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MEETING OF VOICE MOVEMENT THERAPY EASTERN CAPE HELD AT LILLIAN NGOYI SPORT CENTRE COMPOSING SUBMISSIONS OF THE WEGE BILL ON 14 JANUARY 2014

SUBMISSION AS PER COMMUNITY DIALOGUE:

THE WEGE BILL ITSELF:

The WEGE BILL which was introduced in 2012 is fragmented.

The reason being:

Urban Areas:

We as women in our urban areas are not protected enough for example freedom of movement in our own areas even in our own houses. Gangster and drug abuse are escalating because of lack of security. We need more Police visibility and the monitoring of the Police because the job is not well done there.

Poverty Alleviation:

Each and every South African who is not employed should be granted Basic Income Grant (BIG), to alleviate poverty. Our country is rich in mineral resources therefore we need to use those resources appropriately. There are many old ladies who are not secured or protected because there is no security. They are being raped and also have no ID documents. Some of them they don't even have families.

Rural Areas:

The scarcity of water in the rural areas makes it impossible for women to initiate organic garden even at their back yards. In some other parts in the rural areas have no electricity so the government need to take note?

Patriarchy:

The Bill needs to be clear on the Patriarchy laws because in some areas in the rural areas patriarchy is still in existence.

Education:

BILL is still more favourable to the elite group, it is not understandable or clear at all especially to the women in rural areas because most of them are illiterate therefore need to be educated.

Disability:

Disabled women are more vulnerable than any other. They are the target. They are also being raped. Home Based Care Givers are in need they must be trained. Mobile health facilities are strongly needed.

Gender Equality:

Equal representation and participation in gender equality is implemented but is serving only the upper class and not goes down to the grassroots level.

Government must use other measures that would be help full even to the poor of the poorest.

Support:

Soon we will be in need of your support as we are striving to establish our constituency. Once we are ready we will forward the invitation for you to come and address our constituency (Tswaranang Legal Advice Centre). We need your support and assistance. We thank you

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