# ANNEX

**The study site**

The study focused on the traditional dispute resolution of Nyando sub-county, particularly in Kadibo division within the following locations: Nyang’ande, Rabuor, Korowe, Ahero, and Okana which are the leading centers or locations with the Nyando sub-county. KELIN Cultural Structures Project officer supported in the identification of interview subjects from the study areas over the duration of the field research.

**Target population**

This study targeted approximately 30 widows’ who had resolved disputes within the traditional dispute mechanism of Nyando sub-county. The study obtained a mix of interview subjects who were satisfied and dissatisfied with the decisions of the Nyando cultural justice system. For this reason, the study focused on all the widows’ ideas of what would have been an ideal situation of justice and injustice based on their experience with the justice mechanism. This study also interview female and male members of the council of elders.

**Interview questionnaire**

**Key informant interviews with widows’ who have resolved disputes involving access to land rights within the traditional dispute resolution mechanisms in the Nyando sub-county**

**Interview main questions**

1. What is your understanding of the concept of just /justice? (Process and outcome)
2. Do women have any influence in shaping and articulating officially recognized customary law / communities ideas of justice?
3. What can be done to improve justice for widows’ accessing justice using traditional dispute resolution mechanisms?

**Specific questions**

1. What was the nature of the dispute brought before the traditional dispute resolution mechanism?
2. Describe the nature of the case, when it took place and the process of the adoption of the dispute by the traditional dispute resolution mechanism? When and where did the dispute occur? How long did it take? Who was involved? What was required?
3. What was the outcome of the case and what was the impact of the case and its decision on you?
4. If dissatisfied with the decision, what was your recourse? If satisfied, how was the decision implemented?
5. What factors affected your preference for the traditional dispute resolution mechanism?
6. What challenges did you face after the case was brought before the traditional dispute mechanism?
7. Were you satisfied /dissatisfied with the justice provided in regard to this case?
8. What can be done to improve justice for widows’ accessing justice using traditional dispute resolution mechanisms?
9. Is there anything else you would like to add?

**Focus group discussion with widows’ who have resolved disputes involving access to land rights within the traditional dispute resolution mechanisms in Nyando sub-county**

**Main questions**

1. Do women have any influence in shaping and articulating officially recognized customary law / community’s ideas of justice?
2. What is your understanding of justice? Do you think this is a community conception of an individual conception? If so, please explain further.
3. What do you understand by justice or what is just (Process and outcome )

**General questions**

1. Do widows’ prefer using traditional dispute mechanisms to access justice? If so, please explain further.
2. What are women's experiences of justice in using traditional dispute resolution mechanisms? What was the outcome of the case you were involved in?
3. What were the outcomes of the cases and what impact do they have on widows’?
4. What are the cultural norms that reinforce, encourage or discourage justice for women within the traditional dispute resolution mechanisms?
5. What can be done to improve justice for widows’ accessing justice in respect to land inheritance using traditional dispute resolution mechanisms?
6. Is there anything else you would like to add?

**Focus group discussion with council of elders, chiefs and village head men involved in dispute resolution regarding widows’ ‘access to land rights in Nyando sub-county**

**Main questions**

1. In your opinion what constitutes justice for the widows’?
2. Is the widow's perception of justice different from the community’s perception?
3. What factors hinder the effective resolution of disputes involving widows’ access to land?
4. What should be done to enhance justice for widows’ within traditional dispute resolution mechanisms?

**General questions**

1. What kind of disputes are resolved by the traditional dispute resolution mechanisms in Nyando sub-county?
2. What are the guiding frameworks for resolution of disputes within the traditional dispute resolution mechanisms in Nyando sub-county?
3. Do these guiding frameworks apply to cases involving widows’ right to access land? Please describe how
4. Describe at least two success case stories involving the resolution of disputes on access to land in which the widow was satisfied with the decision.
5. What contributed to this ‘success’?
6. How are the resolutions / decisions of the traditional dispute resolution mechanisms enforced?
7. Is there anything more that you would like to add?