



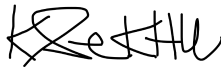
Commission for Gender Equality

Commission for Gender Equality (CGE) Public Education and Information on Language, Dignity, and Social Justice.

The Commission for Gender Equality (CGE) continues its work in Public Education and Information to promote inclusion and bridge social gaps for a more just society. The Commission for Gender Equality's ongoing gender terminology project in indigenous languages remain an important step toward building communities where everyone is seen, respected, and able to participate fully. These projects remind us that while social justice discussions often highlight race, gender, disability, and class, language touches all these areas. Language shapes how people access education, justice, healthcare, and opportunities. To date, the CGE has developed gender terminology in Sesotho (Free State), Sesotho sa Leboa, Tshivenda, Xitsonga (Limpopo), and Afrikaans (Western Cape). As we marked World Day of Social Justice on 20 February 2026 and International Mother Language Day on 21 February 2026 we were reminded that fairness, equality and respect for human rights must guide our social and economic progress. Social justice requires consistent work to reduce poverty, exclusion, and inequality, especially where communities remain marginalised or unsafe. Recognising the role of language in social justice means seeing it not only as a means of communication, but also as a source of identity, access, dignity, and empowerment. To advance true equality, we must continue addressing gender and language discrimination and ensure that policies, budgets, and programmes reflect these commitments in practice. Our goal is a society where everyone is heard, understood, believed, and able to access justice. To access our gender terminology materials, visit our website on www.cge.org.za, and visit our social media platforms: X (@CGE_ZA), Instagram (@cgelive), Facebook (Commission for Gender Equality) for more information.

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