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CEJ LAUNCHES 'CLIMATE ADVOCACY, ACTION' IN 5 DISTRICTS

The Centre for Environment Justice (CEJ) has launched a project dubbed "Strengthening Civil Society Voices for Climate Advocacy in Zambia".

CEJ Executive Director Maggie Mapalo Mwape said the exercise is funded by United Nations Democracy Fund (UNDEF), covering five districts namely Lusaka, Chirundu, Luangwa, Chongwe and Rufunsa.

Ms Mwape said the transformative initiative aims to empower Civil Society Organizations in Zambia to play a pivotal role in advocating for climate action and environmental sustainability.

Speaking in Luangwa after a Stakeholders Mapping Exercise to mark the project launch, Ms Mwape said CEJ will continue engaging with the local authorities and stakeholders.

"Now that the project has been launched in Luangwa, we shall proceed to launch the project in Rufunsa, Chongwe, Chirundu and Lusaka respectively. I am accompanied by Acting Head of Programmes Mr. Haggai Nyambe and Head of Logistics Mr. Patrick Kashanga to ensure a smooth Programme," she said.

Ms Mwape said the success of Zambia's National Adaptation Planning (NAP) processes and Nationally Determined Contribution (NDCs) implementation in the country hinges on the participation of several stakeholders including the Civil society movement.

"It is for this reason that CEJ is building the capacity of CSOs in climate adaptation and implementation of nationally determined contributions," she said.

Meanwhile, Luangwa District Commissioner Luke Chikani said Government will support CEJ's expedition to empower Civil Society Organizations capacity to champion climate change mitigation and adaptation issues effectively.

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