



Zambia Social Forum (ZAMSOF)

Report on

Zambia Social Forum/Southern African Forum Stakeholders Orientation and planning meeting held at Council for Churches in Zambia (CCZ) on 13th May 2010



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Background to the Meeting

The Zambia Social Forum ZAMSOF was in March mandated to host the 2011 Southern Africa Social Forum SASF with the Zambia Council for Social Development (ZCSD) as its secretariat.

The orientation meeting was as a result of a resolve passed by members of ZAMSOF during the meeting held at ZCSD town office on 9 April 2010 and was aimed at mobilizing, orienting, and recruiting a diverse range of Civil Society Organisations (CSOs), Community based Organisations (CBOs), and various stakeholders prior to the hosting of SASF 2011 as a means of bringing in diverse views, profiling its membership base, and reaching out to the masses at the grassroots.

Deliberations

The meeting was scheduled to start at 08:30hrs with registration of participants by Ms Grace Mweemba, however with a slight overrun in time due to the late arrival of participants registration started at 09:00hrs.(Annex1:List of participants' Names and Affiliation).

Opening/Welcoming Remarks

The meeting was called to order by the chairperson of ZAMSOF (Mr Zindikilani Daka) he thanked the participants for having come for the orientation meeting, and was later followed by self introductions and welcoming remarks by the representative for Council of Churches in Zambia (CCZ) Mr. Adamson Nkhoma (Annex2:Programme Schedule).

Background to ZAMSOF/SASF/WSF

The presentation was conducted by Ms. Sara Longwe . She gave a background of the forum with reference to the happenings i.e. demonstrations, uprisings during the late 80s through to the early nineties. She further pointed out that the Social Forum event was an open platform providing open space for social activists (opposed to neo – liberal globalization, fundamentalism, patriarchy, dictatorial hegemony) for thier:

- Reflective thinking
- Democratic debate of alternative ideas
- Free exchange of experiences and interlinked to action at local level

She alluded to the fact that the World Social Forum WSF was intended to meet annually alongside the World Economic Forum held in Davos (Switzerland) in order to impact on its deliberations. Below is a chronology of events as was presented:

2001

First edition of World Social forum WSF held in Porto Alegre Brazil, under the theme “Another World is Possible” with an attendance of 12,000 people.

2002

First edition of Africa Social Forum held in Bamako Mali and adopted the charter of principles for the African region..

Second edition of the World Social Forum held in Porto Alegre Brazil with the African Social Forum ASF panel and Afro Brazilian Session taking place;WSF, it drew the attendance of 12,000 people.

2003

Second edition of Africa Social Forum held in Addis Ababa Ethiopia with sub – regional foci formed (e.g. southern African Social forum).

Third edition of World Social Forum held in Porto Alegre Brazil and Africa Social Forum held a ASF panel and another Afro – Brazilian session. WSF with 15,000 in attendance

First edition of the Southern Africa Social Forum (SASF) held in Lusaka Zambia with Women for Change WFC as its Secretariat.

2004

Fourth edition of the World Social Forum held in Mumbai India, with 140,000 people in attendances Africa Social Forum thematic panels.

Formed Africa Social Forum Council in Nairobi Kenya

Third Africa Social Forum held in Lusaka Zambia with Women for Change as SASF Secretariat.

2005

Fifth edition of World Social Forum held in Porto Alegre Brazil with 150,000 people in attendance, Africa Social Forum panels and Afro – Brazilian session

First edition of ZAMSOF held in Lusaka at the University of Zambia with the Zambia Council for Social Development as its secretariat

Second edition of Southern Africa Social Forum held in Harare Zimbabwe with ZIMCCOD as Convener.

2006

Sixth edition of World Social Forum WSF held as polycentric forums: African polycentric forum, Bamako Mali with Africa Social Forum as secretariat with a local organizing committee.

Third Southern Africa Social forum SASF held in Malawi, with SASF caravan concept¹ initiated by ZAMSOF

Second edition of ZAMSOF held in Lusaka and peri – urban based social forum (Venter Community).

2007

Seventh edition of World Social Forum held in Nairobi Kenya

Third edition of ZAMSOF held in Kanyama Lusaka

Community College/Peoples summit held in Lusaka at NRDC

Zambian rural – based social forum Kapiri District

2008

Held Global Call for Action at national level

Fourth edition of ZAMSOF held in Matero Lusaka

Provincial Forums held in Western, Luapula, North Western, Eastern, Northern and Central provinces.

Fourth edition of Southern Africa Social Forum held in Manzini Swaziland

World Social Forum International Council agreed to host 9TH WSF^F edition in Africa to assist in building effective social movements.

2009

¹ The concept required representatives from participating countries to travel to SASF by road as opposed to fly, in order for them to interact as they passed through other countries, and it was cheaper.

Eighth edition of World Social Forum held Belem Brazil with 130,000 people in attendance Africa Social Forum ASF held thematic panels and Afro Brazilian sessions ZAMSOF held in Lusaka peri – urban – based social forum editions (Venter, Chawama, Chipata Communities).

2010

World Social Forum Brazilian Committee held an evaluative meeting in Porto Alegre, on effectiveness of social forum process – a handful Africans in attendance including Africa Social Forum Council secretariat. Conclusion is that. Forums have been effective in involving grassroots since regional forums are being held in all global regions.

The presentation was concluded with a call to activists to rekindle their activism and focus on bringing out issues.

5.0 Presentation of proposed thematic working groups/Finalization

This presentation started and was conducted by the Chairperson of ZAMSOF Mr. Zindikilani Daka, who proposed the formation of thematic groups based on the model used by Lesotho SASF in 2009 . The model as depicted below is to have seven thematic areas which participants were required to identify themselves with.

Participants raised a point of concern seeking clarity on the outlined thematic groups as they were finding it difficult to identify themselves with particular groups, Ms. Sara Longwe gave clarifications of each thematic group and how they would operate in relation with each other and feed into the preparations of ZAMSOF events and SASF 2011. It was then resolved that the formation of the thematic groups would be conducted at a later stage.

6.0 Tea Break

Participants broke off for tea at 11:15 and were expected to reconvene at 11:35

7.0 Plenary/Presentation of General Proposal

The participants reconvened at 11:50hrs with the Chairperson for ZAMSOF Zindikilani Daka calling the meeting to order, and preceded with the plenary session. During the plenary session participants echoed the need to peruse through the general proposal and for the theme of SASF 2011 to be tackled before thematic groups were formed as this would offer the much needed guidance.

The Chairperson and participants went through the general proposal and the theme for SASF 2009 was tabled for review and read as follows: “Southern Africa peoples unity against Economic Crises and Oppression.” The Chairperson also stated to the participants that the content is what constitutes the sub – themes of SASF, and the ROC meeting has the final say over the theme and that members can propose. It was then opened to the participants to either readopt the theme or propose another one.

A participant proposed to forge ahead and refine the theme, and was refined as follows: “Southern Africa’s Peoples Action against Social, Economic, Political crises and oppression” so as to include the social political aspect. Furthermore the participants proposed that SASF 2011 be held between June/July in order for it not to coincide with

the Zambian tripartite elections period, and most importantly bring out issues prior to the build up of campaigns i.e. political tension, violence e.t.c.

It was further resolved that inputting to the proposal by participants was to be done at a later stage and not at the orientation meeting.

8.0 Formation of Thematic Groups

The formation of thematic groups started at 13:00hrs and was coordinated by the ZAMSOF Chairperson Mr. Zindikilani Daka. After presenting an outline of the thematic group's participants identified themselves with the groups they found fitting, and then identified themselves into particular thematic groups of their choice as attached to the report. (Annex 3).

9.0 Lunch Break

Participants broke off for lunch at 13:30hrs and were expected to reconvene at 14:30hrs.

Presentation of Action Plan

The presentation of the plan of Action was done by the Coordinator of ZAMSOF Mr. Gershom Kabaso who started by thanking the participants again for having made it to the Orientation meeting. Find attached the plan of action. (Annex : 4)

10.0 Recommendations/Reactions

- The Action plan was comprehensive and worth applauding, but there is a need to scale up the film festivals, involvement of the communities from the grassroots and network effectively in order to achieve its objectives.
- A sense of Leadership should be exhibited by the secretariat materially, physically, and financially and insure the forum is both active and practical around issues currently affecting the country i.e. Political instability and violence.
- How are we as ZAMSOF engaging stakeholders and government on these issues,? There is - need for ZAMSOF to print the African charter of principles so as to assist on how to engage with government?
- The need for consistency in presentation of reports so as to aid the new people coming on board and assist in planning and reflection especially during meetings of such nature.
- The next meeting was set for Thursday 27th May 2010 from 09:00hrs – 12:00hrs, venue is to be communicated.
- Secretariat was tasked to coordinate the hosting of the coming meeting.
- The report of this meeting is to be circulated by Wednesday 19th May 2010.

11.0 Closing Remarks

Closing remarks were given by Mr. Humphrey Sikapizye from Zambia Council for Social Development, who reechoed secretariats commitment towards ZAMSOF programmes; this was later followed by remarks from Council of Churches in Zambia representative Mr. Adamson Nkhoma. The closing prayer was given by Mr. Misheck Banda from Council of Churches in Zambia.

BELOW ARE ATTACHED FIVE (5) APPENDICES FOR YOUR DETAILED INFORMATION REGARDING THIS REPORT

ANNEX 1: LIST OF PARTICIPANTS NAMES AND AFFILIATIONS:

No.	FULL NAME (S)	AFFILIATION
1.	Mrs Regina Mwanza	Mana Widows /ZCSD
2.	Mrs Grace Mweemba	ODCMT
3.	Mr. Zindikilani Daka	ODCMT
4.	Mr. Gershom Kabaso	ACEMS-MISSION,INC.
5.	Mr. Harrison Mwima	TALC
6.	Mr. Hanariah Bwembya	Network for ARVs Users
7.	Ms Sara Longwe	Femnet
8.	Mr. Peter Musekiwa	JCTR
9.	Mr. Crispin M.Mwangana	UPF/YAP ZAWNA Representative
10.	Mr. Charles Muliya	FPLIZ
11.	Mr. Peter Green Mwanangombe	FODEP
12.	Mr. Nkandu Kaluba	ODCMT
13.	Mr. Adamson Nkhoma	CCZ
14.	Mr. clement Shidono	LIMAMA
15.	Mr. Iuchembe M.K Chilufya	FYOZ
16.	Mr. Derek Banda	NAPS ZAMBIA
17.	Ms. Constance Lewanika	WILDAF
18.	Ms. Matanga Munkonze	ZSCD
19.	Ms. Kabaso Bwalya	ZSCD
20.	Mr. James Ngoma	Muvi Posse Band
21.	Mr. Samuel Mutambo	WFC
22.	Ms. Sharon Chileshe	ZNWL
23.	Mr. Mainza M.Mubita	ZAYS
24.	Ms. Constance Ngenda	CITAM+
25.	Mr. Simon Ngoma	CUTS International Zambia.
26.	Ms. Gladys M.N Mutukwa	WILDAF
27.	Mr. Raymond Havwala	YMCA
28.	Mr. Misheck Banda	CCZ
29.	Ms .Matrine BBuku Chulu	WILSA
30.	Mr. Daniel Libati	TALC
31.	Mr. Chris Aka	Activist
32.	Mr. .Humphrey Sikapizye	ZCSD
33.	Mr. Edward Lungu	Venter Community.
34.	Mr. Vladmir Chilinya	

- **ANNEX 2: PROGRAMME SCHEDULE:**

“Another Zambia Is Possible”

**ZAMBIA SOCIAL FORUM / SOUTHERN AFRICAN SOCIAL FORUM
Stakeholders Orientation and Consultative planning meeting Held
On 13TH MAY 2010 at Council of Churches in Zambia (CCZ)**

TIME	SESSION/ACTIVITY	RESPONSIBILITY	METHODOLOGY
08:30hrs -09:00hrs.	Arrival /Registration	Ms Grace Mweemba	
09:05hrs-09:15hrs.	Opening /Welcome Remarks	ZCSD Secretariat	Plenary
09:20hrs-09:35hrs	Background to ZAMSOF/SASF/WSF	Ms Sara Longwe	presentation
09:40hrs-09:50hrs	Presentation of proposed Thematic Working groups /Finalisation.	Mr. Jimmy Daka	Presentation
09:55hrs-10:25hrs	Tea Break	All	
10:30hrs-10:45hrs	Formation of Thematic Groups	Jimmy Daka	Plenary
10:50hrs-11:05hrs	Presentation of the General proposal	Jimmy Daka	plenary
11:10hrs-11:45hrs	Group work-Input to proposal /Concept Note	ZCSD Secretariat	Group activity
11:50hrs-12:45hrs	Group Presentations/Discussion	Participants	Plenary /Discussion
12:50hrs-14:00hrs	Lunch Break	All	
14:05hrs-14:25hrs	Presentation of Action Plan	Mr. Gershom Kabaso	Presentation
14:30hrs-15:00hrs	Way forward based on Action Plan	ZCSD Secretariat	Discussion
15:05hrs-15:25hrs	Closing Remarks	ZCSD Secretariat	Plenary

ANNEX 3: THEMATIC GROUPS:

NAME (S)	ORGANISATION	PROPOSED NAMES (ABSENT)
MEDIA AND PUBLICITY		
Derrick Banda		NGOCC
Leah Chimuzinga	WILDAF	CSPR
Aaron Sikasunda	Activist	CARITAS
Nkandu Kaluba	ODCMT	PANOS
Chris Aka	Activist	AVAP
James Ngoma	Activist	ZAMWA
Vladimir Chilinya	CGD	EFZ
Kabaso Bwalya	ZCSD	ZEC
		SACCORD
		TIZ
MOBILISATION AND OUTREACH		
Samuel Mutambo	Women for Change	ZLA
Joseph Maoma	ZAYS	ZNAN
Gift Jaccobeen	ZAYS	NZP+
Hope Kasese Kumazo	WLSA	SWAAZ
Muzi Kamanga	WILDAF	Zambia Civic
Esther Kanduzi	WILDAF	EAZ
Chrispin Mwangana	YFWP/ ZAWNA	ZCTU
Pezo Mateo Phiri	ZARD	FFTUZ (Joyce Nonde)
Harrison Mwima	TALC	ZANEC
ZCSD		LAZ
		FAWEZA
RESOURCE MOBILISATION		
Clement Shidono		FOSUP
Regina Mumbi Mwanza	Mana Widows	ZNFU
Luchembe Chilufya	FYOZ	Women in Agric
Charles Muliya	FPLIZ	CAZ
ZCSD		SADC Lawyers Association
		YMCA
POLICY (GOVERNANCE, HUMAN RIGHTS)		
Raymond Havwala	YWCA	Zambia Nurses Association
Peter Musekiwa	JCTR	CHAZ
Constance Lewanika	WILDAF	Citizens Forum
Simon Ngona	CUTS	Consumer Rights Association
Matrine M Chulu	WLSA	Cross- Boarder Association of Zambia
Margaret Kapilya	AWOMI	Marketeers Associations
Sharon K Chileshe	Zambia Women's Lobby	Senior Citizens Association
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ZCSD		Zambia Union of Journalists
CONTENT AND METHODOLOGY		
Hananiah Bwembya	Network for ARV Users	ZAMCOPS
Sara Longwe	FEMNET	PAF
Adamson Nkhoma	CCZ	
Misheck Banda	CCZ	
Gladys Mutukwa	WILDAF	

ANNEX 4 : ZAMSOF /SASF ORIENTATION MEETING IN PHOTOS:



A Participant stressing a point as the Chairperson of ZAMSOF looks on



Participants Brainstorming



Some Participants went on deliberating through Tea Break



Others just relaxed over the break

ANNEX 5: PLAN OF ACTION

HOST ZAMBIA SOCIAL FORUM SOUTHERN AFRICAN SOCIAL FORUM 2011 SECRETARIAT FOR SASF 2011

ROAD MAP TO SASF 2011

What /Activity	Why / Objectives	How	Time Scale	Where	Estimated Cost /Resources	Who
Set up SASF 2011 Secretariat for Zambia Social Forum NO. (1)	Feasibility Communication Coordination	Secure Office space	May 2010	At ZCSD Secretariat Offices	Computer ,Printer, Stationery Furniture , Internet ,Phones, Office space, technical Material and support.	ZCSD
Stakeholders Planning and Orientation meeting for ZAMSO/SASF 2011 To invite 30+ Key NGOs FBOs,CBOs, Media. NO. (2)	To Orient them to pre-activities of ZSF before 5 th Edition of ZNSF ,World Social Forum (WSF) and Southern African Social forum (SASF) 2011. To allow stakeholders input into the developing of the proposal/Concept note. To develop a fundraising strategy. To develop thematic working committees.	One day Meeting.	May 2010	Venue (TBA) Central location	Venue,Teas,Lunches, Water Communications & Handouts Over head Projector, Facilitators, Rapportuears Laptop, Flip Charts, Makers, Plain Papers,	ZCSD ZAM SOF Stake holder s

What /Activity	Why / Objectives	How	Time Scale	Where	Estimated Cost /Resources	Who
First SASF Regional organising Committee Meeting (ROC) NO. (3)	Official Handover from Lesotho. Progress report on SASF preparations.	Plenary Meeting	Dates (TBA) May –July 2011.	Lusaka Zambia.	Travel refunds, foods, Accommodation for visitors, Local transport,communicatn Venue for the meeting, Reports handouts. (Specific budget TBA).	ROC ZCSD ZAM SOF
Khanya Winter School NO. (4)	To provide the region space for activist to critically reflect on their organizing and mobilizing work in the present national and global context. To provide activists with the opportunity to build links and alliances among their various movements.	Plenaries W/shops Arts Culture Filming NGO fair Book fair exhibits	(Annually) July-Aug 2010 & July-Aug 2011	South Africa (J0'Bourg) At Khanya House of Movements	Travel and incidentals cost:: self sponsorship. But lodging, food and local transport are in most cases are taken care of by the convenerKhanya College.	ZAM SOF ZCSD Stake holders
People's Summit NO. (5)	Reflective thinking; Democratic debate of ideas; .Free exchange of experiences and interlinking for effective action	Free space	August 2010	Windhoek Namibia	Travel ,accommodation, food Transport, communication Specific budget (TBA)	ZAM SOF
Globalization School NO. (6)	(mostly Same Khanya platform)	Same as Khanya	(Annually) Sept-Oct 2010.	South Africa Cape town	Same as the requirements of Khanya Winter School.	ZAM SOF
Provincial social forums NO. (7)	To popularize Social forums at four (4) Provincial levels. Where Social forums have not been held before.	Free Space	June- 2010 Sept 2010	Western Copper belt N/Western Northern	K6,000,000@x4= 24 Million accommodation,foods,venue Transport refunds ,projector Laptop, power cables etc.	ZCSD

What /Activity	Why / Objectives	How	Time Scale	Where	Estimated Cost /Resources	Who
Zambia National Social forum NO. (8)	To empowering communities to make their voices heard and listened to in government, and to meet with government and civil society and policy makers at community, provincial and national levels.	Free Space	(Annually) Oct 2010 & 2011	Lusaka City.	K20,000,000 Hiring of tents, Chairs,Tables,Stationery,food P.A System, Communication, Accommodation for people from provinces, presenters, Publications, entertainment Etc.	ZAM SOF Stake Holder
2 & 3 rd Meeting Regional Organising Committee (ROC). NO. (9)	Progress report on SASF preparations	Plenary meeting	Aug 2010 & Sept 2011	Lusaka Zambia	Travel refunds,lodging,foods Local transport, stationery Communication.	ROC ZCSD ZAM SOF
World Social forum2011 NO. (10)	Taking issues from National and Regional to world social forum.	Forum Free space	Jan –Feb 2011	Senegal Dakar	K60,000,000, To waive the costs for travel, lodging ,food, incidentals allowances for “ZAMSOF “ members.	
2011 Southern African Social Forum (SASF). NO. (11)	1.Reflective thinking; 2.Democratic debate of ideas; 3.Free exchange of experiences and 4.interlinking for effective action; 5.Formulation of proposals for action plan at local levels.	Free Space	(Annually) Oct 2011	Lusaka Zambia	K500,000,000.For Tents, Chair Tables,P.A Systems, Stationery food,M/water,Communication ,publication and media, note pads T.shirts,Bags,Flip charts, Cups Solidarity funds,	ROC ZCSD ZAM SOF

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Social Justice Film festivals NO.(12)	- Build on people to people solidarity -Enhance civic participation. -Sensitize people on political ,economic Social status quo. -To empower activists and the communities with knowledge and skills that contributes to the social change.	Filming.	An-on going	Lusaka Communities and outside Lusaka	K300,000 .For refreshments Transport for resource persons. (within Lusaka communities) K3, 000,000.Out side Lusaka.	ZAM SOF
ZAMSOF/SASF Coordination & Communications NO. (13)	Harmonization of duties & activities assigned tasks by ZAMSOF /SASF-ROC secretariat.	Reporting back	An on-going May-Dec 2011.	ZCSD/SASF Secretariat.	Communications, Stationery Internet, transport.	ROC ZCSD ZAM SOF.

NOTE: Stakeholders Consultative Meeting was held as scheduled, SADC people's Summit was attended,