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On this International Workers' Day, [ZIMCODD](http://www.zimcodd.org.zw) commemorates and honour workers in Zimbabwe and worldwide. We join the Zimbabwe Congress of Trade Unions ([ZCTU](http://www.zctu.co.zw)), our coalition member, in amplifying the call to end corruption and labour exploitation while demanding social and economic justice for all under ZCTU's 2025 theme: "**End Corruption, End Workers' Exploitation: Workers Unite for Social Justice.**"

Workers in Zimbabwe endure poverty wages, job insecurity, and systemic corruption that divert resources meant for public services and fair labour practices. The plunder of national wealth through corruption exacerbates inequality, leaving workers to bear the brunt of austerity and economic mismanagement.

Our Urgent Demands:

1. **End Corruption, Fund Workers' Rights** – Stop the looting of public funds; channel resources toward living wages, pensions, and social services.
2. **Stop Labour Exploitation** – Enforce fair wages, and uphold workplace safety standards.
3. **Accountable Governance** – Prosecute corruption in both public and private sectors to safeguard workers' interests.
4. **Social Justice Now** – Prioritize policies that reduce inequality, including progressive taxation and equitable service delivery.
5. **Workers' Unity Against Oppression** – Strengthen solidarity among labour movements to resist repression and demand accountability.

ZIMCODD stands with ZCTU and all progressive forces in the fight for a Zimbabwe where workers enjoy the fruits of their labour. Today, we reaffirm that decent work, transparency, and social justice are non-negotiable.

The struggle continues!

Aluta Continua!

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