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National Centre for Employment Studies to be established at REPOA

In response to the growing need for a better understanding of the nexus between growth, jobs and poverty reduction from several stakeholders in Tanzania, the Ministry of Labour and Employment and ILO are jointly supporting the establishment of the National Centre for Employment Studies (NCES) at REPOA.

Productive employment is one of the key priorities in the National Growth and Development Plan for Mainland Tanzania and Zanzibar (MKUKUTA II & MKUZA II). Over the past few years, the importance of employment creation has also been raised, both at the global and local levels. The Government had already underlined the need for policy research on employment and better management of labour market information, and the National Employment Creation Programme (NECP 2007) indicated the need for undertaking strategic policy research in this area.

The main objective of the NCES is to undertake original rigorous research that would deepen understanding, inform, and stimulate policy debate on employment creation and decent work. It will serve as the national think-tank for employment studies and a forum for the development and dissemination of research findings, and also provide consultancy services to relevant stakeholders within and outside of Tanzania.

The NCES will link with regional and international research institutions to develop cutting edge research tools and products. In doing so, NCES intends to enhance the quality of public policy formulation and implementation, increase understanding and awareness of employment and labour issues in Tanzania and in the EAC, support the effectiveness of tripartite labour arrangements, assist in skills development for the work force, and offer advice on measures to promote the decent work agenda in Tanzania.

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