



## NATIONAL ACTION PLAN FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE MARRAKECH DECLARATION, 2018 IN THE UNITED REPUBLIC OF TANZANIA

### **Preamble:**

We, the Participants of the capacity building workshop on the implementation of the Marrakech Declaration.

**MEETING** from the 3<sup>rd</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup> August, 2021 at Serena Hotel in Dar es Salaam in the United Republic of Tanzania;

**Recalling** the mandate of the Government of Tanzania in promoting and protecting human and peoples' rights in Tanzania under the African Charter on Human and Peoples' Rights;

**Reaffirming** the importance of the observance of the purposes and principles of the African Charter on Human and Peoples' Rights for the promotion and protection of all human and peoples' rights and fundamental freedoms for all persons;

**Taking note** of the African Commission on Human and Peoples' Right's Resolution ACHPR RES. 376 LX2017, in which the African Commission called on states to take the necessary measures to provide human rights defenders with a conducive environment to be able to carry out their activities without fear of acts of violence, threat, intimidation, reprisal, discrimination, oppression and harassment from State and non-State actors;

**Conscious** of the importance of the adoption of this draft national action plan in the context of Tanzanian history, constitution and relevant laws;

**Acknowledging** the important role of the cooperation of all Tanzanian national entities and the valuable work of individuals, groups and non-governmental organizations play in contributing to, the effective promotion and protection of human rights and fundamental freedoms of human rights defenders;

**Reaffirming** also the importance of the United Nations Declaration on Human Rights Defenders and the Marrakech Declaration, 2018 in declaring that everyone has the right, individually and in association with others, to promote and to strive for the protection and realization of human rights and fundamental freedoms at the national and international levels;

**Stressing** that all Tanzanian national entities shall play, jointly and separately, their solemn role to promote and encourage respect for human rights and fundamental freedoms for all without distinction of any kind, including distinctions based on, color, sex, language, religion, political or other opinion, origin, property, birth or other status;

**Adopts** this National Action Plan on the implementation of the Marrakech Declaration, 2018 expanding civic space and promoting and Protecting the rights of human rights defenders.

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Objective	Action	Actor/Responsibility	Timeline
Public sensitization and awareness raising	A1. Translation of the Marrakech Declaration into Swahili Language	AG/CHRAGG	1 month
	A2. Dissemination through media-1 program (TBC) and 1 community radio (Kwizela (Lake zone) and Safari (Southern zone), TV (mainstream and online)-TBC/Star TV, Watetezi TV)	THRDC/CHRAGG	2 programs per month
	A3. Consultative dialogues with leaders and members of the public	CHRAGG,THRDC/Police/LGAs	10 session per year
	A.4 Capacity building ahead of the HRD Day/law day/law/NID.	THRDC/MoCLA/CHRAGG/JoT/POPSM	1 per year
Capacity building and training	A1. Need assessment	CHRAGG/JoT	1 year

	A2. 5 regional stakeholders' trainings (police, prison, LGAs/ Judiciary, journalists, LST, FBL etc.) A3. Initiate partnerships with training institutes			
Complaints handling and investigations	A.1 Monitoring of the complaints handling	CHRAGG/THRDC/Police	1 year	
	A.2 Studies on protection needs of HRDs.	CHRAGG/THRDC/LRC	6 months	
	A3. Mapping of risks/threats facing HRDs	CHRAGG/Police/PCCB/THRDC	6 months	
	A.4 Rapid responses on the incidents of violations reported against HRDs	POLICE/THRDC/CHRAGG/LAPs	1 year	
	A.5 Appointment of focal person responsible for HRDs	CHRAGG/POLICE	1 week	
Norm elaboration and advocacy	A1. The review of National Legislation related to HRDs A2. Advocacy on policy on HRDs A3. Advocacy on ratification of CAT, African Charter on Democracy, Election and Good Governance.	MoCLA/LRC/AG/CHRAGG MoFAEAC/MoCLA/AG/POPSM/PMO  CHRAGG, AG. LRC, THRDC, MoCLA	1 year	
	A3. Develop a training manual (Adapt from NANHRI, connect to Tanzania context)		1 year	
	A2. Advocacy re-statement of declaration under Article 34 (6) (CHRAGG/LST/IJA/THRDC)		1 year	
	A3. Advocacy on amendment of Act No 3 of 2020 to allow public interest litigation and the NGOs Amendment Act. (THRDC/LHRC/)		1 year	
	A.4 Advocacy for the enactment of the law on protection of HRDs. (THRDC/TLS/LAPs)		1 year	

	A5. Advocacy on the compliance of the decision of the EACJ on MSA (THRDC/MCT/LHRC)		1 year
	A6. Inclusion of a section on Human Rights Defenders in the Upcoming National Human Rights Action Plan		1 year
Interaction with regional and international mechanisms	A1. Submission of a briefing report on the situation of HRDs in Tanzania to the 69 <sup>th</sup> and 70 <sup>th</sup> Session of the ACHPR.	MoCLA/CHRAGG/THRDC	1 year
	A2. Compilation or Review of all the recommendations/comments/agents appeals and letter to the national human rights institution to see whether there is implementation.	Ministry of Constitution, Legal Affairs and Good Governance/Ministry of Home Affairs/Police Force	3 months
	A3. Invite a Special Rapporteur to conduct promotional/academic visit to Tanzania.	CHRAGG/MoCLA/Ministry of Foreign Affairs/Registrar of NGOs	1 Year
Protection of women HRDs	A.1 Study on the situation of women HRDs in Tanzania mainland.	Coalition of Women HRDs/CHRAGG.	
	A.2 Training of the gender desks officers	CHRAGG/POLICE (gender).	
Collaboration with civil society and other partners	A.1 Timely meetings between HRDs and Human Rights Institutions	CHRAGG/THRDC/LHRC	Quarterly
	A.2 Increase a number of CSOs that entered under MoU with the National Human Rights Institution	CHRAGG	
	A.3 Establish a forum between National Human Rights Institutions and the CSOs to discuss and develop recommendations on the situation of HRDs in Tanzania	CHRAGG	1 year