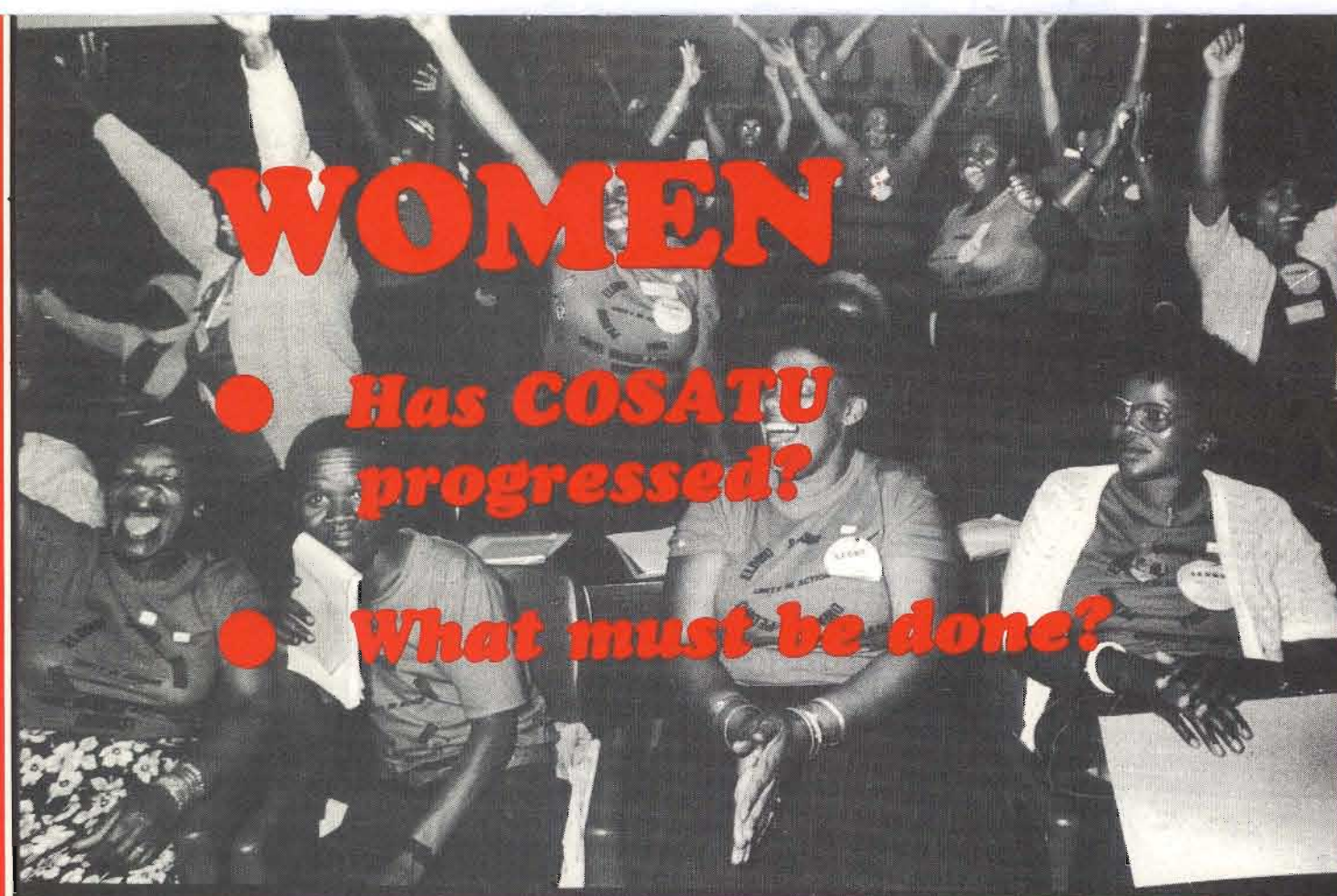


COSATU EDUCATION CONFERENCE

23—25 OCTOBER 1987



WOMEN

- **Has COSATU progressed?**
- **What must be done?**

COSATU COURSES

- **What are our educational needs?**
- **What courses will meet them?**

MEDIA

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- **How do we counter propaganda?**
 - **How should we use worker media to mobilise?**

EDUCATION RESOLUTION (Adopted at COSATU's Second National Congress, July 1987)

Noting that:

1. The present education system in South Africa is designed to maintain our people in permanent ideological servitude.
2. The present education system in South Africa is designed to perpetuate and reinforce the values, ideas and practices of the ruling class.
3. The present education system fosters inequality, divisions and anti-democratic values amongst the oppressed and exploited masses.
4. The present education structures in COSATU need to be restructured.

Believing that:

1. Education is vital for the liberation of the working class.
2. Education must serve the interests of the vast majority of the people in our country.

Therefore resolves:

1. To establish a national, regional and local education programme for the federation to:
 - a) ensure that this education programme politicises, mobilises and conscientises the working class so that they play the leading role in the liberation of our society and its transformation into an economic, social and political system that will serve the needs of those who are now oppressed and exploited.
 - b) develop an understanding and capacity to wage our struggle by democratic means that will allow maximum participation and decision making power for workers both now and in the future society we wish to build.
 - c) to develop the human potential to the fullest and to create and transform skills and abilities so that they are accessible to the oppressed and exploited.
 - d) develop the understanding amongst the working class that their struggle forms part of the world struggle against oppression and exploitation.
 - e) more actively promote the aims of the resolution on women workers passed at the Inaugural Congress of COSATU.
2. To hold an education conference once every two years. At this conference the following office bearers will be elected:
Chairperson
Vice-chairperson
Treasurer
The powers of such conference and office bearers and its composition to be determined by the CEC.
3. To elect the education secretary at the Education Conference.
4. That the chairperson of NEDCOM shall be an ex-officio member of the NEC.

WORKING CLASS CULTURE

- **What is working class culture?**
- **What is its role in the struggle?**

PEOPLE'S EDUCATION

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- **What is People's Education?**
 - **What role should COSATU play?**



**The Conference
will be attended
by delegates from
all COSATU
affiliates/sectors**

**The theme of the conference
will be:**

- **women**
- **people's education**
- **media**
- **COSATU courses**
- **working class culture**