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Ministry of Gender, Labour & Social Development, Uganda
pledges to

Launch and Operationalize the Uganda National Action Plan for the elimination of Child Labour

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Name:

Launch and Operationalize the Uganda National Action Plan (NAP) for the elimination of Child Labour (2020/2021 – 2024/2025)

Description:

The NAP is the Government's strategy that provides a framework for the Prevention, Withdrawal, Rehabilitation, and Integration of children from Child Labour. The overall goal of the Plan is to ensure that all households, communities, and sectors in Uganda are free from Child Labour.

The NAP is a product of stakeholder consultation between the Ministry of Gender, Labour and Social Development and stakeholders from Ministries, Departments, and Agencies (MDAs), Civil Society Organisations (CSOs), the Academia, Development Partners, etc. However, the operationalization of the NAP has been delayed and therefore, it is very important that our Action Plan 2021 is to ensure that the NAP is in full operation. The main beneficiaries of the pledge are Children- who are potential victims of Child Labour. The key problem that will be solved by the operationalization of the NAP is the lack of a harmonized, robust framework coordinating strategies from different players against Child Labour.

Implementation plan:

Our 2021 Action Pledge will be operationalized by instituting a National Steering Committee (NSC) that will be multi-sectoral and will spearhead and coordinate advocacy against child labour, guiding and overseeing all child labour elimination interventions stipulated by the National Action Plan (NAP) for the elimination of Child Labour.

1. Review the National Action Plan (NAP) to align it to NDPIII and to address Covid-19 issues.
2. Launch the National Action Plan (NAP).
3. Institute the National Steering Committee on NAP.
4. Conduct scoping of Child Labour elimination activities in Uganda.
5. Carry out Child Labour inspections in all sectors.
6. Conduct Awareness Campaigns on the dangers of Child Labour.

Impact:

If the NAP is operationalized, it will contribute to ending Child Labour by:-

1. Strengthening the legal, policy and institutional framework to prevent the entry of children into the Worst Forms of Child Labour;
2. Enhancing tripartism between the Government, Employer Organisations and Labour Unions in addressing the problem of Child Labour;
3. Increasing public awareness on the causes and consequences of the worst forms of child labour and mobilizing society to take action; and
4. Increasing access to social protection and social assistance services for households affected by child labour and those at risk of the WFCL for sustainable livelihoods.