

Youth Genuine Participation

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Challenges of youth today

- ▶ The challenges affecting youth today are all too visible:
- ▶ The growing numbers of:
 - teenage pregnancies;
 - school dropouts; drug abuse;
 - social, sexual and reproductive health problems such as rape, STIs and HIV/AIDS, are abundant
 - Unemployment
 - Poverty
- ▶ These all are indicators that many youth are at the highest risk in all grounds

What is policy

- ▶ General definition of policy
- ✓ General direction of addressing a particular social problems
- ✓ General guidelines to achieve a specific objectives

The National Youth Development Policy:

Developing a National Youth Development Policy:

- ▶ National Youth Development Policy 1996
- ▶ This was a first Policy Document during a Multi Party System
- ▶ There was a participation of young men and women in the whole process of establishment and implementation of the policy
- ▶ The Policy promoted various programmes to be remembered by youths and other stake holders including:
 - ✓ Youth Economic Groups [YEGs]
 - ✓ National Youth Development Fund
 - ✓ Young Mothers Programmes
 - ✓ Allocation of a 10% of a budget for Youth and Women at Municipal/Council levels
 - ✓ Promotion of civil societies for, and of youth development

The NYDP gives answers to the following issues:

- ▶ Who am I?
- ▶ Where do I want to go in life?
- ▶ How do I get there?
- ▶ NYDP assist young people find out:
 - who they are at present,
 - where they are heading to and who they hope to become,
 - how to get to where they want to be.


Challenges of 1996 NYDP:

- ▶ Definition of youth [15 to 24 yrs]
- ▶ Technological Changing
- ▶ Political changes
- ▶ New approach of policy issues addressed by the Gvt such as increasing of participation of stakeholders

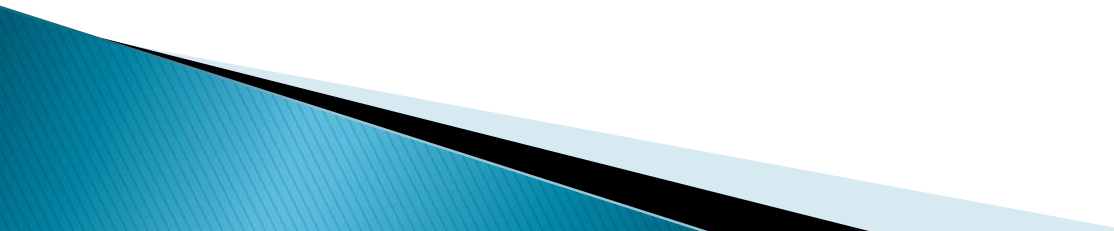
Challenges continue..

- ▶ Arose of a new challenges such as HIV/AIDS, Gender Equity And Equality, Drug abuse, Poverty etc
- ▶ Mechanism of addressing youth issues in various sectors was not clearly stipulated
- ▶ Institutional framework for youth participation and networking was not adequately addressed

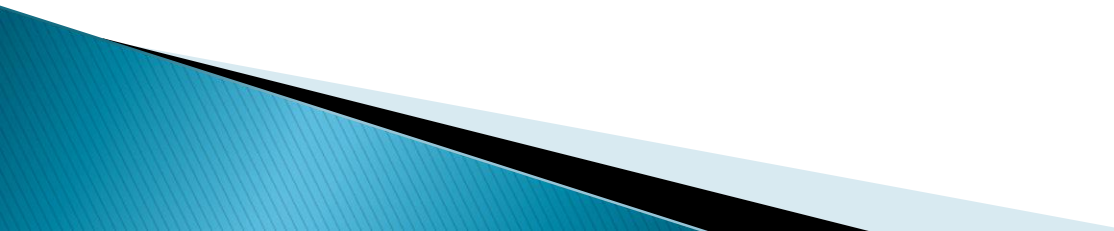
Challenges cont...

- ▶ Challenges in macro – economic and sectoral policies were not well articulated
 - ▶ Emerging global issues of interest to the young men and women such as the social dimensions of globalization, regional, international cooperation, African Youth Charter, and the World Programme of Action which need to be taken on board
 - ▶ Policy issues and statement were not adequately addressed
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NYDP OF 2007

- ▶ Aimed at feeling gaps and challenges of the former Policy
 - ▶ There was much participation of young men and women, stakeholders and general community
 - ▶ Inclusion of a new challenges and opportunities
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Objectives of a NYDP

- ▶ To facilitate youth to acquire skills and competence for employment
 - ▶ To facilitate youth to accept responsibilities so as to be able to practice good values, ethics and good conduct
 - ▶ To create a conducive environment for youth participation in decision making
 - ▶ To enhance establishment and utilization of youth friendly services
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Policy Issues and Statement

- ▶ Common definition of youth:–
- ▶ Youth in Tanzania shall be defined as young men and women from the age of 15–35 yrs.
- ▶ Specific programmes related to specific age shall be established.
- ▶ Resource which create economic empowerment for Youth Development.
- ▶ There is a promotion of equitable access to land other resources allocation.
- ▶ Access to information communication and knowledge
 - Information and research network in youth shall be established in all youth issues[Refer the existing relation between the Ministry and higher learning institution
 - Conducive environment to encourage Higher Learning institution to incorporate ICT element in their training Programme,

Policy issues and Statement


- ▶ Youth participation and Good Governance[3.10]

There shall be a mechanism to facilitate effective participation of youth in structures and issues defined in Local Government, Central Government and other participatory at national and international levels –AYC, CSOs

- ▶ The Body to organize Youth[3.11]

- ▶ The Government shall facilitate the formation of National Youth Council and facilitate the regulatory framework for functioning of such National Youth Council.

Policy issues and statement

- ▶ Regulatory Framework for youth Development
 - ▶ Gender dimension in youth development
 - ▶ Right of Youth
 - ▶ Financial service delivery for poverty reduction
 - ▶ Special youth groups
 - ▶ Youth in relation to Regional cooperation and Globalization
 - ▶ Youth with disability
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Roles of Stakeholders

- ▶ Parent and guardian
 - ▶ Community Based Organization, NGOs, FBOs, Private Sector
 - ▶ Local Government and Region Administration
 - ▶ The central Government
 - ▶ Development Partners
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for your
attention*