Social protection in Mozambique's media



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Over 400 Students Familiarize Themselves with Social Security

29/09/2023 – Over 400 students from 9 higher education institutions in the province of Tete were the focus of an awareness campaign by INSS about the importance of being enrolled in the social security system. This initiative aims to help them prepare for their social future from an early age. Read more (page 2)

Companies Fail to Redirect Deductions from Workers' Salaries

29/09/2023 – Taxpayers and workers from various sectors across the country gathered with INSS last week to reflect on the impact of debts incurred by some contributors to the mandatory social security system. These debts result from the failure to redirect deductions made from workers' salaries. Read more (page 3)

Social Protection: Vulnerable People Deserve Attention

28/09/2023 – Assisting vulnerable households remains a top priority in the implementation of programs by the Ministry of Gender, Child, and Social Action (MGCAS). The goal is to reduce the hardships they face, as advocated by the new Permanent Secretary, Paulo Beirão. Read more (page 6)

► Angola's INSS Gains Insights from Its Mozambican Counterpart

27/09/2023 – A group of seventeen technicians from Angola's INSS is in Mozambique as part of the strong friendship between the two countries in the field of social security. Read more (page 3 of the newspaper, page 9 of the PDF)

Funeral Allowance: Pensioners Request Flexibility in Disbursement

21/09/2023 – Delays in the payment of funeral allowances are concerning dependents of pensioners in the province of Manica. They are calling for more flexibility from INSS. Read more (page 6)

Social Security Benefits 2.54 Million

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Manica: Debts to INSS Amount to 100 Million Meticais

20/09/2023 – INSS currently has 2.54 million beneficiaries, including 45,800 self-employed workers. Around 4,000 companies from various sectors owe over 100 million meticais (1.6 million dollars) to INSS in the central province of Manica. Read more

Protection Ensured for Mozambican Workers in Portugal

18/09/2023 – A memorandum of understanding was signed in Lisbon earlier this week, ensuring decent work and protection for Mozambicans working or recruited to work in Portugal. The agreement aims to strengthen relations, especially in areas such as social security, labour relations, and working conditions, for the period 2022-2026. Read more (page 14)

Social Assistance Reaches Over 50,000 People

14/09/2023 – The Gender, Child, and Social Action Sector integrated around 52,000 people into the Basic Social Subsidy Program (PSSB) from January to August this year. The program aims to reduce poverty and vulnerability through monthly cash transfers. Read more (page 2)

Disadvantaged Receive Food Aid from INAS

13/09/2023 – Disadvantaged and vulnerable families from the 25 de Setembro and Centro Hípico neighborhoods, as well as children from the Provincial Kindergarten, recently received kits containing food products, hygiene items, used clothing, and wheelchairs. Read more (page 28)

MGCAS Concerned about High Rates of Child Labour in the Country

05/09/2023 –MGCAS is aware of the situation of children living and working in deplorable conditions in the city of Maputo. The ministry assures that it is working across sectors to reduce high rates of child labor in the country.

Read more (page 12)

Mozambique and Cape Verde Aim to Strengthen Cooperation in Labour and Social Security

04/09/2023 – Mozambique and Cape Verde will enhance cooperation in labor and social security. This agreement was signed in Maputo as part of a four-day visit by the Cape Verdean Minister of State, Family, Inclusion, and Social Development, Fernando Elísio Freire, at the invitation of the Mozambican Minister of Labor and Social Security, Margarida Talapa. Read more