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**CITIZEN FORUM REPORT – LOKUTO**

Date: 9th April 2025

Venue: Lokuto

Convened by: Maralal Municipality

**Purpose:**

Public participation and engagement with citizens on development priorities.

**Participants**

The forum was attended by representatives from;

1. Maralal municipal board
2. Community based organization (CBOs)
3. Youth groups
4. Women groups
5. Persons with disabilities
6. Business community
7. Religious leaders
8. Local residents

**AGENDA**

1. Opening remarks
2. Introduction of participants
3. Presentation on municipal programmes and projects.
4. Discussion on development priorities
5. Citizen feedback and recommendations
6. Closing remarks

## **Introduction**

Maralal Municipality conducted a citizen forum meeting at Lokuto on 9th April 2025. The purpose of the forum was to engage members of the public and stakeholders in discussing key development priorities and to collect views and recommendations from the community to inform municipal planning and decision-making.

## **Key Issues Discussed**

### **1. Infrastructure Development**

Participants emphasized the need for improved infrastructure within the area to enhance service delivery and economic growth. The key concerns raised included:

Improvement and maintenance of access roads within Lokuto.

Expansion and maintenance of drainage systems to reduce flooding during rainy seasons.

Improvement of street lighting to enhance security.

Development and rehabilitation of public facilities to serve the growing population.

### **2. Climate Resilient Projects**

The community highlighted the importance of implementing projects that can withstand climate change and environmental challenges. The following priorities were discussed:

Promotion of tree planting and environmental conservation initiatives.

Development of water harvesting and storage systems to address water scarcity.

Implementation of sustainable waste management practices.

Adoption of climate-smart initiatives to protect livelihoods and natural resources.

## **Community Recommendations**

The citizens recommended that the municipality:

Prioritize infrastructure development projects in Lokuto.

Integrate climate-resilient strategies in all development projects.

Strengthen community participation in planning and implementation of projects.

Collaborate with development partners to support climate adaptation initiatives.

## Conclusion

The forum provided an important platform for citizens to express their views and contribute to the development agenda of Maralal Municipality. The municipality appreciated the active participation of the community and committed to considering the views presented in future planning and implementation of projects.

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