

# December third 2008 International Disability Day Commemoration Ceremony

## Preamble

December third is an international day which was established by the United Nations two decades ago for the protection and promotion of the disabled people's rights.

## Ceremony

Ceremony to mark the December third 2008 international disability day was marked in Mogadishu by a group of Somali disabled who came to gather to share information and ideas concerning the rights of the people with disability.

The ceremony was prepared and coordinated by IEDSOM Institute Education Disabled Somali disabled people welfare and advocacy organization. There are over one hundred people, mostly disabled people, who attended the ceremony. The disabled people were from different parts of the disabilities, both physical and mental disability.

## Activities

- Opening speech and Introduction
- Disability definition
- Disability people rights.
- Role of the disabled people in the society.
- Discrimination and abuses against the disabled people
- Advantage of education and work for the disabled people
- Disadvantage of begging and depend on others
- Drama presenting the plight, abuses and negligence against the disabled people.
- Mass media

## Speeches

There were several people, both disabled and non-disabled, who commented about the rights of the disabled in Somali. The people who spoke in the ceremony were mostly disabled people who exchanged their own ideas and opinions about the disabled people's rights and lives.

Name	Gender	Disability type
Abdulahi Hassan hussen	Male	Paralyze
Habiibo ali bauukar	Female	Lob side
Muqtar haji lai	Male	Paralyze
Jamad aden cade	Female	Leg cut
Ardo shidfane ilmi	Female	One le/hand cut
Kalsan ahmed yusuf	Female	Polio paralyzed
Yuusuf shiiq ali	Male	Blind

### Conclusion

The ceremony which was attended by more than hundred people took place happily. The disabled people presented their own need, ambition and inspirations. Most of the disabled people attend the ceremony acknowledged the advantage of the ceremony which they acquired in the ceremony. While some other disabled person told they had no idea about this day,



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