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**v) LIST OF ACRONYMS:**

1. WHO: World Health organization
2. SMOH: State Ministry of Health
3. **Unicef**: United Nations Children’s Fund
4. **United Nation**
5. **M&E:** Monitoring and Evaluation

**vii) ABSTRACT:**

This paper examines the instrumental use of community involvement in monitoring and Evaluation of development project in Torit Municipal council, Torit State - South Sudan. The study was on assessing community involvement in the monitoring and evaluation of Welt Hunger Helf projects in Torit Municipal Council. The study aimed at unrave research question that whether decision-making and planning (DMP), community participate in participatory local governance (PLG), monitoring and evaluation (M&E) have any effect on development projects (DP). To that end in view the researcher selected the Welt Hunger Community projects and adopted quantitative method. The researchers collected data from a 6 respondents comprising of project Staff and Beneficiaries (Group leaders) involved in Welt Hunger Community project by administering a structured questionnaire Data were then analyzed using Excel software.

Community participation has become a critical concept, and it has greatly grown its importance in development policy and programs. It is noted that it is important not only in assessing the needs, planning and implementation but also in the monitoring and evaluation (M&E). This research examines the monitoring and evaluation of the Welt hunger projects in Torit Municipality. It discusses the challenges and opportunities emanated from community participation drawing example from the 3 sub-projects selected in Welt Hunger Helf,Torit Municipality, south Sudan. In the collection of primary data, 3 project Staff 3 group leaders (Beneficiaries) were selected purposively and were asked questions through questionnaires, in-depth interviews and focus group discussions. Direct field observation was also employed in order to get a real picture in the subprojects sites. Community participation in M&E still faced with many challenges such as; cost in terms of time and money, complexity of analysis and lack of analysis. It was also noted that despite having those challenges community participation in M&E of Welt Hunger sub-projects, the opportunities cannot be ignored. The study, therefore, recommends that the Welt Hunger Project staff should have comprehensive monitoring and evaluations to ensure local communities are more active in making decision. In addition, more funds should be injected in empowering and building capacity to communities through training and technical support pertaining to monitoring and evaluation.

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