte d'Ivoire, Mauritania, the NCHR of Egypt and CHRAJ of Ghana were reaccredited with A status. The CNDH of Chad was accredited with B status. The NCHR of Egypt and the CNIDH of Burundi had previous notice of downgrade reversed, and their A status was maintained. However, the UHRC had its re-accreditation deferred, with the review postponed to the 49th SCA session in 2027.

Advocacy Mission to the Uganda Human Rights Commission, April 30 - 1 May 2025



The NANHRI Secretariat conducted an advocacy mission to the Uganda Human Rights Commission (UHRC), following a letter from the UHRC addressed to the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR), in its capacity as the Secretariat of the GANHRI Sub-Committee on Accreditation (SCA). The SCA had placed the UHRC on a two-year deferral pending the outcomes of the re-accreditation review.

Supporting NHRIs Under Threat

Engagement with the Government of Chad on Strengthening National Human Rights Institutions: 13th August 2025, N'Djamena, Chad

As part of ongoing efforts to strengthen collaboration between NANHRI and member institutions, the Executive Director of the Network of African National Human Rights Institutions (NANHRI) paid a courtesy visit to the Prime Minister of Chad. The meeting, held in the presence of the President of the Chadian National Human Rights Commission (CNDH), Mr. Belngar Larme Jacques, focused on reinforcing the role of the CNDH and promoting government–NHRI cooperation in advancing human rights in Chad.

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



Equality and Non-Discrimination

Sexual Orientation, Gender Identity and Expression, and Sex Characteristics (SOGIESC) Rights in Africa



Advanced Course on Sexual Minorities in Africa (17–21 February 2025, in Pretoria, South Africa)

NANHRI supported five NHRI representatives from Malawi, Zimbabwe, and Kenya to participate in this week-long course. The training aimed to:

- Provide foundational understanding of LGBTIQ+ terminology and lived realities.
- Enhance appreciation of equality and non-discrimination principles from a human rights perspective.
- Encourage institutional change within NHRIs.
- Facilitate networking and exchange of best practices with other stakeholders and academia.

Adolescent Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights (ASRHR)

National Multi-Stakeholder Meeting on ASRHR – 13–14 February 2025, Kinshasa (DRC)



The two-day forum convened **38 participants** from the **NHRI of DRC (CNDH-RDC)**, Ministries of Health, Gender, Education, Defence, CSOs, media, and adolescent champions.

- **The CNDH-RDC and CAFCO** signed a **Memorandum of Understanding (MoU)** by on 16 April 2025 to strengthen SRHR collaboration.
- **Call from the Ministry of Defense** to partner with CNDH-RDC to address human rights violations within non-traditional partnerships to advance adolescent SRHR
- Strengthened partnerships and enhanced advocacy capacities among diverse stakeholders.
- **Media coverage in four outlets** boosted visibility of ASRHR initiatives.
- Development of **action plans** for advancing SRHR policy and implementation.

Annual Solutions for Supporting Healthy Adolescents and Rights Protection (SHARP) Program Reflection and Planning Meeting – 8 & 13 April 2025, in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania

Brought together **country leads and Monitoring and Evaluation (M&E) officers** from six SHARP countries (Kenya, Tanzania, Zambia, Rwanda, Burundi, DRC) and **Health to Action (HAI) Netherlands**.

- Reflected on the progress of the SHARP Project and addressed health system challenges.
- The **Mayor of Livingstone, Zambia**, and the **District Health Director** committed to working with SHARP partners to tackle **religious and cultural barriers** limiting youth access to SRHR and family planning services.

Follow-Up National Multi-Stakeholder Forums in:

a. Tanzania (27–28 August 2025, Dodoma)

Co-hosted by NANHRI, The NHRI in Tanzania (CHRAGG), the Tanzania Ministry of Health, The Eastern Africa National Networks of AIDS and Health Service Organizations (EANNASO), and the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Tanzania (ELCT). The forum convened **43 participants**, including faith leaders, government officials, adolescents, and CSOs,

- Addressed **high rates of teenage pregnancy** (27% nationally, up to 45% in Dodoma);
- Strengthened coordination between CHRAGG and key ministries; And,
- Developed a **multi-sectoral action plan** to address policy and service gaps and reaffirmed **political commitment** to mainstream adolescent SRHR in national frameworks.

b. Kenya (31 July 2025, Nairobi)

The forum on **Legal Frameworks for ASRHR** gathered **64 participants**, including the Kenya National Commission on Human Rights (KNCHR), ministries, legislators, journalists, CSOs, faith leaders, and youth advocates.

- **Hon. Gathoni Wamuchomba**, a member of the Kenyan Parliament, renewed her commitment to advance the **two advisories** on VAT-free menstrual products and recognition of obstetric violence.
- Participants condemned the **femicides of women** in Kenya and urged parliamentary action.
- Strengthened networks and regional understanding of **reporting mechanisms** for SRHR commitments.

National Multi-stakeholder Forum in Zambia: 5th – 6th November 2025



This workshop on the legal frameworks on ASRHR brought together a diverse group of participants representing government institutions, civil society organizations, youth-led movements and development partners to collectively reflect on the current state of adolescent SRHR in Zambia and identify practical strategies for strengthening rights protection and service delivery.

Overall, the workshop underscored a shared commitment to strengthening institutional coordination, building

accountability mechanisms, and promoting inclusive, evidence-based approaches to adolescent SRHR. It concluded with the development of practical action points designed to guide collective efforts toward enhancing the protection, promotion and fulfilment of adolescents' sexual and reproductive health and rights in Zambia.

National Multi-stakeholder Forum DRC: 27th – 28th November 2025

The DRC meeting saw the effective collaboration and participation of several actors, including: the CNDH-RDC, the Ministry of Health through its National Adolescent Health Program (PNSA), senior officials from the Congolese National Police (PNC) and the Armed Forces of the Democratic Republic of Congo (FARDC), civil society organizations, and many others, to engage in constructive dialogue to identify and propose solutions to the problems affecting adolescents in terms of sexual health.

The meetings concluded by developing action plans and strategies for addressing the identified challenges, tailored to the mandate of each institution present, such as the CNDH, the PNSA, the media, and the other CSOs.

Human Rights Defenders

Coordinated Participation of NHRIs in the 83rd Session of the African Commission: 2nd May 2025

NANHRI mobilized NHRIs to participate in a side event organized in collaboration with the Special Rapporteur on Human Rights Defenders on the margins of the Ordinary Session of the ACHPR. The event was attended by the NHRIs of Burkina Faso, Ethiopia, and Zambia, who delivered statements on the situation of HRDs in their respective countries.

A key highlight of the engagement was that the Ethiopian Human Rights Commission had prior to the session, [engaged various stakeholders](#) to ensure the suspension of various CSOs was lifted in May 2025. These efforts can be attributed to the engagement that NANHRI, NHRIs across Africa, CSOs in Ethiopia, and the HRD network had in Addis in December 2024.

Delivered Capacity Development Training for NHRIs to Engage on Digital Rights: 3rd June 2025, Virtual.

NANHRI collaborated with the International Center for Not-for-Profit Law (ICNL) to conduct a survey to assess NHRIs' engagement with Digital Rights. 10 NHRIs (Ethiopia, Malawi, Tanzania, Ghana, Liberia, Zimbabwe, Zambia, Eswatini, Botswana and Nigeria) responded to the survey. The survey shed light on the imminent need for NHRIs to engage more effectively in monitoring the digital space, including laws, policies, internet shutdowns, among others. Following the survey, a virtual training for NHRIs to engage more effectively in monitoring the digital space, including laws, policies, and internet shutdowns, was convened, attracting over 30 delegates across the 10 NHRIs.

Launch of NANHRI Scorecard on civic space/Marrakech Declaration: 5 September 2026

Following the reviews and feedback received during the validation workshop held in Addis Ababa and afterward, NANHRI finalized the scorecard and published it online for use by NHRIs and other stakeholders.

The Marrakech Declaration Scorecard is a practical tool that helps NHRIs and stakeholders assess how effectively African states are meeting their human rights obligations, particularly in protecting HRDs, including Women Human Rights Defenders (WHRDs). Rooted in the Marrakech Declaration and its Regional Action Plan, the Scorecard supports evidence-based monitoring and advocacy.

The scorecard can be accessed here: [Marrakech Declaration](#)

The Scorecard offers a clear, structured approach to evaluating State performance on HRD protection. It strengthens evidence-based advocacy and supports national and regional efforts to uphold human rights

Digital Rights Training for Francophone NHRIs: 26th August 2025, Virtually

NANHRI collaborated with the International Center for Not-for-Profit Law (ICNL) to provide targeted training to Francophone NHRIs with a view to empowering them to monitor and document violations, advocate for legal and policy reforms, work with governments and policymakers to ensure that national laws and regulations are in line with international human rights standards, including those relating to data protection, surveillance, and online content regulation, educate and raise awareness to empower citizens with knowledge about their digital rights and how to exercise them safely and responsibly, and finally, provide redress for victims whose digital rights have been violated.

Regional Mechanisms

Stakeholders' Platform on the Margins of the 76th Ordinary Session of the African Court on Human and Peoples' Rights: From 30 January to 3 February 2025, in Arusha, Tanzania.

The Stakeholders' Platform strengthened regional dialogue on improving access to the African Court and enhancing the implementation of its decisions. Through its contributions, NANHRI highlighted the strategic role of NHRIs in advocating for the ratification of the African Court Protocol and the deposit of Article 34(6) Declarations, while promoting greater awareness and understanding of the Court's mandate among governments and the public. The discussions reinforced the value of NHRIs as bridges between states, civil society, and regional mechanisms, and identified practical approaches for increasing state engagement with the Court. NANHRI also advanced dialogue on strengthening the implementation of the Court's decisions by emphasizing the role of NHRIs in monitoring compliance, providing technical support to states, and facilitating reporting and public awareness. The exchange further underscored the importance of enhanced cooperation, capacity building, and structured reporting mechanisms to support more effective implementation of the Court's judgments across the region.

76th Ordinary Session of the African Court on Human and Peoples' Rights: 3 - 5 February 2025 | Arusha, Tanzania



NANHRI's participation strengthened collaboration between the African Court and NHRIs and reinforced regional advocacy to expand access to the Court. The engagement elevated dialogue on the importance of ratifying the African Court Protocol and depositing the Article 34(6) Declaration, while emphasizing the need for stronger state compliance with the Court's judgments. Exchanges with the Court's

leadership reaffirmed the strategic role of NHRIs in promoting awareness of the Court, supporting litigation processes—including participation as *amicus curiae*—and monitoring the national implementation of decisions. The session ultimately consolidated partnerships between the Court and NHRIs and strengthened coordinated efforts to enhance the Court’s visibility, accessibility, and impact in advancing human rights across Africa.

Presentation at Pan-African Parliament Committee Sitting — 24–28 February 2025 | Midrand, South Africa



NANHRI's engagement with the Pan-African Parliament (PAP) Committee on Justice and Human Rights advanced discussions toward formalizing institutional cooperation through a proposed MoU between the two institutions. The dialogue reinforced a shared commitment to strengthening human rights oversight, democratic accountability, and governance across Africa. NANHRI's proposals highlighted opportunities for deeper collaboration, including the

establishment of a dedicated NHRI Forum in the margins of PAP's sessions, enhanced technical and capacity-building support for parliamentarians, and joint monitoring and reporting on human rights commitments. The engagement strengthened mutual understanding of the complementary roles of NHRIs and PAP and laid the groundwork for finalizing the MoU and operationalizing priority areas of cooperation to advance human rights promotion and protection at the continental level.

DIGNITY - Danish Institute Against Torture and NANHRI Partner Review and Workshop — 25–28 February 2025 | Nairobi, Kenya



The workshop strengthened strategic collaboration between NANHRI and DIGNITY and advanced efforts to prevent torture and ill-treatment within African justice systems. The engagement enhanced alignment between the two organisations' priorities and improved shared understanding of programmatic approaches and partnership objectives. Through technical sessions

on Outcome Harvesting and stakeholder mapping, participants strengthened monitoring and learning capacities, enabling more effective documentation of project outcomes and behavioural change among key actors. The exercise also identified priority stakeholders within the criminal justice system and clarified avenues for structured engagement to

support systemic reform. The workshop further reinforced cross-country knowledge exchange, particularly between Kenya and Sierra Leone, and improved coordination on project deliverables, monitoring tools, and advocacy strategies. Overall, the engagement strengthened partnership cohesion and contributed to more strategic and results-oriented collaboration in addressing torture and promoting accountability within justice systems in Africa.

Regional Africa Programme Partner Meeting — 26–28 March 2025 | Nairobi, Kenya

NANHRI's participation contributed to the launch and strategic direction of the Regional Africa Programme (RAP) 2024–2027 while strengthening coordinated efforts to improve the implementation of decisions of African human rights bodies. The engagement reinforced the role of NHRIs in monitoring and following up on decisions of regional mechanisms and highlighted their importance in bridging national and regional accountability processes. The discussions fostered stronger collaboration among regional human rights institutions, civil society, academic partners, and implementing organisations, leading to clearer strategies for integrating stakeholders into follow-up mechanisms and strengthening political and institutional support for implementation. The meeting also advanced institutional cooperation through the review of the Memorandum of Agreement between NANHRI and the Raoul Wallenberg Institute and strengthened monitoring, evaluation, accountability, and learning (MEAL) capacities through dedicated training and the development of a MEAL outcome document to guide programme implementation.

Convened the 7th AUC–NANHRI Policy Dialogue — 7–9 May 2025 | Addis Ababa, Ethiopia



The Dialogue brought together over 145 stakeholders from AU institutions, Member States, regional human rights bodies, UN agencies, civil society, academia, and the African diaspora, fostering multi-stakeholder collaboration on reparatory justice frameworks. The Dialogue advanced continental efforts to operationalize the African Union's reparatory justice

agenda and strengthened the leadership role of NHRIs in addressing historical injustices.

A key outcome of the Dialogue was the adoption of a **Declaration and Action Plan** outlining a continental roadmap for advancing reparatory justice through coordinated national,

regional, and continental actions. The outcomes positioned NHRIs as central actors in promoting reparations through advocacy, monitoring, and institutional reforms, while encouraging the establishment of national reparations committees, integration of reparations into NHRI strategic plans, and greater ratification of relevant African human rights instruments.

The Dialogue also reinforced NANHRI's continental leadership role by mandating it to develop a **model law on reparations**, pursue an **advisory opinion from the African Court on reparations frameworks**, and establish a **digital knowledge-sharing platform** to support peer learning and coordination among NHRIs. The discussions further strengthened partnerships between AU institutions, regional human rights bodies, and development partners, while highlighting the potential of the African Continental Free Trade Area (AfCFTA) and diaspora engagement as avenues for advancing economic and structural reparations.

Baseline Assessment and Strategic Dialogue with The Kenya National Commission on Human Rights (KNCHR): 26th May 2025, in Nairobi, Kenya

As part of a broader multisectoral collaboration on torture prevention in Africa, a baseline assessment and strategic dialogue meeting was held with the KNCHR. The primary objective of the session was to validate KNCHR's completed baseline and institutional impact assessment tools, clarify the institution's current capabilities and operational challenges, and identify aligned areas for collaboration under DIGNITY's detention monitoring and torture prevention programme.

Inception Meeting on the Development of a General Comment on Article 26 Of the African Charter on Human and Peoples' Rights: 29-30th May, in Dar Es Salaam, Tanzania

NANHRI participated in the Inception Meeting for the Development of a General Comment on Article 26 of the African Charter on Human and Peoples' Rights. The objective of the meeting was to initiate the drafting process for the General Comment on Article 26 of the African Charter, which mandates state parties to guarantee the independence of courts and promote the creation and effectiveness of NHRIs. The meeting convened by the ACHPR was attended by some judges, jurists, legal scholars, and representatives from NHRIs.

Alternatives to Detention (ATD) Regional Consultative Workshop / NHRIs Technical Working Group on Migration and Human Rights Meeting: 25-27 June, Nairobi, Kenya

NANHRI participated in the *Alternatives to Detention (ATD) Regional Consultative Workshop and the NHRIs Technical Working Group on Migration and Human Rights Meeting* held in Nairobi, Kenya. The workshop was convened by the Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) Better Migration Management (BMM) programme in collaboration with NHRI partners to facilitate regional dialogue and promote humane, rights-based migration governance. The event brought together NHRIs from the Horn of Africa,

representatives from regional mechanisms, civil society, and technical experts to review the draft ATD Guidelines developed by the Kenya National Commission on Human Rights (KNCHR), examine implementation tools, and strengthen the sustainability of the NHRI Technical Working Group on Migration and Human Rights.

The absence of dedicated national frameworks on alternatives to detention in several countries was identified as a barrier to uptake and sustainability. The need for political buy-in from migration authorities and alignment with national legal systems also emerged as a constraint that requires ongoing advocacy and engagement.

SIGNING OF THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN NANHRI AND THE PAN-AFRICAN PARLIAMENT (PAP): 29 July 2025 in Midrand, South Africa



On the sidelines of the 5th Ordinary Session of the Sixth Parliament held at the PAP headquarters in Midrand, South Africa, the NANHRI and PAP formalised their partnership through the signing of a MoU. The ceremony featured Hon. Chief Fortune Zephania Charumbira, President of PAP, and Adv. Joseph Whittal, Chairperson of NANHRI,

alongside AU officials, parliamentarians, and partner representatives. The PAP–NANHRI MoU and its Framework of Collaboration (2025–2027) outlined three pillars of engagement: Institutional and Strategic Collaboration, Capacity Building and Technical Support, and Legislative Reform and Monitoring. The agreement aligns with Agenda 2063 Aspirations 3 and 4 on governance, human rights, and peace and supports SDG 16 on strong institutions and the AU 2025 Theme “Justice for Africans and People of African Descent Through Reparations.”

NHRIs Consultation Meeting on the ACHPR Study on Integrating Economic, Social and Cultural Rights into National Development Planning in Africa — 31 July 2025 | Virtual

NANHRI co-convened a Virtual Consultation Meeting for the Draft ACHPR Study on Integrating Economic, Social and Cultural Rights (ESCRs) into National Development Planning in Africa, with the Centre for Human Rights (CHR) at the University of Pretoria, the Danish Institute for Human Rights (DIHR), and the ACHPR Working Group on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights (WGESCR) under Resolution 561 (2023). The session brought together over 40 participants, including representatives from African NHRIs, members of the NANHRI Working Group on SDGs, researchers from CHR and DIHR, and officials from NANHRI and the ACHPR Secretariat.

The consultation strengthened the contribution of NHRIs to the development of the ACHPR study on integrating Economic, Social and Cultural Rights (ESCRs) into national development planning. The dialogue generated key recommendations to enhance the study's policy relevance and analytical depth, particularly by strengthening references to human rights standards, African Commission jurisprudence, and alignment with Agenda 2063. The engagement also reinforced the role of NHRIs in promoting rights-based development planning and highlighted the need for practical implementation tools, including simplified training materials and peer-learning platforms to support national uptake of the study's recommendations.

Workshop on Preventive Prison Monitoring 11-15th August, Nairobi, Kenya

NANHRI, in partnership with DIGNITY, held a five-day Training Course on Preventive Monitoring of Prisons, strengthening the implementation of legal frameworks to prevent torture and ill-treatment of persons in contact with the criminal justice system in Kenya, Sierra Leone, and across Africa.

Participants developed draft follow-up action plans for KNCHR, integrating health and vulnerability indicators into monitoring tools and reinforcing institutional commitment to continuous preventive monitoring. The course enhanced participants' capacity to conduct structured visits, apply trauma-informed interviewing techniques, and produce SMART (Specific, Measurable, Achievable, Results-oriented, Time-bound) recommendations linked to advocacy and reform processes.

Annual NHRI Workshop on Implementation of Decisions of African Human Rights Bodies — 28-29 August 2025 | Nairobi, Kenya



NANHRI convened the Annual Workshop on the Implementation of Decisions of African Human Rights Bodies under the theme “Capacity Building for NANHRI-NHRI

Implementation Focal Points.” The meeting brought together 28 participants from 14 National Human Rights Institutions (NHRIs) across Africa's sub-regions, alongside representatives of the ACHPR, ACtHPR, ACERWC, Pan-African Parliament (PAP), and partners including Equality Now, ISLA, and the Raoul Wallenberg Institute (RWI). The workshop strengthened the capacity of NHRIs to support the implementation of decisions

issued by African human rights mechanisms and enhanced coordination between NHRIs and African Union bodies. Through technical sessions and peer-learning exchanges, participants deepened their understanding of engagement procedures, compliance monitoring, and state reporting obligations related to decisions of the African Court, the African Commission, and the African Committee of Experts on the Rights and Welfare of the Child.

A key outcome of the workshop was the consensus to establish **Implementation Focal Points within NHRI structures** to coordinate national follow-up on regional human rights decisions. Participating institutions also developed **Country Action Plans** to strengthen institutional coordination with relevant government ministries and enhance monitoring of implementation processes.

The workshop further endorsed the **revision of NANHRI's 2016 Implementation Guidelines** to reflect evolving jurisprudence and institutional practices. A preliminary needs and capacity assessment identified priority areas for support, including digital tracking systems, legal follow-up training, and structured inter-institutional reporting mechanisms. As a result, NANHRI and the Raoul Wallenberg Institute committed to developing targeted technical assistance tools to address these gaps. Overall, the engagement strengthened NHRI leadership in monitoring implementation and reinforced partnerships with regional human rights mechanisms and civil society actors.

NANHRI Participation in the Place-Based Leadership Development (PBLD) Workshops — Modules 1–6 — 22–23 July, 19–20 August, and 23–24 September 2025 | Nairobi, Kenya

The PBLD Programme was implemented through a six-module workshop series, which was facilitated by MIDRIFT HURINET trainers with technical support from NANHRI; the sessions were conducted under the DIGNITY–NANHRI Torture Prevention Programme. The workshops convened 30 multidisciplinary participants from key justice and oversight institutions, including the Kenya Prisons Service, Probation and Aftercare Services, National Police Service, Judiciary (Court Users Committees), Independent Policing Oversight Authority (IPOA), Witness Protection Agency, Independent Medico-Legal Unit (IMLU), Social Justice Centres, Nairobi City County Law Enforcement, Kenya National Commission on Human Rights (KNCHR), MIDRIFT HURINET, and NANHRI. Participants represented a gender-balanced cohort of practitioners working in detention oversight, legal reform, and community-based human rights protection. The PBLD workshops were designed to cultivate transformative leadership skills while fostering cross-sector collaboration to prevent torture and ill-treatment within Kenya's criminal justice system.

The workshops produced a **Multisector Torture Prevention Roadmap (2025–2027)**, developed collaboratively by participating institutions using design thinking and the Spectrum of Prevention framework. The roadmap outlines strategic short-, medium-, and long-term actions, including advocacy for the ratification and implementation of the Optional Protocol to the Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading

Treatment or Punishment (OPCAT), legislative and policy reforms, and enhanced monitoring of detention facilities. The engagement also strengthened institutional commitments by key actors—including the Kenya National Commission on Human Rights, the Independent Policing Oversight Authority, the Judiciary, and civil society partners—to collaborate on joint monitoring, data sharing, and capacity-building initiatives.

Place-Based Leadership Development (PBLD) Workshop, Modules 1-2 — 18-19 November 2025 | Freetown, Sierra Leone

Implemented in partnership with MIDRIFT, the workshop brought together over 25 senior state and non-state actors, including representatives of the Human Rights Commission of Sierra Leone (HRCSL), the Office of the Attorney General, the Ministries of Justice and Foreign Affairs, the Judiciary, the Sierra Leone Police, the Correctional Service, the Armed Forces, the Office of National Security, and civil society organisations such as Prison Watch, AdvocAid, WANEP, WAYN, and Amnesty International Sierra Leone. The strong participation of high-level government institutions reflected effective mobilisation by HRCSL and enabled substantive, cross-sectoral engagement. Through facilitated design-thinking and reflective leadership exercises, the workshop examined leadership roles, institutional mandates, and systemic challenges related to torture prevention and detention oversight. It initiated a national dialogue on OPCAT ratification and the establishment of a National Preventive Mechanism, resulting in a shared commitment among participants to support these reforms. The engagement also led to the emergence of an informal multi-stakeholder working group to sustain advocacy and coordination, laying the groundwork for continued leadership development and institutional reform in detention oversight and torture prevention.



CAPACITY-BUILDING WORKSHOP FOR THE SOUTH SUDAN HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION (SSHRC) 16-20 September 2025, South Sudan

NANHRI participated as a technical trainer in the Capacity-Building Workshop for the SSHRC, held from 16 to 20 September 2025 in Juba, South Sudan. The training was convened by the African Union Commission's Department of Political Affairs, Peace and Security (AUC-PAPS) under the Governance and Human Rights Division (GCPD) within the framework

of the African Union Human Rights Decade (2016–2026) and the AU Peace and Security Council's 945th Communiqué, which mandates support to NHRIs in post-conflict contexts.

The five-day workshop brought together 35 participants, including SSHRC Commissioners and staff, representatives from the ACHPR, ACERWC, AfCHPR, and the AU Mission in South Sudan, alongside independent experts and civil society actors. As part of the mission, representatives from AUC-PAPS and NANHRI also held a high-level meeting with the Attorney General of South Sudan to discuss the ratification of key AU human rights instruments. The workshop aimed to enhance the SSHRC's institutional capacity to promote and protect human rights by strengthening its operational efficiency, deepening understanding of its mandate, and building engagement with regional and international mechanisms. It also sought to prepare the Commission for eventual compliance with the Paris Principles and readiness for Global Alliance of NHRIs (GANHRI) accreditation.

Roundtable Discussion on the role of the Permanent Representatives' Committee (PRC) in enhancing the implementation of policies and decisions of African human rights bodies: 26 September 2025, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia

The roundtable discussion, co-organised in collaboration with the Raoul Wallenberg Institute (RWI), reaffirmed NANHRIs role as a conveyor of critical dialogues with policymakers and relevant duty bearers to generate consensus on issues of concern. It also aimed at drawing necessary attention to the PRC's pivotal role in advancing the implementation and monitoring of human rights decisions by Member States. Discussions centered on the critical need for enhanced synergy and collaboration between the PRC and key stakeholders, including NANHRI and its member NHRIs; AU Human Rights Bodies and other AU Policy Organs.

Consultation Meeting with the ACHPR Working Group on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights on Integrating ESCRs in National Development Planning — 3-4 October 2025 | Cape Town, South Africa

NANHRI co-convened a two-day consultation meeting with the African Commission on Human and Peoples' Rights (ACHPR) Working Group on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights (WGESCR), aimed at reviewing the updated draft study on Integrating Economic, Social and Cultural Rights in National Development Planning in Africa. The meeting brought together members of the WGESCR, legal researchers from the ACHPR Secretariat, and partner institutions involved in the study, including NANHRI, the Centre for Human Rights (University of Pretoria), and the Danish Institute for Human Rights (DIHR). Building on an earlier consultation held in Dakar in December 2024 and a July 2025 virtual consultation with NHRIs, the meeting reviewed revisions to the draft study, examined newly added country case studies (Cameroon and Morocco), and facilitated structured, chapter-by-chapter discussion to consolidate feedback and guide final refinements ahead of validation and submission to the Commission



The consultation strengthened the development of the ACHPR study on integrating Economic, Social and Cultural Rights (ESCRs) into national development planning in Africa by consolidating expert input and validating key revisions to the draft framework. Through structured review and dialogue among ACHPR experts, researchers, and partner institutions, the meeting enhanced the study's analytical depth, strengthened its human-rights-based approach, and reinforced alignment with the African human rights system.

Key outcomes included agreement to deepen the analysis of core ESCRs—such as health, education, housing, work, and water and sanitation—as integral elements of development planning frameworks, and to refine the comparative case study analysis to better connect national experiences with regional findings. Participants also

endorsed the restructuring of the study's recommendations to clearly target relevant stakeholders, including States, African Union institutions, the ACHPR, National Human Rights Institutions, civil society, academia, and the media.

The consultation further established a clear roadmap for finalising the study, including incorporation of agreed revisions, validation by the Working Group, and subsequent public consultation prior to submission to the African Commission for adoption. Overall, the engagement strengthened institutional ownership of the study and positioned it as a practical tool to support rights-based development planning and enhance accountability for the realisation of ESCRs across Africa.

8th NHRIs Forum on the Margins of the 85th Ordinary Session of the African Commission on Human and Peoples' Rights — 18–20 October 2025 | Banjul, The Gambia

The 8th NHRIs Forum strengthened regional coordination and strategic engagement among NHRIs and key stakeholders in advancing accountability and human rights protection across Africa. The Forum produced an **Outcome Declaration** outlining collective NHRI priorities and commitments on responsible business conduct, protection of the economic, social and cultural rights of LGBTIQ+ persons, and the prevention of torture and ill-treatment. The discussions reinforced alignment with international and regional standards, including the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights and relevant ACHPR resolutions, while promoting greater recognition of ESCRs as enforceable rights within national frameworks.



The Forum also advanced commitments to strengthen **torture prevention mechanisms**, including accelerating ratification of OPCAT, enhancing detention monitoring, and promoting regional cooperation. It further reinforced NHRI commitments to mainstream LGBTIQ+ rights within monitoring, reporting, education, and

litigation processes, grounded in the principles of dignity and non-discrimination under the African Charter.

The **Outcome Declaration** was formally presented to the African Commission during the opening of its 85th Ordinary Session, translating NHRI deliberations into concrete policy recommendations directed at States, AU organs, the ACHPR, and development partners. The recommendations addressed responsible business conduct, inclusive human rights protection, torture prevention, and the strengthening of national mechanisms for reporting and follow-up.

Through statements, panel contributions, and participation in side events, NANHRI further elevated regional human rights priorities—including shrinking civic space, socio-economic inequality, climate-related challenges, and threats to NHRI independence—while promoting rights-based governance and stronger implementation of ACHPR decisions. Overall, the Forum reinforced the role of NHRIs as key institutional partners of the African Commission and strengthened collaboration, accountability, and implementation-focused engagement across the African human rights system.

46th Ordinary Session of the African Committee of Experts on the Rights and Welfare of the Child (ACERWC) — 26 November–3 December 2025 | Maseru, Kingdom of Lesotho

The Opening Ceremony was held in tandem with celebrations of the **35th Anniversary of the African Charter on the Rights and Welfare of the Child (ACRWC)**. NANHRI delivered a statement as part of the high-level proceedings, alongside representatives of children, civil society, United Nations agencies, African Union organs, Member States, and other regional human rights bodies.

NANHRI's engagement strengthened the role of NHRIs in advancing the implementation, reporting, and monitoring of the African Charter on the Rights and Welfare of the Child.

Through contributions to the Opening Session, State Party Reporting Forum, and a technical workshop on implementation of ACERWC decisions, NANHRI reinforced the importance of NHRI participation in supporting State reporting, monitoring compliance, and promoting accountability for children's rights. The engagement also highlighted the institutionalisation of NHRI Implementation Focal Points as a mechanism to strengthen national follow-up on regional decisions and improve coordination between national and regional actors. Overall, the participation enhanced collaboration between the ACERWC, NHRIs, and partners, contributing to stronger implementation and accountability frameworks for children's rights in Africa.

Regional Webinar on Torture Prevention in Places of Deprivation of Liberty — 9 December 2025 | Virtual

The webinar brought together 53 participants, including representatives of NHRIs and National Preventive Mechanisms NPM from over 20 African countries, members of the African Commission on Human and Peoples' Rights' Committee for the Prevention of Torture in Africa (CPTA), and representatives of DIGNITY – Danish Institute Against Torture, the African NPM Network, the Association for the Prevention of Torture (APT), African Centre for Treatment and Rehabilitation of Torture Victims (ACTV), MIDRIFT HURINET, AfricanDefenders, Réseau des Défenseurs des Droits Humains en Afrique Centrale (REDHAC), Federation of Action by Christians for the Abolition of Torture (FIACAT), and (-Instance Nationale pour la Prévention de la Torture) l'INPT-Tunisia. Participation reflected broad geographic representation across Africa and a strong mix of state and non-state oversight actors. Through expert presentations, country case studies, and facilitated discussion, the webinar examined practical challenges and good practices related to detention monitoring, police custody oversight, and safeguards for persons deprived of liberty.

The webinar strengthened regional coordination and peer learning among NHRIs, National Preventive Mechanisms (NPMs), and partners on strategies to prevent torture and ill-treatment in places of detention. The exchange reinforced the importance of independent monitoring, strong legal mandates, and adequate institutional capacity for effective oversight of detention facilities. It also renewed regional advocacy for OPCAT ratification and the establishment or strengthening of National Preventive Mechanisms, while fostering collaboration and knowledge sharing among oversight actors working on criminal justice reform across Africa.

Webinar on the Role of African NHRIs in Economic and Social Rights Accountability (Inquiry Mandate Focus) — 15 December 2025 | Virtual

NANHRI in collaboration with the University of Padova (UNIPD) Human Rights Center, convened a webinar aimed at exploring the critical role of African NHRIs in promoting

accountability for economic and social rights (ESR), with particular emphasis on the mandate and practice of inquiries. The webinar provided a platform for NHRIs to share experiences, lessons learned, and best practices in conducting national, public, and investigative inquiries to address systemic human rights violations. The discussions highlighted the strategic importance of inquiries as instruments to strengthen compliance by duty bearers, monitor implementation of recommendations, and enhance engagement with vulnerable and marginalized groups.

The webinar strengthened peer learning among African NHRIs on the use of inquiry mandates to address systemic economic and social rights violations. Through case studies from several countries, the exchange clarified how inquiries can enhance accountability when supported by strong procedures, credible evidence, and sustained engagement with duty bearers. The discussions also identified key institutional challenges and informed NANHRI's efforts to promote more coherent and effective regional approaches to monitoring and advancing economic and social rights.

Migration

NANHRI Working Group on Migration meeting: 30-31st January, Rabat, Morocco



The NANHRI Working Group on Migration convened a members' meeting to discuss progress on implementation of the 2024 work plan, and develop a work plan for the year 2025. The meeting was attended by delegates from the NHRIs in Kenya, DRC, Nigeria, Morocco, Zimbabwe, and the NANHRI Secretariat.

On the evening of the meeting, members of the working group participated in a stakeholder roundtable organized by the

Ministry of Interior. The roundtable, themed "Humanized Border Management: from Managing Vulnerabilities to Boosting Opportunities," deliberated on various strategies to make cross-border migration safe, orderly, and regular, one that prioritizes the human rights-based approach.

This discussion was timely, given the increasing rights violations associated with border management, especially in Africa. Some of the strategies discussed include the deployment of Artificial Intelligence to monitor and report on migrants based on real-time data.

Towards migration policies based on the protection of human rights: Exploring General Comment No. 6 of the Committee on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of Their Families: Rabat, Morocco on 21 April 2025



The CNDH of Morocco, in its capacity as Chair of the NANHRI Working Group on Migration, in collaboration with the Committee on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of Their Families, organized a roundtable in Rabat on 21 April 2025. The roundtable introduced General Comment No. 6 to the Convention, inviting various stakeholders to have a better understanding of the opportunities arising from the similarities and differences between the two instruments.

Africa has been experiencing dynamic migratory flows, both within and outside the continent, making it crucial to promote coherent and rights-based approaches to migration governance.

At the end of the roundtable, the understanding of General Comment N.6 of the Committee on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrants and Members of their Families and the role of the various stakeholders in its implementation (state actors, international and regional mechanisms, NHRIs, regional networks of NHRIs, civil society organizations) was enhanced.

A convention between NANHRI and the UN Committee on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrants and Members of their Families was signed, paving the way for greater collaboration.

Business and Human Rights

Strengthening the role of NHRIs to promote and advocate for the rights of small-scale fishing communities in marine and coastal conservation management in Africa: held on 19 – 20 March 2025 in Nairobi, Kenya



NANHRI, in partnership with the Danish Institute of Human Rights (DIHR), conducted a workshop on the role of NHRIs in promoting a human rights-based approach to marine and coastal conservation in Africa. The participation comprised of 10 African NHRIs, Conservation International, World Wildlife Fund, United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO), Food and Agriculture Organisation (FAO), and regional fisheries civil society organisations, amongst others. The workshop enhanced the understanding of participant NHRIs on associated human rights issues linked to marine and coastal conservation management in Africa, as well as strengthened their capacity to promote and advocate for the rights of small-scale fishing communities in conservation management.

Training on Supporting National Implementation of the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights in Namibia — 26 March 2025 | Virtual

NANHRI, in partnership with the DIHR, convened a virtual training session targeting the Office of the Ombudsman in Namibia BHR focal persons. The main objective of the training was to enhance the understanding of the Ombudsman of its role in influencing the policy implementation of UNGPs at the national level, as well as various opportunities for doing so.

The training strengthened the capacity of the Namibia Ombudsman's BHR focal persons to support the national implementation of the UN Guiding Principles on BHR. Participants enhanced their understanding of the National Action Plan (NAP) development process, key stakeholders involved, and how the Ombudsman can leverage its mandate to influence policy processes. The engagement laid the groundwork for further national dialogue with

government ministries and stakeholders toward advancing the development of a NAP on Business and Human Rights in Namibia.

Cross-Regional Learning Exchange between African and European NHRIs on BHR— 28 March 2025 | Virtual



NANHRI, in partnership with the DIHR, convened a virtual cross-regional learning on BHR between the European Network of National Human Rights Institutions and the Network of African National Human Rights Institutions. The meeting attracted the participation of approximately 50 NHRI representatives from the two regions.

The exchange strengthened collaboration and peer learning between African and European NHRIs on advancing BHR in a challenging geopolitical context. Participants shared experiences on promoting NAPs on BHR, due diligence frameworks, and corporate accountability in high-risk sectors. The dialogue also enhanced understanding of the human rights implications of proposed amendments to the EU Corporate Sustainability Due Diligence Directive, informing NANHRI's submission advocating stronger stakeholder consultation and risk-based due diligence measures. Overall, the engagement reinforced cross-regional cooperation and supported African NHRIs in strengthening policy advocacy and implementation of BHR and Human Rights frameworks.

Webinar on Strengthening Engagement with African Human Rights Mechanisms to Advance a Just Transition — 5 June 2025 | Virtual

NANHRI and the Business and Human Rights Centre (BHRC) organized a webinar themed State Reporting Process & Universal Periodic Review (UPR) as tools for Advancing a Just Transition at the National Level: Role of NHRIs and other Human Rights Actors. The webinar attracted the participation of over 54 NHRIs and civil society representatives from Africa, with 30 being male and 24 female.

The webinar strengthened the capacity of NHRIs and civil society actors to use the State reporting process and the Universal Periodic Review (UPR) as tools for advancing a just transition at the national level. The discussions enhanced participants' understanding of the just transition concept and clarified the role of human rights actors in promoting implementation of African Commission and UPR recommendations. The engagement also highlighted the need for greater awareness and use of the 2018 State reporting guidelines on Articles 21 and 24 of the African Charter to support more effective human rights-based approaches to the just transition.

Kick-off Workshop for the Corporate Accountability Resilience and Participation for an Equitable Transition (CARPET) Project — 16–20 June 2025 | Jakarta, Indonesia



The workshop launched the CARPET project and strengthened coordination among implementing partners working to advance a rights-based green

transition in Africa and Asia. The engagement clarified implementation priorities, fostered collaboration between regional partners, and aligned project strategies across key sectors including critical minerals, renewable energy, textiles, and agribusiness. It also facilitated strategic dialogue with policymakers and development partners, helping position NANHRI to coordinate regional interventions in Africa and support national-level actions in Kenya and South Africa to promote corporate accountability and human rights due diligence in green economy transitions.

Workshop on effective litigation strategies to influence the design and implementation of just transition projects in Africa: 24-25 June, South Africa

NANHRI, in partnership with the Business and Human Rights Centre (BHRC) and the South African Human Rights Commission (SAHRC), convened a workshop on just transition litigation at national and regional levels in Africa. The workshop attracted the participation of 24 human rights actors comprising civil society, lawyers, academia, and community representatives from South Africa. The interactive learning workshop provided an opportunity for stakeholders to learn more about just transition litigation, with a particular focus on how it could be utilized to promote access to remedy for business-related human rights abuses and drive business accountability in mining, renewable energy and agribusiness sectors.

Mainstreaming BHR in national policy processes in June 2025 in Windhoek, Namibia.

NANHRI, in partnership with the DIHR, convened a virtual training session targeting the Namibia Ombudsman BHR focal persons, as part of its commitment to provide technical support to members. The main objective of the training was to enhance the understanding of the Ombudsman's role in influencing the implementation of UNGPs at the national level, as well as highlight the various opportunities for doing so.

Following the training, the Ombudsman held a meeting with the Minister of Justice and Labour Relations on 26th June 2025, to advise on the incorporation of BHR as a thematic area in the upcoming review of the Human Rights NAP (2015-2020). The Minister was very receptive and expressed his commitment to the process and tasked the Ombudsman to lead the review process, as well as the development of a successor plan.

Training on BHR for Government Stakeholders — 1-3 September 2025 | Windhoek, Namibia

NANHRI, in partnership with the DIHR, convened a training on BHR for the Office of the



Ombudsman Namibia. The

training strengthened the capacity of key government ministries and agencies in Namibia to integrate BHR considerations into national policy processes.

Participants enhanced their understanding of the UN Guiding Principles on Business and

Human Rights and identified practical entry points for incorporating BHR into the review of the National Human Rights Action Plan and the development of a successor framework. The workshop also resulted in the development of a preliminary roadmap to guide the integration of BHR into national planning and policy implementation.

Technical Support Mission on NAPs on BHR – Egypt: 12- 13 September 2025, Cairo, Egypt

As part of its ongoing technical support series on NAPs on BHR, NANHRI conducted a mission to Cairo, Egypt, building on previous engagements in Namibia. This initiative forms part of the pilot project aimed at catalysing the implementation of the UN Guiding Principles on BHR (UNGPs) — “Protect, Respect and Remedy” — across Africa.



The engagement strengthened collaboration between State and Non-State actors in developing and implementing NAPs that embed a rights-based approach to responsible business conduct. Discussions focused on advancing the integration of human rights considerations in economic policy, corporate accountability mechanisms, and sustainable development planning.

Engagements at the 4th Africa Business and Human Rights Forum in Lusaka, Zambia: held in Lusaka, Zambia, from 7th to 9th October 2025



NANHRI participated in the 4th Africa BHR Forum as an organising partner, thus convening and supporting several partner sessions. In partnership with DIHR, NANHRI convened NHRIs for a pre-forum, ***‘Peer Dialogue on Good Practices for Strengthening the Development of National Action Plans on Business and Human Rights and***

their Gender Responsiveness’, on 6th October 2025. On 9th October 2025, NANHRI co-convened two sessions; in partnership with DIHR, United Nations Global Compact Kenya and Avocats Sans Frontières (ASF), NANHRI convened a session on ***‘Strengthening Operational Grievance Mechanisms for Effective Remedy in Africa’***; in partnership with the United Nations Office of the High Commissioner (OHCHR), Africa Minerals Development Centre (AMDC) and the BHRC, NANHRI convened a session on ***‘Centering Human Rights, Justice and Equity in Energy Transition and Climate Policies in Africa’***.

The governance of critical energy transition minerals (CETMs) is emerging as a central fault line in global energy politics, with the G7 and G20 adopting divergent approaches. The

session provided a platform to deepen engagements on the global developments on the just transition, while reinforcing the importance of integrating local communities, Indigenous rights, and environmental sustainability into mineral value chains, as key to strategically positioning Africa in the discourse.

National Workshop on Exploring Remedy Pathways Towards a Just Transition — 5–6 November 2025 | Machakos, Kenya

NANHRI and the BHRC, in collaboration with the KNCHR, co-organised the workshop to identify key components for effective remediation while examining common pitfalls that hinder equitable remedy processes and outcomes towards a just transition in Kenya's high-risk sectors. The workshop brought together 24 participants; 14 male and 10 female—comprising civil society, state agencies, the legal fraternity, community groups, and development partners, to discuss remedy pathways as key to a just transition.

Key outcomes included the consolidation of stakeholder feedback and recommendations to inform a **policy brief for the upcoming review of Kenya's NAP on BHR**. The engagement also enhanced collaboration among justice-sector actors by clarifying institutional mandates and identifying opportunities for coordinated action to support communities seeking remedy.

The dialogue further highlighted priority reform areas, including strengthening enforcement mechanisms, improving inter-agency coordination and information sharing, promoting transparent and rights-compatible corporate grievance mechanisms, and advancing the registration and protection of community land.

Stakeholder Engagement Forum on Children's Rights and Business — 7 November 2025 | Addis Ababa, Ethiopia

The Secretariat of the African Committee of Experts on the Rights and Welfare of the Child (ACERWC/the Committee) of the African Union convened a stakeholder's engagement forum on children's rights and business, through its Working Group on Children's Rights and Business, and in partnership with the African Child Policy Forum (ACPF), the Dullah Omar Institute (DOI), and Save the Children. The Forum brought together the African Union (AU) Member States, the African Union Commission, the African Continental Free Trade Area (AfCFTA) Secretariat, Regional Economic Communities (RECs), UN agencies, NHRIs, CSOs, and private sector representatives to strengthen dialogue and advance the integration of child rights standards into business operations across the continent.

NANHRI's participation strengthened dialogue among African Union institutions, governments, civil society, and private sector actors on integrating children's rights standards into business operations. The engagement enhanced understanding of the role of

NHRIs in promoting and monitoring children's rights in the context of business activities. It also reinforced collaboration with the ACERWC Working Group on Children's Rights and Business, with NANHRI committing to support greater NHRI engagement with the Committee, including encouraging more institutions to obtain and actively utilise affiliate status to strengthen follow-up on children's rights obligations and decisions.

Conference and Launch of Study on Child Rights Mainstreaming in NAPs on Human Rights and Business in Africa — 20–21 November 2025 | Maseru, Lesotho

The Institute for Human Rights and Development in Africa (IHRDA) conducted a study assessing the extent to which child rights are mainstreamed in national human rights policies, including National Action Plans on business and human rights, across Africa. IHRDA convened the conference to share findings of the Study and workshop practical interventions that relevant state and non-state actors can take to fill the gaps. NANHRI's participation in the Conference was key in highlighting the critical role of NHRIs in the development of NAPs and therefore encouraging partnerships between NHRIs, Civil Society, Academia, professional bodies and development partners in baseline assessments and development of robust NAPs which integrate key issues such as artificial intelligence and technology, child and gender rights.

Leveraging its engagements with NHRIs in NAP development processes in Africa, NANHRI shall sustain momentum on the integration of gender and child's rights into the NAPs, as a key pathway for filling in the gaps identified in the study.

NANHRI Visit to Copenhagen — 26 November–3 December 2025 | Copenhagen, Denmark

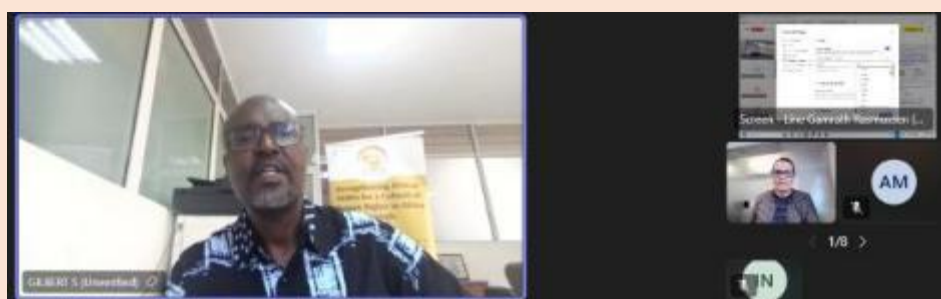
As part of the second phase of DIHR's 'Sustainable Oceans' programme (2024 – 2027), funded by SIDA, DIHR is in partnership with NANHRI to jointly implement activities related to natural resource management and ocean governance in small scale fishers' coastal communities.

As part of this partnership, DIHR and NANHRI met in Copenhagen to conduct a series of activities; An in-depth capacity-building exercise for NANHRI on DIHR's analytical framework on human rights compliance of national policy and legal frameworks related to small-scale fisheries; A webinar on DIHR's analytical framework on human rights compliance of national policy and legal frameworks related to small-scale fisheries and lessons learned from its implementation in Sierra Leone and Tanzania; Focus discussions on important processes and developments related to ocean governance and small-scale fisheries within the national contexts of Tanzania and Sierra Leone as well as on an African regional level; Partner reflections and sense-making of outcomes; Overall discussion of

NANHRI's 2026 activities and budget related to Sustainable Oceans and Business & Human Rights; and, Focus discussions between NANHRI and DIHR on Business and Human Rights.

A key outcome from the visit is that on 2 December 2025, NANHRI and DIHR successfully hosted a regional webinar presenting the new analytical framework on human rights compliance in small-scale fisheries (SSF) policy and legal frameworks in Africa. The webinar brought together representatives from 12 National Human Rights Institutions to explore practical methodologies for identifying human rights gaps affecting small-scale fishing communities—particularly in their access to and co-management of marine resources. Participants also heard valuable experiences from Sierra Leone and Tanzania, where the tool has already been applied to assess national SSF frameworks, offering real-world insights into challenges, opportunities, and emerging good practices.

An online Introductory Training on AI and Human Rights in Africa held on 10th December 2025



In commemoration of International Human Rights Day, NANHRI, in partnership with DIHR, the Global Centre on AI Governance, and the

South African Human Rights Commission, convened an introductory training on AI and Human Rights for NHRIs. The training attracted the participation of 30 NHRI representatives across Africa. As national oversight bodies, NHRIs play a key role in engaging private sector actors and regulators in pushing for more comprehensive AI policies and frameworks to promote responsible innovation, address ethical concerns, and ensure equitable access to AI benefits across all communities. It is against this background that NANHRI co-convened the training, as a step towards strengthening NHRIs' capacity to understand, monitor, and guide the responsible development, deployment, and use of AI in local tech spaces, as well as internationally driven technology hubs and centres developed and deployed in Africa.

Climate Justice

Coordinating (NHRIs) input/contribution to the Petition to the African Court on Human and Peoples' Rights filed by the Pan African Lawyers Union (PALU): 16 and 19 June 2025

NANHRI convened two technical virtual meetings with NHRI focal points on Climate Justice, alongside several preparatory planning meetings to shape NHRI input and alignment for a petition seeking an advisory opinion on the obligations of African States concerning the human rights impacts of climate change. The primary objective was to facilitate a unified and legally sound contribution from African NHRIs, through NANHRI, in the form of an amicus curiae brief to the African Court. This initiative aimed to ensure that human rights obligations related to climate change are articulated clearly from an NHRI perspective and influence the Court's advisory opinion.

Expert Consultation on Human Rights and the Environment in Africa — 12-13 July 2025 | Nairobi, Kenya

NANHRI participated in this Expert Consultation forum, which aimed to provide a regional platform for experts and practitioners to reflect on the current state of environmental rights in Africa, share lessons from other regions, and identify practical steps for strengthening their promotion and protection. Specifically, the meeting sought to assess Africa's progress in realizing the right to a clean, healthy, and sustainable environment, identify barriers to its implementation, and chart pathways for advancing a rights-based approach to environmental governance.

The consultation strengthened regional dialogue on advancing the right to a clean, healthy, and sustainable environment in Africa and contributed to ongoing efforts to clarify environmental rights within the African human rights system. The discussions consolidated regional perspectives to inform the African Commission's development of a General Comment on the right to a healthy environment and reinforced the role of National Human Rights Institutions in promoting rights-based environmental governance. The engagement also highlighted the need for stronger political commitment, improved legal harmonisation, and enhanced institutional capacity to support effective implementation of environmental rights across the continent.

Accelerating mobilisation and action towards the 2nd Africa Climate Summit (ACS-II) Addis Ababa: July 2025

NANHRI participated in a series of webinars whose objective was to establish a coordinated and sustained platform for strategic engagement, collaboration, and advocacy ahead of Africa Climate Summit II and COP30, with a focus on influencing outcomes, building alliances

with Pan-African and global institutions, and advancing Africa’s climate and economic justice priorities.

Participants called for the formal integration of Non-State Actors, including human rights bodies, into ACS-II governance structures. NANHRI emphasized the value of independent oversight and accountability, ensuring that civil society participation is not symbolic but institutionalized; strengthening transparency and inclusive policy processes. The webinar declaration emphasized commitment to gender-sensitive budgeting, legal reforms, and youth co-leadership in climate decision-making.

Side Event on the Margins of the African Climate Summit — 9 September 2025 | Addis Ababa, Ethiopia

NANHRI, in collaboration with RWI, hosted a side event themed “embedding human rights-based approaches in climate change instruments”. The event aimed at mobilizing and coordinating human rights institutions to engage with and influence the outcomes of the Africa Climate Summit and the upcoming COP30 from a human rights lens.

NANHRI called for the adoption of explicit rights language in the Addis Ababa Declaration, influencing the inclusion of the terms “justice” and “fairness” as defining principles. This achievement repositions human rights as a legitimate pillar of Africa’s climate agenda, transitioning from moral rhetoric to a policy norm. It also opened the door for NHRIs to serve as key accountability actors within national climate governance frameworks, granted that NHRIs are hardly present in regional and national climate change forums hence, their voice misses in critical spaces.

Side event on repairing historical harms through climate financing: 10 September 2025, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia

NANHRI and PACJA co-convened the high-level Dialogue on “Repairing Historical Harms through Climate Finance,” convened on the sidelines of the Second Africa Climate Summit (ACS2) in Addis Ababa brought together eminent thought leaders, civil society representatives, and policymakers to discuss Africa’s position in reshaping the global climate finance architecture. The dialogue sought to interrogate the colonial and capitalist legacies underpinning current global systems, challenge the power imbalances in climate finance, and frame climate justice as a pathway to reparatory and equitable development in Africa.

Side Event on Environmental Rights in Africa on the Margins of the African Ministerial Conference on the Environment (AMCEN) — 14 July 2026| Nairobi, Kenya

NANHRI and UNEP co-convened the side event to strengthen dialogue on advancing the right to a clean, healthy, and sustainable environment in Africa and reinforced collaboration

between environmental and human rights actors. The discussions highlighted the role of National Human Rights Institutions in promoting oversight and accountability in environmental governance while advocating for stronger regional frameworks, including consideration of a continental instrument on environmental rights. The engagement also emphasized inclusive environmental governance and the need for coordinated implementation mechanisms to address fragmented approaches to environmental rights protection across African states.

Peer Learning and Strategy Development Workshop on Climate Justice: 30th September 2025 – 1st October 2025, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia

NANHRI, in collaboration with the DIHR, convened a panel session during the Peer Learning and Strategy Development Workshop on Climate Justice. The session built on insights from the piloted *Climate Change and Human Rights Analytical Framework*, which was tested in Kenya, The Gambia, Namibia, and Sierra Leone.



The workshop strengthened the capacity of African NHRIs to integrate rights-based approaches into climate action; Shared innovative practices and lessons from country experiences; Advanced the co-development of the **NANHRI Climate Justice Intervention Strategy** to guide NHRI

engagement on climate issues.

The Regional Peer Learning and Strategy Development Workshop on Climate Justice was held in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, from 1–2 October 2025.

The Regional Peer Learning and Strategy Development Workshop brought together over 36 participants from more than 20 African NHRIs. Convened by NANHRI, the workshop strengthened NHRI capacity to apply human rights-based approaches to climate change and environmental governance and contributed to the development of the NANHRI Climate Change and Environmental Justice Strategy (2025–2030).

Participants enhanced their understanding of the climate–human rights nexus, co-developed key strategic directions for a rights-centered environmental justice framework, and shared good practices on policy engagement, legal advocacy, and evidence-based monitoring. The workshop highlighted peer learning and inclusive strategy design as critical enablers of

effective climate justice action, while also noting challenges such as uneven capacities, legal and enforcement gaps, and limited resources.

The First National Conference on Human Rights and Climate Change, held in Freetown, Sierra Leone, from 28–29 October 2025



NANHRI supported the Human Rights Commission of Sierra Leone (HRCSL) by contributing regional climate justice perspectives to convene the Conference. In attendance were High-level government officials, the UN, civil society, and academic actors who framed climate change and environmental degradation as threats to fundamental rights, positioning human rights at the center of future climate policies and development planning. A key outcome was the launch of

HRCSL's human rights–based assessment of national climate laws, reinforcing evidence-based oversight and aligning national practice with continental standards. The conference also enhanced multi-stakeholder dialogue on inclusive climate action, including protection of vulnerable communities and green jobs, while highlighting the need for sustained political will, resources, and coordination to translate commitments into action.

Virtual Technical Consultative Meeting of African NHRIs on the Draft Amicus Curiae to the African Court (Climate Change Advisory Opinion) —Virtual

NANHRI convened this virtual meeting to enable NHRIs to collectively review, validate, and strengthen the draft amicus curiae prepared by NANHRI for submission to the African Court. NANHRI facilitated a process of synthesizing inputs from over 17 NHRIs collected during June–July 2025, and presented a consolidated draft reflecting African realities and priorities. Through technical feedback and plenary discussions, participants refined legal arguments linking climate change impacts to violations of rights under Articles 4, 16, 22, and 24 of the African Charter and related instruments. It is expected that this unified voice from NHRIs will enhance the credibility, authority, and potential influence of the amicus on the Court's advisory opinion.

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

NANHRI Steering Committee Meeting — 9 March 2025 | Geneva, Switzerland



The Steering Committee meeting of the Network of African National Human Rights Institutions (NANHRI) convened and deliberated on matters to do with the governance of NANHRI. Members reviewed operational and strategic matters affecting the network's performance and sustainability. Chaired by Dr. Joseph Whittal and

supported by the Executive Director, Mr. Gilbert Sebihogo, the meeting provided a platform for assessing key organisational reports, discussing ongoing initiatives, and adopting critical decisions for 2025.

The meeting strengthened NANHRI's governance, strategic planning, and financial oversight for the upcoming year. The Steering Committee reviewed and approved the **2024 Annual and Audited Financial Reports**, adopted the **2025 Workplan and Budget**, and agreed on measures to address the reported financial deficit, including improved membership contribution management and cost-alignment measures.

The Committee also advanced key institutional priorities, including progress toward operationalising the **Addis Ababa Liaison Office**, planning for the **15th Biennial Conference in Yaoundé**, and strengthening NHRI engagement in global human rights processes. In addition, members endorsed Africa's candidate for the **GANHRI Chairpersonship** and approved governance measures aimed at enhancing NANHRI's financial sustainability and institutional effectiveness.

NANHRI General Assembly Meeting — 10 March 2025 | Geneva, Switzerland

The General Assembly convened a day after the Steering Committee to strengthen coordination and strategic direction among African NHRIs while reviewing NANHRI's institutional



performance and priorities. Members adopted the **2024 Annual and Audited Financial Reports** and approved the **2025 Annual Work Plan and Budget**, incorporating new initiatives and continued support for NHRI accreditation processes.

The Assembly also advanced key organisational priorities, including progress toward operationalising the **Addis Ababa Liaison Office** and preparations for the **15th Biennial Conference in Yaoundé**. In addition, members endorsed Africa's nominee for the **GANHRI Chairpersonship** and confirmed Malawi's continued representation on the GANHRI Finance Committee. Overall, the meeting reinforced collective commitment among member institutions to strengthen cooperation, accountability, and the effectiveness of human rights systems across Africa.

GANHRI Knowledge Exchange Session — 11 March 2025 | Geneva, Switzerland



NANHRI participated in the GANHRI Knowledge Exchange Session. Hosted by the Global Alliance of National Human Rights Institutions (GANHRI), the knowledge exchange provided a collaborative platform to share experiences, reflect on institutional challenges, and promote inclusive practices—particularly in relation to the rights of persons with disabilities. The Knowledge Exchange brought together NHRIs from all four regional networks, along with civil society actors, technical experts, and UN partners, convened to strengthen collective understanding of

NHRI accreditation under the Paris Principles.

2025 Annual Conference of the Global Alliance of National Human Rights Institutions



During the 2025 Annual Conference of the Global Alliance of National Human Rights Institutions, held on 12 March 2025 at the Palais des Nations in Geneva, NANHRI, African NHRIs and global partners convened under the theme “The Human Rights of Women and Girls: Promoting Gender Equality – The Role of National Human Rights Institutions.” The conference provided a strategic platform for reflection, experience-sharing, and peer learning on how NHRIs can better fulfil their mandates in promoting gender equality and protecting the rights of women and girls, particularly in light of persistent global and regional challenges.

Inauguration of NANHRI’s Partnership and Liaison Office (PLO): 8th May 2025

NANHRI’s Partnership and Liaison Office (PLO) was officially inaugurated on May 8, 2025, marking a significant milestone in NANHRI’s strategic engagement and operational reach. The event was held at the physical premises of the new office, strategically located within the Ethiopian Human Rights Commission (EHRC) head office building. This co-location is a testament to the strong collaborative spirit within the human rights community in Africa and will foster closer cooperation with key stakeholders. The momentous occasion was graced by the esteemed presence of GANHRI’s leadership and NANHRI’s leadership, underscoring the global and regional commitment to strengthening human rights mechanisms. This new Partnership and Liaison Office is poised to serve as a crucial hub for NANHRI’s activities, facilitating enhanced coordination, advocacy, and collaboration with the African Union, diplomatic missions, and other international partners based in Addis Ababa.

NANHRI Co-organizes Donor Roundtable Table: 25 June, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia

NANHRI, in a significant collaborative effort with the Swiss Embassy in Addis Ababa, successfully co-hosted a pivotal donor roundtable discussion. This significant event served as a strategic platform to engage directly with a select group of potential partners and funders, primarily representatives from European Embassies. Ambassadors of European States, including France, the UK, the Netherlands, Finland, Switzerland, Ireland, Belgium, Sweden, Denmark, and commissioners from ACHPRs and EHRC attended the meeting. The discussions provided a comprehensive overview of NANHRI’s extensive experience, strategic priorities, and programmatic needs, fostering a deeper mutual understanding of NANHRI’s vital role and added value within the regional human rights landscape. The

primary purpose of this meticulously organized donor roundtable was to forge new and strengthen existing partnerships, as well as to secure crucial technical and financial support for NANHRI's ongoing and planned human rights initiatives across Africa.

Membership to the NHRIs Working Group on Counter-Terrorism: 10th July 2025, virtually



The International Institute for Justice and Rule of Law (IIJ) has launched a [counter-terrorism platform for Human Rights engagement](#) based on the Brussels Memorandum on Good Practices for oversight and accountability mechanisms in counter-terrorism.

NANHRI, through its Liaison Office in Addis Ababa, participated in the inaugural meeting and moved to secure membership in this

international body, alongside African NHRIs from Ghana, Kenya, Uganda, and Cameroon. NANHRI delivered a presentation that articulated the crucial alignment points between the Brussels Principles, the Human Rights Based Approach (HRBA), and NANHRI's core mission. The next meeting of this Working Group is scheduled for December 2025.

ANNEXES

Financial Report

NETWORK OF AFRICAN NATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS INSTITUTIONS REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

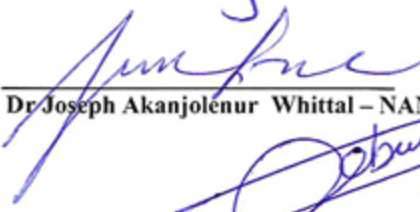
Statement of income and expenditure	Notes	2025 KES	2025 USD	2024 KES	2024 USD
Income					
Members contributions	5	24,173,696	187,378	29,623,000	229,116
Grants and donations	6	103,299,849	800,603	125,357,736	969,565
Other income	7	9,820,308	76,120	8,257,164	63,864
Total income		<u>137,293,853</u>	<u>1,064,102</u>	<u>163,237,899</u>	<u>1,262,545</u>
Expenditure					
Programme expenses	8 a	98,066,264	760,144	105,670,762	817,299
Administration expenses	8 b	39,629,732	307,183	104,853,612	810,979
Provision for bad debts		5,492,702	42,576	1,510,664	11,684
Total expenditure		<u>143,188,699</u>	<u>1,109,903</u>	<u>212,035,039</u>	<u>1,639,961</u>
Balance for the year		<u>(5,894,846)</u>	<u>(45,801)</u>	<u>(48,797,140)</u>	<u>(377,416)</u>

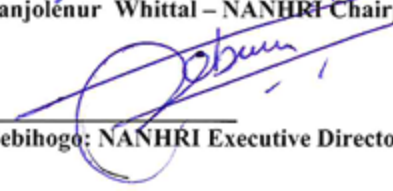
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Statement of Financial Position

	Notes	2025 KES	2025 USD	2024 KES	2024 USD
Assets					
Non-current assets					
Property and equipment	9	1,810,504	14,034	1,927,342	14,907
Intangible assets		336,930	2,612	23,316	180
		<u>2,147,434</u>	<u>16,645</u>	<u>1,950,658</u>	<u>15,087</u>
Current assets					
Account receivables	11	52,883,958	409,921	48,159,553	372,485
Cash and cash equivalents	12	163,086,990	1,264,141	152,864,026	1,182,310
		<u>215,970,948</u>	<u>1,674,062</u>	<u>201,023,579</u>	<u>1,554,794</u>
Total assets		<u>218,118,382</u>	<u>1,690,708</u>	<u>202,974,236</u>	<u>1,569,882</u>
Reserves and liabilities					
Reserve funds					
General fund		192,871,879	1,495,014	198,406,116	1,534,550
Capital fund		2,244,316	17,396	2,604,925	20,148
Restricted fund		1,360,033	10,542	1,360,033	10,519
		<u>196,476,228</u>	<u>1,522,952</u>	<u>202,371,074</u>	<u>1,565,217</u>
Current liabilities					
Other payables	13	<u>21,642,155</u>	<u>167,756</u>	<u>603,162</u>	<u>4,665</u>
Total reserves and liabilities		<u>218,118,383</u>	<u>1,690,708</u>	<u>202,974,236</u>	<u>1,569,882</u>

The financial statements on pages 7 to 17 were approved for issue by the Steering Committee on 4th February 2026 and were signed on their behalf by:


Dr. Joseph Akanjolenur Whittal – NANHRI Chairperson


Mr. Gilbert Sebihogo: NANHRI Executive Director

Membership Fees

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Statement of member contributions as at 31st December 2025						
	Member	31/12/2024	Current periods dues	Status	Date Received (DD/MM/YY)	Balance
1	Algeria	-	3,000	3,000	09/07/2025	-
2	Benin	52,138	5,000	3,067	30/10/2025	54,071
3	Botswana	3,000	3,000	6,000	11/02/2025 & 22/08/2025	-
4	Burkina Faso	3,000	3,000	3,000	05/02/2025	3,000
5	Burundi	0	5,000	10,000	14/01/2025 & 31/10/2025	(5,000)
6	Cameroon	(278)	5,000	4,400	10/03/2025	322
7	Cape Verde	85	3,000	3,184	25/03/2025	(99)
8	Central Africa Republic	15,000	3,000			18,000
9	Chad	33,703	3,000			36,703
10	Congo Brazzaville	2,945	3,000			5,945
11	Comoros	33,000	3,000			36,000
12	Cote D'Ivoire	4,756	5,000	5,149	24/03/2024	4,607
13	Democratic Republic of Congo	14,898	5,000	14,898	09/01/2025	5,000
14	Djibouti	21,000	3,000			24,000
15	Egypt	-	5,000			5,000
16	Ethiopia	25,000				25,000
17	Gabon	36,015	3,000			39,015
18	Gambia	-	5,000	5,000	22/12/2025	-
19	Ghana	5,010	5,000	10,010	29/10/2025	-
20	Guinea Bissau	42,000	3,000	45,166	09/07/2025	(166)
21	Guinea Conakry	42,000	3,000			45,000
22	Kenya (In kind contribution)	-				-
23	Liberia	41,050	5,000	2,500	22/07/2025	43,550
24	Libya	30,000	3,000			33,000
25	Madagascar	40,013	5,000	5,000	09/01/2025	40,013
26	Malawi	10	5,000			5,010
27	Mali	31,915	5,000	4,985	06/02/2025	31,930
28	Mauritania	371	5,000	5,327	24/10/2025	44
29	Mauritius	2,539	5,000	5,000	04/03/2025	2,539
30	Morocco	-	5,000	5,000	27/02/2025	-
31	Mozambique	(1)	3,000			3,000
32	Namibia	-	5,000	5,000	09/09/2025	-
33	Niger	30,546				30,546
34	Nigeria	-	5,000	5,000	17/04/2025	-
35	Rwanda	270	5,000	5,000	28/01/2025	270
36	Senegal	61,000	3,000	64,954.22	11/03/2025	(954)
37	Sierra Leone	15,000	5,000			20,000
38	South Africa	0	5,000	5,000	11/02/2025	0
39	South Sudan	9,000	3,000			12,000
40	Sudan	30,193	3,000			33,193
41	Eswatini (Swaziland)	12,006	3,000			15,006
42	Tanzania	94	5,000	5,002.61	15/04/2025	91
43	Togo	5,036	5,000			10,036
44	Tunisia	36,050	3,000			39,050
45	Uganda	(21)	5,000	10,000	27/06/2025	(5,021)
46	Zambia	12,504	5,000	12,613	04/02/2025 & 22/12/2025	4,891
47	Zimbabwe	5,010	5,000	10,000	18/9/2025	10
	TOTAL	695,860	182,000	263,256		614,603



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