

JCoR-Zambia Action Plan

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2. Can we identify any State policy or programme in which a change would positively impact the selected issue(s)?
3. What types of actions would we like to take together in the next 6 months?
4. How will we organize and communicate among ourselves in order to accomplish these tasks?
5. What support will we seek from JCoR? What local partners or support would be helpful?

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On which one or two issues would we like to work together?

1: Child marriages & Waste management

2: Child abuse

3: Early marriage

4: Environmental care education; drug abuse

5: Lack of clean, safe water

6: Inadequate teachers compromising education quality

7: Early marriage & suicidal tendencies

→ Educational curriculum requirement on environmental care & rights

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Can we identify any State policies or programmes in which a change would positively impact the selected issue(s)?

- 1: Env mgmt. Act 12 of 2011; Child marriage: Constitution on Rights of Children, child protection/safeguarding policy, UN CRC, African Charter on Rights and Welfare of Child
- 2: state policy, national child policy,
- 3: Govt policies on legal age of marriage should be specified at 18 years; girls should be returned to school after early pregnancy rather than sent to married life; traditional law est. min age for marriage; Church policy est. min age law
- 4: Constitutional Amendment of 2016; ministry of Education, Drug Enforcement Commission, Labor laws,
- 5: Ministry of Water, Dev and Sanitation
- 6: Ed Act of 2011, Act for Teaching profession in Zambia ration of teachers to students not being enforced
- 7: Laws of Zambia Section 13 & 24 prohibiting early marriage; entry policy; GBV policy of 2011; Suicide Act

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What types of actions would we like to take together in the next 6 months?

1: Raise awareness in schools, health centers, cultural leaders

2: engage social welfare department, victim support

3: awareness programmes in schools and parish youth programmes, radio & TV

4: walks/marches, storytelling/testimony in sharing stories of recovery, radio & TV programmes

5: sensitize people on right to water, write to ministry, petition letter sent to ministry, engage local religious leaders

6: study all education policies, survey to collect more data

7: awareness raising in schools and among community leaders; advocate sending schools back to school with Social Welfare, Women for Change-Zam; awareness raising on radio, social media, advocacy for “soft skill” development in schools for better self-understanding, create safe spaces for youth to receive psychosocial services

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How will we organize and communicate among ourselves in order to accomplish these tasks?

- 1: Create social media forum, Form diocesan groups
 - 2: use Zoom, email WhatsApp to communicate;
 - 3: physical mtgs and social media/WhatsApp and Zoom; form a core group to lead
 - 4: mtgs and WhatsApp groups
 - 5: form task groups
 - 6: WhatsApp, email, phone
 - 7: form an action group to share responsibility of convening and pursuing activities, act as focal points for partners
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What support will we require from JCoR? What local partners or support would be helpful?

1: Need support on radio and other media

2: technical support and CB on advocacy process; material support; partners: ZAS, superiors, CCJP, families, other Religious/priests

3: partners: other congregations and Churches for inter-denominational action, social welfare, World Vision, CSOs, CCJP in parishes, CARITAS, traditional leaders, victim support unit

4: Laudato Si platform; diocesan groups; JCoR: consultancy

5: JCoR: financial support, expertise, HR

6: JCoR: transport support; partners: parents, area councilor, MP

7: resource materials and transport support; partners: Social Welfare, village leaders, local HR