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EXPLORING ALTERNATIVES FOR JOB CREATION

Skills give Karamoja school dropouts hope



Youth empowerment project enrolls 900 school dropouts from three districts of Karamoja sub-region into vocational schools.

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Given hope

Grace Nakut, 17, another beneficiary of the project training to be a tailor said she nearly got married as a teenager out of frustration of staying at home without a source of income.

"My parents could no longer provide for me all the personal needs. I am sure the skills I will get out of this training will help me earn some money from sewing clothes," she said.

Joel Lote, father to Sarah Angolere, another tailoring student says the initiative should not only stop at giving skills but also provide startup aid for their children to start earning a living as soon as school ends.



The tailoring students during a lesson.

Some of the students assemble a motorcycle engine at Nakapiripirit Polytechnic recently.
PHOTOS BY STEVEN ARIONG

MORE EFFORT NEEDED

John Nanjiri, the Nakapiripirit District chairperson, says Karamoja needs serious development partners to deal with practical. He says the sub-region has about 380 different non-governmental organisations but still suffers with service delivery. "If all the NGOs in Karamoja were focusing on skills empowerment, I can assure you most Kanimojog would not be on the streets begging," he argues.

Making lives better

Dominic Lokiru, the programme officer, Dan Church Aid Moroto, says the project is aimed at giving students who drop out of school a chance at better lives. "The organisation will provide students with some tools to enable them start practicing the skills they attain immediately and earn a living," he says.

According to Raymond Korobe, the Nakapiripirit district education officer, the programme has rescued the lives of future leaders from getting wasted. "Most of these students had become redundant and could have easily become criminals."

The Dan Church Aid country director, Karin Elisabeth Lind, while visiting the sponsored students on Wednesday said DCA's support to skills development for the youth in Karamoja has just begun. "We want you the youth to take this project seriously knowing that it will help transform your lives," she said. And with such a promise, it is just dawn for school dropouts in Karamoja.

SAY STUDENTS



"Vocational skills will help former school dropouts achieve dreams that had faded."

RAYMOND KOROBÉ, NAKAPIRIPIRIT DISTRICT EDUCATION OFFICER.



"I will be a woman of substance and authority after my training because I hope to start earning my own money."

GRACE NAKUT, TAILORING STUDENT

900

THE NUMBER OF SCHOOL DROUPOUTS BENEFITTING FROM THE YOUTH EMPOWERMENT PROGRAMME.

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