



### 1. Coordination

- Overall coordination of communications and C4D contributions towards the national Covid-19 response is through the Public Communication Cluster led by Ministry of Information, Civic education and Communications Technology. Ministry of Health also technically coordinates Risk Communication and Community Engagement on the Covid-19 response.
- The UN has a C4D Coordination Group, a platform which brings UN and NGO partners together to discuss risk communication and community engagement issues, exchange knowledge and share communication resources to support awareness raising and behavioural change efforts.
- UN Communications Group leads overall crisis communication strategy for the UN in Malawi under the guidance of the UN Resident Coordinator and UN Country Team.

### 2. Risk Communication and Community Engagement

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- Cumulatively, over 8 million people continue to receive messages on Covid-19 prevention through TVs, U-report, print media across the country and mass communication on three national radios, TVs and 12 community radios.
  - Two radio spots are already on air while seven interpersonal communication videos have been produced of which 1,187 slots have so far been aired on three national TV channels and community radios over the past two weeks.
  - A Covid-19 animated video has registered 1 207 views and 30 shares on Malawi Institute of Journalism (MIJ) and UNICEF Facebook pages in addition to continuous circulation on other social media, WhatsApp and Twitter. Production of a local language (Chichewa) versions is underway.
- Social and behaviour change communication activities including community engagement sessions, community radio dialogues and edutainment by UNICEF partner Story Workshop Educational Trust (SWET) and Development Communication Trust (DCT) have so far reached 46 552 people with COVID-19 messages in 9 districts. Through social media coverage by UNICEF partner SWET 26 898 people have accessed Covid-19 messages.
- UNICEF is partnering with the Zodiak Broadcasting Station to put a spotlight on COVID-19 impact on children and their families in Malawi. Planning is underway to produce a series of radio, television, print, and online programmes that will also capture audience's views on the topic.
- UNICEF continues to produce [stories](#), [multimedia contents](#), infographics, engage with celebrities and influencers to promote Covid-19 messaging, countering myths and misinformation, and documenting our response in the field. These are being disseminated through various [online and offline channels](#):
  - UNICEF launched a [music video titled 'Tingathe'](#) (we can) produced by UNICEF Malawi Champion, Sangie, a famous Malawian reggae artist. The song has been widely embraced by the public after being broadcast on Times TV and radio; MBC TV and radio; Mibawa TV; Zodiak TV and radio stations. The song targeting children, youth, and their parents promotes COVID-19 awareness and prevention messages and has already reached half a million and engaged more than 6 000 audiences online with over 400 people sharing the video.
  - UNICEF continues to engage various local celebrities including [Hayze Engola](#) and a popular local [comedian Tannah, popularly known as Mr Broken English](#) – who is sharing Covid- 19 messages in the form of comedy and the public response to his messages have been highly positive.
  - UNICEF's Regional Office (East South Africa) released a re-recorded [song '#NoPataPata'](#) by UNICEF's Goodwill Ambassador, Angelique Kidjo. The song promoting COVID-19 messages has been distributed widely in Malawi with stations namely Zodiak, Times, MBC, Mibawa and PLFM.
- UNICEF continues to [use U-Report platform](#) extensively to reach people (217 110 youth in Malawi) with messaging on COVID-19 through SMS, polling, open-end questions, quiz, information bots, social media, etc.
  - In the past one month, UNICEF has sent out polls to U-Reporters on social vulnerabilities, a Gender Based Violence and Violence Against Children myth-busters quiz to assess their level of understanding and debunk prevailing myths, coping with school closures, etc.
  - The U-Report chatbot with information on COVID-19 from UNICEF, WHO and MOH is still live, to date it has registered over 497 543 responses.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- UNICEF also started collecting personal experiences from U-Reporters on how their communities have been fighting COVID-19. The stories will be shared on U-Report Malawi and <a href="#">UNICEF websites</a> and <a href="#">social media sites</a></li> <li>• UNICEF continues to push Covid-19 messages on its social media channels. There has been a drastic increase in our reach and engagement in the last one month. <a href="#">UNICEF Facebook</a> now has almost 100 000 followers (a steep increase from just about 15 000 in 1 March) and <a href="#">UNICEF Twitter</a> with about 23 000 followers (1,000 organic followers in April). In the past one month, UNICEF's social media posts carrying mostly COVID-19 messages have reached more than 12 million online audiences with about 400 000 online engagement.</li> <li>• UNICEF is continuing to promote global and regional COVID-19 contents (both in English and Chichewa) on <a href="#">the Internet of Good Things</a>, which had over 40 000 page views the past week. The content can be accessed by audiences free of cost.</li> <li>• UNICEF continues to work closely with partners including the Government and UN agencies for enhanced and evidence-based communications on COVID-19 in Malawi.</li> <li>• UNICEF regularly updates its <a href="#">dedicated COVID-19 page</a> on its website with latest news and information on UNICEF and its partners' response to COVID-19 in Malawi. It also contains useful guidance and reports on the global response to COVID-19.</li> </ul>
<b>UNDP</b>	<p><i>Covid-19 messages from faith leaders, parliamentarians and political parties</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Faith leaders were engaged to produce video and audio messages on Covid-19 through the Public Affairs Committee (PAC): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- These are being finalised for dissemination on radios, TVs, social media and websites. Religious media houses will be especially used</li> </ul> </li> <li>• About 20 Members of Parliament were engaged to produce audio, video and picture messages on Covid-19: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Production was finalised and the clips were shared with Parliament so that participating MPs can access them for dissemination to their constituents.</li> <li>- The process of engaging community radios and TVs to disseminate these messages is being finalised. Priority Community radios in each district for the recorded MPs.</li> <li>- Photos of the MPs holding placards with key messages are being disseminated on social media.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Secretary Generals of key political parties were engaged to produce radio messages on Covid-19 through the Centre for Multiparty Democracy: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- These were aired on Zodiak and MBC radios in April</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p><i>IEC materials – Covid-19 poster and brochure</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 5 000 posters and 5 000 brochures on Covid-19 in Chichewa were printed and distributed in 12 districts: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Village mediators under UNDP's Access to Justice Project distributed the materials in Mulanje, Blantyre, Zomba, Mangochi, Balaka, Ntcheu, Salima, Lilongwe, Mchinji, Kasungu, Mzimba and Karonga</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Creative communication materials (drawings/ illustrations/ song/ quiz) on Covid-19 are being produced: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Drawings/ illustrations in English and Chichewa were finalised and are being shared on social media jointly with DoDMA</li> <li>- Drawings/ illustrations in Tumbuka are not completed</li> <li>- Faith Mussa song on Covid-19 (audio and video) being developed</li> <li>- Mobile-based Covid-19 quiz being developed</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Braille brochures on Covid-19 for visually impaired persons are being produced using existing Braille materials from the Ministry of Persons with Disability and the Elderly <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Ministry of Persons with Disability and the Elderly will distribute the materials</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>UNFPA</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• On May 5, UNFPA supported the Association of Malawians Midwives to commemorate the Day of the Midwife, which was also a platform to raise the voice on the important role midwives as front-line workers are making in the face of COVID-19.</li> <li>• Preparation of jingles, and radio programmes for community outreach has been finalised with YONECO.</li> <li>• Information, Education and Communication (IEC) materials such as banners on where to access services on gender-based violence have been distributed to Spotlight districts of Nkhata Bay, Mzimba, Dowa, Ntchisi, Machinga and Nsanje.</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>UNFPA issued a statement on the Call to Action on protection from gender-based violence in emergencies with all partners in the protection cluster. The statement highlighted the effect of COVID-19 pandemic on gender-based violence and called on parties to come up with relevant considerations in humanitarian response to counter gender-based violence. UNFPA also shared all other related materials and resources on GBV and COVID-19 with cluster members to aid them as they implement the GBV response to COVID-19.</li> </ul>
<b>WFP</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Integrated Covid-19 messages in a weekly radio programme for climate services information produced by Farm Radio Trust. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The programme airs on Zodiak and three community radio stations, including Gaka radio in Chikwawa and Nsanje, and Mzati FM in Mulanje.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>FAO</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Printed and distributed 45 000 posters with Covid-19 messages on coughing and handwashing</li> <li>Printed and distributed 15 000 leaflets with general information about Covid-19 prevention <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The posters and leaflets were disseminated in 18 districts through community-based facilitators or care group promoters in April</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>IOM</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>IOM oriented 250 Change Agents (Volunteers) on Covid-19 in Mchinji, Mwanza and Neno to communicate in communities through door to door educational talks on preventive measures. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Change agents were equipped with hand washing soap, sanitizer and face masks, as well as posters and leaflets to distribute when sensitizing communities</li> <li>The volunteers are disseminating messages to migrants and their peers, including commercial sex workers</li> <li>The targeted Traditional Authorities are: T/As Magwele, Mlonjeni and Zulu in Mchinji, T/As Thache and Kanduku in Mwanza, and T/As Mlauli and Symon in Neno, which are along the transport corridor from Mchinji to Mwanza.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>UNHCR</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Jingles, animations and phone-based messages continue to be produced in collaboration with Plan International: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The jingles will be aired on various media platforms including Yetu Community Radio in the camp.</li> <li>The Short Message Service (SMS) that were developed, 1000 SMSs (400 in Swahili, 200 in French and 200 in Kinyarwanda) have been sent out to the refugee population.</li> <li>Unstructured Supplementary Service Data (USSD) service is up and running and have been shared out where people are using mobile service providers to get information of various protection agencies in the camp for further interventions.</li> <li>The USSD service is intended to reach out to Dzaleka community and host villages.</li> </ul> </li> <li>The community structure led a live radio programme on Yetu Community Radio, as means of sensitising the community on set referral pathway and emphasizing the importance of using the provided numbers.</li> <li>The community was encouraged to also use text messages in case they are unable to call. Going forward the community structures are given one hour every Tuesday afternoon.</li> </ul>
<b>UNESCO</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ministry of Education Guidelines on Covid-19 for schools in Chichewa and English are now approved and available for use.</li> </ul>
<b>UN Women</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>100 opinion leaders have been oriented to disseminate COVID-19 prevention/ response messages to communities. These include chiefs, faith leaders lead farmers, female members of parliament and community leaders</li> <li>Over 200 rural women and farmers who belong to cooperatives sensitized with messages tackling gender-based violence and raising awareness on COVID-19.</li> <li>Promoting stories of male champions for elimination of gender-based violence under the #HeForSheAtHome social media campaign</li> <li>Producing videos with messages tackling gender-based violence involving Faith Leaders</li> <li>UN Women through FBO partners conducted orientation and capacity building sessions with religious leaders on preventative measures on COVID-19 following this, the FBOs developed a pastoral letter that has been circulated to churches and mosques across Malawi on COVID-19.</li> </ul>
<b>EU/UN Spotlight Initiative</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A total of 1,080 COVID 19 VAWG radio jingles currently airing on 6 Community Radio Stations Nyathepa and Gaka in Nsanje; Chirundu FM in Nkhata Bay, Radio Lilanguka in Machinga, Radio Tigabane and Voice of Livingstonia in Mzimba ( the jingles have also been shared with other partners who will air them on other radios besides the one SI targeted). The jingles are in Chiyao, Chisena, Chitumbuka, Chichewa and English <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>90 radio jingles airing on MBC Radio in Chichewa and Tumbuka</li> <li>56 radio jingles airing on YONECO FM in Yao, Sena, Tumbuka, English and Chichewa</li> <li>10 radio drama series airing on YONECO FM in Chichewa</li> <li>4 special radio programmes airing on YONECO FM in Chichewa</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>Save the Children</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Produced and distributed 15,000 copies of three COVID-19 prevention posters in English and Chichewa and distributed them to 6 districts (Zomba, Phalombe, Neno, Mwanza, Ntcheu and Mzimba) reaching an estimated 2 million people</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Currently airing 3 jingles in Chichewa and English on 13 community and national radio stations reaching out to 9million people</li> <li>• Trained over 5,000 community health and other extension workers across 11 districts (Zomba, Phalombe, Neno, Mwanza, Ntcheu, Mzimba, Nsanje, Machinga, Nkhata Bay, Dowa and Ntchisi) to pass on COVID-19 messages to communities</li> <li>• Produced and shared through social media platforms 1 (<a href="#">Save the Children Facebook</a> and <a href="#">@SCIMalawi</a> on twitter) animated jingle reaching to 5,000 people</li> <li>• Produced and shared through social media platforms 1 (<a href="#">Save the Children Facebook</a> and <a href="#">@SCIMalawi</a> on twitter) 2 short videos on COVID-19 prevention with children participation</li> <li>• Currently producing an integrated Communications and Campaigns Strategy on COVID-19</li> <li>• Through Airtel and TNM mass text, Save the Children has reached 6,000 people with messages on COVID-19 Prevention</li> </ul>
<b>PACHI</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A total of 111 awareness campaigns have been conducted in six districts, targeting 19 T/As where flyers were also distributed. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- 45 sensitization campaigns conducted in Ntchisi district, targeting communities in five T/As (Chilooko, Nthondo, Kalumo, Kasakula and Chikho)</li> <li>- 16 awareness campaigns conducted at markets Machinga district, targeting in three T/As (Nkula, Sitola and Mlomba)</li> <li>- 33 awareness campaigns conducted in Mzimba district, targeting communities in two T/As (Mtwalo and Mpherembe)</li> <li>- 15 awareness campaigns conducted in Dowa district, targeting communities in three T/As (Msakambewa, Mkukula and Chiwere)</li> <li>- Two awareness campaigns have been conducted in Nkhata Bay, targeting communities in two T/As (Kabunduli and Fukamapiri)</li> <li>- The campaigns have involved use of District Health Office mobile vans in collaboration with District Health Promotion Officers</li> <li>- One Covid-19 radio programme (1 hour) was aired on Nyathepa Community Radio in Nsanje</li> <li>- Radio jingles were developed and started airing from 8th May</li> <li>- Gender-based violence messages were integrated in the campaigns, informing people about reporting mechanisms and where to access services when they suffer GBV</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>CARE Malawi</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Working with Ministry of Gender and UN Women on gender integration in the Covid-19 response informed by the Malawi Rapid Gender Analysis which has just been finished.</li> <li>• Working with the Ministry of Gender on recommended gender messages for Malawi around Covid-19</li> <li>• Use of community radio, mobile vans, and public address systems to share messages in Kasungu, Salima, Mchinji, Chikwawa, Nsanje, Zomba, and Mangochi. CARE distributed IEC materials in these districts as well.</li> <li>• Awareness raising with VSLA groups in Salima, Kasungu, and Mchinji. Awareness raising with Care Group Health Promoters and Cluster Leaders in Salima District.</li> </ul>
<b>Campaign for Health Education, Sanitation and Hygiene (CAHESH)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Campaign for Health Education, Sanitation and Hygiene (CAHESH) has been conducting Covid-19 awareness campaign and distribution of Covid-19 booklets in Braille, targeting persons with disabilities. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- So far, the Covid-19 Braille booklet has been distributed to 220 visually impaired persons: 100 out of 600 visually impaired persons identified in Chikwawa and 120 out of 300 visually impaired persons identified in Ntcheu. Chikwawa was not fully covered because of resource constraints.</li> <li>- In Ntcheu, the 120 people covered are those who are literate to read Braille materials. The 120 people in Ntcheu are being used as trainers for the remaining 180 visually impaired persons who are illiterate and do not know how to use Braille books.</li> <li>- Distribution of the Braille booklet to 56 visually impaired people in Chiradzulu has been planned, pending confirmation of date.</li> <li>- Users are advised to limit sharing of Braille materials to prevent Covid-19 spread from one user to another.</li> <li>- Parent and Child Health Initiative Trust (PACHI) offered to support CAHESH to distribute the braille booklet to other districts.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• The Braille communication materials were developed in collaboration with the Ministry of Persons with Disability and the Elderly and approved by the Ministry of Health. The original materials which have been translated into braille are the ones developed in cooperation of UNICEF and Ministry of Health with financial support from Dfid.</li> </ul>

<b>Goal Malawi</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Awareness campaign targeting barbershops, saloons and CD burning centres where people also normally charge their phones in communities is underway. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The campaign aims to promote handwashing and social distancing in these places, which are often congested due to their small sizes.</li> <li>- As of 5<sup>th</sup> May, 400 CD burning centres, 400 saloons and 552 barbershops had been reached.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Awareness campaigns on Covid-19 prevention measures targeting markets had been done in four markets at Mbayani, Manase, Chilobwe and Blantyre.</li> <li>• Oriented Development Committee in Mpingwe Ward in Blantyre on Covid-19 issues.</li> </ul>
<b>Local Government Accountability and Performance (LGAP) Project</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Supporting Malawi Local Government Association (MALGA) to advocate for provision of resources to local governments to effectively fight Covid-19: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- On 6<sup>th</sup> May, MALGA held a press briefing to appeal for the support.</li> <li>- News reports were published in Daily Times, on MBC Radio 1, MBC TV and others, featuring the Mayor of Blantyre and MALGA President Wild Ndipo and his vice plus Chiradzulu DC Ms. Reingard Chavula.</li> <li>- On 7<sup>th</sup> May, MALGA held a radio panel discussion to appeal for the support</li> <li>- Airing of the panel discussion runs from 12<sup>th</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup> May on Zodiak, Times and MBC Radio 1.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• 13 community radio stations that already broadcast regular decentralisation programmes are being engaged to integrate Covid-19 messages in the programmes. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Targeted radios: Tuntufye (Karonga), Voice of Livingstonia (Mzuzu), Mzimba Community Radio, Mudziwathu Radio (Mchinji), Nkhotakota Radio, Maziko Radio (Lilongwe), Bembeke (Dedza), Neno FM, Radio Maria (sub-national), Yoneco (sub-national), Mzati Radio (Mulanje), Gaka FM (Nsanje), MIJ Radio (sub-national).</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Two national radios, Times and MBC Radio 1, are running a weekly programme on decentralisation that are now integrating Covid-19 messages: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The 1-hour programme, repeated once a week, will run for six months until Sept 2020</li> <li>- In total, 25 fresh programmes will be aired by each radio station plus 25 repeats</li> <li>- Covid-19 jingles and public service announcements will be integrated in the programmes</li> <li>- The weekly programme is being extended to Zodiak Radio</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Special radio programmes on youth and governance on six community radio stations started integrating Covid-19 messages from the week beginning 5<sup>th</sup> May: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Northern Region: Mzimba Radio (12 May), Tuntufye Radio of Karonga (14 May)</li> <li>- Central Region: Nkhotakota Radio (19 May), Mudziwathu Radio of Mchinji (21 May), Bembeke of Dedza (5 May)</li> <li>- Eastern Region: Radio Maria of Mangochi (6 May), Yoneco Radio of Zomba (week of 18-22 May)</li> <li>- Southern Region: MIJ Radio of Blantyre (18 May), Neno FM of Neno (22 May), Gaka Radio of Nsanje (20 May), Mzati Radio of Mulanje (week of 18-22 May)</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Exploring to train/ support District Information Officers and Health Promotion Officers in all District Councils so they can effectively support coordination of communication interventions in their districts. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The revised date for the trainings is 21 May 2020 (Thursday) across the three zones, except for the Northern region (where the date is yet to be confirmed).</li> <li>- In the Central and Southern regions, the trainings will be at Linde Hotel Mponela and at Hapuwani Hotel in Mulanje.</li> <li>- Health Communication 4 Life (HC4L) Project and Onse Project are participating</li> <li>- LGAP liaising with UNICEF on this programme</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>Malawi Red Cross Society</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Included gender protection and inclusion messages during door to door campaigns by volunteers</li> <li>• Red Cross Volunteers visited 8 300 households in Mwanza to track and address rumors on Covid-19 through District Level Covid-19 Feedback Data Collection System.</li> <li>• Conducted Public awareness raising on Covid-19 in public places/ points such as markets in Nsanje, Lilongwe, Chikwawa, Mzuzu, Mangochi, Machinga, Neno Karonga, Mwanza, and Mulanje</li> <li>• Lobbied with Dedza senior officers to consider separating male and female COVID-19 patients' isolation centres during rehabilitation of the facility as a gender and protection measure</li> <li>• Developed District Specific Volunteer Risk Communication and Community Engagement (RCCE) Strategy for Machinga</li> <li>• Set up and implement community feedback and rumor tracking system in Machinga</li> <li>• Oriented 40 media personnel from 12 media houses in Central Region of Malawi on COVID-19. Training content included: - What the media needs to know about COVID 19, keeping safe during Covid-19 reporting, role of the media in Covid-19 pandemic.</li> <li>• Red Cross Volunteers reached 14977 households with Covid-19 Preparedness, Prevention and Control Messages in Karonga, Mzuzu, Mangochi, Neno, Mwanza, Mulanje, Chikwawa, Zomba, Mulanje, Salima, Mzimba, Machinga and Nsanje</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Supported three public awareness activities using cinema and van messages in Machinga</li> <li>Supported 12 MoH to conduct van publicity in Dedza, Lilongwe, Mchinji and Machinga focusing on health education and public awareness on Covid-19</li> </ul>
<b>Concern Worldwide</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Conducting awareness campaign to promote good hygiene practices to contain Covid-19 spread in Nsanje, Mangochi and Phalombe districts</li> <li>In Lilongwe, visits to over 8 000 households were conducted in M'gona area to share messages on how the families can protect themselves from Covid-19</li> <li>Developed a protection flyer for M'gona area (English and Chichewa) which was distributed during household visits</li> <li>Messages covered general Covid-19 prevention, gender equality, WASH, caregiving and children issues</li> </ul>
<b>United Purpose</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Over 900,000 people have received COVID-19 prevention messages through radio (community radios: Neno FM (Mwanza); Mudziwathu (Mchinji); Voice of Livingstonia (Mzuzu and parts of the North); Ndirande FM (Blantyre); Mzati Radio (Mulanje) National Radios: Zodiak, Times Radio, MBC 1 &amp; 2), mobile vans PA system and SMS</li> <li>Three inclusive Ministry of Health approved posters designed by UP to reach illiterate communities have been distributed to over 2,500 people across 18 districts and a billboard of one poster erected on the M1</li> <li>UP partnered with FUKO newspaper (a newspaper in Chichewa distributed in rural areas for free) for the inclusion of our posters to reach 400,000 people.</li> <li>Approximately 550 community leaders have been oriented on disseminating COVID-19 prevention and response messages to communities in Dedza and Dowa</li> <li>Prison guards at Mulanje Prison have been trained on COVID-19 prevention and response which has been disseminated to approximately 450 prisoners.</li> <li>366 care-group promoters and volunteers were trained in COVID-19 preparedness and 326 were provided with radios to ensure access to information in Dedza and Balaka.</li> </ul>

<b>3. Stories and Media Coverage</b>	<b>Platform</b>
<b>Malawi braces for Covid-19</b> <a href="https://www.un.org/en/coronavirus/malawi-braces-covid-19">https://www.un.org/en/coronavirus/malawi-braces-covid-19</a>	UNHQ on 4 <sup>th</sup> May
<b>COVID-19 impact could be 'disastrously high' in poverty-stricken Malawi</b> <a href="https://news.un.org/en/story/2020/05/1063062">https://news.un.org/en/story/2020/05/1063062</a>	UNHQ on 2 <sup>nd</sup> May
<b>Strengthening support to fight COVID-19</b> <a href="https://unsdg.un.org/latest/stories/updates-field-4-strengthening-support-fight-covid-19">https://unsdg.un.org/latest/stories/updates-field-4-strengthening-support-fight-covid-19</a>	UNHQ on 5 <sup>th</sup> May
<b>Bracing for a pandemic in Malawi</b> <a href="https://mw.one.un.org/in-malawi-bracing-for-a-pandemic/">https://mw.one.un.org/in-malawi-bracing-for-a-pandemic/</a>	UN MW on 5 <sup>th</sup> May
<b>Young Entrepreneurs in Malawi leading by example on Covid-19</b> <a href="https://www.mw.undp.org/content/malawi/en/home/presscenter/articles/2020/young-entrepreneurs-in-malawi-leading-by-example-on-covid-19.html">https://www.mw.undp.org/content/malawi/en/home/presscenter/articles/2020/young-entrepreneurs-in-malawi-leading-by-example-on-covid-19.html</a>	UNDP MW on 7 <sup>th</sup> May
<b>Business unusual in the face of COVID-19 for Malawi's consultations on development goals</b> <a href="https://www.mw.undp.org/content/malawi/en/home/presscenter/articles/2020/business-unusual-in-the-face-of-covid-19-for-malawis-consultatio.html">https://www.mw.undp.org/content/malawi/en/home/presscenter/articles/2020/business-unusual-in-the-face-of-covid-19-for-malawis-consultatio.html</a>	UNDP MW on 6 <sup>th</sup> May
<b>How UNICEF and partners are helping to fight coronavirus disease in Malawi</b> <a href="https://www.unicef.org/malawi/stories/how-unicef-and-partners-are-helping-fight-coronavirus-disease-malawi">https://www.unicef.org/malawi/stories/how-unicef-and-partners-are-helping-fight-coronavirus-disease-malawi</a>	UNICEF MW on 16 April
<b>Engaging Local Solutions in Response to Covid-19</b> <a href="https://www.mw.undp.org/content/malawi/en/home/presscenter/articles/2020/engaging-local-solutions-in-response-to-covid-19-in-malawi.html">https://www.mw.undp.org/content/malawi/en/home/presscenter/articles/2020/engaging-local-solutions-in-response-to-covid-19-in-malawi.html</a>	17 <sup>th</sup> April
<b>Together against COVID-19</b> <a href="https://www.unicef.org/malawi/stories/together-against-covid-19">https://www.unicef.org/malawi/stories/together-against-covid-19</a>	UNICEF MW on 5 <sup>th</sup> May
<b>Coping with school closures during the COVID-19 pandemic</b> <a href="https://www.unicef.org/malawi/stories/coping-school-closures-during-covid-19-pandemic">https://www.unicef.org/malawi/stories/coping-school-closures-during-covid-19-pandemic</a>	UNICEF MW on 16 <sup>th</sup> April
<b>UK Aid provides K1.7 billion for COVID-19 prevention and preparedness in Malawi</b> <a href="https://www.unicef.org/malawi/press-releases/uk-aid-provides-17-billion-kwacha-covid-19-coronavirus-prevention-and-preparedness">https://www.unicef.org/malawi/press-releases/uk-aid-provides-17-billion-kwacha-covid-19-coronavirus-prevention-and-preparedness</a>	UNICEF MW on 27 <sup>th</sup> March
<b>UNFPA supports pregnant women and young people in response to rising COVID-19 infections in Malawi</b> <a href="https://malawi.unfpa.org/en/news/unfpa-supports-pregnant-women-and-young-people-response-rising-covid-19-infections-malawi">https://malawi.unfpa.org/en/news/unfpa-supports-pregnant-women-and-young-people-response-rising-covid-19-infections-malawi</a>	UNFPA MW on 17 <sup>th</sup> April
<b>UN appeals for \$139.2 million to support Malawi Covid-19 response</b> <a href="https://www.nyasatimes.com/un-appeals-for-139-2-million-to-support-malawi-covid-19-response/">https://www.nyasatimes.com/un-appeals-for-139-2-million-to-support-malawi-covid-19-response/</a>	Nyasatimes on 4 <sup>th</sup> May

<b>COVID 19 diaries: How super dads are juggling changing routines</b> <a href="https://www.unicef.org/malawi/stories/covid-19-diaries-how-super-dads-are-juggling-changing-routines">https://www.unicef.org/malawi/stories/covid-19-diaries-how-super-dads-are-juggling-changing-routines</a>		UNICEF MW On 12 May
<b>Cash transfers help families during COVID-19</b> <a href="https://www.unicef.org/malawi/stories/cash-transfers-help-families-during-covid-19">https://www.unicef.org/malawi/stories/cash-transfers-help-families-during-covid-19</a>		UNICEF MW On 14 <sup>th</sup> May
<b>How radio is lending Malawi's farmers a hand in the fight against COVID-19</b> <a href="https://insight.wfp.org/preventing-covid-19-across-the-radio-waves-in-malawi-5a0a227a7e69">https://insight.wfp.org/preventing-covid-19-across-the-radio-waves-in-malawi-5a0a227a7e69</a>		WFP MW on 7 <sup>th</sup> May
4. Press Releases, Statements and Op-Eds		Author/ Date
Press Release	<b>Humanitarian community appeals for \$139.2 million to support immediate Covid-19 response in Malawi</b> <a href="https://mw.one.un.org/humanitarian-community-appeals-for-assistance-to-support-immediate-covid-19-response-in-malawi/">https://mw.one.un.org/humanitarian-community-appeals-for-assistance-to-support-immediate-covid-19-response-in-malawi/</a>	UN/ NGOs on 4 <sup>th</sup> May
Op-ed	<b>Tackling COVID-19 crisis together</b> <a href="https://mw.one.un.org/tackling-covid-19-crisis-together/">https://mw.one.un.org/tackling-covid-19-crisis-together/</a>	UNRC on 29 <sup>th</sup> April
Press Release	<b>Malawi Govt launches new COVID-19 workplace guidelines</b> <a href="https://mw.one.un.org/malawi-govt-launches-new-covid-19-workplace-guidelines/">https://mw.one.un.org/malawi-govt-launches-new-covid-19-workplace-guidelines/</a>	ILO/ MwGovt on 28 <sup>th</sup> April
Statement	<b>Concerted action is central to fighting COVID-19 in Malawi</b> <a href="https://mw.one.un.org/call-for-urgent-action-against-bloodsucker-mob-justice-attacks-statement/">https://mw.one.un.org/call-for-urgent-action-against-bloodsucker-mob-justice-attacks-statement/</a>  UNICEF Statement on its Support to the National COVID-19 Preparedness and Response Plan in Malawi: <a href="https://www.unicef.org/malawi/press-releases/unicef-statement-its-support-national-covid-19-preparedness-and-response-plan-malawi">https://www.unicef.org/malawi/press-releases/unicef-statement-its-support-national-covid-19-preparedness-and-response-plan-malawi</a>	UNRC 7 <sup>th</sup> April  UNICEF 24 March
5. Digital Outreach		
<b>UN Malawi</b> Twitter: <a href="https://twitter.com/UNMalawi">https://twitter.com/UNMalawi</a> Facebook: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/UN-Malawi-161297557237118/">https://www.facebook.com/UN-Malawi-161297557237118/</a> Flickr: <a href="https://www.flickr.com/photos/186917367@N03/">https://www.flickr.com/photos/186917367@N03/</a>		
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<b>UN Women</b> Website: <a href="https://africa.unwomen.org/en/where-we-are/eastern-and-southern-africa/malawi">https://africa.unwomen.org/en/where-we-are/eastern-and-southern-africa/malawi</a> Twitter: <a href="https://twitter.com/unwomenmalawi">https://twitter.com/unwomenmalawi</a> Facebook: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/unwomen/">https://www.facebook.com/unwomen/</a>		
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