

I am “**GENERATION EQUALITY**” *Ending gender violence* in Africa was the twitter based discussion as a free platform where everyone allowed to ask and respond to questions under the main two experts on Gender issues, Madam Martha Makenge and Madam Naluncha Nganga.

Issues raised were: -

- Different forms of gender violence in Africa
- Economic violence is mostly due to structural inequalities and culture which perpetuates women's poverty.
- The most severe forms of violence that we face in EAC region are Rape, Marital rape, Domestic violence, Mob violence, dating abuse, Sexual violence, Sexual harassment, Human trafficking and forced prostitution, Mistreatment of widows, Accusations of witchcraft It can include physical, sexual, psychological and economic abuse, and it cuts across boundaries of age, race, culture, wealth and geography.
- Gender Violence manifests in various ways in the public and private spheres and embodies the most common means of a violation of the human rights of women.
- Gender-based violence (**GBV**) or violence against women and girls (VAWG), is a global pandemic that affects 1 in 3 women in their lifetime and this applies to Tanzania and across Eastern Africa
- There should be political will to enhancing the capacity of duty bearers (police, judiciary, healthcare providers) to provide accessible, effective and quality GBV prevention and response services, Supporting public education campaigns on GBV. Harmonization of the penal laws in the EAC Partner States.