

ASSISTING THE VICTIMS

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INTRODUCTION

Zimbabwe as a State Party to the Convention on the Anti-Personnel Mine Ban implements the Victim Assistance through the Ministry of Public Service, Labour and Social Welfare.

The Ministry also coordinates all programmes related to the welfare and rights of persons with disabilities, including mine survivors. This is in fulfilment of the requirement of Action #33

The Ministry is also responsible for victim assistance

POLICIES

The Constitution of Zimbabwe Sections 6, 22 and 83

The Persons with Disabilities Act (2025)

Social Welfare Assistance Act

National Disability Policy

Costed Action Plan for the Implementation of the National Disability Policy

National Disability Identification Assessment and Determination Framework

Guidelines on the Employment of Persons with Disabilities into the Civil Service

National Disability Policy

The Ministry and stakeholders have been implementing the National Disability Policy (2021 -2025)

The 33 standards seek to address issues of policy barriers across Ministries, Departments and Agencies/ levels/sectors.

The Policy mainstreams disability across all sectors so that disability issues are addressed at all levels and in all sector without discrimination.

Developed the National Disability Identification Assessment and Determination tool that will help registration of all persons with disabilities including victims of mines and explosive ordnants

COORDINATION

The National Technical Committee on the implementation of the National Disability Policy continued to meet on a quarterly basis.



The committee comprises of all Directors Gender, Inclusivity and Wellness in Government Ministries, Departments and Agencies, representatives from Organizations of Persons with Disabilities, Local Authorities, Development Partners, Private Voluntary Organisations, and Faith Based Organisations.

A similar committee has been set at Provincial level

Next year committee to be decentralized to district level including districts most affected by explosive ordnance of war

AVAILABLE SERVICES

- The Ministry is also responsible for victim assistance. Mine victims are included in all social protection services that include The Ministry is also responsible for victim assistance. Mine victims are included in all social protection services that include access to
 - i. health,
 - ii. rehabilitation
 - iii. assistive technologies
 - iv. counselling
 - v. education,
 - vi. food hampers
 - vii. empowerment initiatives and revolving loans
 - viii. Awareness raising
 - ix. Compensation of officials injured while performing duty (demining, emergency response)



Funding

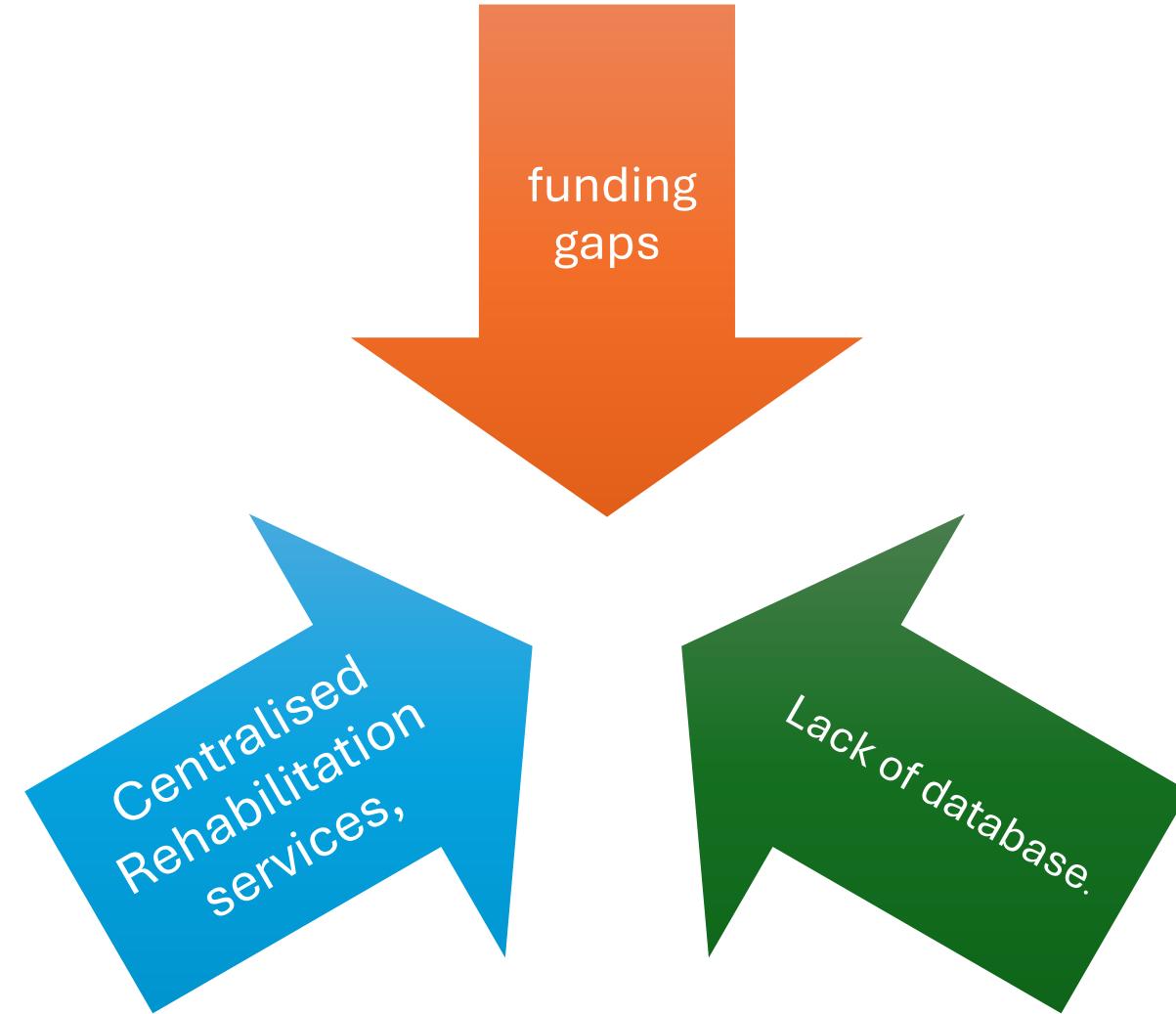
The Disability Fund, Basic Education Assistance Module, Children in Difficult Circumstances from Treasury meets the costs assist in the implementation of policies aimed at empowering Persons with Disabilities.

Partners also funding registration of victims of landmines in two most affected districts

Other funding assistive technologies, food hampers and empowerment projects – Project RECLAIM (Enhancing Resilience of Communities through Mine Clearance and Improvement in Agricultural Infrastructure) in partnership with UNDP



CHALLENGES



funding
gaps

Centralised
Rehabilitation
services,

Lack of database.

RECOMMENDATIONS



- Thank you

