

AMALGAMATED RURAL TEACHERS UNION OF ZIMBABWE

Fighting for pro-poor Education

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Attention Public Service Commission, PSC

CC: Ministry of Finance

Ministry of Primary and Secondary Education

Parliament of Zimbabwe

RE: Petition on welfare of aides of teachers with disabilities.

We the teachers with disabilities organizing under the Amalgamated Rural Teachers' Union of Zimbabwe, ARTUZ;

Aggrieved by the employer's failure to review salaries of our aides;

Burdened with the responsibility of sharing our meagre earnings with our extremely underpaid aides;

Angered by the move to exclude our aides from COVID 19 allowances;

Realising that our aides are exposed to the COVID19 risk like the teachers;

Noting that Section 56 of Zimbabwe's constitution outlaws discrimination;

Do hereby petition your esteemed office to;

1. Urgently review the salaries of our aides from the current average of ZWL \$ 7000 to ZWL \$ 14 500 which is the minimum for all civil servants;
2. Disburse COVID19 allowances to our aides since they are confronted by the same risk.

We are giving your esteemed office 7 days to respond to our humble petition.

For and on behalf of Teachers with disabilities;

Yours faithfully;

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