

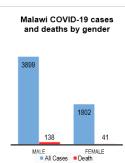
### **COVID-19 Update**

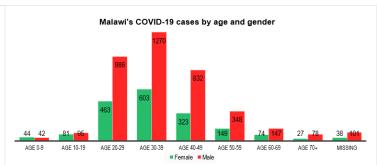
Situation Update No. 27 at 18 September 2020



### **MALAWI HIGHLIGHTS**

- Blantyre District Health Office supported to train 760 Health Surveillance Assistants in contact tracing and Lilongwe District Health Office supported to provide surveillance and rapid response team activities
- 10 passengers plan to use the final WFP Aviation COVID-19 humanitarian flights in and out of Malawi
- 153 health facilities were given reporting forms to track use of COVID-19 supplies thereby increasing accountability
- 2,568 Malawian returnees from South Africa, including 294 children, were supported with various items in the two holding centres in Machinga and Domasi
- 120 police officers were trained on guidelines for protecting vulnerable groups during the COVID-19 pandemic
- Mobile courts strengthened in 6 districts on women's access to justice for SGBV
- 2.62 million people will require humanitarian assistance during the next lean season
- Development of a comprehensive COVID-19 awareness programme for farming communities





### **MALAW SUMMARY**

- **5 711** cases (**1 532** active 7 new)
- 1 143 imported, 4 568 local transmission
- **4 000** (236 new) recovered
- 179 deaths
- 49 341 (378 new) tests done
- All 28 districts affected

### **GLOBAL SUMMARY**

- 30 181 110 cases
- 946 140 confirmed deaths
- **20 532 313** recovered
- Cases in 216 countries and places

### **REGIONAL SUMMARY (Africa)**

- 1 373 816 cases
- 33 250 confirmed deaths
- 1 127 404 recovered
- All 54 countries affected

### **EMERGENCY APPEAL FINANCIAL TRACKING OVERVIEW** (financial tracking tool)

Funding Required \$ 345M

Reported Funding \$ 261.3M

% Funded 75.6

No of Donors 81 **No of Operational Partners** 

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### COMPREHENSIVE COVID-19 PREPAREDNESS AND RESPONSE



### **COORDINATION**

Coordinated by: Department of Disaster Management Affairs (DoDMA)

- A <u>calendar of meetings</u>, group mailing lists, a <u>repository</u> to store and share information and a <u>5W</u> interactive dashboard on the COVID-19 response and a <u>financial tracking tool</u> for the emergency appeal are available as resource tools.
- Final <u>guidelines for re-opening of schools</u>, colleges and universities were issued to assist schools apply and enforce COVID-19 preventive measures. Schools started re-opening in a phased approach from 7th September 2020.



## INFORMATION & COMMUNICATION

8929 people were reached with RCCE activities in 15 districts supported by USAID ONSE

Coordinated by: Ministry of Information (MoI)

Awareness raising for the Tikwere Interactive Radio Instruction program including distribution of the timetable and content of the program in two districts by Save the Children



### **HEALTH**

# Coordinated by: Ministry of Health (MoH) & WHO

**67** persons supported with contact tracing

- Blantyre District Health Office was supported with MWK21 million to train 760 Health Surveillance Assistants in contact tracing by WHO
- Lilongwe District Health Office was provided MWK10 million towards COVID 19 surveillance and rapid response team activities by WHO
- 67 persons were supported with contact tracing, 318 persons were tested and 71 cases were identified in seven districts supported by USAID ONSE
- Orientation of 101 health care workers in screening and triaging for clinical case management at five facilities in Zomba was supported by USAID ONSE



## TRANSPORT AND LOGISTICS

Coordinated by: Ministry of Transport and Works (MTW) & WFP

153 health facilities were given reporting forms to track use of COVID-19 supplies thereby increasing accountability

- ❖ 10 passengers are expected to be supported this week with final WFP Aviation COVID-19 humanitarian flights in and out of Malawi.
- \* Transportation and storage of PPE and other COVID-19 supplies donated by Direct Relief and Africa CDC (1.4MT) was provided to the MoH by the Logistics Cluster
- Reporting-form booklets were printed for 153 sites to facilitate weekly reporting, and for all health facilities for monthly reporting of the use of COVID-19 supplies to ensure accountability of these commodities supported by GHSC-PSM project



#### **WASH**

Coordinated by:
Ministry of Irrigation & Water
Development & UNICEF

No submissions this week



### **PROTECTION**

Coordinated by: Ministry of Gender, Children, Disability and Social Welfare (MGCDSW), UNICEF, UN Women

**120** police officers were trained on guidelines for protecting vulnerable groups during the COVID-19 pandemic

6 districts supported to strengthen mobile courts to facilitate women's access to justice for SGBV in the midst of COVID-19

- 2,568 Malawian returnees from South Africa, including 294 children, were supported with various items in the two holding centres in Machinga and Domasi supported by Save the Children
- The recently upgraded Dzaleka Refugee Camp Health Centre laboratory to meet the standard of a COVID-19 GeneXpert testing site and a Tuberculosis GeneXpert testing site was handed over to the Ministry of Health with support from UNHRC and USAID
- 120 police officers were trained on guidelines for protecting vulnerable groups during the COVID-19 pandemic in three districts approved by the Protection cluster and supported by Tithetse Nkhanza
- 40 hotline nurses and technicians from the National Health hotline, Chipatala cha pa Foni, were oriented on gender-based violence and health (Maternal, Neonatal and Sexual Reproductive Health) in light of COVID-19, supported by UN Women with funding from UN Multi-Partner Trust Fund Office
- Women's access to justice for SGBV in the midst of COVID19 was supported by strengthening mobile courts in 6 Districts by UN Women through its partners, Women Judges of Malawi, Women Lawyers Association and the Gender and Justice Unit through Spotlight Initiative with funding from EU



### **FOOD SECURITY**

Coordinated by:
Department of Disaster
Management Affairs
(DoDMA) & WFP

**2.62 million** people will require humanitarian assistance during the upcoming lean season

- The Malawi Vulnerability Assessment Committee is conducting validation of its findings with district stakeholders focusing on findings for the rural areas.
- The Minimum Expenditure Bulletin (MEB) Round 9 bulletin will be published by WFP this week. The total value of the Survival Minimum Expenditure Basket (SMEBs) across all regions remained constant, with very slight increases observed for the Urban and Central area baskets.
- As per the recently released IPC report, some 2.62 million people will require humanitarian assistance during the upcoming lean season, with the food gap period ranging from 2 to 5 months; 22 percent of those requiring assistance reside in urban areas.
- The third round Household-Level Food Security monitoring bulletin will be published by WFP this week.

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### **EDUCATION**

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- Literacy and Math home learning cards to be used by parents and guardians when facilitating the Interactive Radio Instruction in the home (Tisewere) program were printed with the support of Save the Children
- School and community interactive sessions were organized on the safe school concept, positive discipline, child rights and responsibilities, child protection related laws and policies in all primary schools in two districts supported by Save the Children
- A total of 28 secondary school teachers were trained on how to sew face masks by an education official from Chibwata Zone under Dowa District Education Management with funding from Global Partnership for Education (GPE) COVID-19 response accelerated grant fund



### **NUTRITION**

Coordinated by: Ministry of Health (MoH) & UNICEF

COVID-19 nutrition messages were developed in Ntcheu for dissemination via mobile vans throughout the district with support from WFP in collaboration with Save the Children and the district council



### **AGRICULTURE**

Coordinated by: Ministry of Agriculture (MoA) & FAO

Development of a comprehensive COVID-19 awareness programme for farming communities entitled Patsogolo ndi Ulimi mu Nthawi ya COVID-19 (advancing with smallholder farming during the era of COVID-19) by MoH is being supported by FAO through DAES. The awareness programme will involve production and airing of radio programmes on selected community and national radio stations, production and dissemination of information, education and communication materials

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