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ACEECA Calls for Collective Climate Action on International Mother Earth Day 2026

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The African Centre for Environment, Energy, and Climate Advocacy (ACEECA) today joins the global community in commemorating **International Mother Earth Day 2026**, under the theme *"Our Power, Our Planet."* The theme highlights the urgent need for collective action to address climate change, accelerate the transition to renewable energy, and safeguard the planet's natural resources.

As environmental challenges continue to intensify across Africa and globally, ACEECA is calling on governments, communities, private sector actors, and development partners to harness their collective power to drive meaningful and sustainable environmental progress.

"This year's theme is a powerful reminder that the responsibility to protect our planet lies with all of us. From grassroots communities to global leaders, our collective actions today will determine the future of generations to come," said Ms. Pamela Gitobu, ACEECA Chief Executive Officer.

Across the continent, climate change is already impacting livelihoods through prolonged droughts, erratic rainfall patterns, ecosystem degradation, and increased pressure on natural resources. These challenges underscore the importance of coordinated efforts that integrate environmental protection, climate resilience, and sustainable development.

ACEECA continues to advance its mission through community-led initiatives focused on ecosystem restoration, climate advocacy, and the promotion of clean and sustainable energy solutions. Recent efforts, including tree planting and riverine ecosystem restoration projects, demonstrate the critical role of local communities in driving climate action and environmental stewardship.

In line with this year's theme, ACEECA is urging stakeholders to prioritize:

- a) **Accelerating renewable energy adoption** to reduce reliance on fossil fuels
- b) **Protecting and restoring ecosystems** to enhance biodiversity and water security
- c) **Strengthening climate governance and accountability** at all levels
- d) **Empowering communities** to lead locally driven climate solutions

International Mother Earth Day serves as a global platform to reflect on humanity's relationship with nature and to reaffirm commitments to environmental sustainability. ACEECA emphasizes that while the scale of the climate crisis is vast, consistent and collective action can deliver transformative change.

"Our power lies in unity. Our planet depends on it."

