

Reaching Out to Young Women



As part of this year's International Women's Day Celebration, UN Women staff in Nigeria have arranged for an outreach programme to inspire young students at a local secondary school.

Female professionals from various field of work, among them doctors, engineers and communication technology experts, were invited to Jiwa Government Secondary School in Abuja to speak about their careers. The program aimed to widen the horizons of young girls, and compel them to explore and understand various career paths, and make sound decisions about their future education. Students also launched a Girls' Club at the event.

In her opening remarks at the school, attended by national media, UN Women National Programme Officer, Adekemi Ndieli affirmed that the programme would help young girls "explore the challenges of the high school years and prepare them for the independence and responsibilities that they will encounter as young adults".