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MALAWI: FOCUS ON WATER AND SANITATION

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In Brief

Appeal No. 01.14/2004; Programme Update no. 01; Period covered: January to June 2004;
Appeal coverage: 6.5%; Outstanding needs: CHF 2,742,079 (USD 2,168,508 or EUR 1,793,380).
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Appeal target: CHF 2,933,344 (USD 2,203,037 or EUR 1,888,216)

Related Emergency or Annual Appeals: n.a.

Programme summary: The water and sanitation (WatSan) team spent much of the first half of 2004 completing outstanding work from the 2003 project in Nkhotakota district. This included the manual drilling of three boreholes; the installation of ten handpumps and handpump aprons; the completion of the sanitation and hygiene promotion activities; and the training of nine water point committees. To complete this project, three more water point committees require training and this will be completed in June and July 2004. Work started on the 2004 project and is expected to be completed by the end of 2004.

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This Programme Update reflects activities to be implemented over a one-year period. This forms part of, and is based on, longer-term, multi-year planning (refer below to access the detailed logframe documents).

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Health and Care

Water Supply, Sanitation and Hygiene Promotion

Goal: The lives and general health conditions of vulnerable communities in Malawi are improved

Objective: Sound, sustainable environmental services are established for 120,000 vulnerable people in 11 districts by 2008 in water supply, sanitation and hygiene promotion

Detailed assessment of the project area (Mchinji district, Mduwa territorial area) based on the demand for water supply, sanitation and hygiene promotion and income received at the time of the assessment have redefined the objective and expected results of the project.

- The number of beneficiaries of the project was reduced from approximately 30,000 to 15,000 people.
- The operational budget was written to reflect income of approximately CHF 167,000, a reduction from the original project Appeal budget of CHF 279,000. See table below..
- Balance carried over from 2003 – approximately CHF 17,000 – was used to complete activities also carried over from 2003.

Progress/Achievements

Funding for the 2004 project was received in March. The detailed assessment of the 2004 project in Mchinji district, Mduwa territorial area was carried out and the regional water supply, sanitation and Hygiene Promotion Delegate supported the [Malawi Red Cross Society](#) Project Manager in the planning stage through the production of an operational logical framework, budget, cash flow and workplan in March. The project implementation will begin in June and it is expected that the project objective will be reached by the end of 2004.

The water supply, sanitation and hygiene promotion project coordinates with the Malawi Red Cross HIV/ AIDS interventions in this district.

Progress and achievements reported are against the operational expected results and project logframe for 2004.

Hygiene promotion/ sanitation promotion volunteers effectively cover target population of 15,000 by year 2005.

A standard hygiene promotion training and implementation package was assembled.

Sustainable sanitation promotion (hardware) unit established in Mduwa territorial area that distributes no less than 500 SanPlats to households who build adequate traditional latrines by 2005

Materials are in the process of procurement.

Fifty-seven (57) viable, fully functioning and adequate community managed water supplies in low-income villages by 2005 (50 handpump rehabilitations, seven new boreholes fitted with hand pumps).

From the assessment carried out there are 50 handpumps fitted on boreholes that require rehabilitation and seven new boreholes fitted with handpumps will be constructed in communities that do not have a safe source of water.

Fifty-seven (57) community based operation and maintenance and cost recovery systems established and functioning by 2005.

Preparation of water point committee training manual is underway.

Water supply, sanitation and hygiene promotion projects efficiently and effectively implemented using demand responsive community managed approaches by 2005.

Progress is in line with this expected result.

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Increased resources for water/ sanitation and hygiene promotion projects, and contribution to sector policies, best practices, coordination and cooperation by 2005

Income received is the balance remaining from 2003, as well as a CHF 159,000 donation from the Irish Red Cross. The Project Manager is planning to contact local donor agencies and the Irish Red Cross to advocate for increased funding in 2005.

There have been no national sector coordination meetings this year. The Project Manager has been active in the Mchinji district rural water supply coordination meetings and is advocating for national level coordination meetings.

Capacity to respond, (and response if necessary) to disasters requiring water, sanitation and hygiene promotion response.

There were no disasters requiring a WatSan and hygiene promotion response in this reporting period. The project has trained technicians who are able to respond in the event of a disaster.

Assistance to Bilateral water supply, sanitation and hygiene promotion projects.

The Malawi Red Cross WatSan Project Manager has also assisted bilateral WatSan projects funded by the Spanish Red Cross, Netherlands Red Cross and Danish Red Cross by supervising; the contracting of drilling companies; the drilling contracts; and the training of water point committees. Over 50 boreholes fitted with handpumps have been constructed in these projects and fourteen water point committees have been trained.

Indicative income and expenditure as of end May 2004.

| Approximate income | CHF |
|--------------------|----------------|
| Irish Red Cross | 159,000 |
| Opening Balance | 17,000 |
| Total | 176,000 |

| Approximate expenditure | CHF |
|-------------------------|---------------|
| Supplies | 3,545 |
| Transport and Storage | 1,376 |
| Personnel and training | 21,170 |
| General and Admin | 2,579 |
| PSR | 1,258 |
| Total | 29,928 |

NB: This presentation is indicative only, and should not be construed as an official financial report.

Expenditure is proportionally low on supplies and high on personnel as much of the work in this reporting period has been detailed assessment for the 2004 project (requiring little expenditure on supplies) and completion of the 2003 project. Supplies were, to some extent, purchased for the completion of the 2003 project in 2003.

Impact

Better access to safe WatSan not only leads to improvement in health, but also saves time and energy and enhances livelihood opportunities. Ten villages (approximately 5,000 people) now have access to safe water within a 30 minute round trip from their homes and with a capacity to ensure 15 litres of water per person per day.

Constraints

Although serviceable for this year, the project vehicle is coming to end of its useful life. A new vehicle (Land Cruiser pick up) will be required in 2005. This will require increased income for a similar size project in 2005. Income for 2004 was not pledged until March 2004, this delayed implementation of the planned activities.

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APPEAL No. 01.14/2004

PLEDGES RECEIVED

14/07/2004

| DONOR | CATEGORY | QUANTITY | UNIT | VALUE CHF | DATE | COMMENT |
|-------|----------|----------|------|-----------|------|---------|
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CASH

| | | | | | | TOTAL COVERAGE |
|--------------------------------|--|---------|-----|-----------|----------|---------------------------|
| REQUESTED IN APPEAL CHF -----> | | | | 2,933,344 | | 6.5% |
| CASH CARRIED FORWARD | | | | 31,864 | | |
| IRISH - RC | | 101,175 | EUR | 159,401 | 16.03.04 | WATER/SANITATION PHASE II |
| SUB/TOTAL RECEIVED IN CASH | | | | 191,265 | CHF | 6.5% |

KIND AND SERVICES (INCLUDING PERSONNEL)

| DONOR | CATEGORY | QUANTITY | UNIT | VALUE CHF | DATE | COMMENT |
|---|----------|----------|------|-----------|------|---------|
| Note: due to systems upgrades in process, contributions in kind and services may be incomplete. | | | | | | |
| SUB/TOTAL RECEIVED IN KIND/SERVICES | | | | 0 | CHF | 0.0% |

ADDITIONAL TO APPEAL BUDGET

| DONOR | CATEGORY | QUANTITY | UNIT | VALUE CHF | DATE | COMMENT |
|--------------------|----------|----------|------|-----------|------|---------|
| SUB/TOTAL RECEIVED | | | | 0 | CHF | |