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Role of Civil Society in Water Sector Reforms

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Who are the Civil Society

1. Non State Actors
2. Not for Profit Organizations
3. Non Governmental Organizations
4. Professional groups
5. Media
6. Interest groups/Pressure groups
7. Consumer groups
8. Community Based Organizations
9. Charities
10. Religious bodies
11. Age and Gender groups- Women, Youth etc

WASH Civil Society Bodies/Networks- globally and Nigeria

- Society for Water and Sanitation in Nigeria(NEWSAN) www.newsan.org
- WASH Media Network
- African Water Network (ANEW) www.anewafrika.org
- West Africa Water and Sanitation Journalists Network- www.wash-jn.net
- Municipal Service Project www.municipalservicesproject.org
- Water Integrity Network www.waterintegritynetwork.net
- Global Water Operators' Alliance www.gwopa.org
- Global Water Partnership www.gwp.org
- Water Supply and Sanitation Collaborative Council www.wsscc.org
- World Toilet Organisation www.worldtoilet.org
- World Dry Toilet Association www.drytoilet.org
- Bread of Life Development Foundation www.blfng.org
- End Water poverty.org

Potential roles for CSOs

1. Advocacy
2. Research
3. Monitoring
4. Tracking
5. Community Mobilization
6. Programme Implementation
7. Communications
8. Whistle blowing

CSOs Roles in the Ebonyi state draft WASH policy

- Embark on Advocacy campaigns for sustainable WASH development
- Mobilise communities to participate in WASH programmes.
- Implement WASH programmes with government or donor support.
- Build capacity of sector players including WASHCOMs and LGA officials
- Mobilise citizens towards prompt payments of tariffs.
- Embark on Budget tracking and reporting for accountability and transparency
- Monitor the implementation of WASH projects/programmes.

Mass media Roles in the Ebonyi state draft WASH policy

- Produce and publish water supply and sanitation related messages for all stakeholders.
- Monitor the activities in the sector to ensure openness, transparency, and accountability.
- Publish investigative news and articles to promote WASH suitability.

WASHCOMs Roles in the Ebonyi state draft WASH policy

- Liaise with the LGA WASH Departments and EBRUWASA to develop Local WASH Plans and implement water supply and sanitation programmes for the communities
- Mobilise community members to introduce Community Led Total Sanitation
- Mobilise community members to ensure provision of latrines in households.
- Work towards the eradication of water borne and excreta related diseases in the communities.
- Mobilise the community to take part in the construction of water and sanitation facilities.
- Mobilise the community to contribute towards capital requirements of water and water supply and sanitation projects.
- Mobilise community members to raise Operation and Maintenance cost of water points and sanitation facilities through tariffs or contributions.
- Mobilise community members towards prompt payment of Bills, efficient use of water supply, monitor and report Illegal connections, report incidences of vandalism and leakages, and provide security to facilities.

Take off points

1. Conceptualization
2. Formation and Registration
3. Visioning, strategy plans,
4. Knowledge management
5. Networking
6. Evidence based research
7. Advocacy
8. Constructive Engagement
9. Grants monitoring/Proposal writing
10. Fund raising
11. Integrity
12. Reporting

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