STDM OVERVIEW

Kenyan Piloting Experience

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Pamoja Trust (PT) is a non-profit making organization founded in 1999. PT is dedicated to promoting access to land, shelter and basic services for the Urban Poor. The organization takes principled and pragmatic approaches to protection and promotion of the right to the city for the urban poor. PT works closely with a federation of slum dwellers known as Muungano Wa Wanavijiji (MWW).
PILOT SITES

Mathare Mashimoni in Nairobi to support tenure regularization under Kenya Informal Settlement Improvement Project (KISIP).

Mnazi Moja and neighbouring villages in Mombasa for negotiation and advocacy.

Mavoko in Machakos County for formal tenure.
Pilot Communities were trained on data collection, entry and updating at a community resource centre. Government departments dealing with land administration were also equally trained. Technical University of Kenya provided overall quality control in terms of data integrity and accuracy. Sensitization forums were conducted to the land sector fraternity.
UN-HABITAT/GLTN supported the customization of the tool to the Kenyan scenarios. National/County government are undertaking the testing of the model under KISIP in Nairobi and Kwa Bulo in Mombasa.
FINDINGS

• Mathare Mashimoni established the ownership status of structures which showed that the church within the settlement had bought several structures resulting to displacements hence a dialogue between the parties involved started.

• Additionally, information that was only available to the chief was now public at the community resource centre and the database availed to the land committee for engagement with KISIP.

• In Mnazi Moja, paper register was replaced by a database managed by the community.

• They too submitted the register to the National Land Commission for negotiation.
The communities embraced the tool and are using it informally to solve their problems.
The generated database can form basis for planning.
An up to date register produced in a rapidly changing environment.
There is high demand to upscale STDM.
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Thank you