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Ministry of Labour and Employment, Lesotho pledges to

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Description:

The Ministry of Labour and Employment, through the technical support of the International Labour Organization, is intending to hire a consultant who will develop the NAP. The intention is to have a concerted effort to coordinate all interventions meant for the elimination of child labour without unnecessary duplication of efforts, especially now during the global pandemic. Furthermore, protection to children will be offered, especially to those who are prone to falling victims of child labour and its worst form.

The NAP will address the following;

- lack of awareness on child labour issues and children's rights,
- Inadequate reporting mechanisms on incidents of child labour, and
- Minimal level of prosecutions of offenders who employ children.

Implementation plan:

- Carrying out consultations with key ministries.
- Creating awareness (in-person and virtual) on national laws on the elimination of child labour.
- Implement the intervention agreed upon in the NAP.
- Improve the level of prosecutions of offenders.

Impact:

By pledging to end child labour in Lesotho, the Ministry of Labour and Employment anticipates improving dissemination and advocacy strategies on the prevention of child labour. Furthermore, this will improve the visibility of the Ministry, facilitate learning from other countries that have made a significant change in the elimination of child labour, particularly its worst forms, and foster sustainable networks going forward.

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