
MEDIA STATEMENT

Issued by the Department of Women, Youth & Persons with Disabilities

Attention: Journalists, News Editors

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UPDATE: DEPARTMENT OF WOMEN, YOUTH AND PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES INVITES INPUTS ON THE NATIONAL YOUTH POLICY 2020-2030

The Department of Women, Youth and Persons with Disabilities (DWYPD) is presently reviewing South Africa's Draft National Youth Policy (NYP) 2015-2020. This process had resulted in a draft NYP 2020-2030, being produced. The department has consulted broadly on the draft NYP 2030, since November 2019.

There have been physical engagements with stakeholders at national, provincial and local levels from early February 2020. The stakeholders targeted at these levels included government departments, government clusters, business and civil society organisations. The youth policy was circulated electronically and also gazetted and a call for input was made. The consultation process was extended by a further six (6) weeks and advertised in newspapers to give stakeholders additional opportunity to respond.

The department received oral and written inputs and comments from diverse stakeholders and interest groups. The department wishes to place on record its appreciation for all inputs received, as they helped enrich the draft youth policy. Most inputs received have been integrated into the refined draft youth policy.

A revised version of the policy is available online for download.

The department encourages all South Africans, particularly youth; representatives of youth-led and youth serving organisations as well as any stakeholders with interests in youth development, to familiarise themselves with the policy and to highlight any areas for further attention in writing by 31 August 2020.

The policy can be found here:

http://www.women.gov.za/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=35&Itemid=156

<https://www.gov.za/documents/national-youth-policy-2020-2030-draft-31-jul-2020-0000>

<http://www.nyda.gov.za/About-Us/NYDA-Strategy>

For a Microsoft Word version of the document, or to send Inputs please email:

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Background:

The National Youth Policy (NYP) 2030, is being developed for all young people in South Africa. It is a cross-sectoral policy aimed at providing guidance on key interventions that seek to improve the quality of lives of young people at local, provincial and national levels. Led by DWYPD, the youth policy has been developed in consultation with young people and representatives of a Technical Reference Team, consisting of representatives from the National Youth Development Agency (NYDA); Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs; Public Service and Administration; Trade and Industry; National Treasury; South African Youth Council; University of Cape Town; University of Venda; UNISA; Business Unity SA; and the Black Business Council, amongst others.

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