

In the Name of Allah, Most Merciful, Most Compassionate
Ministry of Social Welfare, Women and Child
Affairs

The Minister Statement
Before The National Assembly

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Mr. President (NAS)

Dear brothers the NA members,

It is to my pleasure to present before you the ministry annual performance report of the year 2008 and the year 2009 plans characteristics.

The ministry has exerted continuous efforts to implement the year the year 2008 plan of action through its main pivots, so as to achieve its mission and objectives.

Mr. President . . .

The main target of the social work is the family, and the community categories and our role is to tackle all the social issues that faces the community by forming policies and initiatives such the women empowerment policy which was disseminate over regional, national and international levels, in accordance to its six pivots that include (health and environment, education, economic empowerment, human rights and law, political partnership, decision making and conflicts settlement) and it was implied in the five year plan of action (2007-2011), and so as to enable women department in the states implementing this policy we provide them with the needed logistic support. And a national strategic for the family was prepared and passed by the ministerial resolution No. (13) 2008 and was circulated over the state, hence sent to the Arab countries through the competent authorities of the Arab League Offices.

In the frame of implementing the national population policy activities, a supreme technical committee was formed to follow up and implement the executive program beside preparing a work paper titled (The Executive national population program). Also workshops, and forums were

conducted on the national population policy and often issues related to the population in MDGs and the national population policy (education, poverty, the Gender productive health, poverty combating, AIDs, environment and children) besides our supporting and participating in the fifth census and starting the studies and researchs procedures concerning the population policy and part of that is the (economical factors, social factors, that effected the patients, mothers mortalities, population dynamics and its relation to poverty curbing, internal and external immigration with focus on Khartoum States, Fertility determinant according to the national policy orientations and the youth issues.) and should be passed through workshops and forums.

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In the field of childhood a united and integrated five year strategy of childhood welfare was formed (2007-2011), with the participation of all related ministries. And according to it a comprehensive data system was established to connect all organization working in the field in the Sudan.

A report on the achieved progress of the childhood conventions, the optional protocol of the child rights convention concerning children explosion were prepared and sent to the competent authorities internationally and regionally, besides survey study on disable children in Khartoum State, Blue Nile, South Kordofan and River Nile States, another study of enumerating analyzing streets kids was conducted on situation was conducted in Khartoum State. Another study of families and parents knowledge of children behavior and protection conducted in (Khartoum, South Darfor and Kassala states). Also we established the family and child protection units with the cooperation of the interior minister over the federal and state levels, and should be circulated over the states after being successfully established in Khartoum state, and till

now it have been established in (11) states, a mechanism has been formed for the establishment of there units headed by police general director and an alternative head person, the National council for childhood secretary general, and the ministry of justice and other as members.

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Concerning the issue of Darfor abducted children, on which we gave enlightenment on it before, and also the efforts exerted by the assigned committee on tackling this problem in accordance to legal, security and diplomatic measures result in handling them to their parents in west Darfor State, besides tackling the situation of the children participated in the JEM attack on Omdurman, May 2008, most of their children were handled to their families in Darfor State by cooperation the security authorities.

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the efforts continue in issuing legislatives that organizing the social work has been passing the population national act, disability national act (passed by cabinet), National council for childhood welfare act (passed by NA), disable persons act, disability national chart, prothetic and orsthetic was passed as approved as a profession be the medical professions council. The international agreement on disable persons right was signed and ratified, the elderly act bill and the child act draft 2008 were formulated and ready for submission to the competent authorities for the final approval.

Childhood legislative committee was formed to reviewed the national legislation and to suit international convention on childhood rights. A

committee including civil community organization was formed to formulate the children national policy.

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In the field of protection and social security exerting effort was still going on to promote the social protection system that aims to stirrup the nation intellectual and financial abilities to build an effective social security system for reaching the national social fund through three stages, we have dealt with the two first stages. The first stage depends on two pivots: reforming the administrative environment, the second pivots: improving the pension system and we started the third stage, and its main characteristic is the role of Zakat in the social security project.

The Zakat rite application in Sudan is one of the social security mechanisms. Zakat became one of the prominent systematic in the social texture that covered all the state and localities, and it reached the needy persons in rural and urban areas. Zakat is know as a successful trail over the international and regional levels.

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In the field of social security the total expenditure reached 1,51 m.SDG milliars with contribution of the Zakat Chamber, national pension fund and the national social insurance fund. The actual amounts paid by Zakat Chamber 362 m. SDG with the rate of 93%, and the benefited were 1,955,000 families. The large revenues came from commerce 50% agriculture 32% others 8%. Amounts paid for the needy persons 225,7 m. SDG. With rate of 64%, 115 m.SDG out of the amount as horizontal expenditure assigned for the direct support (sponsorships, medical

treatments, health insurance, financial support, Kalawi support, 117 m.SDG paid for the family development projects cervical (health, education) productivity (single and groups).

The Zakat Chamber important programs of 2008:

1. implementing of Ramadan with the cost of 11 m.SDG.
2. Zakat glorifying project in South Kordofan and Northern state.
With total cost 13,6 m. SDG.
3. "Khalawi" support with the cost of 3,5 m. SDG.
4. Financial support for health projects with the cost of 31,1 m. SDG.
Rural hospitals rehabilitation, generators and 300 beds for rural the rural hospital, medical equipments, besides supports for the poor patients through the medical treatment unified office.
5. Education support 6 m. SDG (school requirement for 7000 students besides university student sponsorship).
6. Water project support 7,3 m. SDG
7. Agriculture financial support 3,7 m. SDG (Drilling, erecting manual water bumps, agricultural).

In the frame of Zakat expertise dissemination the Zakat chamber institute conducted many studies and participated in the seven Islamic economic international conference, the endowments and Zakat issue conference at Saudi Arabia. Besides receiving delegations from the Islamic development Bank of Jeddah and conduct discussions in the field of technical support and also received a delegation from Qatar Zakat Chamber.

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The total revenues of the pension and social insurance fund mounted to 534,22 m.SDG. 434,22 the fund shares, 100 m.SDG paid by the ministry of finance.

Concerning the entitlements 155,104 pension were paid 389,20 m.SDG. in the frame of pension promotion and after passing the pension act 2004 a amendments, a pensioner in grade 3 pension increased from 127 pounds in the year 2004 to 615 pounds in 2008 with an increasing rate 70.3% of the total salary.

The pensioners social support mounted to 6.55 m. SDG with the rate of 98.1% which paid by the pension fund out of the coverage, 40.410 pensioners benefits from this support in (medical treatment, university students sponsorship, the orphans sponsorship and miscellaneous support). 107.015 of the pensioner were admitted under the social insurance umbrella with the rate of 62%. 10,000 pensioners benefited from the social investment project be the cost of 35 m.SDG with the rate of 116% besides 30.000 pensioners benefited from Ramadan support project with the cost of 3,5 m.SDG.

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Concerning the pension fund situation in the GOSS, it was agreed that the pension fund should remain as in its current situation. And the GOSS can a point the deputy director for 17 the fund, and the GOSS and the 10 states governments should pay the loans and its employees participation fees.

In specially account designed for this propose and provide logistic support (premises, means of transports) and the national pension fund shall provided technical aids and technique equipments.

In order to provide comfortable services for the pensioners the 493 disbursing centres were rehabilitated all over the state. 136 of it in the localities, 347 are banks. Khartoum state has 18 localities dispersing centres and 134 banks.

In the field of social insurance dissemination the social fund organized a symposium on (the future of pension under the federal rule umbrella) presented by experts from Tanzania, South Africa, Canada and Arabian Centre for social insurance in Khartoum, in which the basic of social security and management was discussed, besides the federal states expertise and he challenges that faces the pension system. And the symposium recommend that, the subjective circumstances are not available to enable the states from using its systems in the current period.

In the field of adjusting the administrative expenditure and the transparency, the pension fund expenditure didn't exceed 5%. And the year 2007 accounts has been closed and in the stage of legal knowing the accounts closing is yearly done in an organized way.

139,324 SDG with rate of 10% for 50.806 cases. The social aid provide for the pensioners reached 31,2 m. SDG. Includes sponsorships, medical treatment, health insurance and miscellaneous supports.

In the frame of social security umbrella a new 917 employers were registered so the total number of the employers reached (8557) and the total number of the insured persons till the end of the year was 270078.

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In the field of expansion and health insurance dissemination the insurance coverage raised up to 30% out the targeted number with 8,599,956 benefitures the coverage covered 21 state with a geographical rate

coverage 84% and 750 centres for providing the services, 240 for direct service and 510 centre for indirect service besides establishing 21 camps for eyes diseases and medical operation, besides providing 30 ambulances for the transferred cases inside and outside the state. And providing the trained medical and administrative staff and also the equipments and minimizing the transferred case (5 out of 1000 cases) and completion of medical services including the medical operations, with the expansion in the pharmacologic services hence of the sorts mounted to 513 according to the world health organization recommendation concerning the financial the financial and performance adjusting, the year 2008 witnessed the year 2007 find accounts closing and its submission to the

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In the field of social development the ministry participated in financing the social development and poverty combating through the saving and development bank, which reached by the end of the year 2008 65% out the total finances of the bank 103.2 m.SDG assigned for the implementation of the micro-projects finances for women sector, and financing the small producers sector, 16184 families benefited from this project. 32 m.SDG for financing the infrastructure in the states (including the agriculture sector) by financing small farmers, for example Abu Hamra project and Um Bayadah project in Nort Darfor and Jebel Marra project in west Darfor and the Gum Arabic producers besides the basic services.

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Regarding the graduates unemployment 7961 has been employed by cost of 26.3 m.SDG and the total number of graduates joined the technique certificate was 2223 graduates tiling six fields. The implementation of the strategy for tackling the unemployment issue is going on by graduates participation in the agriculture uprising (up swing) which will hold 20,000 graduates. An agriculture incubator was established in Abu Halima costing 1.5 m. SDG paid by Zakat Chamber. Besides completion of the partnerships project study and the transforming training for the graduates in field of projects management to cover the labour market needs for graduates employment in the different fields.

In frame of supporting graduates projects in the state many legislatives were issued in Blue Nile, White Nile, Sinnar and Gazira state regarding graduates projects exemption from all local fees and taxes, hopping that the other states should follow. We greatly praise the council efforts through its social affairs committee for the following up of the project progress and performance during the inspection period.

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In the field of social welfare (the year 2008) the ministry exerted effort to integrate disable persons in all aspects and fields, in collaboration with the competent authorities, where the draft bill of the disable persons welfare act 2007, disability national chart were passed by the cabinet, besides signing the international agreement on disable persons rights which ratified and passed by the ministry of Justice.

In the besides of conflicts and mines victims, the prosthetic and orthotics centres are on the process of establishing over both federal and central levels. And due to the with drawl of some organizations from Sudan and

the suspension of the technical aids prosthetic and orthetic industry materials were imported from Geneva and China by the cost of \$ 497,000. the project of the artificial limbs mobile workshop was completed costing 480 SDG. The federal centres in Kadagli, Dongolla, Damazin, Nyalla and Kassala States, started functioning at full capacity, besides the maintenance done in the prothetic and orthetic corporation and also the maintenance works in the central and federal centres, and operation materials were provided. The second batch of the prosthetic and orthetic diploma students were employed, besides conducting training courses in field of prosthetic and orthetics. The total number of prosthetic and orthetic items produced were 5960 limbs, and 12890 patients received medical services.

Concerning the university students sponsorship project the sponsorship reached 38,500 by end of the year 2008 sponsored by Zakat Chamber. The orphans sponsorship mounted to 67,000 orphans 65 orphans sponsored by Zakat Chamber.

In the field of aging welfare and utilizing their expertises and national policy was formulated regarding their welfare and including many pivots. The elderly act bill was prepared and discussed by cabinet committees. A form for monitory and enumerating the elderly in-order to utilize from their expertises was already prepared.

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In the field of international partnership the ministry participated in so many fiels, such as women and childhood conferences, population, social insurance conference and this participation helps in raising the Sudan voice in addressing the international issues and expertise exchange and

pushing the social work forward, and this period witnessed signing of 7 agreements signed with (Egypt, Syria, Tunisia, Algeria, Yemen and South Africa) besides participating in many meetings and the UN women committee No. 52, Geneva conference for discussing the rapporteur report on human rights concerning children rights.

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We started preparing the human development through forming a supreme committee and scientific paper was prepared besides a report on MDGs implementation and an integrated report on the progress achieved in Madrid international plan was also prepared. The ministry network was promoted and provided by the required system to support the data base.

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In the field of coordination with the consultant authorities, the consultant council, Zakat council, the social security fund board, the saving bank, the graduates project besides the community development council has been convened in Khartoum and for the first time 6 of the GOSS social affairs ministers participated in this meetings, besides the comprehensive forum of the states directors in the fields of women and family, social programs, planning, information and CBR and community awareness, and the strategic planning unit meetings. Also we have conducted visits to the states in-order to observe the poverty programs, women programs, according to the ministry mandate. And in consideration to the constitutional commitment, and to implement the ministry national and state projects, we have implemented during the year 2008 an integrated project on peace promotion, community development (in five states) in-

order to mend the social texture and achieve the social security and build the states, localities, social categories and the civil community abilities.

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Concerning the plan 2009 characteristic which was derived from the ministry vision and strategic objectives of the five year plan (2007-2011) with focusing on the needy groups in the community which comes in accordance to the country policies in the same line, by announcing principled projects such as the agriculture upswing, poverty combating, and providing micro-finance for all community groups, and the objectives of plan are shown in the following:

- Strengthen the conception of the social solidarity and the more needy persons welfare, besides strengthen the social texture sustaining of peace culture, people with disability welfare.
- Enlargement in Zakat vessels and its means of distributions.
- Women upgrading and promote her abilities economically, socially and politically besides incorporate her in the overall development and providing care and protection for the family and child.
- Promotion of community abilities in-order to achieve development and social wellbeing, raising the community awareness on social issues.
- Recruit the media to serve the social issues.

The important programs and projects depended on:

- Contribution on poverty combating, increasing the poors income by assigning 64% from total revenue of the poor and needy Bank,

besides the continuous of the families health insurance, student sponsorship, orphans national Eid, social solidarity programs.

- Raising the population coverage in health insurance from 35% to 4%, increasing the rate of coverage in the social insurance for the vulnerable groups (orphans, poor families)
- Enlargement of the social security umbrella, and contribution on social project for the pensioners, providing of health services for them. Promotion of service centres.
- Upgrading the rural and urban women with focusing on rural women participation in achieving integrated rural development in the frame of the agriculture boom (upswing) and women portfolio and micro-finance.
- Contribution in minimizing unemployment rate among graduates.
- The legal protection for children and social integration for vulnerable groups.
- Promotion and review of legislation.

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We are grateful for your good listening.