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## KIZAZI HODARI NORTHEASTERN ZONE

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ELCT HQ

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The Northeastern Zone of TZ has unique challenges due to its proximity to the Kenyan border, National Parks, and the Mererani Mines. Tourism and trade operations have fueled the sex industry further jeopardizing OVC and adolescent girls. Movement into Dodoma City has increased due to increasing government and commercial activities. While Dodoma’s population has multiplied, Health facilities and infrastructure have not, leaving many without adequate access to health services. Northern TZ’s large nomadic population makes tracking, testing, and referring OVCs difficult. In addition, 37% of girls in TZ are married before turning 18 years. The first survey of Violence Against Children (VAC) in Tanzania (2009) reported prevalence of sexual violence was more reported among orphaned females. When interviewing local implementing partners in the Northeastern Zone in 2021, they reported: caregivers often failed to consent to testing of OVCs or to disclose their results; long distance to health facilities; shortages of test kits and difficulty tracking and retaining HEI mothers in treatment.

**KIZAZI HODARI NORTHEASTERN ZONE’S APPROACH**

The goal of Kizazi Hodari Northeastern zone is to improve health, wellbeing, and protection of OVC and youth in high HIV burden communities. Kizazi Hodari NEZ is a child-focused and family-centered project with the main goal of improving health, well-being and protection of Orphans and Vulnerable Children (OVC) and youth aged 0-17 years in high HIV burden communities along four key domains which are health, safety, schooling, and stability. Kizazi Hodari NEZ also utilize FCI platform as an approach to promote behavior change at community level hence facilitate prevention and response to HIV and GBV/VAC.

The project has three objectives detailed below:

- Increased use of OVC platforms for pediatric HIV case findings, linkage to treatment and viral suppression.
- Increased access to HIV prevention, violence prevention, and response services for OVC and youth.
- Improved the socio-economic capacity of at-risk young women (AGYW) in economic strengthening.

### **Strategic Objective 1**

Kizazi Hodari Northeastern zone collaborate with health facilities (HFs), clinical and community implementing partners (IPs), Regional/council health management teams at regional and council levels (R/CHMT), PLHIV networks, Faith Community Initiative (FCI) and Palliative Care (PC) providers to scale up HIV diagnosis, treatment, and viral suppression (VS) services among OVC and youth. This collaboration will increase access to and use of health, social and protection services. The activities under this objective are organized under each Intermediate Results (IR) areas as follows and detailed activities.

### **Strategic Objective 2**

The objective focuses on HIV and violence prevention and response among beneficiaries. The implementation will be aligned with the provision of parenting, HIV, and violence prevention education to caregivers in households and economic strengthening groups. In addition, Kizazi Hodari will support training, mentorship, and supervision to CCWs on assessing the needy OVC and AGYWs, registration, and monitoring academic progress in school as an intervention to preventing violence and HIV among children and adolescents.

### **Strategic Objective 3**

This objective intends to address the household's economic vulnerability of AGYW and OVC caregivers to provide appropriate services. Kizazi Hodari will support CCWs to conduct assessment of family and child assets using standardized tools to determine a household's vulnerability. CCWs will refer caregivers and AGYW to LVs for group economic strengthening activities such as savings and lending, financial literacy skills through HAZINA Yetu groups and other stakeholders.