



A CALL FOR DISABILITY INCLUSION IN THE POLITICAL PARTIES' MANIFESTOS AND POLICIES PRE AND POST GENERAL ELECTION 2017

The Lesotho National Federation of Organisations of the Disabled (Infod) is calling upon the leaders of all contesting parties in the upcoming General Election to consider building a disability inclusive country by putting in place the following:

- Enacting disability rights legislation for the promotion, protection and enforcement of the rights of people with disabilities. In accordance with the UN standards set out by the Convention on the rights of persons with disabilities. This Bill has been pending for a period of five years.
- Allocate budget for the effective implementation of the National Disability Mainstreaming Plan 2015 by all government ministries.
- Provide disability grant to people with disabilities as provided in the Social protection strategy 2014.
- Facilitate the inclusion of people with disabilities in the existing income generation initiatives and business opportunities provided by the various institutions.
- Adopt and implement through allocation of the existing budget the Inclusive Education policy for all learners with disabilities so that children with disabilities may learn in their local schools on an equal basis with others.
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