



Ministry of Health and Social Welfare

Mile stone Number 10 :*Finalization of National Social Welfare Policy and Strategy.*

Progress Report

To

the 11th JAHSR Meeting –Sept 29th -30th, 2010

At

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Dar Es Salaam

Progress made from the Last JAHSR meeting 2009

Social Welfare and Social Protection Technical Working group.

- Social Welfare and Social Protection Technical Working Group was established on February, 2010.
- It comprises 16 members.
- The following Stakeholders are in the group that represent Government ministries, Development Partners and government agencies such
 - MOHSW, MOFEA and MCDGC
 - UNICEF, REPPSI, FHI, USAID, Abbott Fund, and Pact Tanzania
 - TASAF and TACAIDS.

Implementation progress of the 10th milestone 2009/10 .

- The Social Welfare Policy draft was finalized and has been forwarded to the Cabinet Secretariat for approval consideration in the Cabinet.
- The initial process of developing the draft for the Social Welfare Strategy has started while waiting for the Policy to go through the government procedures for adoption.

Other Progress

With respect to the implementation of Strategic Objectives (SOs) in the HSSP-III, the following was achieved:

- Disability Act 2010 was enacted on April and process for developing Regulations for the implementation and translation of this Act has started.
- Provision of Care, support and Protection to Vulnerable children, Older people and People with Disabilities
- ToR for developing regulations for the Child Act were developed and adopted with stakeholder's and a Consultant has been hired for this task.
- Working relationship with TASAF, Help Age to facilitated provision of Social Protection has been established. In the next years plan TASAF has agreed to fund households with MVC through unconditional assistance (cash transfer).

Major Constraints

- Funding for the dissemination and operationalisation of new developed Social Welfare Policy Strategy
- Inadequate Staff at District Council levels.
- Inadequate fund for implementation of Disability Act 2010, the Law of the Child Act 2009 and the Anti-Human Trafficking Act 2008
- Inadequate funding for rehabilitating and maintaining Social Welfare Institutions
- Insufficient fund for implementation and scaling up of the Newly MVC-NCPA 2011-2013.

Way forward.

- Cost Centre for Social Welfare be established to facilitate the implementation of social welfare Priority areas & activities as indicated in the CCHP
- Finalization and dissemination of the SW/Strategic plan and reviewed NCPA for MVC
- Translations and dissemination of Disability ACT 2010, Anti-Human Trafficking Act 2008 into Kiswahili
- Developing Regulations for Disability Act 2010, the Law of the Child Act 2009 and Human Trafficking Act 2008
- Development of traditional safety nets systems and strengthening MVC households.
- Rehabilitating Social Welfare Institutions