

What is a National Development Plan ?

A national development plan is an arrangement which explains how Government intends to bring about improvements in the economy and to reduce suffering in a country.

Vision 2030

The Vision 2030 is a document outlining what Zambia will be in the year 2030. It has identified a number of development goals for it to be attainable. Vision 2030 forms a base for all development efforts.

Zambia's vision for 2030 is *"to become a rich middle-income country by the year 2030."*

The FNDP is the first step towards achievement of the **Vision 2030** which says what Zambia will be in the year 2030. Other national development plans that will come after the FNDP will continue the goal of achieving Zambia's Vision for 2030.

In 2006, Government launched the Fifth National Development Plan (FNDP) which will run for five years up to 2010.

FNDP Message and Strategic Focus

The **main idea** of FNDP is: *"Broad Based Wealth and Job Creation through Citizenry Participation and Technological Advancement"*,

The **strategic focus** is *"Economic Infrastructure and Human Resources Development"*.

The FNDP is divided into different parts or areas of activities. These parts are called sectors. Each sector in the FNDP has a vision and mission that should contribute to achieving the vision 2030. The sectors are grouped in main ideas called chapters. The following are the sectors of the FNDP.

Economic Sectors of FNDP

The economic sector looks at ways by which the country's money and goods are produced and used.

The Economic Sector include: Agriculture; land; Mining; Communications and Meteorology; Infrastructure; Natural Resources; Tourism; Manufacturing; Commerce and Trade; Energy and Science and Technology.

Social Sectors of FNDP

These are the activities that work to directly improve the lives of the people.

These include: education and skills development; health; arts and culture; water and sanitation; housing; disability and development; social protection; youth and child development; employment and labour.

Government Administration

Government Administration is the operations of the different organs of the government in relation to carrying out the plans of the FNDP. It is made up of Central, Local, Information Services and Foreign Relations.

Cross Cutting Issues

Cross-cutting issues affect both government and non-government delivery systems. They have an influence on all sectors whether economic or social. These are issues of Governance; HIV/AIDS; Environment; Gender; and Food and Nutrition.

Financing, Implementation, Monitoring and Evaluation of the FNDP

Financing of the FNDP

The FNDP will be financed through three sources: (a) Domestic revenues - tax (Pay As You Earn (PAYE), Company Tax, Customs and Excise Duty) and non-tax revenues (Licenses, Fines etc); (b) External grants; and (c) Borrowing on a small scale (both internally and externally).

Implementation

The FNDP is a large nation-wide plan. Implementation of the programmes under each sector will be done by the lead Ministry in conjunction with other ministries that have an input in a particular programme. Ministries will also liaise with donors, NGO's and the private sector in the implementation of the programmes. The Ministry of Finance and National Planning (MoFNP) will coordinate implementation of the FNDP.

Monitoring

The FNDP focuses on agreed targets and results. The Plan has a system to monitor outputs and impacts so that resources can be effectively managed and progress tracked.

In this respect, the monitoring systems will give information on the implementation status of FNDP programmes at any given time relative to the agreed targets.

In monitoring FNDP performance, the Government and other stakeholders shall use the performance indicators set for the various programmes.

Evaluation

The evaluation system will determine the degree to which the set targets and expected outputs/impacts are being realised.

Role of Civil Society

Now that FNDP has been officially launched, the next job for civil society is twofold:

- To raise the public's awareness and understanding of the policies and programmes in the Plan that aim to eradicate poverty. This is particularly for the ordinary men and women in society - the poor Zambian.
- To constantly check if FNDP, as it is being implemented, is really reducing poverty.

Now that you know what is in the FNDP

This brochure is intended to spread understanding of the FNDP amongst all Zambians. Each one of us has a special role to play by discussing the FNDP in the community so that every one knows what it is and can participate.

If you have any views, comments, questions and suggestions on FNDP implementation process, its effects on your communities and its future, you can let us know through your local organisations or by contacting us directly on the contact details provided.

For the full FNDP document, please contact the Ministry of Finance and National Planning. For the simplified version contact CSPR or check our website.

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