



**Economic
Injustices
against
Women with
Disabilities in
Kenya**



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About This Ability

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Economic Injustice Report – Easy Read Summary

Women with Disabilities in Kenya

1. About the Report

This report was made by This Ability Trust. The Trust works to make sure women and girls with disabilities are treated with respect and have equal rights in Kenya.

The report looks at how money, jobs, education, and health are shared in Kenya. It shows that women with disabilities do not get the same economic chances as other people.

2. Main Findings

Health

- Many hospitals are not friendly or easy to use for women with disabilities.
- Some doctors and nurses treat them unfairly or laugh at them.
- Hospital beds, toilets, and examination rooms are often not accessible.
- Women miss appointments or avoid hospitals because of bad attitudes.
- They lack access to sexual and reproductive health services and information.

Education

- Many children with disabilities do not go to school.
- Girls with disabilities are often left at home while boys go to school.
- Schools lack trained teachers, materials, and accessible buildings.
- Some children face stigma and are called names by other pupils or teachers.

Work and Business

- The government says 5% of jobs should go to people with disabilities, but this is not being done.
- Women with disabilities struggle to find jobs and are paid less than men.
- Most women with disabilities do small jobs or farming with little income.

Access to Government Tenders (AGPO)

- The AGPO program was made to give business chances to youth, women, and people with disabilities.
- Many do not know how it works or how to apply.
- Women with disabilities get very few tenders because of lack of information and corruption.

Accessibility

- Many buildings, buses, and public places cannot be used easily by women with disabilities.
- They often have to pay extra for transport because of their wheelchairs.
- Some women face sexual harassment when using public transport.
- Many cannot access information because it is not in Braille, sign language, or easy-to-read formats.

Assistive Devices

- Getting a wheelchair or hearing aid takes a long time.
- Devices are often low quality or too expensive.
- Without them, women with disabilities cannot move freely or take part in work, school, or daily life.

3. What This Means

Women with disabilities in Kenya face double discrimination — because they are women and because they have disabilities.

Many live in poverty because they are left out of jobs, schools, and government programs.

They are not included in decisions that affect their lives.

4. What Should Change

- The government must include women with disabilities in all decisions and budgets.
- Health workers must be trained to treat everyone with respect.
- Schools must be inclusive and accessible to all children.
- Public buildings, roads, and transport must be made accessible.
- Women with disabilities must get assistive devices quickly and free or affordable.
- The 5% job rule must be followed and monitored.
- Information should be shared in sign language, Braille, and Easy Read.

5. About This Ability Trust

This Ability Trust is a women-led organization in Kenya. It works to make sure women and girls with disabilities can enjoy their sexual and reproductive health rights and live dignified lives.

The Trust uses technology, training, and advocacy to make services accessible.

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