
Report Of The Consultative Breakfast Meeting
On The
Protection Of Orphaned & Vulnerable Children's Rights
To Family Property/Procedures On Administration Of
Estates And Of Acquisition Of Registration Of Birth &
Identification Documents

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ABBREVIATIONS

A.G.	Attorney General
AAK	Action Aid International Kenya
AIDS	Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome
CLAN.	Children’s Legal Action Network
CRADLE	The Children’s Foundation
HIV	Human Immuno-deficiency Virus
KELIN	Kenya Ethical Legal Issues Network on HIV and AIDS
KNCHR.	Kenya National Commission on Human Rights
NGO	Non-governmental Organisation
OVC	Orphans and Vulnerable Children
PMTCT	Prevention of Mother To Child Transmission
TSC	Teachers Service Commission
UNAIDS.	United Nations Joint Programme on HIV
WOFAK.	Women Fighting AIDS in Kenya

Breakfast Meeting on the Protection of OVC’s Rights to Family Property, Procedures on Administration of Estates and of Acquisition of Registration of Birth & Identification Documents Held In Nairobi, Kenya on 18th June, 2010

CONVENORS OF THE MEETING	KELIN; ACTIONAID and WOFAK		
COUNTRY/SITE OF MEETING	Sarova Panafric Hotel, Nairobi, Kenya.		
PURPOSE OF THE MEETING	Breakfast Meeting on the Protection of OVC’s Rights to Family Property, Procedures on Administration of Estates and of Acquisition of Registration of Birth & Identification Documents Held In Nairobi, Kenya on 18th June, 2010		
DATE OF MEETING	18 TH JUNE 2010		
TOTAL NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS	MALE	FEMALE	TOTAL
	13	34	47

1.0 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY



Allan Achesa Maleche, Programmes Coordinator of KELIN, introduces Ms. Valarie Kihima to Mrs Catherine Muyeka Mumma, board member of KELIN and Senior Programmes Advisor.

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The Kenya Legal and Ethical Issues Network on HIV& AIDS (KELIN) is one of the few organisations in Kenya and East Africa working on legal and human rights issues in relation to health and HIV. KELIN's goal is to undertake advocacy and provide leadership in ensuring an enhanced rights based approach in health and HIV strategies and programmes.

Action Aid International Kenya (AAK) is a branch of Action Aid International, which is an anti-poverty agency working in over 40 countries taking sides with the poor people to end poverty and injustice together.

Women Fighting AIDS in Kenya is a non-governmental organisation, established to provide quality health care, support and empowerment to women and children infected and affected, to enable them live positively with HIV.

KELIN entered into an agreement with AAIK to conduct a half day consultative breakfast meeting on the rights of OVC's to family property, knowing government policies and procedures on administration of estates and of acquisition of registration of birth & identification documents. The breakfast meeting was held as a follow up to the previous National Advocacy Workshop on Children and HIV in Kenya held on the 30th of November to 1st December 2009 at Sarova Panafric hotel Nairobi.

The overall objective of the consultative breakfast meeting was to narrow in on property and identification rights of OVC's by bringing together various OVC's, care givers, the relevant government officials, non-governmental organisations involved with PLWHAs, and even donor institutions for an all round, all inclusive discussion on how to enhance the realisation of the rights of OVC's with regard to inheritance of family property, administration of estates and of acquisition of registration of birth & identification documents.

Session 1 officially commenced at 0745hrs with introductory remarks from the Programme co-ordinator of KELIN, Mr. Allan Maleche. Mr. Maleche gave a brief overview of the meeting and reminded participants that this meeting was a follow up to last year's meeting held on world AIDS day where discussions were held with all stakeholders on issues affecting OVC. He recounted the particular issues of concern that came out of that meeting as including;

- Orphans accessing property from the public trustee
- Orphans obtaining birth certificates and
- Orphans obtaining National Identification cards.

He stated that as a result of these concerns it was agreed as the way forward that the relevant government authorities would be invited to brainstorm on how to best solve these problems. As such, Mr. Maleche outlined the three (3) main objectives of this breakfast meeting being;

- To hear from care givers on their 1st hand experiences in relation to the afore-listed problems.
- To hear from duty bearers on government on the relevant policies and procedures.
- To come up with the way forward/recommendations on how to solve these problems.

Mr. Maleche then requested participants to briefly introduce themselves after which he invited Ms. Ruth Laibon Masha to chair session I presentations. Ms. Masha emphasised the objective of this session as put by Mr. Maleche after which she invited Ms. Catherine Mumma of KELIN to make her presentation on the "**General overview of the issues affecting orphans and vulnerable children in the context of HIV.**"

The objective of Ms. Mumma’s presentation was to give a quick overview of the socio-legal situation obtaining amongst care givers and the challenges facing them in so far as access to property, registration of births and identification cards are concerned. Ms Mumma’s presentation highlighted the following key issues;

- We tend to concentrate more on PMTCT and social protection and as a result several other equally important issues affecting OVC’s are left unaddressed.
- AIDS is more than a health issue and there are so many negative socio-economic problems which a growing number of OVC’s experience.
- Currently, there are more 2 million AIDs orphans and more than 1 million of them live with HIV in sub-Saharan Africa. As a result, child headed households are a common occurrence and children are no longer children because of HIV.
- Care givers equally face a myriad of challenges.
- So many homes are a sham and have become businesses where civil servants collude with care-givers to co-own homes for purposes of obtaining donor funds,
- There is a lot of difficulty in accessing birth registration and identification documents for the child.



Mrs Mumma gives her introductory remarks

Ms. Masha then invited **personal testimonies** from care-givers and a select group of OVC’s to share their practical experiences. A total of 5 personal testimonies were heard from Josephine Mbula Oyuga- Grandmother carer, Martin Muchene- beneficiary of Nyumbani children’s home and Valerie Kihima-an orphan and Student at Catholic University of Eastern Africa. A 10min video containing personal testimonies was also played to the audience the personal testimonies and videos mainly touched on the following;

- The economic challenges facing OVCs in Kenya
- The difficulties in obtaining registration and Identification documents for OVCs
- Violation of property rights of OVCs and
- Challenges facing OVCs during inheritance of family property

Ms. Masha then invited Sr. Mary Owens, the administrator and executive director of children of God Relief Institution (“Nyumbani children’s Home”). Sr. Owens made presentations on **“The Struggle for Birth Certificates”** and **“an outreach to the two ‘left behind generations’ of the HIV pandemic: orphans and grandparents”**. This presentation mainly gave a practical



Sr Mary Owens of Nyumbani Childrens Home makes her presentation.

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experience of Nyumbani's struggles to obtain birth certificates. The following issues were apparent in Sr. Owen's presentation:

- Several children pass on without ever having their births recognised and neither do they receive death certificates for them.
- Even where there are chances of registration and considering that these children are orphans, the following documentation was still required in order to register the children;
 - Death certificates of the parents
 - Birth Certificates of the parents
 - National Identify Cards for parents
 - Birth Notification of the child
 - Police Abstract
- The children are looked down upon, discriminated and stigmatized for being HIV positive.
- Charitable Children's Homes still have difficulty satisfying guidelines requiring them to obtain Committal documents from the court, Letter from the Children's Department and a letter from the institution where the child is staying in order to process registration and identification documents for children under their care.
- Policies and laws need to be changed or amended to accommodate the special circumstances of OVCs.
- Currently, Nyumbani is faced with getting birth certificates for 663 children in Nyumbani Village as well as the 12 for Nyumbani Home children.
- There are still a lot of difficulties when it comes to inheritance of property by OVCs of property and therefore there is need for advocacy.
- A clear user-friendly legal process needs to be put in place and more public awareness of the rights of these children to their property inheritance needs to be created so that the community can also provide custodianship and help prevent 'land grabbing'

Sr. Owens ended her presentation at 0937hrs

Ms. Masha then invited Lilian Njeru of CRADLE: To make her presentation on "**Experiences On Working With OVC**".

Lilian's presentation was more on the legal perspectives of the experiences. Her presentation highlighted the following important issues;

- The procedure to be followed when a person dies depends on whether a person died testate or intestate.
- The public trustee comes in when a person dies intestate and no one comes forth to apply for letters of administration or where no executor is appointed
- There are certain gaps in the law that are unfavorable to OVCs for example in cases of intestacy Section 32 of the Act excludes agricultural land and livestock from its realm and this provides fertile ground for discriminatory practices as it places the excluded



Ms. Melba Katisvo and Ms. Veronica Omunga of KELIN listen keenly to Sr Owens' speech.

property in the ambit of customary law which is more often than not repugnant to justice and morality.

- The CRADLE's interaction with orphans reveals that the relatives of the deceased always move with supersonic speed to divide the properties amongst themselves and the penalties are lenient.
- The law always presumes that the surviving spouse will take care of the best interest of the child. The experience of The CRADLE has been that many parents take care of their own interests. There are also instances where fathers disinherit the children.
- The procedure for obtaining a grant of representation is long, complicated and tedious.
- It is recommended that awareness is created especially of the office of the public trustee,
- Amend section 32 of the Succession Act
- Have proper rules and regulations on administration of children property and
- Guardians should also provide for indemnity to cushion children against embezzlement.

Lilian's presentation ended at 0946hrs.

Ms. Masha then invited Hellen Jasiang'a, the field co-ordinator of WOFAK Kayole, to make her presentation on "**challenges of OVC in acquisition of legal documents.**" Hellen's presentation briefly highlighted the challenges OVC's are facing in obtaining birth certificates and I.D. cards from the experience of WOFAK. The following issues were highlighted in Hellen's presentation;

- WOFAK mainly counsels and gives emotional support to orphans, gives medical care through community clinics and pharmacy, and also refer some children to the "lea toto" programme in Kariobangi South
- The key challenges that WOFAK faces in obtaining legal documentations for children under their care include lack of information on parents' background e.g. Home area, place of employment e.t.c., no records are kept by the parent/guardians of their children, lack of resources to process the documents, and the process itself is cumbersome.

Hellen's presentation ended at 1000hrs

Ms Ruth Masha of Action Aid International Kenya then made the final presentation of the session on "**the link between human rights violations and HIV- the context of OVC**" - Ms. Masha's presentation summarized the following important issues.

- Estimated number of orphans and vulnerable children increased from 1.8 million in 2004 to 2.4 million in 2006, 48% of these linked to HIV and AIDS.
- 7 of 10 young people in Suba District in Nyanza Province know children whose parents have died from AIDS and 4 out of 10 young people in Suba reported to have been sexually abused
- As a result of dis-inheritance, OVCs have to undergo all manner of suffering due to financial/



Ms Ruth Masha of Action Aid International Kenya makes her presentation.

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economic problems.

- Ms. Masha summarized the Common difficulties faced by orphans as Property dis-inheritance, hidden costs of free primary education, lack of food, separation of siblings, sexual abuse and low transition rate to secondary level even when they perform well at the primary level examinations.

Ms Masha's presentation also gave a pictorial perspective of the living conditions of OVC's which were deplorable. Ms.Masha's presentation ended at 1016hrs

In session II duty bearers i.e. the relevant government departments were invited to share on the government procedures relating to registration of births, acquisition of identification documents and access to property by OVC. The objectives of these were two fold i.e. to ascertain as much as possible whether the procedures are friendly to children and to come up with ideas on what can be done to improve the currently obtaining position. Ms. Anne Gathumbi was the chair of this session and at 1020hrs, she invited Ms Jane Kariuki of the Ministry of state for immigration and registration of persons- department of civil registration who took participants through her presentation on the **“structures and procedures relating to registration of birth for acquisition of identification documents for orphans and vulnerable children (OVC)”**

Ms. Kariuki's presentation mainly summarized the legal procedures involved in obtaining legal documentation. In summary, her presentation highlighted the following;

- Births occurring in hospitals are notified there and parents issued with acknowledgement of Birth Notification for parents (ABN).
- Where a child is born out of the hospital (at home) the parent notifies the Birth to the registration agent in their area – (Assistant Chief in a Sub location) and is issued with ABN.
- More often than not, When a child is found abandoned the aspect of registration is skipped even where the child is placed with institutions and this becomes a challenge area later in life in acquiring documents.
- Late birth registration is registration of a birth which was not registered within six (6) months of occurrence. The Registrar of births may register a late birth after the following supporting documents are attached to the application forms: Notification of birth, Hospital Certificate/Clinic card, Doctors Certificate, Midwife's certificate, Baptismal Certificate, School Leaving Certificate among others.
- Where the child involved is an OVC, additional documents are required. These include committal documents from a court indicating that the custody of the child has been duly granted. A letter from the Children's Department indicating that the child in question is indeed abandoned, if housed by an institution, a letter providing the child's history including the date of birth according to an age assessment test, a police letter where available and a fee of Kshs 150/=.
- Some of these procedures were more theoretical than practical hence the numerous problems facing persons seeking legal documentation.



Ms Anne Gathumbi of OSIEA chairs a session during the breakfast meeting.

- In a bid to streamline and fast track these procedures the registry has come-up with new guidelines that basically do away with most requirements for late birth registrations especially for OVC's.

Ms. Kariuki's presentation ended at 1053hrs

The chair then invited Hon. Millie Odhiambo, Nominated MP and chairperson of the Kenya Parliamentary Caucus on Children, to share her experiences, with the challenge to push for the recommendations coming out of the meeting to be passed into law. Hon. Millie Odhiambo made the following key recommendations:

- In as much as advocacy was important, there was need to undertake the same in a simplified and easy to understand and implement in a manner to avoid bureaucracies.
- Come up with smaller representative groups that ensure that recommendations coming out of a forum such as this one are action-oriented and/or practical because we are dealing with real people who need real/practical solutions to problems.
- Although the cash transfer programme was off to a good start, there's still need to expand the programme in order to reach the growing number of OVC's.
- She was in the process of moving the counter-trafficking bill in parliament to tackle the rising number of illegal adoptions, child trafficking and abuse especially for OVC's.
- She undertook to ask a questions relating to the right of OVCs in obtaining registration documents during the parliamentary sessions.



Hon. Millie Odhiambo delivers her speech during the breakfast meeting .

Hon. Odhiambo's presentation ended at 1115hrs.

Ms. Anne Gathumbi then invited Ms. Mary Njuya, the Hon. the A.G's representative, to make her keynote address on behalf of the Hon. the A.G. Ms. Njuya is the Senior Deputy Public Trustee and the head of state law office Aids Control Unit. She also works in the Administrator general's department. She proceeded to read out the Hon. Attorney General's keynote address.

In the Hon. the A.G's address, the following key issues were noted;

- The right to nationality and identity is one of the basic rights without which many other rights cannot be enjoyed.
- The question of protection of children's rights particularly that of orphans to own and access their family property is important in mitigating the vulnerability that comes with the status of orphan-hood.
- The number of children who are orphaned is quite high and these children are increasingly suffering from all forms of exploitation and abuse.
- The proposed draft constitution of Kenya published on the 6th May 2010 makes specific mention of the rights of inter-alia children and the youth.
- The A.G acknowledged that there is still difficulty at the community level on the procedures to follow to access dues

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from the estate of deceased relatives and especially for children or minors.

- The administrator general has in the last and current financial years conducted several programmes to sensitize OVC's in liaison with the provincial administration through baraza's touching on the role of the public trustee, accessibility of benefits and the rights of OVC's.
- The public trustee has fashioned a sample will that may be used by those opting to die testate.
- The A.G. is committed himself to setting up a small team of the relevant government departments to discuss these challenges.

In conclusion, Ms. Njuya sought to clarify certain concerns raised by the different speakers.

- The jurisdiction of the office of the public trustee is determined by value and not by the size of land.
- The public trustee has the power to prepare a summary certificate to administer an estate not exceeding Kshs 500,000 and in such a case court procedures are all sidestepped.
- The office of the administrator general can only recognize a guardian who has been bonafide appointed by court. Otherwise they can only pay emergency bills such as school fees and hospital bills directly to the invoicing institutions where the guardian is not bona fide court appointed.
- Monies for beneficiaries are properly invested by the public trustee in treasury bills and reputable banks and profits or gains realized there from are spread out to the estates that they administer.

At the end of Ms Njuya's presentation, Ms. Anne Gathumbi emphasized the need to forge partnerships as recommended by both the Hon. the A.G. and his representative to educate the public and more so to come up with specific legislation on OVCs

Session II ended at 1155hrs

The final session began immediately thereafter with Commissioner Anne Ngugi of the Kenya National Commission on Human rights as chair. This session mainly sought to crystallize all the various points of action put forth by the various actors during their presentations. The following recommendations were put forth for action.

- i. There is need to share some of these experiences with the Law Reform Commission as they are the ones who practically go round collecting recommendations that then lay the basis for legislation.
- ii. There is need to organise a major national registration campaign for both identification cards and birth certificates with the involvement of all stakeholders.
- iii. Form a task force to identify specific OVC oriented amendments to the law even as we continue with public awareness campaigns on



Josephine Mbula Oyuga and her grandson listen carefully to Hon. Millie Odhiambo's speech.

registration. KELIN was mandated to organize a small meeting within two weeks from 18th June 2010 to brainstorm on how the taskforce in would be constituted.

- iv. Enhance information sharing by making use of the internet, and publications in order to create awareness.
- v. There is need to obtain legal aid for OVCs to assist in inheritance procedures and avoid the huge legal costs. This ought to be done in a way that does not cause conflict with extended family but at the same time ensure that OVCs access their rightful property. The 600 or so situations at Nyumbani children's home could be used as a pilot project for the legal aid.
- vi. In the next meeting, invite the family division of the High Court for a better understanding of how they work. More strategic partners should also be invited to give recommendations a more practical touch.
- vii. UNICEF will be the core partner in this campaign especially the registration campaign.
- viii. Policies and laws need to be changed or amended to accommodate the special circumstances of OVCs.
- ix. A clear user-friendly legal process needs to be put in place and more public awareness of the rights of these children to their property inheritance needs to be created so that the community can also provide custodianship and help prevent 'land grabbing'

Session III ended at 1240hrs whereupon Allan Maleche (KELIN) made the closing remarks. He thanked everyone for making time to attend especially those who had travelled from up-country to come and share with their testimonies, government officials, UNAIDS, members of the media and all other institutions. The meeting was then closed at 1300hrs with a word of prayer from Polycarp.



Martin of Nyumbani Children's Home narrates his experience on the difficulty of getting a birth certificate

2.0 SUMMARY OF WORKSHOP SESSIONS



Mrs Mumma Of KELIN, Sr Mary Owens of Nyumbani Children's Home, Mr Girmay of UNAIDS and his daughter Ms. Ararat Girmay share a conversation.



2.1 SESSION I: EXPERIENCES IN THE COMMUNITY

Co-chairs: Allan Maleche (KELIN) & Ruth Laibon Masha (AAIK)

The aim of this session was two-fold. First, it was to give participants a background of the breakfast meeting and secondly to highlight its key objectives. Generally, participants were appraised on the core issues the meeting sought to address, personal testimonies from care-givers and OVCs were shared and members of civil society were invited to give their perspective on the issues as well. This then set the stage for a more practical and informed discussion with duty bearers in the next session. The presenters in this session included Ms. Catherine Mumma, Ms Hellen Jasiang'a, Ms Ruth Masha, Ms Lilian Njeru and Sr. Mary Owens. (Copies of the presentations made during these sessions have already been submitted to AAK and will be attached to a hardcopy of this report)

2.2 SESSION II: KNOWING GOVERNMENT POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

Chair: Anne Gathumbi the Programmes Manager at Open Society Initiative East Africa and Open Society Institute Law and Health Initiative

The aim of this session was to hear the government positions on matters relating to registration of births, acquisition of identification documents and access to property by OVC. In turn, the objectives of these were two fold i.e. to ascertain as much as possible whether the procedures are friendly to children and to come up with ideas on what can be done to improve the currently obtaining position. The presentations in this session were made by Ms Jane Kariuki, The Hon. Millie Odhiambo (M.P.), Ms. Mary Njuya (on behalf of the Hon. the A.G). (Copies of the presentations made during these sessions shall form part of the CD package)

2.3 SESSION III: PLENARY DISCUSSIONS ON WAY FORWARD.

Chair: Commissioner Anne Ngugi, commissioner at the Kenya National Commission on Human Rights

This session mainly sought to crystallize all the various points of action put forth by the various actors. The chair emphasized that OVC issues touch on everybody and so it is important that all that has been heard from stakeholders be crystallized. Basically all participants were requested to contribute to the recommendations from the issues they had gathered from the discussions. Most of the recommendations were to be acted upon within timelines that were set at the meeting. Equally important were commitments made by the various participants who were to be followed up within strict timelines.



Mrs Catherine Mumma, Makana Jonai and Josephine Mbula Oyuga narrate the challenges faces by josephine as a grandmother carer.

3.0 RECOMMENDATIONS



Ms. Ludfine Opudo of UNDP listens keenly to the proceedings of the breakfast meeting.



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Below is an outline of the recommendations that were made during the meeting.

1. There is need for advocacy with communities in order for people to appreciate the special needs of orphans and vulnerable children and issues relating to inheritance of property.
2. The office of the A.G needs to take the services of the Administrator general closer to the community.
3. There should be more collaborative efforts by the office of the President, Provincial administration, Ministry of Immigration and the children's department to design mechanisms of putting in place affirmative action measures to fast track access to the civil and justice services discussed at this meeting with a view to facilitating orphaned children's right to access family property.
4. A task force should be constituted with a view to coming up with specific legislation aimed to address issues of OVCs in society. The state law office is prepared in conjunction with the law reform commission to come up with the appropriate legislation.
5. Come up with smaller representative groups that ensure that recommendations coming out of such as these are action-oriented and/or practical because we are dealing with real people who need real/practical solutions to problems.
6. The needs of the OVCs must be seen beyond the provisions of cash transfers.
7. Policies and laws need to be changed or amended to accommodate the special circumstances of OVCs.



Mary Njua of the State Law Office delivers the keynote address on behalf of the Attorney General Of Kenya.

4.0 NEXT STEPS



Mr. Makana Jonai, sub-chief Elugulu shares his experience working in the community.



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On the basis of the recommendations above, below are the next steps that were agreed upon by all stakeholders present:

1. Ms. Njuya to assist some of the children who had earlier narrated their problems to follow up on their funds from the office of the Administrator General.
2. Ms, Jane Kariuki to follow up on the identified cases at the workshop and those at Nyumbani Children's home relating to obtaining of birth certificates and national identification cards.
3. KELIN to coordinate and oversee that the current cases and pending cases that were presented at the workshop have been followed up by the respective government departments
4. KELIN to host a technical meeting within two weeks of the date of the breakfast meeting to discuss recommendations with a view to writing a comprehensive note to the Attorney General on the way forward.
5. Form a task force to identify specific OVC oriented amendments to the law. KELIN was mandated to organize a small meeting within two weeks from 18th June 2010 to brainstorm on how the taskforce would be constituted.
6. Follow up meeting to be held on the between technical committee and the Attorney General on the way forward.

METHODOLOGY

The meeting was conducted through participatory and experiential learning processes including structured power point presentations, motion audio-visual presentations and case studies. KELIN also undertook to forward the outcome of the meeting including all recommendations on the way forward, presentations, workshop report and testimonies in the form of DVD's.



Valary Kihima narrates her experience on the challenges of accessing the Public Trustees Office.

APPENDIX I: TIMETABLE

Time	Session	Chair/Presenter	Session Objective
7:00 am to 7:30 am	Registration and Breakfast		
SESSION I: EXPERIENCES IN THE COMMUNITY			
		Ambrose Rachier: Chairman, HIV Tribunal	To hear experiences of orphans, their carers and organizations working in community with OVC
7:30 am to 7:40 am	Welcome Remarks and Objective of Meeting	Allan Maleche (KELIN)	
7:40 am to 7:50 am	General Overview of the Issues Affecting Orphans and Vulnerable Children in the Context of HIV	Ms. Catherine Muyeka Mumma (KELIN)	
7:50 am to 8.35 am	Personal Testimonies <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grandmother carer Personal Testimony Youth (Identification) Personal Testimony Orphan (Access to property) 15 minute video 	Allan Maleche: KELIN Programme Coordinator Joy Obuya: KELIN Communication Officer	
8.35 am – 9.15 am	Experiences on working with OVC <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Nyumbani Children's Home/Children of God Relief Institute Children's Legal Action Network (CLAN) The Children's Foundation (CRADLE) Women Fighting AIDS in Kenya (WOFAK) 	Reverend Sr. Mary Owens (IBVM) Executive Director: Nyumbani CLAN Representative Lillian Njeru: Legal Aid Officer Ms. Dorothy Onyango: Executive Director, WOFAK	
9:15 am to 9:25 am	<i>"The Link Between Human Rights Violations and HIV - The Context of OVC"</i>	Ms. Jean Kamau: County Director, Action Aid International Kenya	
SESSION II: KNOWING GOVERNMENT POLICIES AND PROCEDURES			
		Chair: Hon. Millie Odhiambo: MP and Chairperson on Kenya Parliamentary Caucus on Children	To hear the government positions on matters relating to registration of births, acquisition of Identification documents and access to property by OVC: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Are the procedures friendly to children? What can be done to improve the position?
9:25 am to 10:05 am	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>"Structures and Procedures Relating To Registration Of Birth For and Acquisition of Identification Documents for Orphans and Vulnerable Children (OVC)"</i> <i>"Ongoing Legal Reforms on Matters Affecting The Rights Of Orphaned And Vulnerable Children To Registration, Identity An Access To Family Property Birth Registration And Access To Family Property For OVC"</i> <i>"Towards a comprehensive approach on the protection of children's rights- the need for children to access all their civil, economic , social and cultural rights- difficulties in acquiring birth registration and access to family property for OVC"</i> 	Mr. James O. Opundo: Ministry of State for Immigration and Registration of Persons Commissioner Nancy Baraza: Vice Chairperson, Law Reform Commission of Kenya Prof. Jacqueline Oduol: Secretary for Children's Affairs, Ministry of Gender and Children Affairs	
10.05 am - 10.10 am	Health Break: Reading the Stories of Orphans - Ms. Ruth Masha, Action Aid International Kenya		
10:05 am - 10:30 am	KEYNOTE ADDRESS: "The Structure and Procedures on accessing funds with the Public Trustee: -How?- for orphaned and vulnerable children "	Hon. S. Amos Wako, E.G.H., E.B.S., SC, MP, Attorney General of the Republic of Kenya	
Tea Break			
SESSION III: PLENARY DISCUSSION ON WAY FORWARD			
		Chair: Commissioner Winnie Lichuma: Kenya National Commission on Human Rights (KNCHR)	Discussion of a few points of actions by the various actors.
10:30 am to 11:30 am	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Way Forward Strategic Discussion of implementation of way forward and plan of action by various Stakeholders 		

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