MSSRLP LIVELIHOODS FACT SHEET



Social Support for Resilient Livelihoods Support (SSRLP) is a five-year Government of Malawi project funded by the World Bank. The Project supports the Malawi National Social Support Program II (MNSSPII) in its strategy and Implementation Plan. The Project Development Objective (PDO) is: To improve resilience among the poor and vulnerable population and to strengthen the national platform for safety nets in the Republic of Malawi. Specific objectives are:

- a. To improve resilience among the poor and vulnerable population, and
- b. To strengthen the national platform for safety nets.

SSRLP (Livelihoods)

The Livelihood Support Programme is one of the core sub-components under Improving Social and Economic Inclusion, and is being implemented by COMSIP Cooperative Union Limited, which is building capacity of beneficiaries of Social Cash Transfer (SCT) and Climate Smart Public Works Program (CSPWP) to instill in them the culture of Savings and Investment, and effect mindset change.

Project lifespan:

5 years up to 2024

Target districts:

Chitipa, Karonga, Rumphi, Nkhatabay, Nkhotakota, Kasungu, Dowa, Ntchisi, Lilongwe, Dedza, Balaka, Blantyre, Chiradzulu and Phalombe.

Target 70,000 beneficiaries

Component Cost US\$20,000,000

Statistics as at 31st March, 2022

Savings and Loan groups formed: **2,592**

Beneficiaries in SLGs: **47,090**

1140 Youths identified for business concept development towards vocational skills training

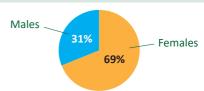
627 Community Facilitators trained as local animators

Savings: MK442,461,966.99 (US\$545912.36)

Average savings per beneficiary: MK9,396.09 (US\$11.67)

Graduation Pathways:

3,000 Identified for asset transfer



• 22% of the membership by this time are the youths.

Packages of the Sub Component:



Basic Livelihoods
Enhanced Livelihoods
Pilot Graduation



Basic Livelihoods Package

Mostly Mind-set Change Trainings on Group formation and Savings mobilization, Business Management, Financial literacy, nutrition and health, gender, environmental and social safeguards and community-based disaster risk awareness

Targets **70,000** beneficiaries from main safety net programs

14 districts

55,000 from SCT

15,000 from CSPWP



Enhanced Livelihoods package

- Formation of Joint Skills Groups
- Youth Skills Challenge Support
- Group Value Chains Support
- Cooperative Development and Management
- Service Linkages.

Targets **59,000** beneficiary households

25% youths

60% females



Graduation Pilot

Aimed at providing support (asset transfers) to SCT & CSPWP beneficiaries with potential to graduate out of poverty.

Targets **8,400** during the five years of the project

24,742 beneficiaries trained on disaster risk awareness and environmental and social safeguards

165 ESMPs prepared

588 joint skills groups formed with **8788** membership

Notable Impact

- Savings and investment culture inculcated in 47,090 beneficiaries
 - •MK442,461,966.99 in savings mobilised from consumption support
 - Knowledge in business enterprise management amongst the Savings and Loan Groups members
 - Social cash transfer beneficiaries' well-being improved

Stakeholders

- Government
 Ministries Departments
 and Agencies
 - National Local Government Finance Committee
 - District structures
- Community Structures
 - Media