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MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR GENERAL

Ms. Martha Chizuma

Welcome Readers,

I am excited to have you read this issue as a second one since I joined the Anti-Corruption Bureau as Director General. Having joined the Bureau mid-2021, I hit the ground running and as the Bureau we have done exceptionally well in the fight against corruption so far. We have advanced the fight against corruption by encouraging corruption prevention as this is the mandate of the Bureau. We have also conducted various sensitisation program to ensure that members of the public understand their role in the fight against corruption. We have also conducted and finalised investigations in a number of high-profile cases and brought to Court some of the suspects. Some cases have also been concluded where suspects are serving various sentences. It is understood that fighting against corruption is not easy. When you fight corruption, you do it for the public and you create enemies among the corrupt cartels. It is not a people-pleasers' job, and it requires people who are committed to ensure that things change for the better.

It requires people with high levels of integrity. It is thrilling to know that the team I found at the Bureau has the commitment and zeal to serve Malawians. They risk their lives and those of their loved ones daily to serve the country and it would be a shame to not be proud and thank them for their sacrifices as well. I have encountered my fair share of challenges due to this fight and thank God for keeping me through it all. My conviction is and has always been that I have been put in this position specifically to help improve the livelihood on the poor Malawian to a better one through the fight against corruption. The partnerships, collaborations and all the other support that comes from the Public within this fight is greatly appreciated and it is a ray of sunshine that one day we shall reap from all these efforts to make Malawi great through the fight against corruption. My excitement does not translate to naivety, that all will be rosy. But as they say, it gets darker before dawn so let's brace for this

and hold on for dawn which is a new Malawi. We are together the people that can turn this dream into a reality. A corruption free Malawi is possible. Let me also convey my sincere thanks to His Excellency the State President, Dr Lazarus McCarthy Chakwera and the State Vice President Dr Saulos Klaus Chilima for their support and trust in me at my assumption of office. The budgetary allocation by Government and the adequate monthly funding have helped the ACB to effectively discharge its mandate. The 20-Weeks of Anti-Corruption Campaign launched on 26th July 2022 by His Excellency the State President, Dr Lazarus McCarthy Chakwera was a successful campaign as it gave the Bureau and various stakeholders an opportunity to reach out to the masses with anti-corruption messages.

We implemented various activities during the period in collaboration with ministers, faith-based organisations, religious leaders, anti-corruption clubs, Institutional Integrity committees, Civil Society Organisations among many other groupings that took part in the campaign. The campaign proved that Malawians are really committed and actively working to rid the vice that is corruption. Right after IAD, our officers were actively involved in the monitoring of the Affordable Inputs Programme (AIP) across the country and assisted in stopping the vice in its tracks in several markets making several arrests and handing some of the people involved in crimes to police. This work contributed to preventing rampant corruption as people headed the probable presence of the ACB officers during the AIP season. Through and through the Bureau is committed and ceaselessly and without hesitation execute their required tasks to keep the fight going. I hope these stories will help you appreciate some of the many tasks we handle in the fight corruption. Finally, I wish the ACB and the entire readership of this Newsletter the best as we continue with the fight against corruption. Together we can rid Malawi of the Cancer that is corruption. Stay glued.

Ms. Martha Chizuma



EDITOR'S NOTE

Egrita Ndala.

Dear Readers,

Welcome once again to this edition. We are all recovering from the effects of Covid 19. Our hearts are with those who lost their loved ones to Covid 19. On the other hand, we are thankful to God that we are still here to continue the fight against corruption together. This issue is a chance for us to highlight how we went straight to work following 2 years of setbacks from covid. Let us also remember that there is another challenge among us, cholera. Let us observe all the necessary hygiene practices to avoid contracting it.

In this edition you will learn of collaborations, awareness campaigns and trainings that happened in 2022. The National Anti-Corruption Strategy II (NACS II) was ever our beacon of hope in championing the fight and a guiding tool in our strategy. Remember, dear reader, that the fight against corruption begins with each one of us including you, our dear reader. In order to equip you with the necessary tools and knowledge, the Bureau makes available to the public the documentation needed for such on its website www.acbmw.org. Please always take time to visit it. We are also on Facebook where you can find updates on our various operations, activities and events.

The editors desk forgets not the challenges it faced in the year 2022 where the fight against corruption faced so much resistance. However, dear reader, also note that we at the Bureau have not put down our amours of integrity and ethics and will relentlessly do what we set out to do which is to serve the public and the country in helping deliver it to a sustainable development free of corruption.

Dear readers, as all officers of the Bureau stand beside the Director General, Martha Chizuma in the fight against corruption, we urge all of you to do the same. Let us allow our consciences to drive us to do what is right and save Malawians and Malawi from dire poverty. We do not take your support for granted.

Taking your time to familiarise yourself with the Bureau attests to your continued commitment to the fight against corruption and for this we say thank you.

For feedback, please email ndala@acbmw.org or jngongonda@acbmw.org to help us improve on the newsletter.

Enjoy the reading!

Signed
Egrita Ndala.

ACB AND MINISTRY OF JUSTICE ORGANISE THE NATIONAL ANTI-CORRUPTION CONFERENCE

The State President of the Republic of Malawi Dr. Lazarus McCarthy Chakwera hosted the National Anti-Corruption Conference which was held at Mt. Soche Hotel in Blantyre on 25th and 26th July, 2022. The conference which was held under the theme Resetting the Moral Tone had Professor Patrick Lumumba as the keynote speaker. It also had a presentation from Unashamedly Ethical, an organisation that encourages and mentors people to live ethically.



**“CORRUPTION
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DR. LAZARUS MCCARTHY CHAKWERA
PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF MALAWI
26TH JULY 2022

The State President closed the meeting with a call to all people in Malawi to join the fight against corruption if we are to realise a Malawi that is developed. On the day, representatives of the twelve pillars of the National Anti-Corruption Strategy signed commitments of what they planned to do during the twenty weeks anti-corruption

campaign. On 26th July, the President launched a 20-week anti-corruption campaign under the theme **"Corruption is Our Biggest enemy, It is not welcome here"**.

The campaign was conducted not just by the Anti-Corruption Bureau but by other institutions and Government Departments and Agencies.

PART OF THE DELEGATES TO THE CONFERENCE FOLLOWING PROCEEDINGS



ACB PROSECUTORS TRAINED IN HANDLING DIGITAL EVIDENCE

Prosecutors of the Anti-Corruption Bureau from 20th to 23rd September underwent Training on Handling Digital Evidence on Corruption and Organized crime. The training workshop was organized and funded by Attorney General Alliance-Africa.

The Workshop was officially opened by the Director General of the Financial Intelligence Authority Dr Jean Piriminta, who was also the keynote speaker. In her statement, Dr. Piriminta emphasized the importance of the workshop acknowledging that conspiracies around corruption happen covertly and therefore, digital evidence becomes so crucial in cracking corruption crimes. In her welcome remarks, the Director General of the Anti-Corruption Bureau, Ms. Martha Chizuma expressed gratitude to Attorney General Alliance-Africa for organizing the workshop. She stated that the training has come at the right time when the Bureau is dealing with several grand corruption cases some of which rely heavily on digital evidence.

The facilitators for the workshop were drawn from within and outside Malawi. These include experts from Arizona Attorney General Office (United States of America), Anti-Corruption Commission (Zambia) and Director of Public Prosecutions (Malawi).

During the opening ceremony, Ms. Martha Chizuma and Mr Chakukere Unamba Opara – Attorney General Alliance-Africa Program Director, signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU). The MoU will enhance cooperation between the Anti-Corruption Bureau and Attorney General Alliance-Africa.

ACB CONDUCTS ANTI-CORRUPTION AWARENESS FOR MACRA

As part of the 20 Week Anti-corruption Campaign, the ACB in conjunction with MACRA IIC conducted sensitization of MACRA staff on ethics and integrity. The aim of the sensitization was to remind MACRA officials on the need to serve the public with the highest level of integrity. MACRA Director General, Mr. Daudi Suleman reminded the participants on the need to uphold integrity and ethics when discharging their duties. The ACB Principal Corruption Prevention Officer, Patrick Mogha thanked MACRA for joining the campaign and implored on the MACRA management to strive to instil good work ethics in their staff in order to curb corruption. These workshops were conducted from 31st October to 8th November 2022, in Blantyre.

ACB HOLDS PANEL DISCUSSION ON EDUCATION AND INTEGRITY

By: Jonathan Chisale, Senior Public Education Officer

On 9th December, 2022, the Malawians led by the State President Dr. Lazarus McCarthy Chakwera commemorated the 2022 International Anti-Corruption Day (IAD) in Kasungu. The day was set aside by the United Nations Assembly in 2003 to give a chance to people in different countries to reflect on the fight against corruption. The theme for 2022 IAD in Malawi was **"Fight Corruption; Protect Malawi's future"**. ACB in collaboration with other stakeholders conducted several activities within the week before the 9th.

On 6th of December, there was a panel discussion at Chikho Hotel in Kasungu on the topic "Maphunziro ndi Chikhalidwe Zingathandize Bwanji Pothetsa Ziphuphu" roughly translated to 'The Role Of Education and Culture in the Fight Against Corruption'. The panelists present were ACB's Director of Public Education, Dr. Charity Mphande; CSO representative, Mr. Blackson Banda; Senior Chief Simulemba; Primary School Education Advisor (PEA), Emma Chirwa; and Coordinating PEA, Mr. Owen Mwale. The panelists agreed that education and culture have an important role in dealing with corruption in Malawi.

From the audience, former mayor for Kasungu Municipal Council, Socrates Jere asked CSOs/NGOs to proactively take part in community education on corruption issues, instead of only targeting offices or institutions. One speaker lamented the proliferation of corruption in churches, mosques and among the clergy, and asked if ACB in its anti-corruption programs was doing anything with the Faith Based Organisations, considering that a lot of corruption and unethical conduct takes place there as well. In response, Dr Charity Mphande said that ACB was working towards producing an anti-corruption source book for primary school, which would be piloted in selected education divisions.

She urged faith leaders to include ethics and corruption issues in their curriculum for Madrassa, Sunday Schools, and Theological colleges as one way of fighting corruption through education. She also proposed that all universities in Malawi should include a course on ethics in their curriculum, observing that it was only University of Malawi (Chancellor College) which had included Ethics in its curriculum. She added that for a long time, universities had only focused on skills development in their curriculum, overlooking ethics lessons, and that this was resulting in a generation of corrupt people engaging in cash gate and other malpractices when they join work in government. The panel discussion was aired live on Kasungu Community Radio with financial assistance from the UNDP Malawi.

ACB REFRESHES ITS OFFICERS ON ETHICS AND INTEGRITY



By **Cannon Chenjezi** - Senior Public education Officer

The ACB Institutional Integrity committee (IIC) organised Ethics and Integrity workshops as part of the 2022 Global Ethics Day Commemorations. The Ethics and Integrity Training was conducted to remind ACB officers of the need to maintain ethics and integrity.

In Lilongwe, the workshop was held at Golden Peacock hotel on 24th October 2022.

*"Let's use the
Power of Ethics
to Build a Better
world"*

The keynote speaker at the event was Malawi Electoral Commission Chairman and High Court Judge, Justice Dr Chifundo Kachale. Delivering his speech, Justice Dr Chifundo Kachale, expressed worry with the declining levels of integrity among public servants in Malawi which is largely contributing to high levels of corruption in the country.

He urged the ACB officers to become models of preserving ethics and professionalism. "ACB is a sensitive institution, compromises can happen in many ways hence need for high



levels of integrity. Lack of integrity makes you a weak link. When justice is not attained, it will lead to disorder,' said Kachale. He emphasized that, members of the ACB carry a huge responsibility and public trust to improve the justice system, it is important therefore, to understand that integrity has no cash value, hence they should exercise highest level of integrity.

He reiterated that people are tired of corruption in the country and all kinds of misdeeds by some unscrupulous officers and 'enough is enough'. He encouraged the prosecutors to ensure due diligence and proper preparation when taking corruption cases to Court. His sentiments were echoed by Director General of the Anti-Corruption Bureau, Martha Chizuma who agreed that "People are indeed tired, and there is need for drastic action if we are to register any progress. Normal has never changed

the world. Let's fight corruption with passion," she said. "If we do the right things, right things will follow," she added while cautioning officers that she will not tolerate any corrupt tendencies. Global Ethics Day is commemorated on 19th October. The Ethics day in 2022, was commemorated under the theme "Ethics empowered; Let's use the Power of Ethics to Build a Better world".

It fell within the 20-Week National Anti-Corruption Campaign which was launched by the President of the Republic of Malawi, Dr. Lazarus McCarthy Chakwera at Mount Soche Hotel in Blantyre on 26th July 2022. Almost all Bureau officers in Mzuzu, Zomba, Blantyre and Lilongwe offices attended the workshops in their respective regions.

ACB TRAINS NEW OFFICERS

By Cannon Chenjezi - Senior Public Education Officer

The Anti-Corruption Bureau (ACB) organized a two-week Mandatory Competencies Training for its new officers from 4th to 13th July, at Golden Peacock Hotel in Lilongwe. This was aimed at orienting and inducting the new officers on the work of the Bureau and what is expected of them.

The ACB's Deputy Director General Mr. Elia Bodole, opened the training and challenged the participants to stand by the Bureau's ethical values and strive for excellence and high levels of performance as people expect a lot from ACB. "Above all, we want the value for our money. The Bureau has invested a lot to build a team of capable facilitators, the ball is in your hands. Add value to the Bureau's efforts", said Bodole.

The training took the new officers through workshops and plenary sessions with Judges, Investigators, Civic educators, Financial Intelligence Agents, and other professionals leading the sessions to equip the participants with how to conduct themselves professionally, promote fact-based investigations, objective and impactful public education and corruption prevention. More than 50 officers from both Operations and Support Sections of the Bureau attended the training. Participants also took an oath of secrecy at the end of the training.

Chief Human Resource Management and Development Officer, Mr. Henry Ngwira, congratulated the new officers for choosing a career with ACB and for their resilience during the intensive training and end of course exams.

One of the participants, Petros Kawonga, expressed satisfaction with the content and skills gained from the sessions. "I am more confident now and will approach my work with intelligence and soberness. I can now confidently interview witnesses and stand in court to present evidence against corruption suspects", he said. Investigation Officers Ackson Damiano, Ulemu Kalikokha, and Deborah Mkumbwa emerged the overall best performers during the training.

Mandatory Competence Training is a compulsory program initiated by the Anti-Corruption Bureau to equip new officers with necessary knowledge and skills to enable them perform their duties effectively.

IICS IN BLANTYRE CONDUCT AN ANTI-CORRUPTION BIG WALK



Part of the Blantyre IIC Joint Anti-corruption awareness procession in Limbe.

The Anti-Corruption Bureau (ACB) organised a joint anti-corruption awareness campaign in liaison with Blantyre based Institutional Integrity Committees (IIC). This took place on 21st November 2022 which was the first of its kind in the fight against corruption in Malawi. Present at the big walk as a guest of honour, was Deputy Secretary to President, Dr Janet Banda SC, who is also National Integrity Committee Member representing the Executive Pillar. The ACB Director General, Martha Chizuma; Justice Zion Ntaba; Agrippa Phiri, Principal for Malawi College of Accountancy (MCA), Senior Chiefs, and other Heads of institutions from Blantyre attended the event.

The theme for the big walk was "Corruption is not Welcome in the Commercial City". This was in line with the 20-weeks anti-corruption awareness campaign.

In his opening remarks, the Principal of Malawi College of Accountancy, Agrippa Phiri, commended the IICs for organising such a

colourful event. Noel Chikoleka who trades as Phyzix performed some of his songs at Ginnery Corner where members participating in the 9.5-kilometre walk converged before starting their walk. The big walk started from Ginnery corner to Limbe Standard Bank and back on the same route to the Chichiri Upper Stadium. The Malawi Prison Service Brass Band kept the procession entertained throughout the big walk.



At Limbe Standard Bank, several representatives from institutions spoke of the ills of corruption and the conscious intentions each institution is taking to commit to the fight against corruption. Malawi Revenue Authority representa-

ACB DG stated that she was awed at the collaborative spirit after learning that the funds for the function came from all the participating institutions. She then encouraged the IICS to continue working together as



From Left Justice Vikochi Chima , Justice Mandala Mambulasa and the Judicial staff, to the Right ACB Director General addressing the populace.

tive said that MRA has a firm stand against corruption such that they have introduced internal lifestyle audits to ensure that MRA officials who cannot account for how they made their fortune can be brought before the law.

The Guest of Honour, Dr Janet Banda expressed dismay with the high levels of corruption in the country. She stressed that, the awareness campaign acts as a reminder to people of Blantyre and Malawi that corrupt practices will not be condoned in Malawi. She further commended the organising committee for the well thought of function and encouraged everybody to resist and report corruption. Dr Banda also stressed that the government is serious about fighting corruption and if anyone is found engaging in corruption, the law will take its course.

it shows oneness in fighting against corruption. "We will unite against our enemy, corruption. We will reclaim the dignity of our country," Chizuma said.

The walk drew participation from Electricity Supply Corporation of Malawi (ESCOM), Electricity Generation Company (EGENCO), Malawi Revenue Authority (MRA), the Judiciary, Malawi Bureau of Standards (MBS), Malawi College of Accountancy (MCA), Malawi Council for the Handicapped (MACOHA), Blantyre Water Board (BWB), Malawi Communications Regulatory Authority (MACRA), Registrar General, Blantyre City Council, Blantyre District Council, and Traditional leaders. The event was beamed live on MBC Television.



INSTITUTIONAL INTEGRITY COMMITTEES (IICS) CORNER

By Katoto Mtambo – Principal Corruption Prevention Officer

Procurement monitoring

As stated in earlier issues, this column is designed to help IIC members and members of the public to understand the mandate of the IIC as stipulated in the National Anti-Corruption Strategy (NACS II). In the last issue, we looked at the stages involved in handling corruption complaints. In this issue, we look at procurement monitoring which is yet another important role of IICs. This article, however, will focus on what members of IIC need to understand before conducting procurement monitoring.

To begin with, public procurement in Malawi is governed by the public procurement and disposal of public assets legal framework. The framework has the Public Procurement and Disposal of Assets Act of 2017, Public Procurement Regulations of 2020, Desk Instruction Manual, Bid documents and Circulars from PPDA. In all matters of public procurement in Malawi, reference is made to these instruments.

Public procurement and disposal of assets is managed by different structures. First, the Public Procurement and Disposal of Assets Act provides for the establishment of the Public Procurement and Disposal of Assets Authority (section 4); to provide for, and regulate, a decentralized institutional structure for the public procurement and disposal

of public assets; and to provide for matters connected with or incidental thereto. Subsequent to the Authority are the Internal Procurement and Disposal Committees (Section 26), Ad-hoc Evaluation Teams (Section 28), and Procurement and Disposal Units (Section 29).

These structures are given the mandate by the Act to manage different methods of procurement. Public procurements are realized by means of open methods of tender proceedings, subject to the exceptions provided in section 37. The Act recognises five methods of procurement namely, national competitive bidding, restricted tender, international competitive bidding, request for proposals/request for quotation and single source method. The Act gives the conditions that necessitate the use of each of the methods of procurement.

The procurement legal framework, the structures and the methods of procurements aim to uphold six principles of procurement. Firstly, all public procurements should be conducted in a manner which promotes transparency, accountability, non-discrimination, fairness, open competition, anonymity, economy, efficiency and responsiveness to modern information and communications technology.

Secondly, all procurement and disposal proceedings should be conducted in a manner that maximizes competition and realises value for money.

Thirdly, a bidder should not be excluded from participating in procurement or disposal on the basis of nationality, race, religion, gender or any other criterion not related to qualification, except as provided for in the Act.

Fourthly, procuring and disposing entity should, in all disposal proceedings, choose appropriate procedures and cause the disposal of assets to be carried out diligently and efficiently, so that the prices received by the procuring entity represent the best value or net outcome that can reasonably be obtained for the assets disposed of.

Fifthly, procuring and disposing entities shall plan disposal activities with a view to achieving maximum value from any such disposals and other objectives set forth in this Act.

Finally, a procuring and disposing entity shall, take due care of all assets earmarked for disposal until such time the actual disposal is concluded as prescribed in the Act. It is important to note that this article is not exhaustive of all the public procurement requirements.

For this reason, members of the IICs are encouraged to read the contents of the legal framework and refer to them on any matter under consideration. In the next issue we shall look at corruption associated with public procurement.

Thank you for reading.



CHIZUMA REAFFIRMS ANTI-CORRUPTION RESOLVE

By Andrew Ussi - Principal Public Education Officer

ACB Director General Martha Chizuma called a spade a spade during the commemoration of the International Anti-Corruption Day (IAD) in Kasungu on 9th December 2022.

Making her remarks at the commemoration, presided over by His Excellency the State President, Dr. Lazarus McCarthy Chakwera, Chizuma warned the corrupt regardless of position and power that the long arm of the law will catch up with them. She bluntly told the corrupt officials that power will not protect them and went on to remind them that they are on those positions on trust by Malawians who will not just sit and watch them plunder public resources.

Chizuma assured Malawians that the ACB will continue investigating and prosecuting those involved in corrupt practices. She therefore warned the corrupt against thinking that since cases take long, they will not face jail. She told all those involved in

corruption that their days are numbered as a specialized court for corruption cases is now in place which is expected to expedite trial of corruption and economic crimes.

Chizuma also issued a stern warning to those who convert ill gotten wealth into land and other properties that lifestyle audits will catch up with those whose wealth does not match with their income. She then assured Malawians that ACB is doing all it can to ensure that ill gotten wealth goes back to Malawians through restriction orders and seizures through legal

processes in Court. Addressing those who use media to peddle lies, Chizuma revealed that ACB is aware of the under dealings by the corrupt cartels who work to thwart the anti-corruption efforts by peddling lies aimed at tarnishing the image of the Bureau.

Chizuma said that such things have just given the Bureau the strength and impetus to do more in serving Malawians without fear or favour. She reminded them that they will not yield anything for a lie does not become gospel truth no matter how many times it is repeated. She said Malawians are

now aware of the corrupt cartels' crookedness and will do anything to protect their future and work together with the Bureau. Chizuma then pledged her commitment and that of the entire ACB to tackle corruption head on as witnessed during the 20 Weeks Anti-Corruption campaign

commissioned by President Chakwera on 26th July 2022.

Chizuma informed the President that ACB officers together with different stakeholders worked extra hard to sensitise Malawians on the evil effects of corruption on their lives and urged them to join the fight. She then acknowledged the financial and technical support from the Malawi Government and Development Partners such as UNDP, USAID, Chandler Foundation, Basel Institute on Governance, UK AID and European Union.



The President inspected pavilions displayed by various institutions on what they are doing in the fight against corruption. Apart from the Anti-Corruption Bureau, the other institutions included Malawi Revenue Authority, Directorate of Road Traffic and Safety Services Directorate, Office of the Director of Public Officers Declaration (ODPOD), Lilongwe Water Board, Financial Intelligence Authority (FIA), Centre for Social Accountability and Transparency (CSAT), Public Procurement and Disposal of Assets (PPDA), National Local Government Finance Committee (NLGFC), National Assembly, and Voice of Accountability mounted the pavilions.

The Climax of the commemoration was the launch of Umunthu Anthem by the President. Umunthu Anthem, is a song that was composed to promote mindset change among Malawians. Let us protect our country by being patriotic. Let us work together to make Malawi a better place not only for ourselves but for the generations to come.

ACB TRAINS COUNCIL OFFICIALS IN KARONGA AND CHITIPA ON ETHICS AND INTEGRITY

By Kelvin Chilala, Public Education Officer



The Anti-Corruption Bureau (ACB) conducted ethics and integrity trainings targeting public officials from various government departments and agencies. The trainings were held on 19th and 20th October 2022. The trainings are conducted to promote a culture of honesty and integrity among public officials. It further seeks to stimulate understanding, commitment and capacity for ethical decision-making during delivery of public services to prevent corruption. During the workshops, the public officials were sensitised on what constitutes a corrupt practice in accordance with the Corrupt Practices Act (CPA) and the impact of corruption on this country. The participants were also trained on personal, professional and organizational ethics as well as on code of ethics and conduct for public officials in Malawi.

The ACB stressed the need for public officials in Malawi to embrace the values of impartiality, objectivity, truthfulness, transparency and accountability in order to discharge their duties ethically. They were discouraged from receiving gifts which might undermine their ability to make morally right decisions and were cautioned to guard against abuse of public resources such as government vehicles or fuel, among others.

Twenty-four (24) heads of departments of various government departments and agencies including Malawi Revenue Authority, Malawi Police Service, Agriculture, Judiciary, participated in the training workshops and they hailed ACB for improving their knowledge and skills pertaining to ethics and integrity. The ACB will continue training public officials to ensure that public officials in Malawi behave ethically as this is crucial not only in preventing and suppressing corruption but also in improving service delivery in all public institutions.

ACB ENGAGES MEDIA OWNERS/ MANAGERS IN BLANTYRE

On 2 December 2022, the Director General of the Anti-Corruption Bureau held an Interface meeting with Media Managers of Blantyre based media houses to discuss how the Bureau can effectively work together with the media in order to curb corruption collectively in their separate lines of work. This was one of the commitments made by the media on the launch of the 20 weeks anti-Corruption campaign.

This also helped to sensitise the media managers on NACS II and the crucial role the media has in the fight against corruption as

they reach people more easily than any other institution. Both parties appreciated how important this type of meeting was in keeping each other updated of anti-corruption matters.

Mr. Wisdom Chingwede, Chairman of the Media Council of Malawi was also present at the interface. He commended the DG for this interaction as it helped to create understanding between the Managers and the Bureau on how each one of them operates and what type of information can be shared in accordance with the ATIA and the Corrupt Practices Act. On the same day, the ACB also

held a Press Briefing updating the media on the oncoming International Anti-Corruption Day (IAD) among other things that reporters needed to be updated on.

The ACB continues to emphasise how all pillars together are key to fighting corruption and how they are all important in the fight.



The DG poses with the media Managers and Chairperson of the media Council of Malawi

PRESS RELEASES

ACB NEWS..

ACB POSITION ON THE ATTORNEY GENERAL'S PRESS RELEASE REGARDING TERMINATION OF CONTRACTS INVOLVING ZUNETH SATTAR'S BUSINESS ENTITIES AND DEBARMENT FROM PUBLIC PROCUREMENT

As members of the public may be aware, the Anti-Corruption Bureau in cooperation with the National Crime Agency, UK is investigating allegations that Zuneth Sattar, a British citizen and Permanent Resident of Malawi has been offering and giving bribes to Politically Exposed Persons in Malawi to obtain public procurement contracts.

On Sunday, 9th January, 2021, through social media, the Bureau came to know about the above-mentioned Press Release regarding Zuneth Sattar. The last paragraph of the press release seems to suggest that the Attorney General is

granting 60-day amnesty to all those who might have corruptly accumulated wealth through dealings with amongst others Zuneth Sattar. The Bureau has received numerous inquiries on the matter from various journalists and the public. The Bureau would therefore, like to inform the public that it is currently reviewing the Attorney General's press release on Amnesty in the context of the investigations it is currently conducting on allegations against Zuneth Sattar and will update the public on any decision it may take. In the meantime, the Bureau as per its legal mandate is proceeding with the investigations against Zuneth Sattar.

ACB ARRESTS FORMER CHIEF PROCUREMENT OFFICER AND FORMER PROCUREMENT OFFICER AT MINISTRY OF HEALTH FOR ABUSE OF OFFICE

On 3rd August 2020, the Anti-Corruption Bureau (ACB) received a complaint alleging that the Ministry of Health corruptly awarded a contract to FJ Medical Supplies and General Dealers to supply non-medical equipment for the Cancer Center Unit in Lilongwe.

The ACB conducted investigations which established that during the evaluation process, the former Chief Procurement Officer, Mrs. Roselyn Mwenye and former Procurement Officer, Mr. Dominic Morgan Chimaliro concluded the financial evaluation without the rest of the members of the evaluation team. This was to the advantage of

FJ Medical Supplies and General Dealers which was awarded the contract worth K983,000,000.00.

On 8th March 2022, the ACB arrested Mrs. Roselyn Mwenye and Mr. Dominic Morgan Chimaliro. They are suspected of abuse of office and neglect of official duty contrary to Section 25B (1) and 121 of the Corrupt Practices Act and the Penal Code, respectively.

The case is awaiting a ruling on whether there is a case to answer or not.

ACB NEWS..

ACB ARRESTS MS. CECILIA CHAZAMA, MR. MASAUKO MEDI, MS. PUDENSIANA MAKALAMBA, MR. CHANDIWIRA CHIDOTHE, MR. LIMBANI CHAWINGA AND MR. HILARIO CHIMOTA IN BLANTYRE OVER ABUSE OF OFFICE

On 30th April, 2018, the Anti-Corruption Bureau received a complaint alleging that the Immigration Department had recruited 210 Immigration Assistants who did not possess the required qualifications. The Bureau conducted investigations which established that the Department of Immigration had recruited 127 persons as Immigration Assistant although they did not have the necessary qualifications.

On 5th May, 2022, the Bureau arrested Ms. Cecilia Chazama former Minister of Homeland Security,

Mr. Masauko Medi, former Director General of the Immigration and Citizenship Services, Mr. Limbani Chawinga, Ms. Pudensiana Makalamba, Mr. Chandiwire Chidothe (Immigration officers of various positions) and Mr. Hilario Chimota, former Principal Secretary for the Department of Human Resource Management and Development.

They are likely to be charged with abuse of office contrary to Section 25 B (1) as read with Section 34 of the Corrupt Practices Act.

COURT SENTENCES KAMANGE THIRTEEN YEARS IMPRISONMENT ON 3 COUNTS

On 2nd September 2022, the Senior Resident Magistrate Court convicted Mr Odoi Kamange on one (1) count of Theft by Conversion contrary to Section 271 as read with Section 278 of the Penal Code and two (2) counts of money laundering contrary to Section 42 of the Financial Crimes Act.

Mr Odoi Kamange, while working with the Department of Tourism in 2013, borrowed a Business Registration Certificate from Esnarth Ndovie to use it for a tender submission at the Department of Tourism. The Department of Tourism paid a total amount of K12,950,000.00 through a cheque in the name of the Business Registration Certificate belonging to Esnarth Ndovie. This is notwithstanding the fact that Esnarth Ndovie had not rendered any service nor supplied any goods to Malawi Government. Later, Mr Odoi Kamange asked Esnarth Ndovi to cash the cheque and give him MK12,

000,000.00 which she did. ACB arrested Esnarth Ndovie in 2014. She pleaded guilty to the charge of theft contrary to section 278 of the Penal Code and money laundering contrary to section 35(1) (c) of the Money Laundering Act. She was then convicted and sentenced to three and a half years. At the time, Mr Odoi Kamange had fled the country.

On 15th September 2022, the Senior Resident Magistrate Court in Lilongwe, sentenced Odoi Kamange to three years imprisonment for theft and five years' imprisonment for each of the two counts of money laundering. The sentences are to run concurrently.

ACB NEWS..

COURT CONVICTS COUNCIL OFFICER AND ACQUITS ANOTHER IN MANGOCHI

On 17th June, 2020, the Anti-Corruption Bureau arrested Mr. Mujadil Jong Malukula and Mr. Edson Masebo, public officers who were working at Mangochi Town Council. Both were arrested on allegations that they illegally sold 2 plots of land belonging to Mangochi Town Council without the approval of the Council and did not remit proceeds of the sale amounting to over K2,000,000.00 to the Council.

On 4th October, 2022, the Senior Resident Magistrates Court in Mangochi convicted Mujadil Jong Malukula, a Lands officer at Mangochi District Council, on two counts of abuse of office contrary to section 25B (1) of the Corrupt Practices Act. Mr. Masebo has been acquitted of the offence of aiding and abetting a corrupt practice contrary to Section 35 of the Corrupt Practices Act or in the alternative, neglect of official duty contrary to Section 121 of the Penal Code.

ACB ARRESTS VICE PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF MALAWI FOR CORRUPTION

On 25th November, 2022, the Anti-Corruption Bureau (ACB) arrested Dr. Saulos Klaus Chilima, Vice President of the Republic of Malawi on allegation that between March 2021 and October 2021, he received advantage in form of money amounting to USD 280,000 and other items from Zuneth Sattar as a reward for Dr. Chilima to assist Xaviar Limited and Malachitte FZE, which are companies connected to Zuneth Sattar to be awarded contracts by the Malawi Government.

Dr. Chilima was taken to Court where he was charged as follows:

- Three counts of Corrupt practices by a public officer contrary to section 24(1) of the Corrupt Practices Act as read with section 34 of the Corrupt Practices Act.
- Two counts of receiving advantage for using influence in regard to contracts contrary to section 29 (1) (b) of the Corrupt Practices Act as read with section 34 of the Corrupt Practices Act.

- One count of failing to make a full report to a police officer or an officer of the Bureau that an advantage had been corruptly given contrary to section 36 (1) of the Corrupt Practices Act.

He was released on bail and the matter is in Court.

ACB NEWS..

COURT IN LIWONDE CONVICTS THREE AND ACQUITS TWO OVER AIP

On 21st January 2021, the Anti-Corruption Bureau (ACB) received a complaint alleging that Ms. Enifa Stefano Phiri conspired with sales staff from Ntaja ETG shop to collect MK15,000.00 each from 50 beneficiaries of Affordable Farm Inputs Programme (AIP) to facilitate quick buying of inputs by the beneficiaries.

The investigation established that Mr. Titani Kamtondo, Agricultural Extension Officer at Machinga ADD and Ms. Enifa Stefano Phiri, Member of the Village Development Committee, obtained MK72,500.00 as extra money from AIP beneficiaries. The report also established that Mr. Charles Sembereka, Mr. Chasi Muloza and Mr. Gift Pahuwa acting as middlemen, also received money from beneficiaries. The beneficiaries were from Chikuwita and Piyasani villages.

The Bureau took the five to Machinga Magistrates Court where they were charged. On 14th September, 2022, the Court convicted Enifa Stefano Phiri and Titani Kamtondo, for corrupt practices by public officers and abuse of public office contrary to Section 24 (1) and 25B (1) of the Corrupt Practices Act. Chasi Muloza was convicted for corrupt practices by private persons contrary to Section 26(1) of the Corrupt Practices Act.

The Court acquitted Charles Sembereka and Gift Pahuwa for the charge of corrupt practices by private persons.

The Court sentenced the three to 18 months imprisonment for each of the three counts and four months imprisonment for theft. The sentences were with effect from 23rd September, 2022 and were to run concurrently.

ACB ARRESTS FORMER INSPECTOR GENERAL OF POLICE DR. GEORGE KAINJA AND MWABI KALUBA IN LILONGWE AND MZUZU RESPECTIVELY

On 23rd June 2022, the ACB arrested Dr. George Kainja for receiving advantage from Zuneth Sattar, Managing Director of Xaviar Limited on account of influencing a procurement contract reference number MPS/SB/16/04/2021 to supply 350,000 food ration packs worth USD7,875,000.00 by unlawfully initiating a requisition of the procurement on instruction of Zuneth Sattar.

The investigations conducted by the Bureau established that Dr. George Kainja solicited an advantage in form of a vehicle and USD 8,000 from Zuneth Sattar for influencing the award of the contract to supply the food ration packs.

He is likely to be charged with two counts of soliciting advantage in regard to contracts contrary to Section 29 (1) as read with Section 34 of the Corrupt Practices Act. The investigation also established that Mwabi Kaluba, Deputy Commissioner of Police and Service Legal Officer, corruptly obtained USD20,000.00 from Zuneth Sattar as an advantage for giving assistance in the procurement contract of the food ration packs.

He is likely to be charged with one count of soliciting an advantage in regard to contracts contrary to Section 29 (1) as read with Section 34 of the Corrupt Practices Act.

ACB NEWS..

ACB ARRESTS FORMER SOLICITOR GENERAL AND FORMER BOARD CHAIR FOR PPDA IN LILONGWE AND BLANTYRE RESPECTIVELY

On 5th August, 2022, the Anti-Corruption Bureau (ACB) arrested Mr. Reyneck Matemba, former Solicitor General and Principal Secretary in the Ministry of Justice, and Mr. John Suzi-Banda, former Board Chairperson for the Public Procurement and Disposal of Assets (PPDA) Authority, respectively for receiving advantage from Zuneth Sattar, Managing Director of Xavier Limited. The arrest is in relation to the vetting of the said contract of procurement, contract reference number MPS/SB/16/04/2021, to supply 350,000 food ration packs worth USD7,875,000.00.

The investigations conducted by the Bureau established that Mr. Reyneck Matemba corruptly received USD10,000 as an advantage for the vetting process of the food rations contract. Mr. John Suzi-Banda received MK3,000,000.00 from Mr. Zuneth Sattar's agent Zun Cheena to influence Mr. John Suzi-Banda to

grant a no objection for the Malawi Police Service to award the contract to Xavier Limited.

Mr. Matemba is likely to be charged with one count of corrupt use of official powers contrary to Section 25 (1) of the Corrupt Practices Act while Mr. John Suzi-Banda is likely to be charged with one count of obtaining an advantage contrary to Section 24(1) of the Corrupt Practices Act and one count of failure to declare interest contrary to Section 25D (2) (a) of the Corrupt Practices Act.

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DG CONDUCTS INTERFACE WITH PROFESSIONALS TO RESTORE PATRIOTISM AND PROFESSIONALISM TO THE WORKPLACE



The Director General Martha Chizuma welcoming the delegates

Sarah Nanthoka- Public Education Officer

The Director General of the Anti-Corruption Bureau, Martha Chizuma engaged various stakeholders through a professional engagement interface titled “Restoring Patriotism and Professionalism to the Workplace”. The interface aimed at discussing what should be done to address the challenge of corruption in Malawi realizing that professionals in both public and private institutions are key to dealing with the vice. The engagement meeting was held on 29th November 2022 at

Sunbird Capital Hotel, Lilongwe. Justice Dr. Chifundo Kachale was the keynote speaker.

Justice Kachale spoke on the importance of ethical education in workplaces and schools emphasising that ethical education helps the society to live a life of integrity and ethics. He also stated that it is necessary to enforce discipline in the workplace to have quality work and service delivery. He urged everyone to stop looking to politicians to change the nation.

He urged the participants to keep in mind that the fight against corruption calls for every Malawian citizen to join the fight. In addition, he asked the participants to ask themselves if each one of them is living a life that will contribute to a better Malawi for their children.

There was also a panel discussion which was moderated by Dr. Ronald Mangani which discussed what can be done to restore patriotism and professionalism in both public and private

institutions. The panelists were from the Malawi Police Service (MPS), Office of the Ombudsman (OoO), Malawi Law Society (MLS), Malawi Institute of Procurement (MIPS), and Medical Council of Malawi (MCM).

The panelists and audience bemoaned the tendency of shielding perpetrators of corruption and unethical conduct in the name of loyalty to a boss, institution, friend, neighbour and others resulting to lack of reporting hence corruption

cases go unnoticed. The ACB DG, Ms Martha Chizuma urged leaders to do a soul searching that will lead to patriotism and professionalism. Some suggested that the education sector needs to improve on civic education by including issues/topics of corruption, ethics and professionalism in the school curriculum.

Some contributed that organizations need to have regulations in place that will ensure that their members of staff are patriotic

and professional in their work life.

The DG extended her heartfelt gratitude to all participants for taking time to be part of this professional engagement which is hoped to help in advancing the anti-corruption fight. This engagement was part of the 20 weeks anti-corruption campaign which President Dr. Lazarus McCarthy Chakwera launched on the 26th of July 2022.



The Panellists addressing the audience



Justice Dr. Chifundo Kachale giving his keynote speech



Professionals from different institutions listening to the panel discussion

CITIZENS' CONCERNS

With Jonathan Chisale -

Specialist in Anti-Corruption Education and Citizen Participation.



Corruption is one of the major challenges that hinder the socio-economic development of Malawi. Malawi is at position 110 out of 180 on the list of the least corrupt nations according to the 2022 Corruption Perceptions Index released by Transparency International. Government and CSOs have been making efforts to fight corruption, but a citizen-centered approach is one that would ensure that the efforts are yielding results. When you have citizens at the very grassroot level put at the centre of fighting corruption, you are sure to win the fight. This approach empowers citizens to talk openly about how corruption is affecting them, and what institutions should be doing to address the challenge.

On 26th August 2022 during Training of Trainers (TOT) for Area 36's Tingathe Youth Club which was held at Mponela in Dowa, participants expressed concern that the youth lack capacity and courage to carry out budget tracking, saying it is a risky endeavor. They asked ACB for trainings on advocacy and governance aimed at imparting knowledge on issues of governance which will in the end give them the courage to question leaders on matters of governance and financial expenditure.

During ACB meetings with Area Development Committees (ADCs) in Dedza on 5th and 6th October 2022, Chilikumwendo and Kasumbu ADC members complained of lack of training from Local Council on how to perform the ADC work. In response, Council officials present at the meetings decried lack of adequate

funds to train the ADCs on their role but were delighted to report that some of the ADCs were already trained by NGOs. Kasumbu ADC members expressed concern on the worrisome trend of some traditional leaders who were imposing themselves to be members of ADCs, against procedures for constituting such committees.

Allegedly, such individuals do that to create their way into project committees, where they allegedly connive with project committee members to steal and abuse project materials and resources. ACB is asking community members and development committees to guard against such tendencies to curb corruption and foster development in the areas.

Furthermore, citizens from Dedza, Ntchisi and Dowa lamented about extortion by Community Police Forums. They alleged that members of Police Forum in the communities illegally demand money from helpless community members who seek help from them. ACB is reminding Police Forums that they have a role to play in fighting corruption as they enhance security in their areas by avoiding, denouncing, and reporting corruption.

During ACB's integrity motivational talks to youth clubs within T/A Chimutu in Lilongwe in September 2022, youth clubs asked ACB to involve them in its activities. One of the clubs, Mthunzi, of Chatsika Village, GVH Mzoti said that they perform drama, music and dance and they can use such medium to disseminate information on corruption. The Bureau assured the youth that ACB is always ready to work with them and added that the

youth can also be conducting anti-corruption initiatives, even without ACB as a pillar in the National Anti-Corruption Strategy.

During ACB's interface meetings with the public, many people are interested to know how ACB handles its own officers who are being suspected of corrupt conduct. ACB assured the public that it has a strict code of conduct that guides the procedure for dealing with officers who are involved in corruption.

The code even stipulates disciplinary measures. There are investigation procedures for such cases. Such allegations are treated with urgency, as corruption is a serious misconduct that can lead to dismissal and prosecution. ACB encourages citizens to report any ACB officer who is involved in corruption.

People expressed concern that investigations of corruption cases take too long to complete. The Bureau is concerned with the delays that is why it has recruited additional officers. Apart from this, the establishment of the Financial Crimes Court will also help in speeding up prosecution of corruption cases.

In conclusion, National Democratic Institute (NDI), puts it that citizens have a right to participate in decisions that affect public welfare. Citizen voice is also part of that participation. Citizens must report, denounce and expose the corrupt.

VERSION OF CULT

By Jonathan Nyirenda

"Do you make a sacrifice in this version of cult?"

Yes, you make sacrifices unknowingly. You can sacrifice yourself, your peace, your relationships, your relatives even the whole country.

The most painful thing is that you can sacrifice what you accumulated through the legal and illegal means. *"You give Caesar what belongs to Caesar!"*

His parents unaware of what activity their child participated in accused other community members and their close relatives over the poverty that befell their child who was once rich, and over the death of their rich child. But he was warned.

"Clement, your days are numbered."

"Who are you to control the number of my days?" was his response. He even tried to threaten the one who warned him,

"I will use all the money that I have in my account to deal with you."

Sometimes that is how those who have been initiated can behave. Few days later Clement was but part of history.

His parents cried. Relationships were torn in the community. Their child who was a pillar departed early. Had it been that he was not initiated in that cult, their peace and relationships with others would not have been

compromised. It is also our duty as parents to enquire about the sources of the wealth from our children. In that way, we can spare them and ourselves from embarrassment, unwanted hypertension, premature death and invited poverty. When initiated in this cult your own peace, peace of your relatives and peace of other community members can be compromised.

Therefore, safeguard and uphold these, **"Reject", "Resist" and "Report Corruption"** for your days to be many on this earth. The cultist is hungry for new initiates. He uses both peace and war to win. When the Anti-Corruption Bureau asks him,

"where are you coming from and where are you heading to?"

His simple answer is,

"I have been going around the earth".

Was not God told the same? Read that book of Job. Understand that his work is to kill, steal and destroy. Just like Job, you may not be aware that you are the next to be visited. When he has tried you with snacks, and you don't join in, he will use all kind of calamities as he did with Job.

There is need of extra strength and care because your family, neighbour and everyone he considers to be a right agent can be used. Excuse me. "Have you read Ayi Kwei Armah's,

"The Beautiful Ones are not Yet Born?"

If you haven't read that novel, read it and you are going to appreciate that we do have Kumsoons in this modern day.

But remember that we are not in Ghana but in Malawi. Just like Kumsoon, the cultist can tear your heart apart in their attempt to initiate you. They can indirectly mobilize your own relatives, neighbours, mother in-law and everyone they know to weaken you.

Be strong! A Railway freight Clerk in Ayi Kwei Armah's,

"The Beautiful Ones are not Yet Born" helped Kumsoon escape the arrest. In many of his endeavours, a Railway freight Clerk tried to Reject and Resist, but he failed to Report. It is painful that a Railway freight Clerk even helped Kumsoon who for a long period of time made his wife and his mother in-law turn against him. Probably, the quiet man was affected by the power of the cult.

Let us not be affected by the power of this cult. Let us save our nation. A Railway freight Clerk, tried by Rejecting and Resisting, but we can do better than him by Reporting the smell of corruption from the cult. Probably, there was no Anti-Corruption Bureau in Ghana but we are lucky. We have Anti-Corruption Bureau in Malawi.



EXCLUSIVE INTERVIEW

With Andrew Ussi

ROY KWELEPETA UMUNTHU ANTHEM SONG COMPOSER

On 9th December 2022 during the commemoration of the International Anti-Corruption Day, the State President Dr. Lazarus McCarthy Chakwera Launched "**UMUNTHU ANTHEM**" and awarded Mr Roy Kwelepeta for emerging the winner of the **UMUNTHU ANTHEM COMPOSITION COMPETITION**. Mr Kwelepeta received K2 Million as a prize. Mr. Andrew Ussi caught up with Mr Roy Kwelepeta in an interview and presents excerpts as below.

(AU) Greetings! Who is Roy Kwelepeta? where was he born?

From a family of how many children? What do you do for a living?

(RK) I was born on 25th July 1978 at Kamuzu Central Hospital in Lilongwe. I am the third born and only boy in a family of four. Sadly, we lost our first-born sister Phoebe in 2010, leaving behind my elder sister Elizabeth and my younger sister the Hon. Grace Kwelepeta MP. We were raised by a single parent, our mother.

You might be interested to learn that my mother, Ms. Florence Msauka, is a niece to the late Michael Fred Sauka, the composer of our National anthem. He dropped the M from his name as it sounded chicer at that time.

I am a retired civil servant. At the time of my retirement, I was the Chief Agricultural Extension Officer in the Ministry of Agriculture, Blantyre Agricultural Development Division. Now I reside in Tokyo, Japan, where I am an Instructor of English at a popular Japanese company.

(AU) Congratulations for emerging the winner of Umunthu Anthem composition competition. How did you feel when you learnt that you are the winner?

(RK) I was ecstatic! An anthem composition competition draws out talent from the cream of Malawian musicians, and this was surely no exception. I couldn't believe my ears when the ACB Director, Madam Chizuma, announced my name as the winner. My family watched me do a small dance around the living room! I don't know how many times I said 'Thank you God'.

(AU) Would you please tell us your music background?

(RK) I began singing in church when I was nine years old. Ever since I was young, I used to sing in the house with my sisters. We used to enjoy singing into empty Vim canisters. I still remember my first musical instrument, which was a guitar made from an empty gallon of cooking oil. I had asked my uncle to make it for me with specific dimensions.

Once we started singing in church, there was no looking back. My sister Elizabeth and I released our first album in 1996 titled 'Yahweh', later followed by the second album titled 'Ndiyende' in 1998. 'Remember, the Lord', our third album, followed in the year 2000. It is in this album that you can find the hit song 'Ámupeza'. I've worked on a few more albums after that, but I have not marketed them adequately. Now I release music online on Spotify and Apple Music and other online music streaming services. Currently, I am in the worship team in my church. I've always been in the worship team and Japan is no exception. I am the pianist in the ICA church and I always look forward to every Sunday so I can sing and play the piano in church.

(AU) What was going in your mind when you were composing that song? Did you expect it to be the winner?

(RK) The composition competition was a big platform to showcase one's talent part of Roy Kwelepeta and the prize money is just a bonus. I composed the anthem when I came to Malawi to retire from my job in the civil service. I learned through WhatsApp of the existence of that competition. Somebody had put up a poster on their status, and I said to myself, let me try. I copied that status and shared it with a few friends who I thought would be interested and they're really good musicians themselves.

I said to myself, this is an opportunity to showcase not only my talent, but also to express my deep-seated emotions about my motherland. A land in which those that practice corruption prosper more than those who do not, either because they have the means to, or have no desire to practice corruption. I have always wanted to encourage all Malawians to love our country more, to be more responsible for this is our only home.

I know that as a country we do not have a really long history because we all came from different parts of Africa and settled here. However, we have a responsibility to take care of the country that has been given to us by God, to be responsible for what we have now, and for the sake of the children to come, to look after the resources that we are enjoying today. I decided that this anthem, unlike most anthems, would be a pledge and not a prayer. It is my hope that every Malawian will pledge to use their head, hands and hearts and commit themselves to making our country the best place to live.

(AU) We noted you sent someone to Kasungu to receive the winning prize on your behalf. What happened? Where were you?

(RK) I am currently in Tokyo, Japan, therefore could not attend the award presentation ceremony. I watched it online though, and I did not miss any minute of it. I enjoyed watching my nephew Kenneth go up the podium and shake hands with the State President and receive that award on my behalf. I was also very excited to hear the President mention me by name in his speech! These are things I do not take for granted, because I never ever dreamed that such things would ever happen to me. I'm truly grateful to God that I was able to experience these things in my lifetime. He gave me the talent and the power to enjoy it, it's amazing.

(AU) Having won the competition, what next?

(RK) I will continue making music and releasing songs online. This will never change as long as I live. It is just unfortunate that I don't have enough time to perform in live events. However, I feel like at some point when I come on holiday to Malawi, God willing, I might do one last show.

(AU) What Message do you have for the youth and Malawians in general in relation to the anthem?

(RK) My message to all Malawians is, let this anthem prevail for generations to come. Let us sing it as a commitment to the development of a country. All of these other developed countries that we see and envy started from some where too, started from scratch just like us. We can also start from somewhere. It's never too late. We can develop our country. We can uproot the evil that is there, clean it all up and enjoy the fruits of our labor. If not for us then at least do it for the children to come. My message is always work hard for your country and love other people as much as you love yourself. This is it.

(AU) Any last word?

(RK) I don't want to call these last words as I don't believe in last words, but I would like to encourage all musicians or artists to work hard, not only to entertain, but also to challenge people to think for the development of our country. Artists have the best platform to encourage and motivate people to look at things differently.

No situation is permanent, things are always changing. It is tradition that times must change, and they always do change.

(AU) It was a pleasure to have you for this interview

(RK) The pleasure is all mine. It is rare to have someone take their time to listen to you, and I totally appreciate the opportunity. For a better Malawi!

ACB RECEIVED FIVE VEHICLES FROM PARTNERS



*The former UK High commissioner David Beer hands over car keys to the DG.
(Photo Courtesy of the UK High Commission)*

The ACB in the year 2022, received support from various partners in form of technical material and financial assistance.

The Bureau received five vehicles. Two from UKAID, One from USAID and Two from the UNDP.

These vehicles have eased some of the transport challenges which the Bureau has been facing due to increase in members of staff. The Bureau appreciates all the support it gets from various partners and the Malawi Government.



BEATING THE OBSTACLES THAT YOUNG PEOPLE FACE IN THE FIGHT AGAINST CORRUPTION IN MALAWI!



Young people play an important role in building a Nation in all sectors. Studies by the UN and different organizations have increasingly shown that half of the world's population are young people between the age of 15 - 35. It is important to note that it is the youth that make up a significant part of Malawi's population hence as we build a corruption - free Malawi, 2063 and beyond; it is imperative to start recognizing the efforts and contribution that youth are making in the fight against corruption.

Young people have got an important role to play in the fight against corruption as stipulated in the National Anti-Corruption Strategy II; the main roles include demanding accountability from government officials, mobilizing and raising awareness about the high social costs of

corruption and to develop and implement innovative initiatives to monitor the delivery of public service as well as expenditure of public funds.

While young people are expected to perform these important roles, they face many challenges which is a great threat to the social economic development of the nation. It is sad that over the years; we have been led by leaders who have failed to lead us by example hence we have seen big corruption cases.

It is never too late to invest in young people now for a better future. Having leaders that are full of promises but fail to implement them is one of challenges that the youth face in the fight against corruption. It is difficult to achieve great strides where there is no trust in leadership.

As a nation, we cannot continue to have great strategies and policies that fail to be implemented because of greed, selfishness and a lack of passion to do what will benefit the poor majority. Over the years we have seen how young people have been used as facilitators of corruption.

This is so because most of the youth are vulnerable and living in poverty hence, they are taken advantage of by people in power. It is high time we as a nation empower the youth to stop being victims and facilitators of corruption and any evil acts in society and use them as agents of change.

Young people are also taken advantage of because most of them lack knowledge on evils of corruption, policies, human rights and Government systems. Our education system needs to be strengthened right from primary schools to help young people learn and understand different skills to help them develop



“It is high time our Leaders start doing what they say because doing is better than saying.”

Rebecca Hami
(Youth Pillar- NIC Representative)

initiatives to deal with the root causes of corruption from an early stage. Another challenge faced by youth in the fight against corruption is our own mindset as Youth.

We are fearful and, in a way, are controlled by what society has to say. Now is the time to rise beyond our fears and take a bold step towards change. As young people, we need to stand our ground and start to believe in ourselves that change begins with us. We should stop entertaining mediocrity amongst ourselves. Nobody should look down on us because we are young. We should not be lazy to get knowledge. We should use our skills and knowledge to make our Nation a better place not only for us but generations to come. A Corruption-free 2063 is possible. We need to be ready to face our fears and get involved in the fight. We need to be reminded that the fight against Corruption is not for specific individuals or the Anti-Corruption Bureau alone. If we leave the fight against corruption to Madam Martha Chizuma alone then we are inviting failure in our camp. By now, we are convinced of the negative impact of corruption which hinders the social economic growth and development of our Nation. It is never too late to

“May we have fresh courage and determination to serve our Nation better in the fight against Corruption.”

Rebecca Hami
National Integrity Committee –
Youth Pillar Representative

join the fight with all the energy, passion and determination because our future depends solely on how well we fight this monster.

THE RATIONALE OF THE YOUTH FIGHTING CORRUPTION

By Brother Joseph Nsiliko and Jephath Phiri, Kachebere Major Seminary

The country consists of people of different values, age groups, the youth and the elderly, the wise and those who are innocent of wisdom and many others. All these people have various expectations from themselves but also from the country as a national-state. They don't anticipate misfortunes but that which makes their lives happy and makes them feel human. They do not also wish misfortune which brings pain on them caused by the "Other".

However, the country has many citizens as they call themselves to be who are gluttonous and materialistic, who wish for more and everything good for themselves without the recognition of the golden rule as stressed by Aristotle the philosopher in his ethics which says, "do to others what you want them to do to you".

In Malawi, most of the times the people who sing the song of fighting against corruption are politicians more especially during the elections campaign but what is on the ground is not the message that is in their song once they are ushered into power. What does this mean? Well, the Anti-Corruption Bureau reminds us that the fight against corruption is for everyone including the holders of the future (YOUTHS).

As stated in one of the press statements, Mzuzu Youth Anti-Corruption Movement said, "corruption is contributing a lot in employing incompetent people with no qualifications or knowledge of what they have been employed for. Hence, the mismanagement of available resources". Good leaders of tomorrow start today by taking part

Malawian youths rise up and make a difference!!

in affairs that affect the development of the community.

There are few "Real citizens" of the country who can say NO to corruption. They practice what is called the common good of the society as Plato had put it and they observe the golden rule by action of Immanuel Kant **"use no one as merely a means but as an end in himself"** me too in my own golden rule stress and say "use no office,

resources, knowledge and property as a means to self-interest and gains but as an end in itself for the common good of the country".

If the youths can take part in this fight, the nation can fast eradicate corruption. According to the National Statistical Office, half of the population in the country are youths, and they are generally more open to social

change and political transformation since most of them have less interest in being in the "BIG" positions. Therefore, conducting awareness campaigns using their skills and talents can help people in all areas including remote areas to know the negative effects of corruption. Talents

like drama, music, writing articles in all languages, poetry among others, can help people to have enough information on how bad it is to engage in corruption in all sectors. As a result, people can stop this malpractice. In addition to that, Youths tend to be more exposed to bribery and are therefore vulnerable as they are involved in almost every aspect in their communities. If the victims of corruption can be involved in this fight, it can be very instrumental in curbing corruption as they have all the information of who and

where corruption is taking place. There may be the few who pass examinations among the many who sit for a particular examination. The right answers given by the few who passed do not cease to be the right answers because many had given wrong answers and failed. The same applies to corruption. There are few supermen and patriotic citizens of the country who stand with their two feet on the truth though many don't like it. There are those who say "NO" when the majority adopts the wrong and corrupt means for their selfish ends. They stand up to challenge the society to do what is right and lawful. These are the hope of the country and among these are the YOUTHS OF MALAWI who are being called upon here who stand amid all sorts of corrupt acts in their communities.

This is a call for mindset change. Youths can make a difference in the fight against corruption if and only if they know forms of corruption and understand what corruption is. They know how much it harms the innocent people. Corruption is a multifaceted evil that affects all areas of life and is even practiced by the people we do not ordinarily suspect to be corrupt. Youths, bribery is not the only form and an understanding of corruption. There are many other forms of corruption

which are patronage, embezzlement, influence peddling, lobbying, nepotism, narrow-mindedness, preferential treatment, nepotism, clientelism and many more.

The eradication of corrupt acts in our society is the rationale of the youth fighting corruption. Any kind of corruption affects



the youths and any younger generation more than anyone else. To be honest, the future belongs to the youths. If something belongs to you, you will not want it to be taken away from you. The one causing pain on it, destroying it, mishandling it even to deny you the profits should not be tolerated. Youths are therefore duty bound to protect this country at any cost.

Corruption thrives when we fail to be responsible, accountable and transparent and when we let greed as a priority in anything entrusted to us. Any act of corruption today affects the future welfare of the economy as well as the living standards of the future generation of Malawi.

Acts of corruption also affect the kind of the leaders we are shaping for the future Malawi.

One does not become a good leader simply by virtue of being entrusted with a position but rather it calls for nurturing one's values from the early stage. As one of the great Roman emperors, Marcus Aurelius Antoninus says "do not waste time arguing about who a good person is but rather be one yourself". Therefore, to eradicate this fierce animal from our backyard, youths need to look at themselves first by starting with assessing ourselves inwardly and motivation for our actions. We should

not corrupt ourselves by taking drugs, not reporting corruption which is self-killing (suicide).

The youths have a big role in ending corruption. Youths are, can make a difference. Crime ignored is crime encouraged. Say "NO" to corruption to have a bright future.

Let us join hands in rooting out corruption from our societies. Youths should speak out and make a difference. What is your rationale today of fighting corruption? Mine is to give the country what is the best, to be proud of her, a bright future for now and those who are to come after.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

These questions have been included in this edition for the reader to understand some of the legal and operational issues in the Bureau.

Question 1. Does the ACB compensate whistle blowers?

Answer: *The Bureau does not give any compensation to whistle blowers. It expects patriotic Malawians to report suspected corrupt practices for the well-being of their society.*

Question 2. How does the Bureau protect a whistle blower from the retribution of losing a job in the cause of one reporting corrupt practices at one's place of work?

Answer: *Section 51A of the Corrupt Practices Act provides for the protection of whistle blowers by among other things concealing the identity of any whistle blower. It also criminalizes any action taken against a whistle blower for reporting corrupt practices. The sentence for the offence is two years imprisonment with hard labour if convicted for threatening a whistle blower.*

Any whistle blower should report any threat whether verbal or otherwise to the Anti-Corruption Bureau as soon as possible for the Bureau to take appropriate action. The whistle-blower should also report to the police as well as the Bureau when there are physical threats.

Question 3. How does the Bureau sensitise public officers and what is it doing to reach out to most of them?

Answer: *The Bureau reaches out to Public officers through Institutional Integrity Committees which are established to spearhead the fight against corruption within their institutions. The Bureau also conducts workshops for different officers as a way of reaching out to them and encourage them to desist from corrupt practices. We also reach them through different messages in the print and electronic media.*

Currently, the Bureau, is working with various pillars in the implementation of the National Anti-Corruption Strategy II (NACSII).

Question 4. Why does the Bureau prosecute suspects using both the Penal Code, the Corrupt Practices Act and other laws?

Answer: *Section 10 (1) (e & f) of the Corrupt Practices Act empowers the Bureau to investigate any offence under any written law disclosed in the course of investigating any alleged or suspected corrupt practice or offence under the Corrupt Practices Act and prosecute such cases.*

Question 5. Which property does the Bureau seize and whose does it become after the case is concluded and the suspect is convicted?

Answer: *The Bureau seizes any property which is connected to the offence to secure it. When the case is prosecuted, and the suspect is convicted the property is forfeited to Government.*

Question 6. Does the Anti-Corruption Bureau have officers who may also be corrupt?

Answer: The Bureau carries out its vetting process during recruitment thoroughly to ensure that it employs people of high integrity. However, members of the public are advised to report to the Director of Anti-Corruption Bureau any suspected corrupt practices including those which may touch on its officers. The Director will investigate the matter and take appropriate action.

Question 7. Is it a corrupt practice for one to thank a person who has served them at a public institution by giving them money or anything?

Answer: It is not proper to do so as it is the work of that public officer to serve members of the public. Thank you by word of mouth should be enough. Giving them money or any item may influence them to serve better only those that “thank” them while neglecting those who have nothing. This should not be condoned as it fuels extortion which is a form of corruption.

Question 8. What is the duty of a public officer with regard to reporting corrupt practices?

Answer: A Public officer to whom any advantage is corruptly given, promised or offered shall make a full report of the circumstances of the case to a police officer or officer of the Bureau within forty-eight hours of the occurrence of the event; and if he fails to do so without reasonable cause, he shall be guilty of an offence and liable to a fine of K10,000.00 and to imprisonment for three years. Section 36(1) of the Corrupt Practices Act.

HOPE FOR A CORRUPTION-FREE TOMORROW

I hear her wailing voice,
Heart breaking and agonizing.
My tears fall.
Stealing is bad, yes!
And he is not an exception to
a punishment.
Look at her son.
Hidden in the shades, hiding from the
light of the sun.
A hallway of darkness, he walks in.
Behind the bars he is kept,
denied bail.

Oh, His punishment scales the same with
treason,
Or is it rape?
He stole a chicken and was given five years
imprisonment?
But what of the corrupt ones? Cries the poor,
Justice is only meted on the poor;
Their mouths are sealed with tape;
they can't speak out.
The rich and outsiders are treated with respect,
despite the severity of their crimes,
No matter the gravity of the case, the rich walk out
freely, unlike the poor.

Look at him, Gaze at her,
They are mingling freely with no fear,
with all the millions they have gone out with.
Hunger strikes in the slums and villages

Yet trucks of corn are crossing the borders
freely borders with full security.
I wonder how?

In the newspapers we read,
Of the scandals we are ashamed of,
Corruption! Corruption! Corruption!
What about our beautiful national anthem?
Until when shall we sing of corruption?
Tough economic times, high cost of everything,
Poor essential service, high unemployment rates.

The rich are getting richer,
The poor, poorer,
They feel like strangers in their own home.
Our country is suffering.
we need healing.
Oh corruption,
a fierce disease killing the masses,

Speak out for the poor,
Fight for their justice; they deserve it.
Don't overlook their suffering,
They keep hoping for a better tomorrow
So, they vote, for a new generation full of justice
and love.

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Mzuzu Youth Anti-corruption Movement

ACB BRINGS ANTI-CORRUPTION FIGHT TO THE GRASSROOTS THROUGH ANTI-CORRUPTION CLINICS.

BY BONFACE NG'OMA - Senior Public Education Officer, Mzuzu.



Director General, Ms. Martha Chizuma, officially opening anti-corruption clinic, Mchinji.

Corruption affects everyone, as such, a holistic approach can be instrumental in fighting the vice. For many years, corruption has been perceived as a white-collar crime and that its effects are largely felt by urban dwellers. However, recent surveys by Institute of Public Opinion and Research (IPOR) 2019, on perceptions and levels of corruption in Malawi, revealed that no part of the Malawian society is spared from this vice.

The report indicates that there are massive corrupt practices observed during affordable input programmes (AIP), social cash transfers, health service delivery, land disputes, police services among others and that the mostly affected are the rural masses.

Additionally, the report revealed that most people in the rural areas failed to report corruption because the Bureau took long to act on their complaints thereby making the suspects enjoy their normal life. Coupled with network challenges and long distances to Bureau offices, it has always been a challenge for most rural residents to report corrupt practices. In view of this, the Bureau introduced the concept of Anti-corruption clinic (ACC),

an innovation that can bring people's trust and confidence in the Bureau. The concept promotes visibility and accessibility of ACB services to the community by being in a targeted community for a minimum period of two weeks. All operational departments are present, of course at varied times, and conducted activities in line with their respective mandates.

Being a new concept, it was officially launched during anti-corruption awareness month in Mchinji by the ACB Director General, Ms. Martha Chizuma. The aim of the launch was to publicize the event and to clarify what would be happening during the clinics.



Director of Public Education, Dr Mrs. Charity Mphande responding to questions during a public forum at Karonga Market Square.

Other regional offices also had their ACC implemented in various districts being led by directors from the public education and corruption prevention sections.

For Mzuzu regional office, the clinic was implemented in Karonga District in T/A Kilipula and T/A Karonga whereas in Zomba regional office, clinic activities



Director of Corruption Prevention, Mrs. Mary Phombeya, presenting a trophy to Kalalia FC for winning the football bonanza, Karonga.

were conducted at T/A Sitola, T/A Chamba and T/A Chiwalo in Machinga District. For Lilongwe, the clinics were conducted in Mchinji and Salima districts, at T/A Dambe, Kapondo, M'duwa, Zulu, Mkanda, and Mavwere in Mchinji. In Salima, it was conducted in T/A Kalonga and Ndidi.

In Blantyre, the clinic was implemented at T/A Kanduku, Nthache and Govati in Mwanza District. Amongst the activities implemented during the clinics included: Area Development Committee (ADC) meetings, motivational talks for the youths, sports bonanzas, public forums, public rallies, radio programs with community radios, service delivery monitoring, monitoring implementation of Agricultural Input Program (AIP) and Procurement Audits for Constituency Development Fund (CDF) for the 2020-2021 financial year.

These activities were successfully mobilized by NICE Trust and Institutional Integrity Committees (IIC) at district councils. These activities were aimed at sensitizing community members how the Bureau operates, corrupt practices definitions, corruption reporting and their role in preventing corruption. The clinic unearthed many corruption issues from the various activities which were implemented countrywide. Amongst the common issues were payment for police bail, extortion on AIP, bribes during social cash transfers and other community development programs, and payment for free health services at government health centers.

Some complaints were recorded by Report Centre officers for them to be reviewed and further action to be taken. Clinic activities registered several success stories from all the regions. Many people praised the Bureau for bringing its services to the people at grassroots level. The activity led to improved service delivery in most public institutions such as the police, health centers, social welfare and AIP sales points. Many people were enlightened that the work of the Bureau wasn't only for investigations and prosecution, but also prevention of corruption which is the primary function of the Bureau. In addition, people understood that they are key to ending corruption in their communities through project monitoring, social accountability, and reporting perpetrators of corruption to ACB. Like any other project, challenges are inevitable. Some of the notable ones were poor communication and collaboration by



Principal Public Relations Officer, Mrs. Egrita Ndala sensitizing members of Phaka community in Salima during a rally.

various councils visited especially on procurement audits. It was observed that project files were not fully updated with necessary documents and that the citizenry were not fully communicated on the status of CDF projects which made the citizens to conclude that there were deliberate moves to swindle the funds. In some Traditional Authorities visited, most people demonstrated ignorance of corruption issues hence low levels of reporting to the Bureau about the vice.

The Anti-Corruption Clinics concept can improve accessibility to the Bureau services and visibility, thereby enhancing public trust. The fight against corruption is for everyone therefore taking Bureau services to the people at grassroots level will promote inclusiveness, which is one of the core values of the Bureau.

ACB IN THE NEWS

Papers carried various articles and cartoons about ACB. We have selected a few to just remind you or let you know if you missed them. Enjoy!

6 PICTORIAL

The Daily Times TUESDAY, JULY 26, 2022

Talking morality in corruption fight

President Lazarus Chakwera yesterday launched the two-day National Anti-Corruption Conference which he is hosting in Blantyre, with a call for everyone to play their roles in fighting the vice which continues to significantly slow down Malawi's development. Various stakeholders attended the first day of the conference themed 'Resetting the Nation's Moral Tone', as depicted in these pictures by Malawi News Agency's Abel Ikiloni.



DIVERSE—A cross section of stakeholders attended the launch



FROM ACB'S PERSPECTIVE—Director General Martha Chizuma answers a question during the conference



ALL SET—Chakwera arrives at the conference



RESOLUTE—Kenyan anti-corruption campaigner Patrick Lumumba delivers a talk



FOR CLARITY—Inkosi Gomani V asks a question during a panel discussion



IN UNITY?—Secretary to the President and Cabinet Colleen Zamba (L), Chizuma (C) and Attorney General Thabo Chakaka Nyirenda interact at the conference

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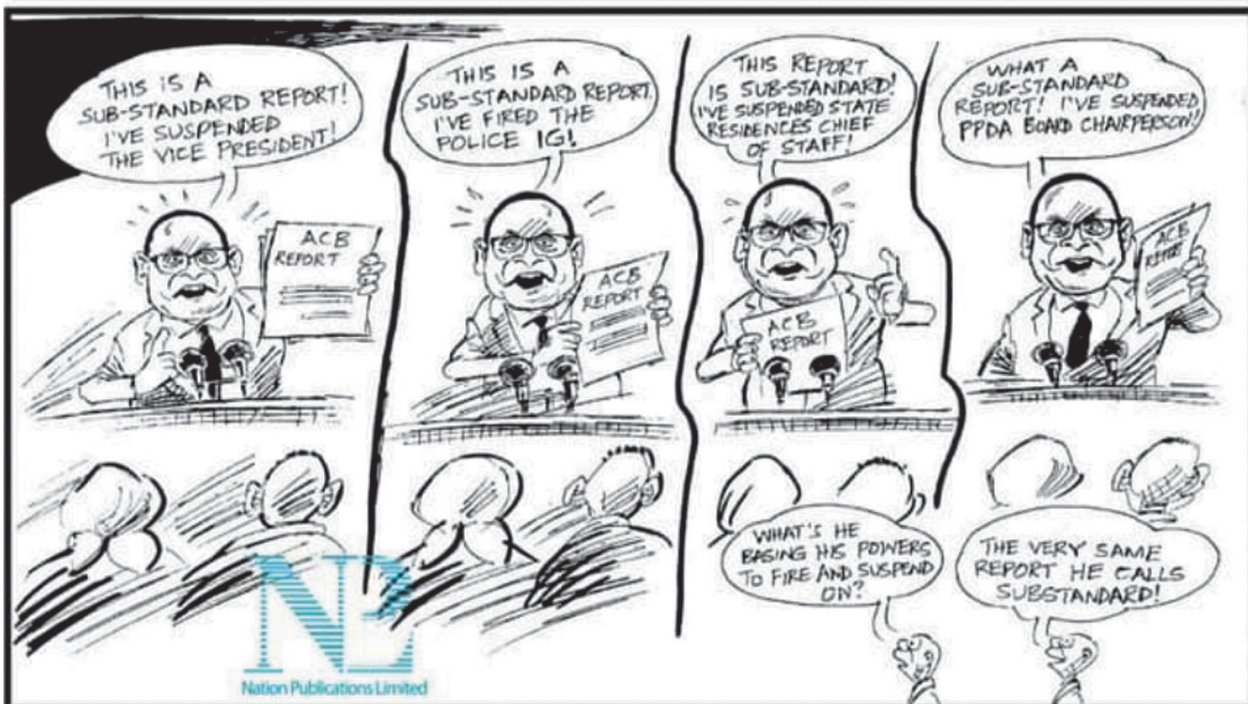
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POINT OF ORDER

by Ralph Mawera



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6 NATIONAL

THE NATION
WEDNESDAY, 23 NOVEMBER 2022




High Court judges Vikochi Chima (L), Mandala Mambulasa (C) alongside Judiciary staff member Mary Mthuzi display a placard against corruption

ACB director general Martha Chizuma speaks after the march

Marching against graft

As corruption is becoming more entrenched in the country, institution integrity committees (IICs) in some government ministries, departments and agencies on Monday took to the street to raise awareness about the vice which is eating deep into the fabric of society. Held under the theme 'Resetting the moral tone,' the big walk attracted officials from the Anti-Corruption Bureau (ACB), Judiciary, Malawi Revenue Authority, Malawi Communications Regulatory Authority, Malawi Police Service, Department of Immigration and Citizenship Services, Malawi Electoral Commission, Electricity Generation Company, Malawi College of Accountancy and Blantyre Water Board, among others. The big walk started from Ginnery Corner mosque to Limbe, via Masauko Chipembere Highway and back to Kamuzu Stadium upper ground. Our reporter JONATHAN PASUNGWI captured highlights of the event.



On the move: Malawi Prison Service brass band leads the big walk on Masauko Chipembere Highway in Blantyre

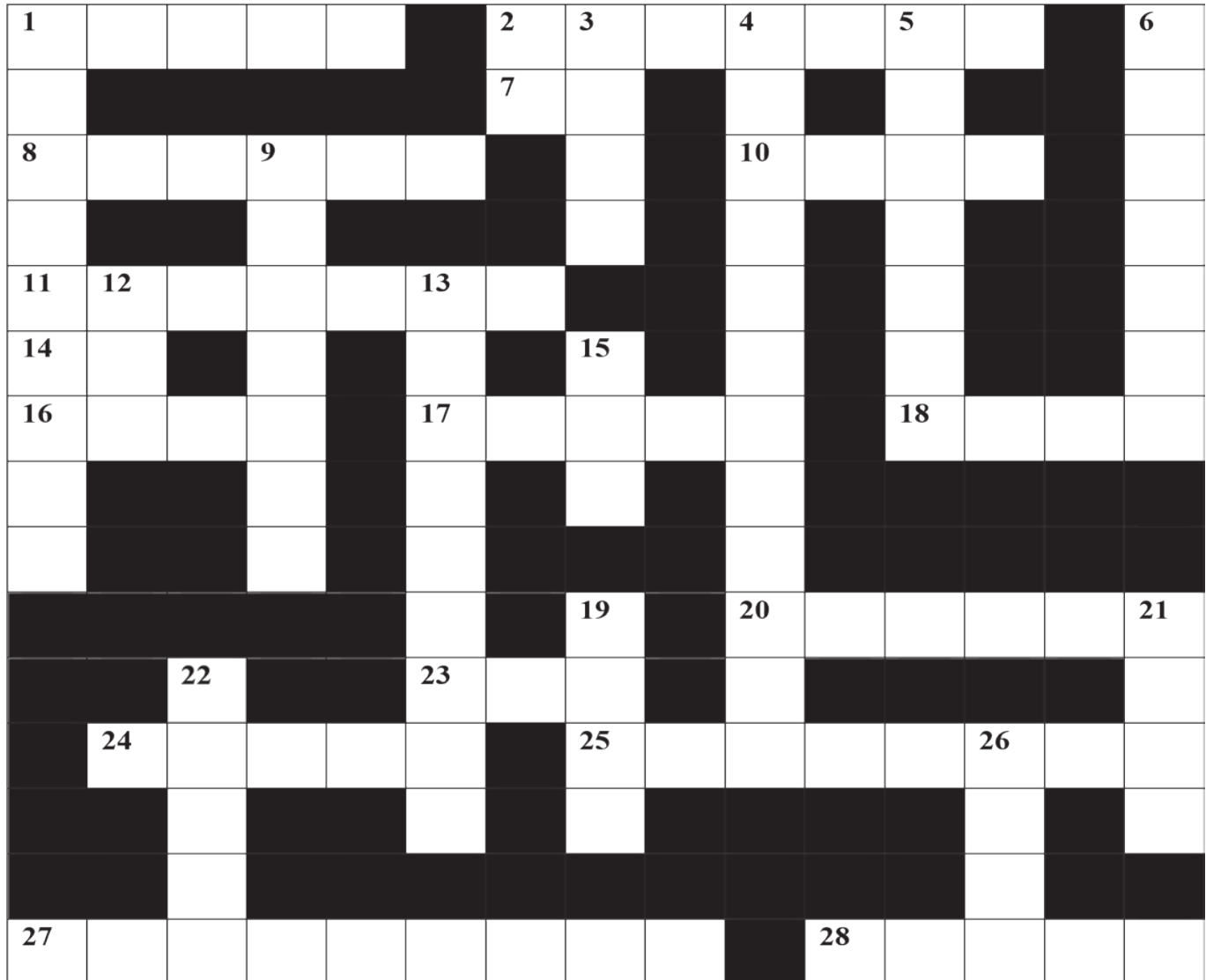



Deputy Secretary to the President and Cabinet Janet Banda speaks to journalists

Senior Chief Kapeni (C) of Blantyre joins the march against corruption

CROSS WORD PUZZLE

CROSSWORD PUZZLE by Susan Mtuwa Phiri



CLUES

ACROSS	DOWN
1 Teach people on corruption (5)	1 A formal written or spoken statement especially one given in a court of law (9)
2 An advantage or profit gained from something (7)	2 To exist (2)
7 Former (2)	3 A way out (4)
8 A period of a year (6)	4 Theft or misappropriation of funds placed in one's trust (12)
10 Temporary release of an accused person (4)	5 First letter of a name (7)
11 Forbidden by law, rules or custom (7)	6 Ask for or try to obtain something from someone (7)
14 A higher level University qualification (2)	9 Obtain money fraudulently (7)
16 Have an obligation to pay or repay (4)	12 A system of rules governing a country (3)
17 A formal examination of evidence by a judge / magistrate (5)	13 The quality of being honest (9)
18 Steal goods from a place (4)	15 Formerly FIU (3)
20 Moral principles that govern a person's behavior (6)	19 Development agency for UK former name (4)
23 International Monetary Fund (3)	21 The exchange of a commodity for money (4)
24 Make money by shady or dishonest means (5)	22 Compose (5)
25 Existing or occurring within an Organisation (8)	26 Expressing necessity (4)
27 The action of overseeing something (9)	
28 An official inspection of an organization's accounts (5)	

THE MALAWI UMUNTHU/ INTEGRITY ANTHEM

MALAWI MY MOTHERLAND

1. I pledge myself to my Malawi
To preserve her wealth and keep her beauty
To treat every citizen with respect
And enjoy my motherland

I'll preserve the peace, I will break no law
I will take no bribe, live with love for all
To my Malawi I pledge myself
My heart, my strength, my all

2. I'll promote oneness, live in harmony
In my search for wealth seek integrity
In development I will give my best
Malawi my motherland
3. I'll care for my land, keep Malawi clean
I will work hard for her prosperity
I will give myself to protect her name
And respect my motherland

MALAWI DZIKO LANGA

1. Ndadzipereka kwa Mayi Malawi
Kuteteza chuma kukongola kwake
Kulemekeza anthu onsewo
Kunyadira dziko langa

N'dzasunga bata ndi malamulo
N'dzapewa ziphuphu, kukonda anthu onse
Kwa Mayi Malawi ndadzipereka
Mtima wanga wonse

2. N'dzasunga umodzi ndi mgwirizano
N'dzapeza chuma mwa chilungamo
Pa chitukuko ndadzipereka
Malawi dziko langa
3. Ndidzamsamala Malawi wanga
N'dzagwira ntchito modzipereka
Ndidzateteza, n'dzalemekeza
Malawi dziko langa

MALAWI CHARU CHANE

1. Nkhujipereka ku Malawi wane
Kusungilira chuma na Kutowa wake
Kupereka ntchindi ku waliyose
Nakuzaya na charu chane

Ndisunge mtende, ndiswe dango chara
Vimbundi nakana, nitemwe wose
Ku Malawi wane nkhujipereka
Ndamwene na vyane vyose

2. Nikwezgenge umoza kukhara mu mtende
Mukupenja chuma nichitenge urunji
Ku chitukuko nijipereke
Malawi charu chane
3. Nisungilire charu nakuchipwererera
Nijipereke kutukula charu
Nijipereke kuvikilira
Malawi charu chanega



SAY **NO** TO CORRUPTION

Castel Malawi Amplifies
Anti-corruption Voice..



Castel Malawi staff captured during the march