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Education they say is the only meal ticket we have in life so as to stand out. Well, this isn't very convincing to some communities especially in the Northern part of Nigeria where your gender determines whether or not you go to school. Every child deserves to be treated well irrespective of their gender. That's why the United Nations Children's Emergency Fund (UNICEF) embarked on an innovative strategy to address the issue of low girl; child enrolment and retention in school in some parts of northern Nigeria. Girls Education Program two is an initiative of UNICEF with international, national and state wide supports to enhance girl's education with achievable objectives, innovative strategies and methodologies. Girls4Girls is one of the strategies in enhancing girl's ability to participate in education, generate support for the girls, foster common bonds among the girls and enhance their learning. Its uniqueness is that it is in-school support and well linked to the Mothers' Association.

We are very persuaded that with necessary actions girls can emerge from the woods of education depravity, become better and set to meet the challenges of their immediate future.

Following the enrolment of girls into the G4G Groups, the commencement of the weekly Life Skills development, a 5 days Leadership Training was held for the student group leaders during which key basic leadership skills as well as other Life Skills and Health related topics were impacted on the girls.

One key activity was the training of the girls on vocational skills, which could serve as an impetus for the young fertile minds to be self-sufficient. Nasara Shittu a 13 years old from Ummu Hattu



NASARA SHITTU



Mumini Jangeru Shinkafi LGA, took hold of the knowledge on bead making within a short period of time and being determined, Nasara was able to hand make necklaces with beads and earrings from the materials she was given to take home from the training.

Even though Hauwa'u Abdullahi is a 12-year-old schooling at Badamo Model Primary School Jangeru, Shinkafi LGA, she took up the challenge of teaching other girls what she has learnt. She also intends to take advantage of the festive period to sell her bead work. Hauwa'u said

“I bought stones for the bead work myself through the support I got from my parents but kept the strings from the training to make these colorful beads. I enjoy making them and I'm happy that I know something else aside assisting with house chores and learning ABC”.



HAUWA'U ABDULLAHI



ZARA'U BASIRU

For Zara'u Basiru a 15-year-old student of Ummu Hattu Mumini IQS and a resident of Jangeru community as well also attended the training. She picked interest and mastered slippers making in the training with a determination o never walk barefooted to school again. I thank Allah for the G4G Project.



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