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### LHRC IS PARTICIPATING IN THE 68TH ANNUAL COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN (CSW68) IN NEW YORK, USA.

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Legal and Human Rights Centre (LHRC) is participating in the ongoing 68th session of the Commission on the Status of Women (CSW68), the UN's largest annual gathering on gender equality and women's empowerment, in New York, USA.

The session commenced on March 11 and is expected to close on March 22, 2024. The theme for this year is "Accelerating the achievement of gender equality and the empowerment of all women and girls by addressing poverty and strengthening institutions and financing with a gender perspective" and a review theme "Social protection systems, access to public services, and sustainable infrastructure for gender equality and the empowerment of women and girls (agreed conclusions of the sixty-third session)."

The CSW is the principal global intergovernmental body exclusively dedicated to the promotion of gender equality and the empowerment of women. The CSW is instrumental in promoting women's rights, documenting the reality of women's lives throughout the world, and shaping global standards on gender equality and the empowerment of women.

On March 13th, 2024, LHRC held a side event on land rights for women with other partners, including Landesa and the United Republic of Tanzania, the Embassy of Tanzania to the United Nations, Kenya, Namibia, and South Africa. During the side event, LHRC engaged in discussions surrounding several critical issues aimed at fostering women's rights, women and children with disabilities, gender equality, empowering women through awareness creation, capacity development, and access to justice.

LHRC also participated in a session on reproductive rights to gain insights into advocating for this crucial area. LHRC aimed to learn from others about raising awareness and protecting women's health and reproductive rights. LHRC and partners also discussed and exchanged experiences with stakeholders during side events and tailored gatherings at CSW, gathering valuable knowledge and strategies for our advocacy efforts.

Moreover, LHRC delved into critical topics such as gender-based violence, the rule of law, climate change, and gender budgeting.

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