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ACTIVITY)*

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ACRONYMS

WAYDS Women and Youth Development Solution

VETA Vocational Education Training Authority

SRHR Sexual Reproductive and Health Rights

HTC HIV Testing and Counseling

HIV/AIDS Human Immune Deficiency Virus/ Acquire Immune Deficiency Syndrome

COVID-19 Corona Virus Disease 2019



INTRODUCTION

Youth (15-35years) estimated to constitute about 35% of the population in Tanzania whereas the Shinyanga region is approximated to have 20% of the youth population with age between 15-35 years old (NBS, 2012). Despite Tanzanian youths being the majority in the country's labor force, they are still challenged on the issues around pursuing their destiny through in the decent employment (Haji 2015, DTCIDC 2016, Kiaga 2016).

Unemployment it affects both personal and social status of an individual. Unemployment has been found to affect household hence increasing poverty rate as a results of no income or loss of income. It might create dependency on social grants which will affect the economy. Unemployed youth may result to violence, promote gangsterism and crime which might lead to the youth being arrested. Youth unemployment may increase the chances of alcohol and drug abuse to gain either financial status or to reduce boredom. Female youth that are unemployed and not in school may likely to get married at young age where it may result to early birth and pregnancy complication due to young age pregnancy. Overall youth unemployment results to poor public health, low economic growth, high crime rates as well as poor participation in social political activities in the society (Seleman Pharles Mabala 2019)

Through the *“Shinyanga Youth Dancing Talent Competition 2022 Event”* WAYDS has implemented sensitization events as a segment one which aims to equip youth in colleges and schools with a knowledge on Life Skills and Self-esteem education, HIV/AIDS prevention, and COVID-19 Vaccine education, as well as, at the end of sessions during sensitization events, in collaboration with Doctors with Africa CUAMM, WAYDS provided a voluntarily HIV Testing and Counseling (HTC), and Vaccination of COVID-19 Vaccine to participants attended the sensitization events at college and/or school. The Colleges targeted by the sensitization events were Kolandoto College of Allied Sciences, ST. Joseph College, VETA College, Shinyanga Teachers College, and Buluba High School where all are found in Shinyanga Municipal Council, in Shinyanga region Tanzania.



IMPLEMENTATION OF THE SENSITIZATION EVENTS

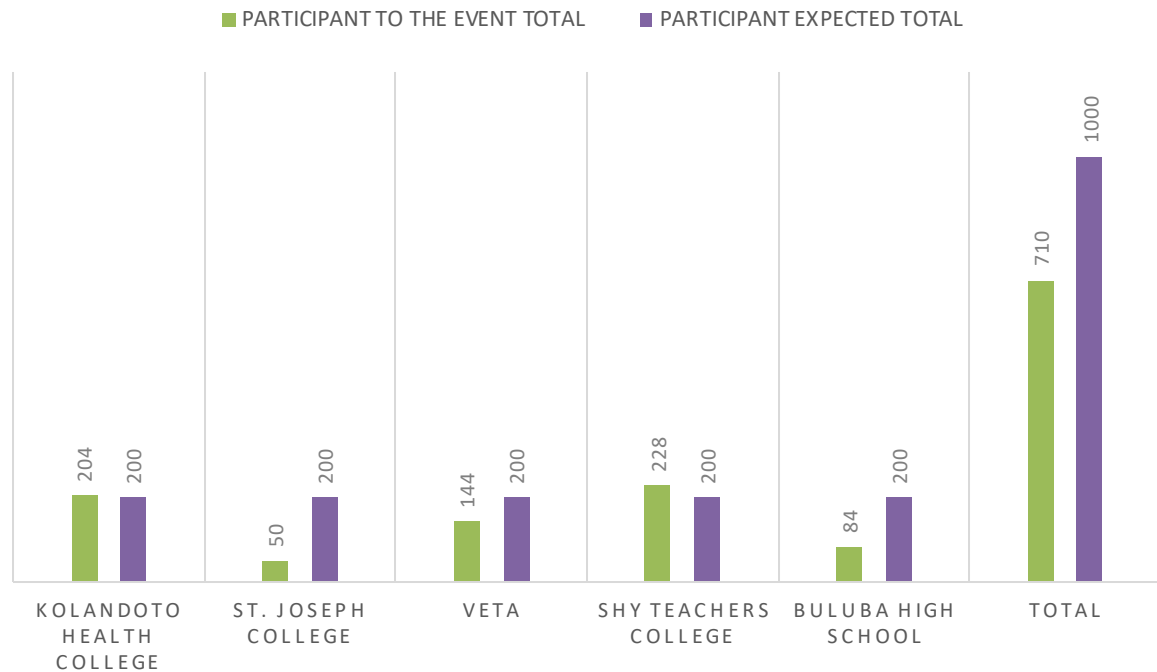
From the initial of the sensitization events implementation, WAYDS in collaboration with Doctors with Africa CUAMM, the Government Authority were involved for project implementation approval, and provided a supportive letter which during the introduction of the project in Colleges and School, a supportive letter was attached to get a cooperation with school and college during sensitization event at each school and college. Regarding introduction of project in school and college authority, WAYDS in collaboration with Doctors with Africa CUAMM, conducted a school and college visiting to make a follow-up and arrangement of dates and time of sensitization event in a particular school and or college. The school and colleges provided its timetable to allow the implementation of sensitization event in a particular school and or college.

During the sensitization event, WAYDS and Doctors with Africa CUAMM used a participatory approach to facilitate interaction of participants and facilitator to emphasize knowledge exchange between participants and facilitators. At the end of sessions of sensitization event, WAYDS in-collaboration with Doctors with Africa CUAMM, promoted voluntarily HIV Testing and Counseling (HTC), and COVID-19 Vaccination services to participants, COVID-19 Vaccination and HTC services provided voluntarily in the Tents and or in a Special room sated in school and or college.

ACHIEVEMENT OF THE PROJECT

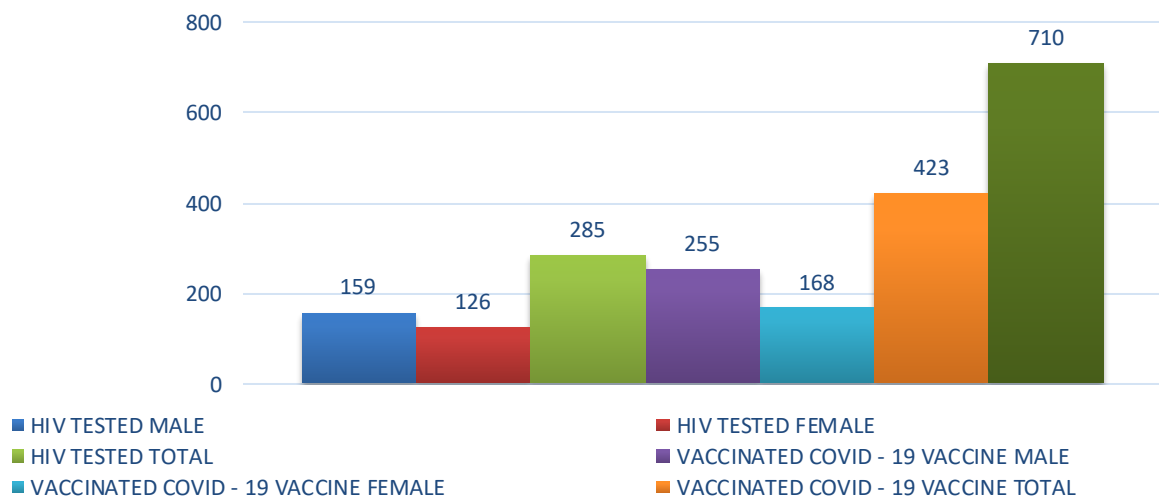
- Enhanced knowledge to 710 Youth on Life Skills and Self Esteem Education, HIV prevention education, SRHR education, COVID-19 Vaccine, as well as, impact of HIV status testing and COVID-19 Vaccine vaccinating.

PARTICIPANTS EXPECTED AND REACHED BY SENSITIZATION ACTIVITY



- Improved knowledge to among 710 Youth on Life Skills and Self Esteem Education, HIV prevention education, SRHR education, COVID-19 Vaccine, as well as, impact of HIV status testing and COVID-19 Vaccine vaccinating

PARTICIPANTS TESTED HIV STATUS, AND VACCINATED COVID-19 VACCINE



The detailed data on the participants at each Activity site tested HIV status and vaccinated COVID-19 Vaccine.

| S/N | ACTIVITY SITE | HIV TESTED | | | VACCINATED COVID - 19 VACCINE | | | PARTICIPANT TO THE EVENT | | |
|-----|--------------------------|------------|------------|------------|-------------------------------|------------|------------|--------------------------|------------|------------|
| | | Male | Female | Total | Male | Female | Total | Male | Female | Total |
| 1 | Kolandoto Health College | 15 | 17 | 32 | 13 | 11 | 24 | 43 | 161 | 204 |
| | | 26 | 20 | 46 | 30 | 20 | 50 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 62 | 38 | 100 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 18 | 32 | 50 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 17 | 8 | 25 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 85 | 40 | 125 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 2 | St. Joseph College | 10 | 28 | 38 | 2 | 4 | 6 | 7 | 43 | 50 |
| 3 | VETA | 26 | 33 | 59 | 18 | 14 | 32 | 77 | 67 | 144 |
| 4 | Shy Teachers College | 55 | 27 | 82 | 10 | 1 | 11 | 125 | 103 | 228 |
| 5 | Buluba High School | 27 | 1 | 28 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 49 | 35 | 84 |
| | TOTAL | 159 | 126 | 285 | 255 | 168 | 423 | 301 | 409 | 710 |

LESSON LEARNT

- **Absent of Change Agents to Youth in colleges and school on HIV status testing and Vaccination of COVID-19 vaccine**

Is very important to use the vaccinated youth themselves as change agents so that they will be able to influence others to get a COVID-19 Vaccine and to be tested their HIV status.

- **Impact of Refreshment in sensitization events to youth**

Refreshment supposed to be there at the event for participants so that it will allow participants to concentrate during the sensitization sessions, this is attributed by the fact that youth lost their concentrations in all colleges and school we visited after they got thirst and hunger at the end of sessions were contributed to dispersal of participants therefore some failed to receive the HTC and to vaccinate COVID-19 vaccine.

- **Period of sensitization events to youth in Colleges and Schools**

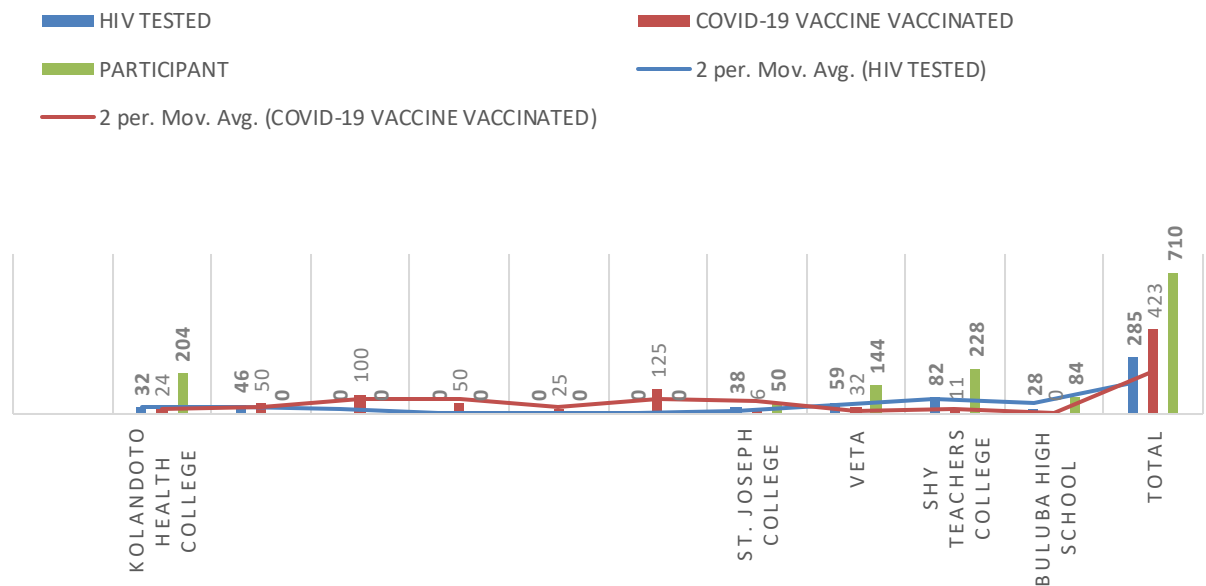
There is a great need of reflecting to the colleges' timetable when scheduling and preparing the timetable so that will not fall in the examination period.

CHALLENGES ENCOUNTERED

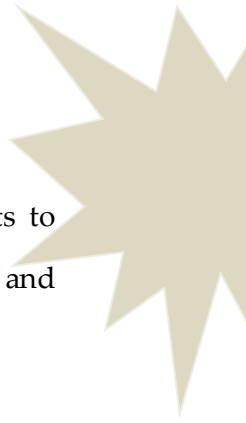
- **Misinformation about the COVID-19 vaccine and HIV status testing persists to among youth.**

Due to misinformation majority of the student were unwilling to get COVID-19 Vaccine and testing HIV status, this has evidenced by number of participants attended at the event and the number of participant tested their HIV status and vaccinated COVID-19 vaccine. The following data here down show the clearly trends of HIV testing and COVID-19 vaccination at each activity site.

NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS TESTED HIV STATUS, AND VACCINATED COVID-19 VACCINE



- **Lack of refreshments during sensitization events in school and college**



Absence of refreshments for participants demolished the morale of participants to participate effectively in the sensitization sessions as well the HIV status testing and vaccination of COVID-19 vaccine.

- **Lack of Change agents to youth on COVID-19 vaccine and HIV status testing**

Due to the absence of change agents among youth themselves, the response in receiving COVID-19 vaccine and HIV status testing was very low. *(Refer the data above show the trends of participants on HIV testing and Vaccination of COVID-19 vaccine)*

WAYFOWARD PROPOSED/RECOMMENDED

- **Use of Youth as change agents to youth**

The vaccinated youth in the colleges to be employed as ambassadors and change agents whereby they will be able to influence their peers to get vaccinated this will be more useful to get high number of youths who are willing to be vaccinated.

- **Use of Youth networks, associations, groups, and clubs**

We recommend using or involving youth and adolescent networks such as religious association, youth groups including entrepreneurs, daladala, bodaboda, school clubs and child council because this will help to get youths in easy way and be able to access the services which will be provided by the program and it is cost-effective.

- **Use of refreshments in sensitization events to youth**

In the coming programs we recommend to include refreshment for participant so that they will be able to concentrate effectively and remove the barrier for active listening and morale for the service of the program

- **Use of right period to youth in schools and colleges**

All timetable to rely on the colleges' timetable and must be arranged in way that does not collide with the college timetables. This means the timetable must be developed on the way of reflecting colleges' timetable and will help to have right

time, right people and proper timing. In return will bring positive changes and achievement of outcomes of the particular program.

PICTURES DURING SENSITIZATION EVENTS IN COLLEGES AND SCHOOL



Picture of students at Kolandoto Health College during sensitization sessions



Pictures during facilitation of sessions on the sensitization event



Pictures during HIV testing and counseling, and COVID-19 vaccine vaccination after sessions of sensitization event



First from right-hand is a Project manager (Chiara Didone) from Doctors with Africa, the followed is Executive Director (Charles Deogratius) from WAYDS and and the last one is a Moderator (Madam Pili) from the St.Joseph College. All are listening the presentation during sensitization event at St.Joseph College