



**AIDS HELPLINE**  
**0800-012-322**

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## **HIV/AIDS**

### **and the farming community**

# **Know your rights**

*People with HIV/AIDS often experience some form of discrimination*

**According to the law**

**The person with HIV/AIDS has an equal right to:**

- **privacy**
- **health care**
- **fair labour practices**
- **education.**

**This means that**

- **An employer must treat a farmworker who has HIV/AIDS the same as any other worker.**

- **You cannot be ordered off the land because you have HIV/AIDS.**
- **You have a right to live in your house.**
- **You should have access to health care.**
- **You can continue working until you are too ill to work.**
- **You need not tell your employer that you have HIV/AIDS.**
- **You cannot be fired because you have HIV/AIDS.**

**You can only be dismissed when you are continuously too sick to work**

**For further information contact your nearest health clinic or  
AIDS helpline Tel: 0800 012 322**

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