

## **ABOUT TAYEN**

Tanzania Youth Environmental Network (TAYEN) is a registered non-governmental organization established in September 2007 at University of Dar es Salaam. TAYEN was established by three students who were studying at University of Dar es Salaam and worked in various students Associations in campus. TAYEN is non-profit youth led organization that connects children and youth in Tanzania to participate in environmental conservation activities in Tanzania. TAYEN conducts environmental education programs in primary and secondary schools as well as in colleges and universities We are interested in raising awareness among Children and Youths on environmental problems that are facing our country and the globe. Our aim is to get as many children and youths participate actively in environmental conservation activities in primary and secondary schools as well as in colleges and Universities.

## **TAYEN VISION**

To have youth in Tanzania with positive attitude towards environmental conservation, so that the world we are living in can be a better place for both present and future generations.

## **TAYEN MISSION**

To establish a network that will promote Children and Youth participation in environmental conservation initiatives based on actions for environmental conservation and natural resource management for sustainable development.

## **TAYEN OBJECTIVES**

- To conduct environmental education programs among children and youth through workshops, seminars, and campaigns against all sorts of environmental degradation.
- To promote framework that will enhance Youth and Children participation towards environmental conservation.
- To mobilize resources by raising and mobilizing funds for organizational development.
- To join forces with the government of Tanzania, regional and international organizations towards ensuring environmental sustainability.
- To empower children and youth to protect the environment.
- To raise public awareness based on research on nature causes of environmental degradation experienced differently in different places on activities people perform.
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## **TAYEN ACTIVITIES**

In order to achieve above objectives TAYEN is implementing the following programmes:

### **1. Environmental Education programme**

In this programme TAYEN establishes youth and students Environmental Clubs in primary and secondary schools as well as colleges and Universities in Tanzania. Through youth Environmental Clubs TAYEN conducts various environmental education activities through trainings, workshops, seminars campaigns in and outside the school's premises as well as Essay Writing competition among students to raise awareness on various environmental problems that are facing Tanzania and the world. The programme gives opportunity for children and youths in Tanzania to learn and increase their knowledge on various environmental issues.

### **2. Community Outreach programme**

This programme aims on promoting community participation to protect the environment through networking of community groups in the entire country. The programme will involve experience sharing and networking of NGOs, CBOs and other stakeholders in the country to discuss and address various environmental problems that communities face.

## **OUR CURRENT ACTIVITIES**

Currently TAYEN has youth Environmental Clubs in the following schools and institutions: University of Dar es Salaam, Sokoine University of Agriculture (SUA), Makongo secondary school, Mbezi Beach secondary school, Tegeta secondary school, Cornelius Girls secondary school, St.Marys secondary school, Green Acres secondary school, Wazo Hill secondary school and Bahari Beach secondary school.

### **TAYEN's ACCOMPLISHMENT**

Up to now TAYEN has over 500 members mostly being youth in secondary schools and higher learning institutions which is growing network of young people in Tanzania that are taking part in various environmental conservation initiatives in Tanzania.

### **Climate Change Education to young people in Tanzania**

TAYEN in collaboration with MYCLIMATE Foundation of Switzerzlerland is impmementing Hot Stuff Chill Out. The *“Hot Stuff – Chill Out” project* links school classes around the world where young people exchange ideas about the effects of climate change in their country with other young people in other country as their partner class, learn how other countries are dealing with the problem, set a worldwide example on selected days and realize projects to reduce carbon dioxide emissions. Up to now the Hot Stuff Chill Out project is implemented in Tanzania, Kenya, Uganda, Madagascar, Peru, United States of America, Switzerland, German and Slovenia.

TAYEN through Hot Stuff Chill Out project has been teaching young people about climate change in secondary schools of **Makongo, Mbezi Beach, Tegeta, and Cornelius Girl's academy, Wazo Hill, Green Acres, St. Marys and Bahari Beach** all found in Dar es Salaam. Hot Stuff Chill Out project gave chance for young people in these schools to learn about climate change and shared experience with young people in other countries participating in the project. For more information about the project visit [www.hotstuffchillout.org](http://www.hotstuffchillout.org)



*Students of Green Acres secondary school listening to TAYEN Project Officer during Hot Stuff Chill Out project classroom session*

### **Kigamboni Ferry station Clean up campaign**

As part of TAYEN Environmental education programme for youths in Tanzania on 5th June 2009 TAYEN in collaboration with Vodacom Foundation conducted Clean Up campaign to clean Kigamboni Ferry station in Dar es salaam. The primary objective of Kigamboni Ferry station Clean up campaign was to educate young people and Dar es Salaam residents using Kigamboni Ferry station on proper management of solid wastes and keeping the Ferry station clean and safe for all users. During the campaign over 150 youths from secondary schools of Makongo, Mbezi Beach, Tegeta, University of Dar es Salaam and Sokoine Univesrity of Agriculture(SUA) as well 50 Vodacom staffs participated in solid waste collection and disposal, installation of sign boards and laocating Dust Bins to be used to minimize haphazard waste dumping.



*TAYEN members and Vodacom staff collecting waste on the coast of Kigamboni Ferry station with distribution of large dust bins and sign boards*

### **Global Warming Film shows in schools**

With climate change becoming a serious problem, TAYEN through its Environmental Education programme for youths in Tanzania has been showing a famous global warming film *An Inconvenient Truth*, a film by the famous climate change activist and former United States Vice President Mr. Al Gore. The Film has been shown in Makongoro secondary school, University of Dar es Salaam and Sokoine University of Agriculture(SUA) attracting large audience of young people. Through this film young people in these institutions have learnt the causes, impacts of global warming and climate change on what can be done to stop it from happening



*Global warming film show in Solomon Mahlangu campus in Sokoine University of Agriculture (SUA), Morogoro region.*

### **Tegeta secondary school Clean Up campaign**

On 10th October 2009 TAYEN in collaboration with Tegeta secondary school administration conducted a clean up campaign in Tegeta secondary school to educate Tegeta secondary students to keep the school campus clean for safer learning environment.



*TAYEN members in Tegeta secondary school cleaning the school campus during Tegeta secondary Clean Up campaign.*

### **Campus Tree planting**

TAYEN through her Environmental Club in Sokoine University of Agriculture (SUA) in Morogoro in collaboration with Sokoine University of Agriculture administration has been conducting campus tree planting programme to restore campus beauty. The programme was launched on 5th June 2009 during commemoration of World Environmental Day in Solomon Mahlangu campus.



*TAYEN members in Sokoine University of Agriculture participating in Solomon Mahlangu campus tree planting project.*

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