

National Reforms Monitoring Project (NRMP)

*The **National Reforms Monitoring Project (NRMP)** is intended to contribute to the promotion of effective good governance architecture of Lesotho, which is a precursor for a functional democracy. The project assesses the effect of the national reforms undertaken under the stewardship of the National Reforms in the last 20 months (October 2020 - June 2022). It assesses the effect of the reforms on ten (10) areas. The research exercise seeks to establish which institutions are effective, financially and operationally autonomous institutions, which have been created as a result of the reforms, which executive their mandates. The research exercise further seeks to find out if the reforms have created an effective constitutional order, which has become a fertile ground for enabling legislations in various areas of reform.*

It is the express intent of the research to establish the extent to which the reforms have been able to develop an effective and enabling legislation in the seven thematic areas that has led to compliance by institutions as a result of the reforms. The research exercise will find out if there has been effective policy-making that has in the seven thematic areas. It will further find out if there is progressive realization of political stability, effective conflict resolution, national unity and lasting peace, resulting from reforms.

The research exercise will dig into the gradual mindset shift of the nation towards national transformation, renewal and self-determination, a nation that has been capacitated to chart its own destiny. Greater awareness of and internalization of the reforms by Basotho as a result of the popular sensitization of the reform agenda,

The research will delve into establishing the clarity on the future of the national reform agenda as a result of clear agenda of sustainability of the reforms. It will establish if the reform agenda has been able to effectively manage and coordinate all stakeholders who were involved in the reforms. It will find out if there is a clear national vision that has been developed as a result of the reforms and change as a result of the reforms. Issues assessed under the reforms are:

- Effectiveness, financial and operational autonomy of institutions created under the reforms,
- Constitutional order created under the reforms,
- Whether the reforms have created a fertile ground for enactment of enabling legislations in various areas of reform,
- Policy-framework formulated under the reforms in the seven thematic areas,
- Political stability, effective conflict resolution, national unity and lasting peace, resulting from reforms,

- Mindset shift of the nation towards national transformation, renewal and self-determination,
- Extent of awareness of and internalisation of the reforms by Basotho as a result of the popular sensitization of the reform agenda,
- Clarity on the future of the national reform agenda as a result of clear agenda of sustainability of the reforms,
- Effective management and coordination of all stakeholders who were involved in the reforms,
- Clear national vision and change as a result of the reforms,