

## **ABSTRACT**

This research project attempted to assess factors influencing women participation in community based development projects in Bureti Sub-County. Gender related issues especially gender participation in community based development project in the world today have influenced many perceptions and expectations. Currently debates on how to streamline gender has attracted scholars from all over the world. The lack of adequate gender equity and equality of both male and female employees in community based development projects, as a result of the existing barriers and obstacles placed communities on the spot over gender equity and equality. Thus, there was need to inquire into aspect with specific reference to Bureti Sub-County. The research was guided by the following objectives: to establish the extent which patriarchy influences women participation in community based development projects, to examine gendered ideology and how it influence women participation in community based development projects, to determine how gender suppression influenced participation in community based development projects, to establish how political view influenced women participation in community based development projects and to evaluate the influence of socio-cultural environment on women participation in community based development projects. In order to get the required data, questionnaire method of data collection was used. The case study research design was used in the study. Stratified random sampling technique was used to select samples from staff members. The sample of the study comprised of 100 respondents consisting of individual women who are in leadership in community based organisation. The study utilized socialist feminist theory because of its relevance to the proposed study. Analysis of data was done using the measures of central tendency statistical Package for Social Sciences (SPSS). It was expected that the study gave insights understanding of the factors influencing women participation in community based development projects in Bureti Sub-County.