



# Children and Youth Involvement in DRR

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#### Key issues

- Decision making empowerment
- Creating awareness for prevention and reduction
- Water(efforts to manage/adapt to hydrological variability and risks of floods and droughts.

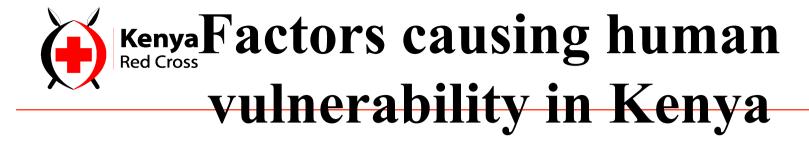


### Kenya Red Cross MAP OF AFRICA





Area: 225,000 sq miles,42 Tribes &others,PP aprx 39 M

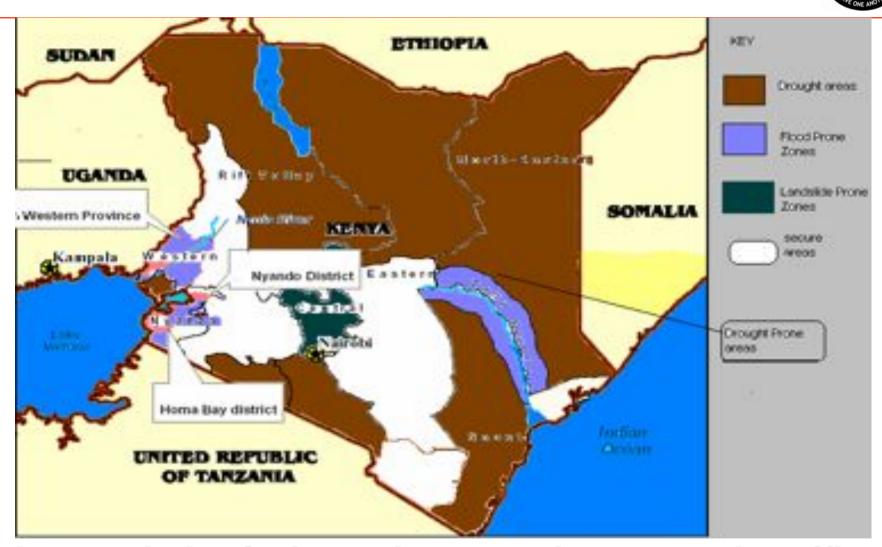




- Climate change
- Diseases
- Urbanization
- Population growth
- Violent/ conflict (internal)
- Migaration
- Natural disasters



## Kenya Red Cross KENYA-HAZARD LOCATION



Others: Ethnic Clashes, Diseases, Fires & Road Traffic Accidents



## EFFECTS OF DISASTERS







## BACKGROUND- KENYA RED CROSS SOCIETY



- Created through an Act of Parliament on 21<sup>st</sup> December 1965.
- KRCS has 8 Operational Regions that consists of 64 branches countrywide.
- And over 70,000 members and volunteers



## KRCS & DISASTER RISK REDUCTION PRACTICES



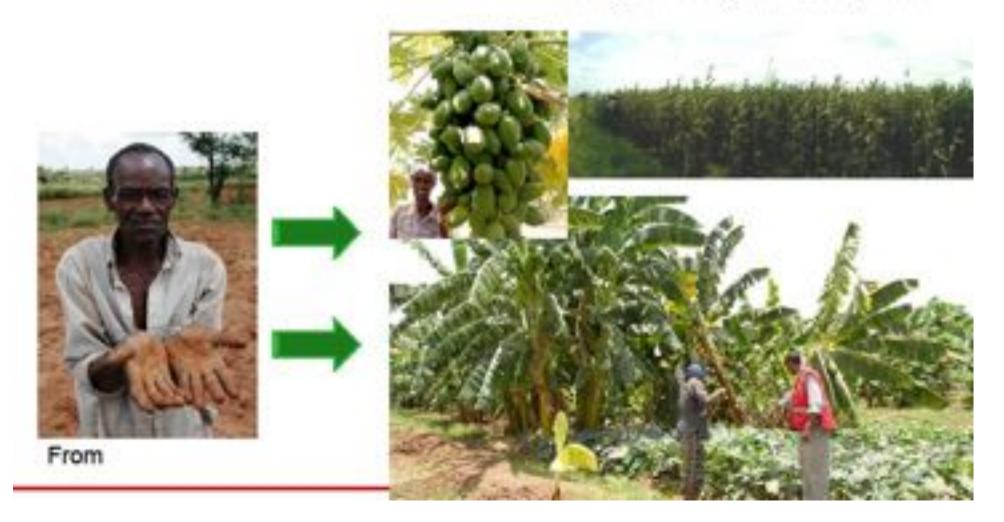
- KRCS aims to forecast ,prevent, mitigate and respond to disasters
- The challenge of reducing vulnerability requires knowledge about local needs.
- KRCS utilizes grassroots structures to minimize vulnerability and disaster risks.

#### KENYA RED CROSS INTERVENTION

#### **Food Security**



- Paradigm shift from EMOP to PRRO to enhance Social Protection
- Relief-Development Continuum
   Linking emergency relief with
   recovery and long-term development





#### KENYA RED CROSS INTERVENTION









 Youth have been actively involved in creating awareness and advocacy on climate change issues.

Among the activities are:

- □Climate Change focus group discussion
- □Essay writing and environmental conservation drawing competition
- □Internet BlogSpot to enhance awareness creation
- ☐Tree plantation activities



#### Kenya AWARENESS SESSIONS Red Cross









#### Kenya FOCUS GROUP DISCUSSIONS Red Cross







## Kenya Red Cross CHILDREN&YOUTH INVOLVEMENT







#### **LIMITATIONS**



- 1.Inadequate resources
- ✓ Information
- ✓ Youth resource centre
- 2. Policy towards children involvement in disaster reduction & prevention



## Kenya RECOMMENDATIONS (



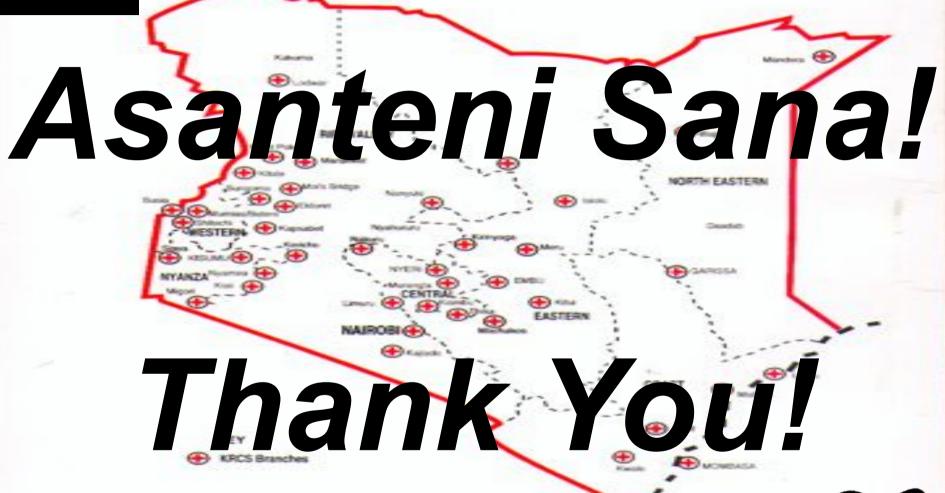
Child and youth participation is key to contribute to disaster risk reduction.

There is need to ensure:

- Development of curriculum that creates awareness on DRR issues.
- Platforms that engage the voice of children and youth.



#### KENYA RED CROSS SOCIETY BRANCHES



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