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## CDPF Brief Information on Implementation of UNCRPD Questionnaire

Will all DPOs joining the Commonwealth Disabled People's Forum and/or their delegates please ensure this form is completed and emailed back. Return to [rlrieser@gmail.com](mailto:rlrieser@gmail.com) along with the completed application form.

1. Name of your DPO

AMUSAM (Associação Moçambicana de Usuários de Saúde Mental - Mozambique)

2. Name of your country

Mozambique

3. Has your country ratified the UNCRPD and when?

Yes, Mozambique ratified the convention in 2012

4. What has your country done to Implement the UNCRPD?

Mozambique has not designed a specific plan to implement the CRPD since the ratification in 2012. We still have policies and laws that violate rights of persons with disabilities, including the right to legal capacity. In January this year the Government submitted the initial report to the Committee on the Rights Persons with Disabilities.

5. How much is your DP0 involved in implementation with the Government of your country?

AMUSAM has been collaborating with the Government, particularly with the Ministry of Health and the Ministry of Gender, Child and Social Protection. Last year we organized the first National Conference on Human

6. Has your DPO been involved in producing a shadow report to go to UNCRPD Committee and how?

Not yet.

7. What progress has been made on implementing Inclusive Education?

In Mozambique, the Government has just approved the National Strategy on Inclusive Education (2020 – 2029). The document presents a very progressive in some aspects such the early childhood development. However, it also presents some incompliances with the UNCRDP.

8. What progress has been made on social protection for PWD?

The Government has social protection schemes for vulnerable people and persons with disabilities benefit from those schemes. However, the number of people accessing social protection is too small. Most people with disability live in poverty barely accessing basic services.

9. What progress has been made in implementing employment opportunities for PWD?

Mozambique does not have any specific policy to improve the employment rates amongst persons with disabilities, which are disproportionately low comparing to other people without disabilities. Some private companies have volunteered to employ persons with disabilities in the recent times.

10. What progress has been made on challenging negative attitudes and stigma to PWD?

DPOs, including AMUSAM, have been conducting awareness raising campaigns all over the country and somehow it has been impacting attitudes.

11. What progress has been made in achieving gender equality for PWD?

No progress has been made in that regard.

12. What capacity building does your DPO need? Identify areas.

- Human rights and advocacy;
- Institutional Governance;
- Mental health and human rights.

13. If you are the National Umbrella DPO, how do you operate democratically with other DPOs?

14. If you are an impairment specific or have a particular focus or are a regional DPO, how do you work with Umbrella DPO?

We attend all meetings and contribute in different activities. Currently we are part of the COVID 19 Disability Inclusion Committee.

15. If there is no national umbrella DPO, how could one be built?

There is one.

16. How does your DPO get funded?

Through grants funding.

17. What training capacity does your DPO have?

Our internal capacity still needs to develop, however we have allies who have been supporting us with their technical capacity,

18. What regular training do you provide for PWD?

We train our members in disability rights advocacy and monitoring; peer support.

19. How does your DPO involve young PWD?

We have a policy that guides the inclusion of youth in our day to day activities. The average age amongst the board is approximately 30 years old.

20. Does your DPO have any experience working in a humanitarian disaster?

No