

Fact sheet - EU Cooperation Programmes in Malawi

- **Overall strategy:** Malawi and EU signed in May 2015 the new national indicative programme up to 2020 for an amount of **EUR 560m** which includes **EUR 250 m for Agriculture, Food Security and Nutrition, EUR 160m for Secondary, Technical and Vocational Education and EUR 120m for Governance.**
- **Water:** Over last 5 years, access to safe drinking water for **1 million Malawians**. By 2017 a further **500,000 Malawians** will be added.
- **Sanitation:** **5,701 villages** triggered through Community Led Total Sanitation on Open Defecation Free (ODF) campaign, **1,095 villages** ODF verified, and **5 Traditional Authorities** certified as ODF. In addition, over 109,200 pupils from 182 schools have been provided with improved sanitation and hand wash facilities.
- **Rural roads:** between 2012 and 2015, rehabilitation of about **2450 km of rural roads and 217 bridges**. Providing over **40,000 jobs**. Under the new Rural Roads Improvement Programme (RRImP), 1,200km will be rehabilitated in 12 selected districts (2017-2020)
- **Secondary Education:** **21 Community Day Secondary Schools** will be rehabilitated, teachers trained/upgraded, and provided with equipment, teaching and learning materials. **33 technical workshops** will be rehabilitated and equipped.
- **Technical and vocational training:** The Polytechnic, 3 trade testing centres, **4 technical colleges, 10 community colleges and 10 community skills development centres** will be rehabilitated and equipped, instructors trained and sector management improved.
- **Irrigation:** EU supports the **Green Belt Initiative** with the development of medium and large scale irrigation schemes for a total of 1,800 ha by early 2019 which will benefit 45,000 people.
- **Sugar:** EU facilitated development of **1,300ha of smallholder irrigated sugarcane**. **Average level of net income of smallholder farmer has doubled** in 5 years to reach MWK 840,000.
- **Social protection:** ongoing EU Social cash transfers benefits **more than 65,000 extremely poor households** (over 269,000 people) **in 7 districts**.
- **Gender:** 376 Village Savings and Loan (VSL) Groups targeting 23,898 members (3,823 males and 20,075 females) have been established across in target 13 districts to provide members with start-up capital for establishment of small scale businesses;
- **Gender:** The programme has supported the functionality of **mother groups** in 13 targeted districts where approximately **2,500** school drop-out girls have since been mobilized and go back to school.
- **Nutrition:** the EU school meals programme benefited **more than 200,000 children in 2014**.
- **Resilience to Climate Change:** EU ongoing support benefits **43,000 vulnerable people** (7,200 households) in 4 districts in the south.
- **Forestry:** EU support has resulted so far in protection of **35,000 hectares** of forests.

- **Civic education:** EU supports **National Initiative for Civic Education** which is reaching out to communities in all districts of Malawi.
- **Access to Justice:** EU supports the **Judiciary** and the **Directorate on Public Prosecution** with a **Case Management System** to improve access to justice
- Over 26,000 cases resolved in villages through the EU supported Village Mediation Programme implemented by Paralegal Advisory Services Institute thereby reducing the workload of the Police and the Courts.
- EU Constructed a new Annex Building of the Law Faculty at the Chancellor College to enable the country train more lawyers. These lawyers help the society at large in entrenching democratic principles.
- **Prison conditions:** EU installed **80 electric cooking pots** in **17 prison centres** to improve living conditions in prisons and at the same time reduce environmental degradation.
- **Business enabling environment:** with EU support, the NSO's Trade Map and MITC's Information Trade Portal were launched in November 2015, allowing for informed business decisions and trade policy making. The **Malawi Bureau of Standards** has also been supported with new equipment and infrastructures.
- **Mining:** A countrywide EU-WB supported **airborne geophysical survey** of areas with mining potential has been completed, promoting the sector to future investors.