

STRATEGIC OUTCOMES OF THE SECOND ANNUAL SEXUAL OFFENCES INDABA

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OUTCOMES

Provincial Action Plans for FY2009/10 consolidated Provincial and local coordination and cooperation structures and mechanisms outlined with a view to strengthen intersectoral collaboration, implementation of provincial action plans, monitoring and evaluation

- Preliminary findings of the National Audit of the Multidisciplinary Services presented to guide roll out plan of additional Thuthuzela Care Centres
- Establishment of a reference group within the JCPS and Social Cluster to look at administrative data management and ensure that suitable/relevant indicators on gender based violence and sexual offences are incorporated

WAY FORWARD

Strategic and operational links are critical with JCPS and Social Cluster to strengthen the implementation of the integrated multidisciplinary approach in addressing gender injustices by law enforcement agencies, public health and civil society

- Post Indaba reports quarterly
- Need to define the role of the provincial champion. Thus TORs for the champion aligned with provincial action plans need to be developed as means of strengthening monitoring and evaluation

WAY FORWARD

Strengthen and integrate strategies and activities on the link that exists between sexual offences with HIV and AIDS, mental health, drug and substance abuse, poverty, *etc.* Thus programme alignment is critical

- Engagement on consultative processes by the JCPS and Social Cluster in particular DoJ & CD, DoH and DoSD with a view to develop and agree on appropriate responses that deal with data collection, collation and management within health care facilities, courts, police stations, *etc.*
- Although the political commitment is there, the challenge currently is cooperative governance issues which defeat the effort towards an integrated multisectoral response/action

WAY FORWARD

Need for an integrated capacity development programme for law enforcement agencies, criminal justice agents, health and social welfare professionals – currently such a programme is conducted by IDMT as the Women Justice Empowerment Initiative (WJEI)

- To ensure replication of IDMT at provincial and local levels and also to include civil society.
- A proposal that the Minister: DoJ & CD chairs an InterMinisterial Committee (IMC) constituted by the Ministers of the departments serving at IDMT
- Ensure that the Strategy for Trafficking in Persons (TIP) for 2010 and upcoming international events to be hosted by South Africa is in place

WAY FORWARD

To undertake a strategic planning workshop for IDMT as a matter of urgency

- Preliminary findings from the National Audit of Multidisciplinary Services confirms the need to expand specialised/designated services *viz.* dedicated sexual offences/gender based violence courts, *etc.*



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