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Meet Uchechi

“"It feels great joining NFF to advance women issues.

- Ms Uchechi Eke
  Programmes Assistant
  Nigerian Feminist Forum

Photo Reel

Images during the NFF consultative meeting with chairmen of political parties and stakeholders at Bolton white Hotels Abuja for increased female participation in politics.
ANNOUNCEMENTS

• The NFF is seeking to employ a Research and Policy Officer. All applications should be sent to nff@nigerianfeministforum.org Click Here to Apply.

• We have a new Programmes Assistant, Ms. Uchechi Eke.

• The NFF will hold a consultative meeting with Centre for Gender Studies (GS) departments of Nigerian universities across the six geo-political zones on July 26th and 27th, 2021 in Abuja. The meeting will discuss the concept of Gender Studies (GS), explore the GS curriculum, address the objective of promoting the rights of women, and foster discussions on how to promote the study towards improved gender identity, gendered representation, ideas and theories of women’s studies concerning women, feminism, gender and politics.

• The Feminism 101 training is slated for July 28th – 30th. The training will bring together 25 participants to acquire skills on feminism. It will be a platform to share feminist knowledge, definitions and theories, and develop an internalized document (African feminist charter) as a binding principle for feminists.

• New ideas for NFF to research on? Please share by sending us an email via nff@nigerianfeministforum.org.
The Nigerian Feminist Forum (NFF), is a network of individual women who publicly self-define themselves as feminists and are recognized to ‘walk the talk’ in fundamentalist or other extremely vulnerable contexts. This Forum became a reality in 2007, and have been in existence since 2008. The African charter on feminist principles is our guiding document, written by us for us Read it and become familiar with it. Read the charter here>>>>> CLICK HERE. The feminist movement, as an ideological and political space, is made up of the many individuals and organisations committed to challenging and dismantling patriarchal oppressions in all its manifestations. It is a space for feminists to claim for themselves and to use, through networks, organisations, personal friendships and collective feminist energies. This space is used to mobilise around feminist principles, to hone analytical skills, and seek (and sometimes find) answers to many questions. What makes the space work is faith. The belief that this space is needed to make a difference in the lives of women. This is manifested in our processes of self-discovery, our hopes, our dreams, our aspirations, our yearning for more knowledge and revelations. The two, space and faith are inter-dependent, and cannot survive in and of themselves. We need our space as feminists to walk the road together, and we need the faith that will keep us together in good and in bad times. It is very difficult to create and sustain feminist space in Nigeria for many reasons, but we need to be bold, vigilant, intentional and proactive about promoting and defending women’s rights in Nigeria. We NEED this feminist space for these very reasons, to:
• Develop conceptual clarity and the politics of naming;
• Access our relationship with contemporary Nigerian states and state structures;
• Repolitise the movement ;
• Harness and create feminist knowledge;
• Strengthen feminist institutions;
• Develop feminist principles;
• Replenish our ranks;
• Protect the integrity of feminist space;
• Take care of ourselves

Who are we?
We are Feminists, No If’s, No But’s, No Maybe’s!!!
In March 2021, Special Adviser (Education), Mr Castro Ezama made damaging sweeping comments while speaking on a radio phone-in programme in the state. According to him, “About 60% of girls in secondary schools in Cross River State are not virgins”.

In March 2021, celebrated Thespian, Chief Pete Edochie, known largely for his excellent interpretation of Okonkwo in the novel THINGS FALL APART by Chinua Achebe shocked the feminism community with his unguarded comments that it was the cause of divorce and spousal violence, and excused Sexual Gender Based Violence (SGBV) and their perpetrators.

The Nigerian Feminist Forum (NFF) issued a statement wherein his comments were condemned, demanded an immediate retraction for the human rights abuse and flagrant abuse of power, as well as his immediate disengagement because we believe he will continue to abuse and assault the guaranteed rights of the girls in the state.

Ahead of the 2023 general elections, the Nigerian Feminist Forum has begun consultations with political parties, women led policy groups across ethnic, political, religious, and professional beliefs on how to elect more women into office.

The NFF deeply concerned about the near lack of representation of women and girls has begun consultative meetings to avert a repeat in 2023 and have already met chairmen of political parties, female aspirants, and women policy groups.

Edochie misconceptions about marriage and feminism

Building partnerships for increased female participation
CHANGING THE NARRATIVE

“Our strategies have included advocacy and innovative campaigns using mainstream and social media”. Dismantling patriarchy and questioning the powers of oppressions, to ultimately achieve a society free from violence against women is an objective. Our strategic programmatic interventions have targeted this objective, and we have recorded positive results.

Click Here to take a look at some of our strategic social media campaigns for this quarter; Click the hashtags to follow the discussions >>>

#SheMatters,
#NigerianWomenMatter
#StateofEmergencyonSGBV
Would you like to follow up on our activities and be part of our movement?

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