
HUMAN RIGHTS OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES IN MOZAMBIQUE



**FÓRUM DAS ASSOCIAÇÕES
MOÇAMBICANAS DE PESSOAS COM
DEFICIÊNCIA**

Situation in Mozambique

Issue I: Constitutional and Legal Reform

Implementation of previous recommendations

- Align the Constitution and the Civil Code with its obligations under the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities, especially with regard to legal capacity (Cameroon);
- Improve the legal and institutional framework to promote and protect the rights of persons with disabilities and persons with albinism (Viet Nam, Chad, Georgia, Yemen, Indonesia);

Situation in Mozambique

Issue I: Constitutional and Legal Reform

New developments

■ Constitution vs CRPD

- Article 37 allows disability-based restriction of rights;
- Degrading language to designate persons with disabilities.

■ Disability Act vs CRPD

- Operational legal instrument (*Regulamento*) not yet in place;
- Discriminatory laws remain in force **denying equal legal**

capacity, the right to vote, the right to marry, the right to hold a driving license and more.

Situation in Mozambique

Issue I: Constitutional and Legal Reform

Recommendations

- Conform the Constitution to the CRPD;
- Adopt the *Regulamento*;
- Adopt an Action Plan to harmonize the legislation.

Situation in Mozambique

Issue 2: Disability Inclusive Budgets and services

Implementation of previous recommendations

- Maintain its commitment to persons with disabilities and ensure the full implementation of current policies, strategies and plans of action, including those aimed at improving institutional capacity to provide adequate accommodation to persons with disabilities (Cuba);
- Improve the conditions of life for vulnerable groups, in particular persons with albinism, by facilitating their access to education, professional training and employment (Somalia);

Situation in Mozambique

Issue 2: Disability Inclusive Budgets and services

New developments

- Structural inequalities
 - Education: only 39.9% complete any level of education compared to 52%;
 - Employment: rate for women in rural areas - 61% vs 53.7
 - High costs of essential survival products: assistive devices; skin protector;

- New policies yet no implementation
 - Disability is invisible in budgets and plan;
 - No dedicated funds.

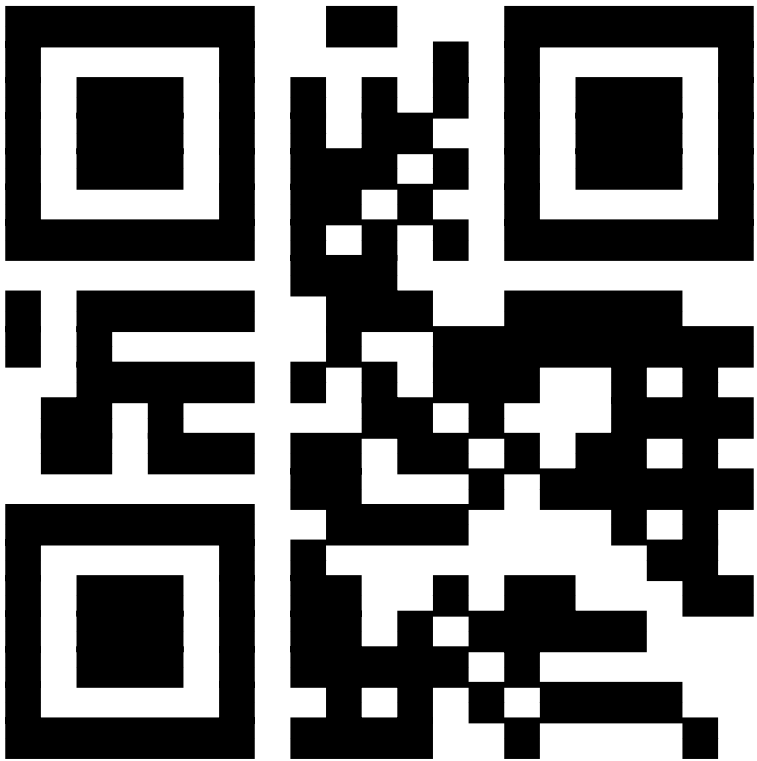
Situation in Mozambique

Issue 2: Disability Inclusive Budgets and services

Recommendations

- Adopt and fund specific social protection schemes for persons with disabilities;
- Waive tax fees on skin protection cream and assistive devices for persons with disabilities as mandated in the Disability Act;
- Include disability inclusion mandatory markers in national and sectoral planning and budgeting in Mozambique.

KANIMAMBO



Follow us at

www.famod.org