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Inside The Newsletter

- Empowering women for leadership and political participation
- Promoting awareness on the Political Parties Act
- Radio talk shows engaging the public on women's inclusion in decision-making processes
- Women-led peace campaigns
- Cultural festivals and school dramas promoting peace and social cohesion



“Our work in Malakal has shown the powerful impact of investing in women’s leadership and political participation. Through the “Entrenching Community-Level Peacebuilding, Safety and Cohesion by Building the Capacity of Women in Malakal County” project, Tukul Africa, together with UNDP with funding from the Peacebuilding Fund (PBF), line ministries (Ministry of Gender & Ministry of Peacebuilding) has empowered over 200 women leaders and aspiring women leaders with practical skills in leadership, advocacy, and understanding the Political Parties Act and the Women Empowerment Bill. These women are now confidently engaging in civic spaces, participating in local political processes, and amplifying the voices of their communities in decision-making forums.

Beyond training, our civic education sessions, radio talk shows, and community dialogues have strengthened social cohesion and inspired new female advocates for peace. The growing participation of women in political and community leadership is not just an achievement; it’s a turning point for Malakal. As we move forward, Tukul Africa remains committed to supporting women as drivers of peace, inclusion, and governance across the Greater Upper Nile region.”

— Ann Waweru, Head of Programs, Tukul Africa



Editorial Note

This issue highlights Tukul Africa's continued efforts to strengthen women's leadership, political participation, and policy awareness in Malakal. From advancing the Women Empowerment Bill to building the advocacy capacity of women-led CSOs, our initiatives are driving a powerful movement for inclusive governance and lasting peace. As more women take their rightful place in decision-making spaces, Malakal is witnessing the steady rise of a new generation of leaders—bold, informed, and committed to change.

What's Inside this Issues

- Tukul Africa, in partnership with the Ministry of Gender and UNDP, has trained over 200 women leaders in Malakal on leadership, advocacy, and the Political Parties Act. The initiative is equipping women with confidence and knowledge to engage in political processes, champion the Women Empowerment Bill, and influence decision-making at both community and county levels.

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Project Highlights – Empowering Women for Leadership and Political Participation



2 Community Voices

– Stories of Transformation from Malakal Women Leaders

From hesitant participants to bold advocates, women in Malakal are rewriting their stories. Many are now leading community dialogues, mediating conflicts, mentoring younger women, and spearheading women-led peace advocacy campaigns. Their growing support for the Women Empowerment Bill reflects a shared commitment to institutionalizing gender equality in leadership spaces



Building Peace Through Dialogue and Cultural Engagement

Beyond training, Tukul Africa has facilitated community dialogues, a cultural festival, and school drama performances to promote peace, social cohesion, and intergenerational understanding. These activities have engaged thousands, using storytelling, music, and theatre to spark conversations about gender equality, civic responsibility, and peaceful coexistence.



Building Peace Through Dialogue and Cultural Engagement cont...



4 Civic Education in Action – Promoting Awareness of the Political Parties Act and Empowerment Policies



· Our civic education sessions have reached hundreds of community members with clear messages on women's political rights, the Women Empowerment Bill, and inclusive governance. Alongside these efforts, Tukul Africa has trained women-led Civil Society Organizations (CSOs) on policy dissemination to strengthen local advocacy and ensure communities are informed about reforms that affect women's leadership and participation.



5 Radio for Peace – Engaging the Public on Gender Equality and Governance



Through interactive radio talk shows, Tukul Africa has amplified the voices of women leaders, women-led CSOs, and local authorities to discuss peace, gender equality, and governance. These programs have become vital platforms for raising awareness on the Women Empowerment Bill, promoting women-led advocacy campaigns, and engaging the public in dialogues about social inclusion across Malakal County



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