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CEJ, ZCCN PROMOTE GENDER, CLIMATE JUSTICE THROUGH AGROECOLOGY

Civil Society Organizations (CSOs) have joined efforts to promote gender and climate justice through agroecology.

The initiative is being led by the Centre for Environment Justice (CEJ) in collaboration with the Zambia Climate Change Network (ZCCN), under the Gender and Climate Justice in Food Systems project funded by We Effect Southern Africa.

Speaking in Nyimba District, Eastern Province, during a farmer training session, CEJ's Programme Coordinator for Agriculture and Water Security, Robert Chanda, explained that the project aims to promote agroecological farming practices.

Mr. Chanda said the project supports farmers with indigenous seeds that enhance resilience to climate change and reduce food insecurity.

He disclosed that the initiative is being implemented in Nyimba and Petauke districts of Eastern Province.

He revealed that CEJ, along with representatives from the Ministry of Agriculture, visited Nyimba District's Kamono Camp to train small-scale farmers in agroecology.

Mr. Chanda said a total of 50 farmers, particularly women and youth, participated in the training, which included two days of theoretical sessions and two days of practical demonstrations.

He added that the project is overseen by farmers who expressed their appreciation for the training, especially given the challenges posed by erratic rainfall patterns.

The CEJ Official noted that as part of the project, farmers were provided with indigenous seeds and established demonstration plots to practice agroecology firsthand.

Meanwhile, Ben Munkonze, a Facilitator from the Ministry of Agriculture who attended the Nyimba workshop, urged farmers to adopt climate-smart agriculture practices to protect the Earth.

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