



INFLUENCE OF STAKEHOLDERS' PARTICIPATION ON PERFORMANCE OF CONSTITUENCIES DEVELOPMENT FUNDED PROJECTS IN KAMUKUNJI CONSTITUENCY IN NAIROBI, KENYA

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ABSTRACT

The performance of development projects depends on effective management of stakeholders. The purpose of this study was to analyze the influence of stakeholders' participation on performance of CDF projects in Kamukunji Constituency in Nairobi, Kenya. The study utilized descriptive research design with qualitative and quantitative research approach. The study target population was 201 CDF projects implemented in healthcare, schools, water and sanitation implemented in Kamukunji Constituency between the financial year 2010/2011 and 2014/2015. A sample size of 94 projects was drawn from target population. Primary data was obtained using structured questionnaire and analysed using descriptive and inferential statistics with the aid of Statistical Package for Social Sciences (SPSS) version 23. The study found that CDF project management committee participation, CDF committee participation, beneficiary community and CDF regulators participation had a significant influence on performance of CDF projects. The study recommends that participation of project management committee should be enhanced as this would increase CDF projects being completed within time, being completed within budget allocated and completed within specified deliverables. This may be due to project management possession of relevant competency to deliver projects as per plan. The study also recommends that participation of CDF Committee in CDF projects should be enhanced to significantly improve CDF project performance. The participation of CDF Committee in CDF projects would lead to completion of the projects within timelines given, within budgeted cost. Consequently, the study recommends that participation of beneficiary community in CDF projects should be strengthened as their contribution to the CDF project through resource mobilization, acceptance of the projects, provision of labour and provision of raw materials and equipments would contribute to completion of the CDF project within stipulated timelines, avoid CDF project cost overruns and completion of the projects that meet the required standards and values.

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