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|  | <b>Name change</b>   | Not possible.   |
|  | <b>Gender marker change</b>                                    | Not possible.   |
|  | <b>Laws used against transgender and gender diverse people</b> |   |
|  | Legislation  | Penal Code <sup>174</sup> Chapter XV: Offences Against Morality (1945) (as amended by the Sexual Offences Special Provisions Act, 1998). <sup>175</sup>   |
|  | Quote/details  | <p>Section 145, Living on earnings of prostitutes.</p> <p>(1) Every male person who –<br/>knowingly lives wholly or in part on the earnings of prostitution; or<br/>in any public place persistently solicits or importunes for immoral purposes,<br/>is guilty of a misdemeanour. In the case of a second or subsequent conviction<br/>under this section the court may, in addition to any term of imprisonment<br/>awarded, sentence the offender to corporal punishment.</p> <p>(2) Where a male person is proved to live with or to be habitually in the<br/>company of a prostitute/or is proved to have exercised control, direction or<br/>influence over the movements of a prostitute in such manner as to show that<br/>he is aiding, abetting or compelling her prostitution with any other person, or<br/>generally, he shall unless he shall satisfy the court to the contrary be deemed<br/>to be knowingly living on the earnings of prostitution.</p> <p>Section 146, Women aiding and abetting prostitutes.</p> <p>Every woman who knowingly lives wholly or in part on the earnings of<br/>prostitution or who is proved to have, for the purpose of gain, exercised<br/>control, direction or, influence over the movements of a prostitute in such a<br/>manner as to show that she is aiding, abetting or compelling her prostitution,<br/>with any person, or generally, is guilty of a misdemeanour.</p> <p>Section 147, Power of search.</p> <p>If it is made to appeal to a magistrate by information on oath that there is<br/>reason to suspect that any house or any part of a house is used by a woman of<br/>girl for purposes of prostitution, and that any person residing in or frequenting<br/>the house is knowingly living wholly or in part on the earnings of the prostitute,<br/>or is exercising control, direction or influence over the movements of the<br/>prostitute the magistrate may issue a warrant authorizing any police officer to<br/>enter and search the house and to arrest such person.</p> <p>Section 148, Brothels.</p> <p>Any person who keeps a house, room, set of rooms or place of any kind<br/>whatsoever for the purposes of prostitution is guilty of a misdemeanour.</p> <p>Section 154, Unnatural offences.</p> <p>(1) A person who:<br/>has carnal knowledge of any person against the order of nature; or [...]<br/>(c) permits a male person to have carnal knowledge of him or her<br/>against the order of nature, commits an offence, and is liable to imprisonment<br/>for life and in any case to imprisonment for a term of not less than thirty years.</p> <p>(2) Where the offence under subsection (1) of this section is committed to a<br/>child under the age of ten years the offender shall be sentenced to life<br/>imprisonment.</p> <p>Section 155, Attempt to commit unnatural offences.</p> |

<sup>174</sup> <https://www.ilo.org/dyn/natlex/docs/ELECTRONIC/59637/104199/F-1839757965/TZA59637.pdf>

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