

# PRIORITY ISSUES FOR ADVOCACY/POLITICAL ENGAGEMENT

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# INCREASED ACCESS TO JUSTICE & HUMAN RIGHTS:

| Issues/Gaps  | Priorities   |
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| <p>Limited progress on legal and judicial reform in areas which affect key populations such as PLHIV, MSM, SW and youth:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Strengthen documentation and redress systems</li><li>• police competence and accountability</li><li>• Migrants, LGBTI, drug users etc</li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Support the Justice Reform Programme in creating and developing justice reformation including restorative justice, with a focus on legislative reform which affects HIV and key populations</li><li>• Increased access to justice and HR</li><li>• Gender justice issues including GBV/IPV</li></ul> |

# INCREASE HUMAN RIGHTS AWARENESS/ACCEPTANCE

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| <p>Limited progress on legal and judicial reform in areas which affect key populations such as PLHIV, MSM, SW and youth:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• National Anti-discrimination law</li><li>• Anti-discrimination Workplace policy</li><li>• Decriminalization</li><li>• Human Rights for Sex Workers</li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Human Rights awareness building for Parliamentarians and senior officials</li><li>• Assessment of SRH barriers in law and practice for key populations</li><li>• Understanding the needs of sex workers on a legal, human rights framework</li><li>• Refugees/Migrants</li><li>• anti-discrimination policies &amp; laws</li></ul> |

# REMOVAL OF BARRIERS TO TREATMENT, CARE & SUPPORT FOR PLHIV

| Issues/Gaps  | Priorities   |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Limited progress on non- discriminatory access to care for KPLHIV and sexually-active adolescents and youth</li><li>• Pooled procurement of ARVs</li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Enforcement of policies prohibiting discriminatory access to health care services</li><li>• Establishing an advocacy coalition to champion reform in health delivery and law</li><li>• Age of consent (harmonise policy regionally concerning access to care of adolescents)</li><li>• Increase treatment literacy - Education campaign, educating PLHIV on the issue of non- adherence</li><li>• Undertake/Conduct Regional Quality of Care Study to support treatment tracking systems</li><li>• Strengthen the monitoring framework for procurement of ARVs</li><li>• Engagement of T&amp;T government regarding the HIV response</li></ul> |

# EDUCATION

| <b>Issues/Gaps</b>   | <b>Priorities</b>  |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Comprehensive Sexuality Education</li><li>• Bullying</li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• gender sensitive comprehensive sexuality education in national education programmes</li><li>• Regional shadow reports should be produced on the status of implementation of CSE in country and the related indicators</li><li>• Provide “clear, consistent, and straightforward guidance to the essential minimum, core content for sexuality education that is developmentally and age appropriate for students</li></ul> |

# CROSS CUTTING PRIORITIES

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- Social contracting: A framework for State and NGO partnership for services

| <b>Issues/Gaps</b>  | <b>Priorities</b>  |
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| The recognition of NGOs as equal partners in the response | Formulate a clear policy on social contracting with appropriate legal framework and mechanisms as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Clarification of social contracting,</li><li>- Current status of legal framework, <input type="checkbox"/></li><li>- Need for legislative amendments,</li></ul> |