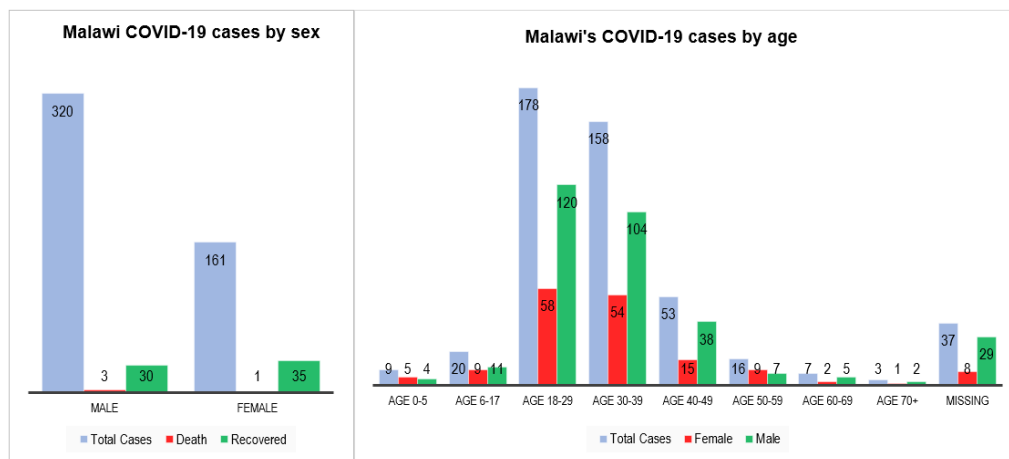


1. MALAWI HIGHLIGHTS

- ❖ SOPS for assisting returnees being developed by Clusters
- ❖ The National Planning Taskforce recommended reopening all educational institutions from 13 July 2020
- ❖ Continued awareness raising on prevention and response at community level
- ❖ Special attention to preventing and responding to SGBV cases



MALAWI SUMMARY

- ❖ **481** cases (**412** active)
- ❖ **4** confirmed deaths
- ❖ **65** recovered
- ❖ **7 009** tests done
- ❖ **6 807** suspected
- ❖ **24** out of **28** districts affected

GLOBAL SUMMARY

- ❖ **7 273 958** cases
- ❖ **413 372** confirmed deaths
- ❖ About **3.7 million** recovered
- ❖ Cases in **216** countries and places

REGIONAL SUMMARY (Africa)

- ❖ **153 287** cases
- ❖ **3 671** confirmed deaths
- ❖ **73 946** recovered
- ❖ Cases in **54** countries

2. COMPREHENSIVE COVID-19 PREPAREDNESS AND RESPONSE

2.1 COORDINATION

Coordinated by: Ministry of Disaster Management Affairs and Public Events (MoDMAPE) and UN Resident Coordinator

- ❖ The **Humanitarian Country Team**, the Inter-Cluster Coordination Group and Clusters continue to hold weekly meetings for better response coordination.
- ❖ **Draft Standard Operating Procedures** prepared under the leadership of MODMAPE and MoH for management of returnees, are currently being reviewed by Clusters
- ❖ The humanitarian response requires US\$251 million out of the targeted US\$345 million to support the implementation of the **National COVID-19 Preparedness and Response Plan**.
- ❖ A **Funding Tracking tool** was developed to record all contributions to the National COVID-19 Preparedness and Response Plan and the Flash Appeal. Information will be shared with donors on a weekly basis for verification.
- ❖ A [calendar of meetings](#), group mailing lists, a [repository](#) to store and share information and a [5W](#) interactive dashboard on the COVID-19 response.

2.2 INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION SUB-CLUSTER

Coordinated by: Ministry of Information (MoI)
Supported by: UNICEF, WHO, UNFPA, UNDP, FAO, UNESCO, UN Women, UNHCR, Malawi Red Cross Society, GIZ

Radio, television and other media messaging

- ❖ Over **2,981,189 people** were reached through **public awareness** local media and other communication including radio (MBC, Voice of Livingstonia, Mzati Radio, Chanco Community Radio and YONECO FM), billboards, megaphones, van publicity and mobile cinemas supported by MRCS
- ❖ Over **8 million people** received messages on **COVID-19 prevention** through television, U-report print media and radio across the country, while an additional **149,865 people** were reached through social and behaviour change communication activities across nine districts, supported by UNICEF

Local community messaging

- ❖ **New materials** were developed for broadcast and print media on testing and treatment services to respond to the increasing number of Malawian returnees from South Africa and other foreign countries, supported by UNICEF in close cooperation with MoH

2.3 HEALTH CLUSTER

Coordinated by: Ministry of Health (MoH) and WHO
Supported by: WHO, UNICEF, UNFPA, UNAIDS, UN Women, Malawi Red Cross Society (MRCS), GIZ

- ❖ As at 10 June, **7009 COVID-19 tests have been conducted** using 14 polymerase chain reaction laboratories and 11 genexpert testing facilities
- ❖ **322 Laboratory personnel were trained on sample collection**, packaging storage and transportation with funding from Global fund
- ❖ Through a **door to door exercise**, MRCS reached 71,766HH (394,713 people) with COVID-19 preparedness and prevention messages, supported by UNICEF and GIZ
- ❖ **Screening at the Songwe border**, mandatory screening at the district hospital of 11,137 people (4,881 male; 6,256 female) and screening of 1,215 returnees through Mwanza and Kamuzu International Airports were supported by MRCS and UNICEF
- ❖ A needs assessment of the **15 pregnant women** identified to have COVID-19 is being undertaken by UNFPA
- ❖ **Guidelines on managing COVID-19 in maternal and newborn health** situations were finalized for sharing with health workers throughout the country through virtual presentations, supported by UNFPA in collaboration with WHO
- ❖ **7,200 genexpert cartridges** arrived in the country for distribution to four laboratories now ready using Genexpert (Mwanza, Dedza, Mchinji and Chitipa). In addition, 14 Laboratories trained so far on real time polymerase chain reaction using Abbot platforms, with Funding from CDC through University supported by the Centre for Disease Control and the University of Maryland at Baltimore
- ❖ The **COVID-19 quarantine management solution** (mQuarantine), a scalable SMS digital platform that allows healthcare workers to safely correspond and interact with those on self-isolation and quarantine, went live on 2 June 2020 and has 540 users from MoH to date, supported by UNICEF
- ❖ **Training of 56 integrated Rapid Response Teams** in Blantyre, Dedza, Dowa, Karonga, Lilongwe, Mchinji, Mwanza, Mzuzu and Zomba comprising of surveillance, case management, risk communication, Laboratory and Mental Health and Psychosocial support workers, supported by UNICEF and MRCS with funding from UK Aid
- ❖ **5,551 (3,502 male, 2,049 female) health workers were trained** on COVID-19 prevention, standard operating procedures and the revised COVID-19 integrated community case management guidelines both developed with support of Save the Children.
- ❖ **Case management training of 20 frontline health personnel** (14 female, 6 male) was undertaken by Save the Children in collaboration with the District Health Office in Zomba
- ❖ **Supplementary feeding programme** distribution continued in health facilities across the 12 Districts through monthly rations supported by WFP and UNICEF.

2.4 TRANSPORT AND LOGISTICS CLUSTER

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

- ❖ **5 tents were erected in Blantyre** to support the District Health Office
- ❖ **300 returnee welcome packets** were transported from Blantyre to Mwanza border by the Logistics Cluster, supported by WFP, Catholic Relief Services and the Blantyre district Health Office
- ❖ Significant **procurements were completed and the majority of supplies received:** face masks (3,593, 981), safety boxes (8,222 boxes of 25), heavy duty gloves (1,900 of pairs), face shields (15,000), respirators N95 (64,500), aprons (36, 870 of m/l/xl), gum boots (1,950 pairs) and Gowns isolation (1,072) by Central Medical Stores Trust
- ❖ On 3 June, **the Government of Malawi approved the request for WFP Aviation to operate an air passenger service** for members of the humanitarian community (UN, I/NGO, embassies and donor community) to and from Malawi with first flights expected on June 16.
- ❖ **2,500 face shields** produced by The Polytechnic in Blantyre were transported to UNFPA in Lilongwe supported by WFP

2.5 WASH CLUSTER

Coordinated by: Ministry of Irrigation & Water Development and UNICEF
Supported by: WHO UNICEF, UNAIDS, UN Women, Malawi Red Cross Society (MRCS)

- ❖ **33,900 people were exposed to hand washing sensitization** in 113 places including prisons, markets, big shops, banks, roadblocks & mobile markets in Chitipa, Karonga, Mzuzu, Mzimba, Salima, Nkhotakota, Salima, Lilongwe, Mchinji, Dedza, Ntcheu, Machinga, Zomba, Blantyre, Neno, Mwanza, Mulanje, Nsanje and Chikwawa districts, supported by MRCS
- ❖ Various **WASH supplies and safe drinking water were provided to 290 returnees**, drivers and health workers at Kameza KCN Blantyre campus and Kanjedza Lodge by UNICEF and United Purpose, and **safe water was provided for 280 returnees** arriving by plane in Lilongwe
- ❖ **30,463 people were reached this week through mobile van messaging and 2,340 with proper handwashing demonstrations** in work supported by UNICEF
- ❖ **Four additional latrines were installed at Mwanza border** to respond to the pressure caused by the influx of returnees from South Africa, making a total of 35 emergency latrines installed in various Emergency Treatment Units by UNICEF

2.6 PROTECTION CLUSTER

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

Supported by: UNFPA, UN Women, UNAIDs, IOM, ILO, Malawi Red Cross Society, Tithetse Nkhanza!, Save the Children

- ❖ Training for women rights organizations to **strengthen survivor accompaniment and community response structures on cases of violence against women and girls** included local leaders, community activists, mentors and facilitators from Karonga, Lilongwe and Mangochi, supported by Tithetse Nkhanza!
- ❖ **Orientation of 150 community policing forum members** in Phalombe on prevention of COVID-19 and protection of children from trafficking and abuse, was supported by Save the Children
- ❖ Specific guidelines to **handle gender-based violence cases during the COVID-19 pandemic** were developed with the Malawi Police Service and Tithetse Nkhanza! will support printing and orientation of users, including returnees

Dzaleka Refugee Camp

- ❖ For the first time in Dzaleka refugee camp, **three positive COVID-19 cases were recorded** amongst recently arrived asylum seekers who are staying in quarantine conditions at the refugee camp's reception centre
- ❖ **The quarantine and Isolation facility** for newly arrived asylum seekers in Dzaleka refugee camp was divided into three separate sites; one for the three COVID-19 confirmed cases, the second for suspected cases (presently 14) and the third for any further new arrivals
- ❖ **Distribution of supplementary food items** was made to 46 (20 Female, 26 Male) children and 10 (7 Female and 3 male) child headed households.

2.7 FOOD SECURITY CLUSTER

Coordinated by: Department of Disaster Management Affairs (DODMA) and WFP
Supported by: UNICEF, WFP, FAO, Malawi Red Cross Society (MRCS)

- ❖ Preparations were made for **cash transfers in Karonga, Mangochi, Nsanje and Nkhotakota** including a review of cash and voucher tools (market assessments, beneficiary registration tools), by MRCS and partner organizations
- ❖ The **Minimum Expenditure Basket (MEB)** bulletin for Round 3 will be published and disseminated this week by WFP, while final data collection and clearing for MEB Round 4 was underway this week
- ❖ **GeoPoll has reached 77% complete for Round 1** of data collection as per Friday, June 6th. Once finalized on June 15th, WFP will put together a snapshot of results to be circulated to stakeholders

2.8 EDUCATION CLUSTER

Coordinated by: Ministry of Education, Science and Technology (MoEST); Save the Children and UNICEF

Supported by: WFP, UNICEF, UNHCR

- ❖ On 2 June 2020, the National Planning Taskforce on reopening of schools, colleges and universities **recommended to the Presidential Taskforce to reopen all educational institutions from 13 July 2020** and is working on strategies and conditions for a safe reopening, supported by UNICEF
- ❖ The **Emergency Radio Education Programme for primary learners and the online learning platform for secondary learners** are ongoing and 53,688 secondary school learners have accessed the online platform so far, supported by UNICEF
- ❖ An orientation package for District Councils and District Education Cluster members on the activation of district education clusters developed by the MoEST with support from UNICEF, Save the Children and the Local Government Accountability and Performance (LGAP) project
- ❖ **Interactive Radio Instruction sessions** broadcasting daily (2:00-2:30pm) are in their second week and scaled up to national coverage across all 34 Education Districts of the country to facilitate continued learning for pre-school and lower primary school aged children, supported by Save the Children
- ❖ A **Safe Return to School Plan**, promoting awareness raising for an inclusive return to school for all children with physical distancing, teacher support and integration of Health and WASH was developed by Save the Children
- ❖ A total of 745 items (masks, gloves, hand sanitizer, chlorine, buckets and scooping cups) were delivered to 4 districts where WFP will distribute in-kind take home rations in lieu of school meals.

2.9 NUTRITION CLUSTER

Coordinated by: Ministry of Health and UNICEF

Supported by: WFP

- ❖ **218,480 households (approximately 983,000 people)** have been cumulatively reached with key nutrition preventive messages on COVID-19 through radio programmes, supported by UNICEF
- ❖ Community outreach activities on COVID-19 by **982 care groups are integrating nutrition and infant young child feeding messaging** in the 10 districts (Chiradzulu, Chitipa, Karonga, Kasungu, Mulanje Mzimba, Nkhata-Bay, Nkhotakota, Salima and Thyolo), supported by UNICEF support
- ❖ **33 members of the COVID-19 task force and public health emergency management committee** were oriented on the operational guide for community health workers on COVID-19 in Nsanje district and 177 Village Development Committee members from Traditional Authorities: Mbenje, Tengani, Malemia, Ngabu, Makoko, Chimombo, Ndamera and Nyachukadza in the same district

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