



REGIONAL WORKSHOP

"Evidence-based Ageing-related Policies in Sub-Saharan Africa"

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SOCIAL PROTECTION & OLDER PERSONS IN KENYA



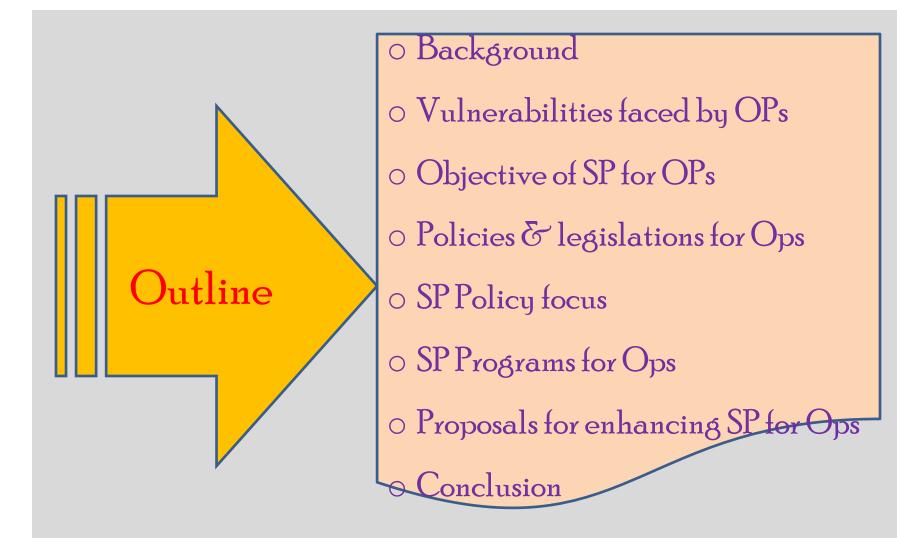
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The CoK (2010) Article 260 defines an Older Person (OP) as any Kenyan aged at least 60 years

Constitutes about 6% of the national population (2019 national census)

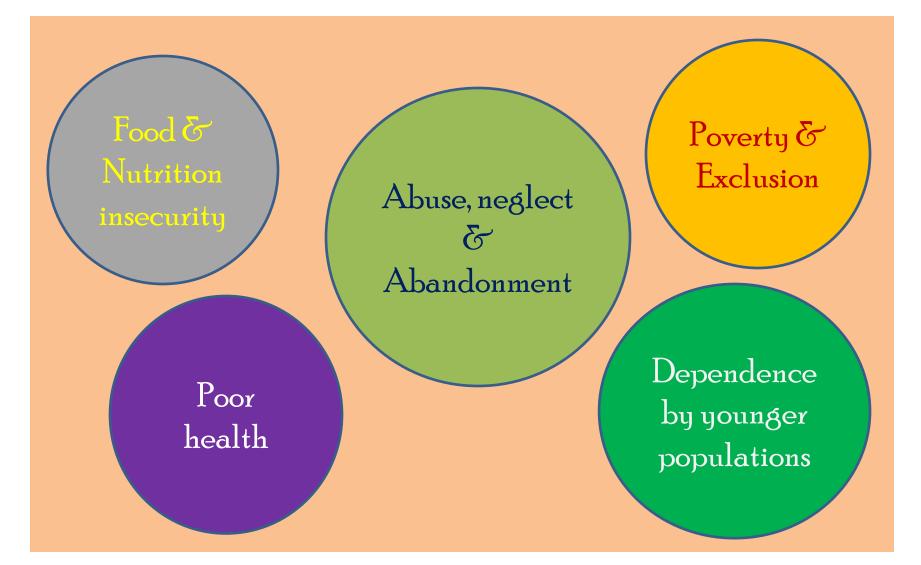
Translates to about 2.7 million people

Majority live in rural areas

About 37 % of households with older persons in Kenya are poor (2015–16 KIHBS)

Only 14 % of older persons have a health insurance (2015– 16 KIHBS)











To cushion the older persons against the various risks \mathcal{E} vulnerabilities associated with old age

To promote the inclusion & empowerment of older persons for improved livelihoods & dignity

To facilitate increased awareness on older persons protection against abuse

To establish $\mathcal E$ strengthen institutions on care $\mathcal E$ support of older persons



Legislative & policy provision for OPs



Article 43(1)(e):

• "Every person has a right to social security"

Article 43(3):

 "The State shall provide appropriate social security to persons who are unable to support themselves and their dependents".

Article 57

 "Obligates the State to put in place measures to ensure that older persons live in dignity, respect and be free from abuse".





SP Policy focus

- Integrated approach to SP programming
- Systems approach
- More inclusive schemes
- Efficient monitoring, reporting, learning & research
- Adequate capacity
- Sustainability, affordability & fiscal space





SP programs for OPs

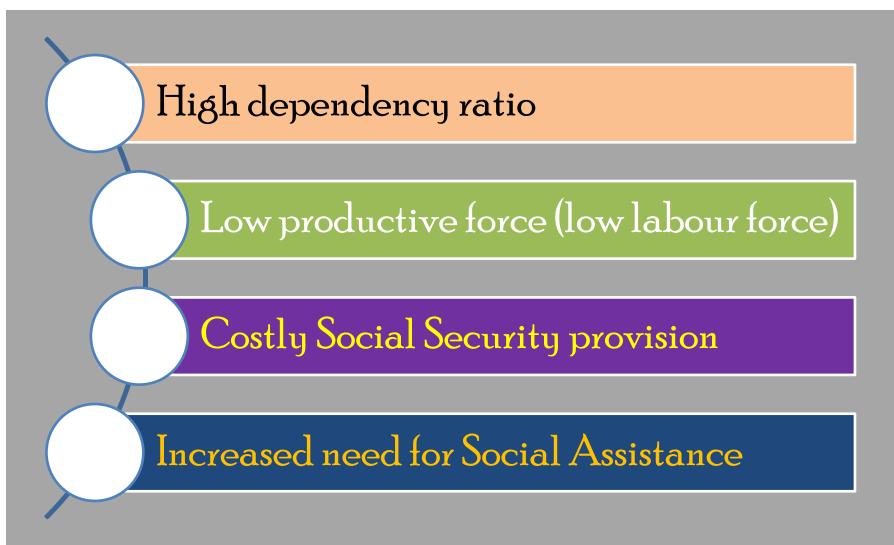
Current programs

- O Universal Scheme for Older Persons: The 70 Years
 & Cash Transfer Program
- The NSSF reforms to a full pension scheme
- Institutions for older persons
- **Proposed Schemes**
- \odot Post retirement health scheme
- Expanding the older persons' CT to 60 yrs
- Provision of health cover (subsidy) to the OPs



Impact of demographic ageing in the SP system











Need for appropriate SP interventions during active age to reduce on older persons vulnerabilities e.g. inclusive social security regimes

Effective health insurance cover for older persons (UHC) Tapping on the demographic dividends – youthful population

Coherent policies & legislations on older persons

THANK YOU

