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ANC HEALTH DEPARTMENT

REPORT OF THE COMMUNITY PROGRAMME AND HEALTH EDUCATION OFFICER

Since taking office not much was done under my portfolio because of its wide scope and interrelationship with other portfolios. Namely:

Community Programmes Officer: (Job Description)

1. Shall plan, develop and implement Primary Health Care Programme and relevant education propaganda and determine their impact on the given communities.
2. Shall report to the Secretariat on all Primary Health Care Programmes in progress
3. Shall be expected to conduct on the spot assessment of Primary Health Care and Health Education Programmes in the different regions.
4. Shall provide textbooks and other learning material to health centres.

UNDER STUDYING THE NORWEGIAN COORDINATORS

FOUND the experience useful and enlightening though limited. I went to the various settlements in East, West and Central Africa.

The responsibilities of the portfolio were identified and it was agreed that the portfolio should be renamed to clarify the duties and functions involved. The portfolio shall now be known as COMMUNITY PROGRAMMES AND HEALTH EDUCATION OFFICER.

Our communities are in urgent need of preventive programmes and health education on malaria, STD's AND AIDS, mental health and Family Planning-being the priority. To also pay attention to TB, dental caries, nutrition and immunisation. This will necessitate regular visits to the regions and co-ordination with other portfolios especially, Information and Publicity and Personal and Training.