

**MINISTRY OF GENDER,  
DEVELOPMENT**



**LABOUR AND SOCIAL**

**NATIONAL LEVEL LAUNCH OF DISABILITY COMMITMENTS  
BY THE RIGHT HONOURABLE PRIME MINISTER**

**AT THE SECOND WORLD DISABILITY SUMMIT 2022**

**17<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2022**

**AT 4PM**

- Hon Ministers
- Your Excellency, the Norwegian Ambassador to Uganda
- Hon Members of Parliament Present
- Ladies and Gentlemen

Thank you for convening to attend this important meeting on the critical issue of making commitments to the cause of persons with disabilities.

As you may be aware, the NRM Government has a long history of championing the interests of persons with disabilities . Forexample, under the NRM and HE President Yoweri Museveni leadership, Uganda became the first country in Africa to have MPs representing Persons with disabilities.

Globally, it was also among the first countries to ratify the UN convention on the rights of Persons with Disabilities. Therefore, the SDG principle of leaving no one behind is well inculcated into the NRM "blood stream" and that's why affirmative action for Persons with Disabilities is not only emphasized in Ugandan laws but also in our NRM Manifesto 2021-2026, specifically page 255.

I want to thank the line Ministries who are shouldering the responsibility of addressing barriers to meaningful inclusion of Persons with Disabilities in the development agenda, and I want to commit my support towards this cause.

I will be making a brief statement to the summit later in the evening, basically summarizing what has been presented locally by

the line Ministries, but my statement will highlight more on livelihoods for Persons with Disabilities in line with the summit session framework.

With these remarks, I want to thank you and take this honor to officially, launch the 2022 Uganda Commitments, to the Global Disability summit.

For God and my Country