

The House of Parliament organised in collaboration with the UNDP a discussion session on the role of the House of Parliament in creating new job opportunities for young women and men. The event was held on Tuesday 4 June and aimed at including stakeholders in discussions around this subject and teasing out their views and suggestions so as to come out with practical suggestions within the framework of the implementation of the youth strategy paper which was adopted by the cabinet in 2012.

The head of the youth and sports parliamentary commission, Simon Abi Ramya, emphasized in his address the importance of strengthening the role of the National Employment Office. He also discussed the overall circumstances facing youth employment and pointed out that he submitted two law petitions, the first seeking to increase the minimum employment age so as to protect young people and the second aiming at waiving taxation on university scholarships in order to encourage the private sectors to provide such scholarships.