

in the Northern and Coastal regions of Kenya

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## **About REINVENT Programme**

Reducing Insecurity and Violent Extremism in the Northern and Coastal Regions of Kenya (REINVENT) is a 5-year programme that aims to enhance Kenyan capacity and capability to address inter-communal conflict, weak community-police relations, violence against women and girls (VAWG), violent extremism and election related violence. We support the continued advancement of police reforms to improve the management, oversight and accountability of the police force. Our programme is led by Tetra Tech International Development and delivered in partnership with the Royal United Services Institute for Defense and Security Studies. We build on the experience of delivering the Jamii Thabiti Programme (2014-19), also known as the Kenya Improving Community Security Programme (ICS), and expand FCDO support across more counties. We support new areas of work including conflict sensitivity, pastoral livelihoods and combating violent extremism. The impact of the REINVENT programme is improved community safety and security as measured by effect on inclusive and equitable development, investment and service delivery in Kenya while the intended outcome is improved state and non-state actors' collaboration in a mutually accountable and inclusive

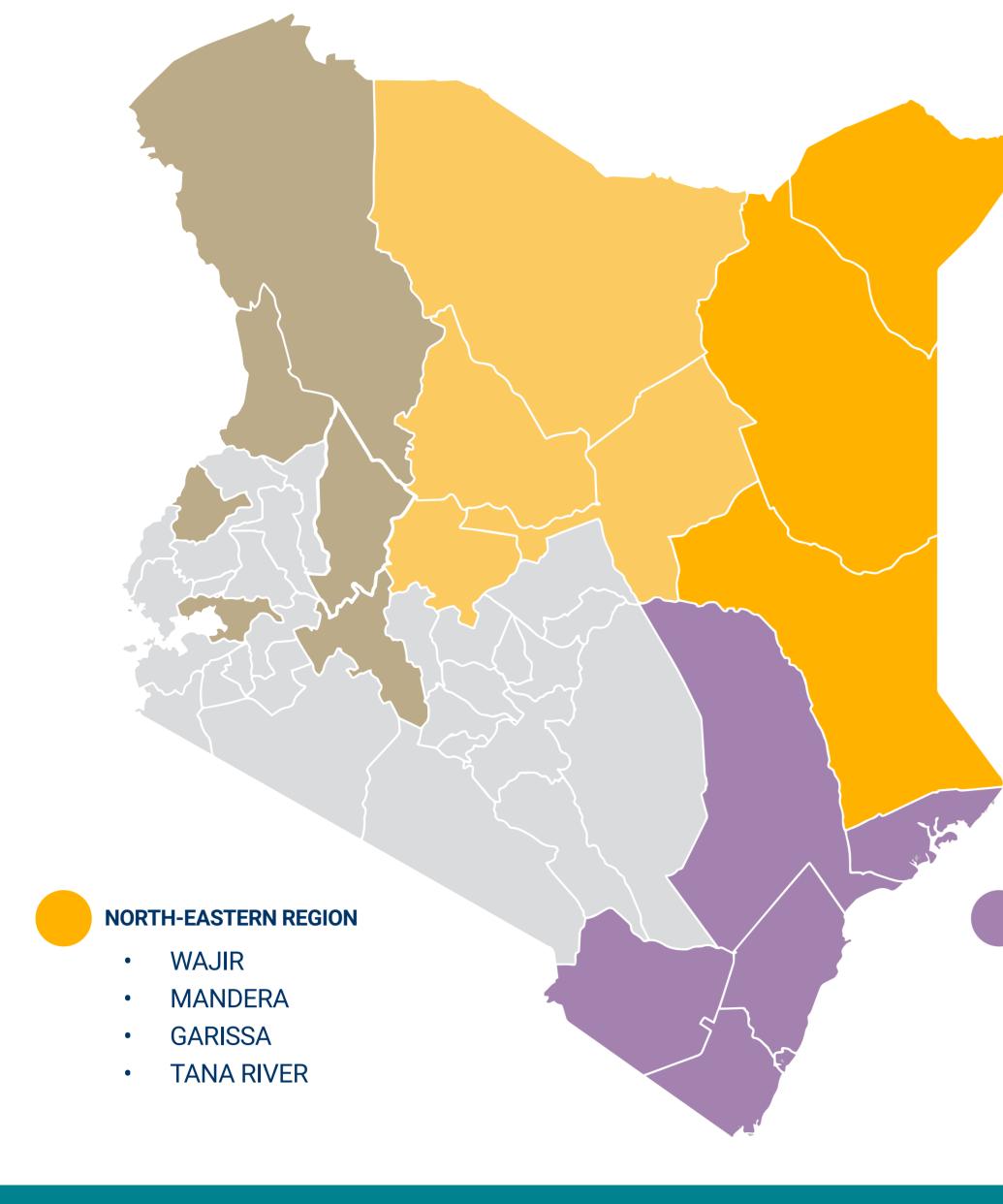
The Programme outputs are: 1. Accountable and effective police (and other security agencies) addressing community security, violent extremism and election

Strengthened agency of women and girls in peace, safety and security.

# 4. Knowledge and evidence generated and utilised to enhance community

### REINVENT's approach in the four regions and 18 counties seeks to harness and leverage six workstream strategies taking into consideration the diversity, uniqueness and cross-cutting nature of security issues.

Our regional work is delivered through our staff who have solid local knowledge and networks working alongside downstream partners, state and non-state actors, technical working groups and independent initiatives to ensure effective programme delivery.





#### LAMU **KILIFI**

PUBLIC DISORDER

**LAIKIPIA** 

Violence Monitoring Trends, March 2020—March 2021

- **SAMBURU WEST POKOT TURKANA BUNGOMA** 
  - **KISUMU**

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**VIOLENT EXTREMISM** 

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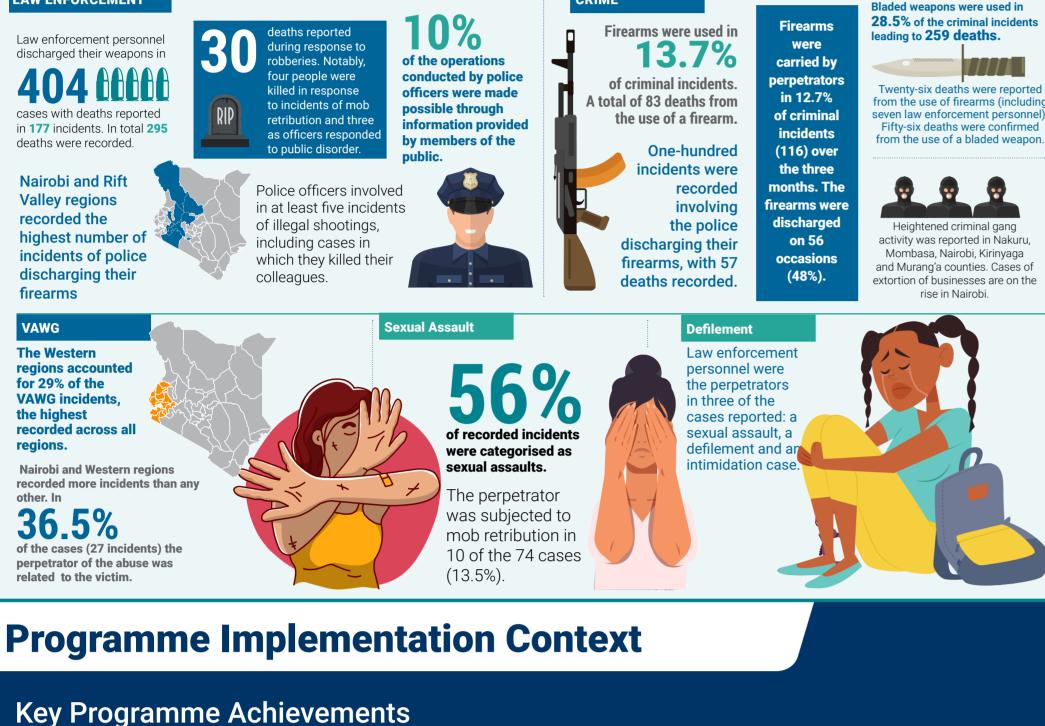
activities are benefiting those who need them most. Over the course of the year, we have seen the following trends.

**Programme Implementation Context** 

**Violence Monitoring Trends** 

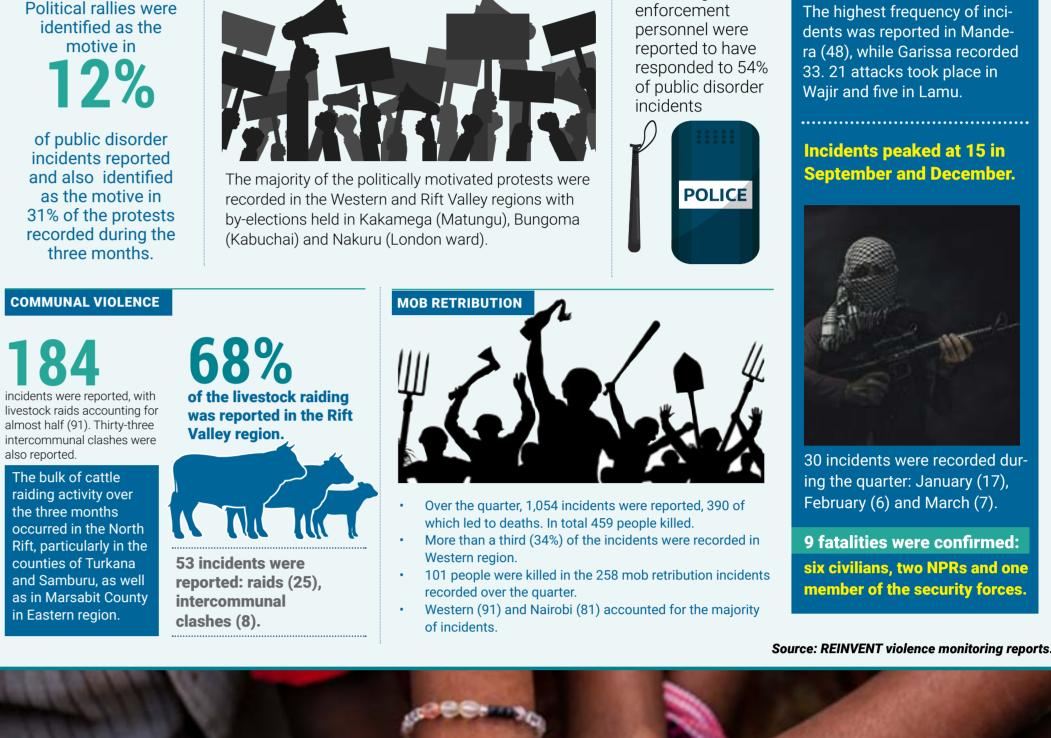
conducted by police four people were perpetrators of criminal incidents. killed in response officers were made in 12.7% A total of 83 deaths from to incidents of mob possible through of criminal the use of a firearm. retribution and three information provided in 177 incidents. In total 295 incidents by members of the deaths were recorded. to public disorder. **One-hundred** (116) over

At REINVENT we ensure our activities are based on evidence. We monitor violent incidents and analyse the trends in order to improve our programming and make sure our



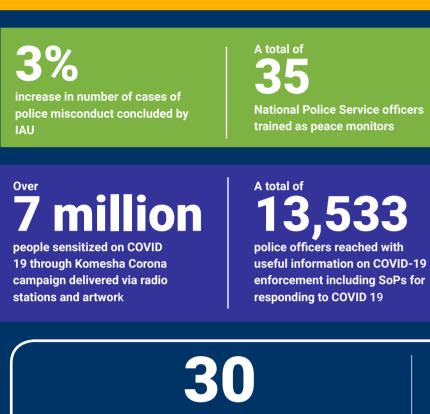
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**BENEFICIARIES** 





across REINVENT target counties



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**PROBLEM ANALYSIS** 

Insecurity and

instability in 4 regions

of Kenya (especially

to inequitable

provision, low

investment and

limited growth/

development

**ELECTION** 

RELATED

CONFLICT

& VIOLENCE

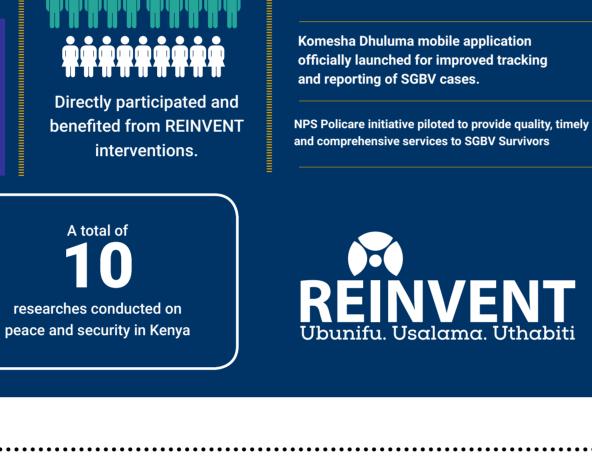
REDUCTION

service





A total of



community and

institutional

learning and

adaptation

drivers of

violence and

conflict

A total of

Gender Sector working groups restructured across 9

Access to SGBV services enhanced for a total of

community members (356F;111M) through the

**Mombasa Situation room** 

Counties (insert a footnote and name the 9 counties) for enhanced coordination in SGBV service provision

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**PROVISION IN** 

**KENYA** 

**Evidence** 

Our ToC is informed by:

economy analysis

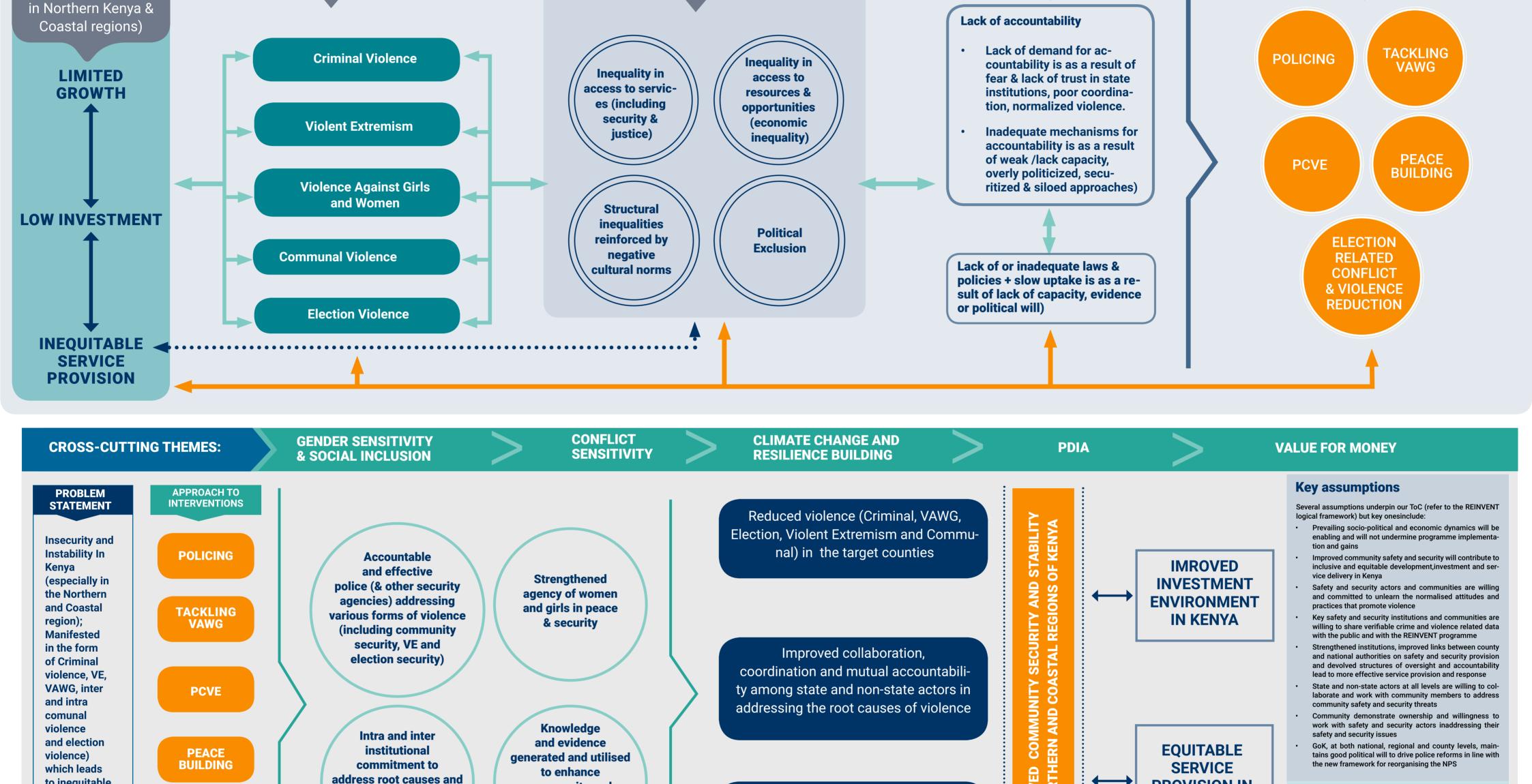
Findings and recommendations from our political

Findings and recommendations from our inception

various studies and evaluations conducted under the

Lessons and recommendations drawn from the

predecessor KICS-JT programme.

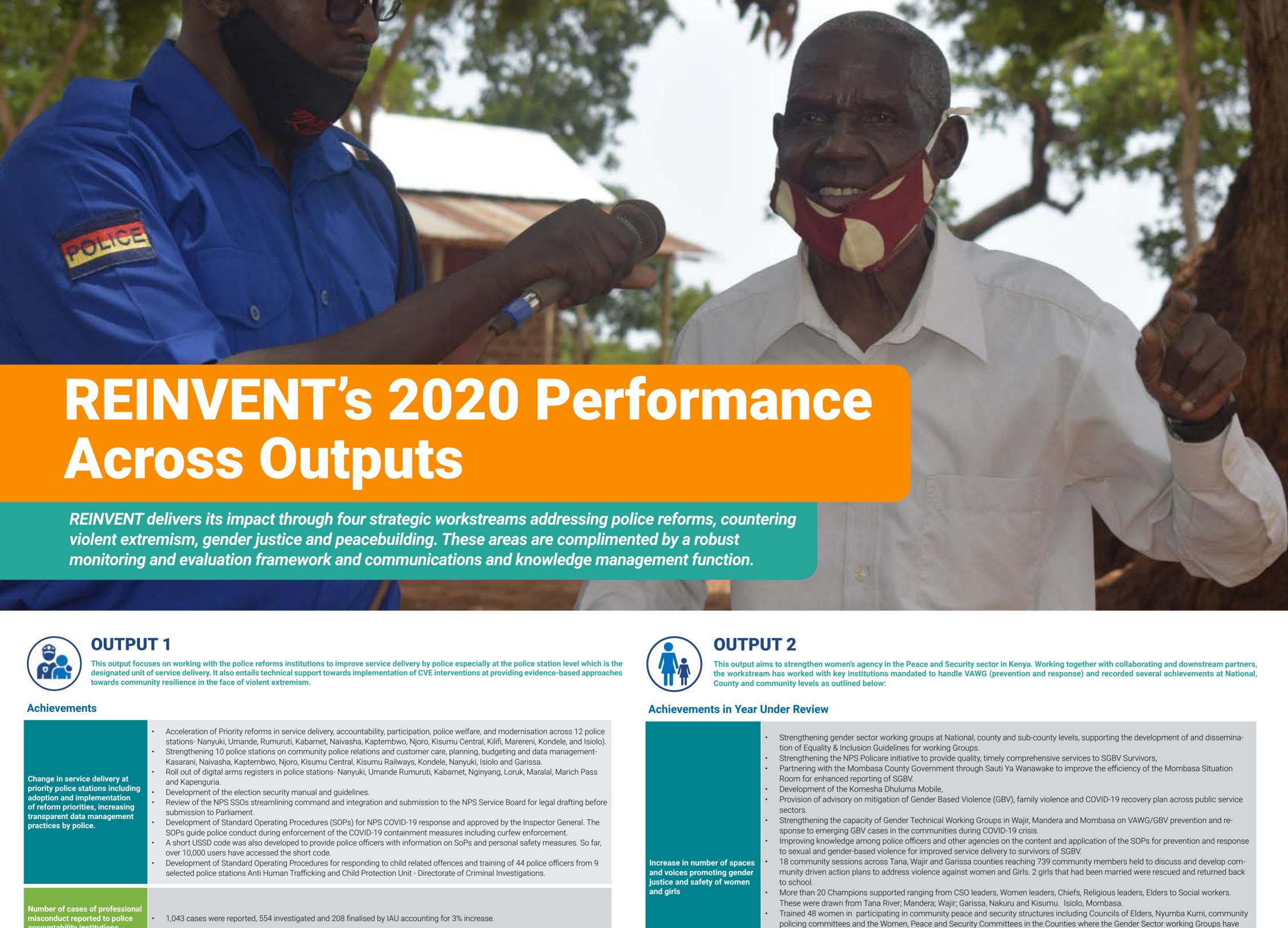


Improved resilience to conflict and

climate change shocks and stresses

among communities in the targeted

counties



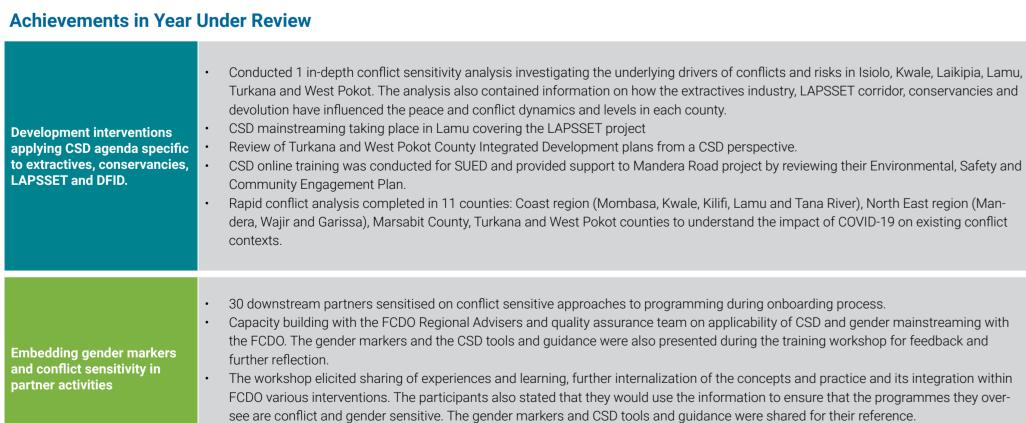


**OUTPUT 3** 

This output promotes interventions that will result in intra and inter institutional commitment to address the root causes and drivers of conflict in Kenya. This includes utilising conflict sensitive approaches to development by ensuring that development projects do not create new or exacerbate pre-existing tensions and conflicts. The output is also borne of the perspective that safe and secure communities invest in resilience building mechanisms in response to safety and security threats, including conflict and violence. In the year under review, the workstream has been able to achieve the following gains. **Achievements in Year Under Review** 

Validation of CVE Training manual for NPS' service level

Community trust building and mediation



Addressing conflict and build-

and inclusive manner.

ng resilience in a sustainable

mu and Kericho counties (Sondu/Nyakach) between the Kipsigis and Luo communities; the Yetho conflict (in Mandera County between Garre and Murulle) through community dialogue; and between the Pokomo and Somali communities along the border of Tana River and Garissa counties over access and control of resources (both natural and economic). Training of 35 National Police Service Peace Monitors. This first course had 35 (24M, 11F) officers from across 10 counties trained. 11 in-depth analysis for priority conflicts finalised. Key actors including CSICs and regional blocs driving preventive actions to manage conflicts in Baringo, Wajir and Mombasa counties in 3 REINVENT supported Frontier Counties Development Council (FCDC), LREB and NOREB to undertake conflict analysis within their respective

Contribution of proposals to the development of the national voluntary report on the implementation of SDG 16. Developed of Peace and Gender Indices for data collection on the status of peace and gender at the county level.

community confidence to easily share information, more than before." Bishop Mallo also observed that "the security agencies are more accountable and effective

Rapid conflict analysis of the BBI process and preparation of conflict-peace scenarios.

4 community led peace dialogue conducted between the Denyenye and Ng'ombeni communities in Kwale County; along the boundary of Kisu-

or a long time, the relationship between the security teams and the citizens of Kisumu County as remained fragile. Youth unemployment had risen leading to the emergence of criminal gangs hich could be also mobilised to unleash political violence during electoral cycles. The criminal olence persisted in border areas like Muhoroni-Tinderet and Nyakach-Sondu and during ections, Nandi, Kericho, Migori and Kisumu borders became synonymous with clashes. As art of problem analysis, LCPI- a REINVNT downstream partner, identified the poor collaboration nd coordination between security actors and community members especially on matters of arly warning and early response as a key gap; residents were mainly working with the former ovincial administration structure especially the Chiefs and assistant Chiefs at the grassroots vel in providing early warning while leaving out the local police and intelligence offices. CPI consequently focused attention on strengthening the role of police in conflict prevention nd peacebuilding through engagement in conflict early warning and real time response with view to manage emerging and ongoing conflicts. Through a series of consultative forums, Bishop Elijah Mallo, the Peace committee Chair- Muhoroni, acknowledged the impact of these efforts in Muhoroni. Bishop Mallo noted: "As an elder and chair of the peace committee, I receive calls from the community on various security incidences...this channel of sharing information directly with the security agencies has gone a long way in ensuring response is made in good time. The REINVENT programme has seen the police assure us of confidentiality and that gives the

in addressing community security".

Case study III:

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Case Study I:

STORIES OF CHANGE Improving Community Security through Strengthened Police- Community relations and early Warning and response. police from respective police stations and members of local peace and security structures

within Muhoroni, Nyakach and Songhor were brought together to promote inclusivity in handling

conflict and insecurity issues. This has consequently improved information sharing among and between community actors which has ultimately enhanced prevention and response to various

One notable incident was during the pandemic period, when schools had been closed, some

youths would gather in a condemned house in Ombeyi. LCPI intervened to ensure that these

youths were identified alongside their schools, offered counselling and rehabilitation in

collaboration with the Ministry of Education and the Youth and Gender regional department.

LCPI further provided the community peace team with forms to record the reported cases for easy follow up with the security agencies. These forms capture the incident date, type, source of

forms of violence including sexual and gender-based violence.

information, incident description, the action taken and actors involved.



• Lobbied and supported the SGBV bills for Kwale, Mombasa, Kilifi, Mandera and Wajir counties. REINVENT partner platforms (NGEC- EITWGs) have been activated to create awareness on POLICARE, consequently demand has been generated in serval counties (Makueni, Mombasa, Kisumu, among) and greater commitment from the key actors included in the referral chain: NPS, Health, ODPP, Judiciary, LSK, PCAK

works in community safety and security.

**Achievements in Year Under Review** 

Taveta 9 counties

Mombasa)

**OUTPUT 4:** Programme Violence Monitoring, Evaluation, Communications and Knowledge Management delivery This output captures programme impact at workstream and collectively through consistent capturing of data on project beneficiaries, reach, scale and visibility. Through combined use of technical tools and applications, the output also tabulates data on violence trends and distils knowledge of what

been launched in liaison with the SDfG.(Bungoma, Baringo, Samburu and Mombasa) as well as Tana River, Kisumu, Mandera, Wajir, Gar-

Supported the launch and dissemination of 2nd KNAP bringing together over 70 organisations working in Gender sector beside GOK

Restructured Gender Sector Working Groups in 9 counties Nakuru, Turkana, Tana river, Kisumu, Kitui Bungoma, Baringo, Samburu and

Developed and disseminated Equality & Inclusion Guidelines for Gender Sector Technical Working Group (EITWG) were in Rift Valley

- Nakuru, Tana River and Turkana counties. Western region - Kisumu, Kitui and Bungoma and Coast region - Kilifi, Garissa and Taita

ber 2020. The programme reached over 3 million viewers and a follow up Opinion piece on the Daily Nation by the REINVENT chief of party on 1st January attracted wider awareness of the REINVENT VAWG agenda. • Our downstream partners, RHYFE and SAUTI Ya Wanawake aired programmes in local radio stations to sensitise the communities on

Case Study II:

6 workstream knowledge products and researches produced on safety and security 1. KNAP journey documentary. The video featured during the 20th Anniversary of the UNSCR 1325 celebrations convened by the State Department of Gender. 2. 2 COVID-19 Pandemic impact mapping papers 3. 'VE new hotspots' study 4. Religious influences in Kenya study 5. Conflict Sensitivity Analysis in 6 Counties 6. Weekly and quarterly violence monitoring reports • 2 researches conducted on the impact of COVID 19 on peace and security in Kenya: community perceptions of COVID-19 lockdown and curfew and regional rapid conflict analysis. • 1 how-to-guide for remote monitoring finalised and disseminated to guide programming in the context of COVID-19. • 1 learning paper produced capturing the programming approaches from inception to year 2 implementation. The paper captures key lessons and insights on programming on peace and security in a pandemic context. • All programme adaptations are logged. A specific adaptation paper was produced to document adaptations as a result of COVID-19. · To increase our digital reach during the Covid containment period, REINVENT organised several 7 webinars for the VAWG and peacebuilding workstreams. REINVENT through the National Gender and Equality Commission supported the NTV Leadership forum on Gender aired on 26th Novem-

prevention and response to SGBV. The radio talk shows on Baraka FM focused on conversations around the impact of COVID-19 and the

increase in VAWG in addition to sensitising communities on the existing referral pathway including the GBVRC, the Mombasa Situation

room and toll-free lines. This translated to increased reporting as evidenced by the data captured through the Mombasa Situation Room.

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**Enhancing access to justice and GBV services through a County GBV Situation Room** 

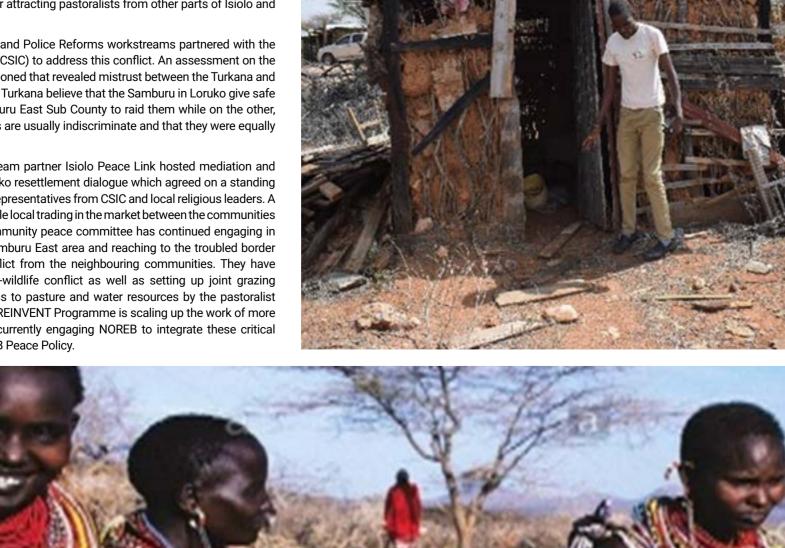
# Samburu East in Samburu County.

1,300 persons. The residents flee to the various part of Ngaremara Ward but majority of them settle temporarily at Aukot, Arimiet and Kiwanja areas while the Samburus are in Kipsing in Oldonyiro Ward and Archers Post in Samburu East. Apart from the sporadic killings and cattle rustling reported in the area, the conflict in Loruko is a manifestation of resource-based conflict since the area is rich in pasture and water attracting pastoralists from other parts of Isiolo and REINVENT PROGRAMME Peacebuilding and Police Reforms workstreams partnered with the County Security Intelligence Committee (CSIC) to address this conflict. An assessment on the root causes of the conflict was commissioned that revealed mistrust between the Turkana and Samburu communities. On one hand, the Turkana believe that the Samburu in Loruko give safe passage to Samburu raiders from Samburu East Sub County to raid them while on the other,

**Loruko Community- Rebuilding Sustainable inter community Peace** 

the Samburu community allege that raids are usually indiscriminate and that they were equally With these findings, REINVENT downstream partner Isiolo Peace Link hosted mediation and reconciliation forums leading to the Loruko resettlement dialogue which agreed on a standing inter community peace committee with representatives from CSIC and local religious leaders. A police camp has been set up in Loruko while local trading in the market between the communities is up and running. The Loruko inter community peace committee has continued engaging in peace sensitisation across the wider Samburu East area and reaching to the troubled border points that tend to be affected by conflict from the neighbouring communities. They have also been crucial in addressing human-wildlife conflict as well as setting up joint grazing committees to enable non-violent access to pasture and water resources by the pastoralist communities. Through this intervention, REINVENT Programme is scaling up the work of more inter community peace structures and currently engaging NOREB to integrate these critical lessons in the development of the NOREB Peace Policy.

Loruko village in Burat ward in the larger Isiolo County is characterised by poor infrastructure with only one access road through the vast wildlife conservancy area. For years, Loruko has experienced persistent conflict resulting in the displacement of over 400 households affecting



Women from Loruko village spreading their wares in Loruko for sale to tourists visiting Intrepid, Samburu, Ashnil, Serena and Sentrim lodges after restoration of peace and calm in the region.

involvement in VAWG/GBV response as evidenced by increasing trend in male reported cases (36% of cases) whether reporting as victims of GBV or on behalf of other female victims. Since its inauguration, the Mombasa situation room has so far enhanced access to SGBV services girls. It will specifically support early warning and response to potential electoral GBV We receive many calls from community members because the line is free, reduces the cost of transport, and conversations happen devoid of interruptions. We really appreciate the support from REINVENT through SYWP; it is an excellent partnership because we have touched people's lives. Survivors have trust in the situation room than other avenues. Some call just to appreciate the support we accorded to them. The situation room is also recognised in policy and bill"

number and 21094 SMS platform number, the Situation room connects callers to Police, hospital,

rescue centres besides offering psychosocial support; survivor support visits and support access to

The anonymity offered by the situation room combined with the psychosocial component therein,

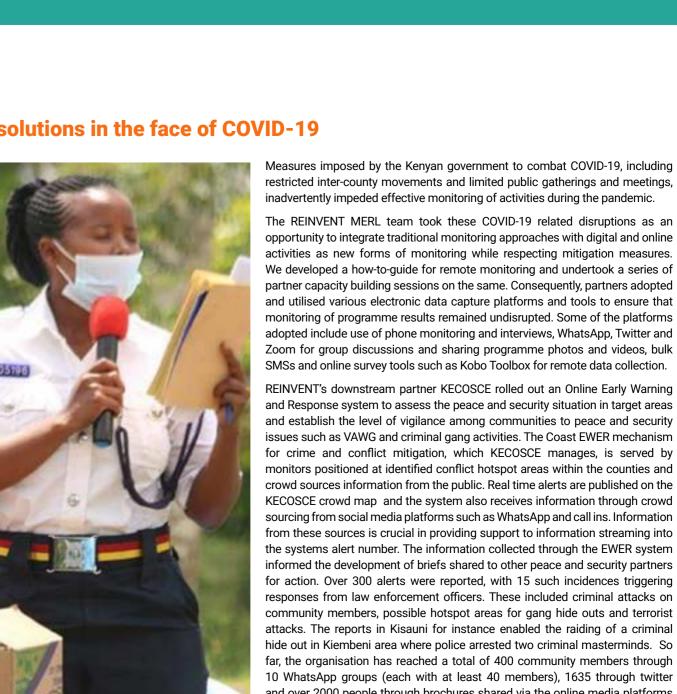
has progressively presented the situation room approach as a safe space for increased male

Esther Ingolo, Director for Gender, Mombasa County Government

Jomvu. I called the number and the women in the situation room came to rescue me and my daughter. The matter was reported. I was handled well and supported as my daughter received treatment. My case was handled well and I received justice, I didn't know that in this Country a poor woman like me can get justice for a defiled daughter. I am amazed " Case study IV:

The Mombasa County Situation room- a brainchild of REINVENT's TVAWG downstream partner, Sauti to a total of 467 community members (356F;111M). Strikingly, the situation room has attracted Ya Wanawake Pwani (SYWP) and the Mombasa County GBV Technical Working group inaugurated reporting beyond Coast region with a total of 20 cases reported from Counties outside Coast region. in June 2020 in response to a spike in gender-based violence (GBV) incidences and a disrupted Following the popularization of the situation room and the tollfree number, Saida from Garissa called referral pathway thereof occasioned by the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic continues to offer a the number while attempting to run away from forced marriage. She managed to travel to Mombasa vital contribution to the GBV responses in the wider coastal region. and traced the situation room where she was subsequently counselled and referred to the Muslim Clerics Organisation (SUPKEM) through which she was offered refuge. The situation room has Manned by four social workers and three SYWP women Chapter volunteers, who receive reported cases, document and refer the cases for action by duty bearers through the 0800 720 587 toll-free further enhanced access to justice for the SGBV survivors.

Remote monitoring providing better solutions in the face of COVID-19



I appreciate having been supported by the women at the situation room, I was in darkness and wanted the earth to bury me alive following the defilement of my 10 years old daughter by my neighbour. I didn't know where to begin. A good neighbour shared the situation room toll free number, which she had received from a Van campaign carried out in our village in Measures imposed by the Kenyan government to combat COVID-19, including restricted inter-county movements and limited public gatherings and meetings, inadvertently impeded effective monitoring of activities during the pandemic. The REINVENT MERL team took these COVID-19 related disruptions as an opportunity to integrate traditional monitoring approaches with digital and online activities as new forms of monitoring while respecting mitigation measures. We developed a how-to-guide for remote monitoring and undertook a series of partner capacity building sessions on the same. Consequently, partners adopted and utilised various electronic data capture platforms and tools to ensure that monitoring of programme results remained undisrupted. Some of the platforms adopted include use of phone monitoring and interviews, WhatsApp, Twitter and Zoom for group discussions and sharing programme photos and videos, bulk SMSs and online survey tools such as Kobo Toolbox for remote data collection.

A father got justice for his 2-year-old child that was defiled in Mombasa after the case had stalled

for a long period of time. The gentleman approached the situation room for support in reigniting his quest for justice. The SYWP women chapter volunteers at the situation room pursued the case to

the courts until mid-February 2021 when the courts sentenced the perpetrator to a 40-year jail term

With Kenya's 2022 general elections drawing closer and drawing from the Country's history of electoral

related conflict and violence and the considerable impact on women and girls, the situation room is

strategically placed to facilitate prevention and mitigation of electoral violence against women and

sourcing from social media platforms such as WhatsApp and call ins. Information from these sources is crucial in providing support to information streaming into the systems alert number. The information collected through the EWER system informed the development of briefs shared to other peace and security partners for action. Over 300 alerts were reported, with 15 such incidences triggering responses from law enforcement officers. These included criminal attacks on community members, possible hotspot areas for gang hide outs and terrorist attacks. The reports in Kisauni for instance enabled the raiding of a criminal hide out in Kiembeni area where police arrested two criminal masterminds. So far, the organisation has reached a total of 400 community members through 10 WhatsApp groups (each with at least 40 members), 1635 through twitter and over 2000 people through brochures shared via the online media platforms (including WhatsApp, email, twitter and others physically placed on noticeboards at strategic public spaces).

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