

### DAPP NUTRITION PROJECT BENEFITTING PREGNANT WOMEN



The Screening, Care and Nutrition for the Management of Severe and Moderate Malnutrition in Children Aged 0 to 2 Years project being implemented in Machinga district, in Traditional Authority Nchinguza is contributing towards the reduction of infant mortality due to severe acute malnutrition among lactating and pregnant mothers.

One of the beneficiaries Mary Mayankho hails from Seselua village is a mother of 5 children and expectant. She said through this project, she learnt the importance of eating balanced meals, being hygienic and the need to go and delivering at the hospital.

“I sleep in a mosquito net everyday, I have a hand washing facility and rubbish pit in my compound,” she added.

Close to 1750 pregnant and lactating mothers are the key beneficiaries of the project and between 30000 to 35000 people are expected to benefit indirectly.

### HPP 2018 PROGRESS REPORT OUT!

The Federation Humana People to People (HPP) has released its 2018 Progress Report 2018, demonstrating the value of its work.

The report provides an insight into the work of Humana People to People and its 30 member associations over the past year, including the shared commitment to attain impact, accountability and transparency.

In 2018, working across five continents, members of the Federation Humana People to People implemented projects in sustainable agriculture and environment, community development, health and education in 1,134 project units. These projects reached more than 9.5 million people and represent a vital contribution to reducing the effects of poverty and supporting communities to address some of the world’s most significant humanitarian and development challenges. The UN 2030 Agenda continues to guide the activities undertaken by Humana People to People and its members.

### DEVELOPMENT FUND OF NORWAY APPLAUDS FARMERS COOPERATIVES



On the 7th of May, visitors from the Development Fund of Norway visited DAPP Farmers Club project in Dowa district to interact and appreciate how small scale farmers who are organised in Cooperatives are performing.

Mr Mahara Nyirenda, a representative from Development Fund of Norway said she was impressed with the activities the farmers are carrying out in the project applauding that the cooperatives are performing well.

The project is being implemented with funding support from the DAPP Social Development Fund (SDF) and the Ministry of Trade and Industries through the Trade Related Facility (TRF) project.

In Dowa district, the project is in areas of Traditional Authority Msakambewa, Mkukula, Chakhaza, Dzoole, working with 6000 farmers who are organized in 80 clubs and 7 Cooperatives.

## PLANNING IS KEY IN DEVELOPMENT

Blantyre District Development Plan and Social Economic Profile Launched

On 10 May 2019, DAPP Malawi through Chilangoma Teachers Training College (TTC) participated in the launch of the Blantyre District Development Plan (DDP) and Socio-Economic Profile (SEP).

The launch took place at Chisenjere Ground in Lunzu, Blantyre district.

The Director of Rural Development Ms. Malango Bottoman who was the guest of honour emphasized on the importance of local development planning for all the councils in the country.



The Blantyre District SEP contains the situation analysis of the current state of development gaps and opportunities that exists in the District while the DDP contains a monitoring and evaluation framework that will be used to track the progress in the implementation of the projects.

Student teachers and Tailoring students from DAPP Chilangoma made displays of some of the products made during their course of training.

## SKILLS TRAINING EMPOWER YOUTH

Satellite Centres in the four DAPP Teacher Training Colleges (TTC) under DAPP Mikolongwe Vocational School have in the month of May 2019 been holding Open days to showcase products made during their course of training.

Mzimba, Dowa, Amalika and Chilangoma TTCs enrolled teams of 30 young women and adolescent girls who undertake a four-month Tailoring training in the Satellite centres.

In Mzimba, the centre is also hosting students that are



being trained in Cobbler and Shoe Making course.

The Open Day activities took place at Mzimba, Dowa and Amalika TTCs.

In all centres, the activities saw representation from the District Youth Offices, District Social Welfare Offices, local leaders and community members. For Mzimba district Mr Samuel Gondwe who challenged the youth to put much effort in the training.

The DYO for Mzimba district Mr Samuel Banda encouraged the students to not hesitate seeking assistance from his office as its sole purpose is to support youth in the district.

The students receiving training in the Satellite centres work in groups of three known as trio through they share ideas and experiences on how to improve their skills.

In thier trios, they receive start up tools, which include sewing machines, after training to establish small scale businesses.

DAPP Mikolongwe Vocational School with funding assistance from Sympany of Netherlands introduced the Mzimba Cobbler and Shoe Making course with an aim of reaching out to more youth with vocational and entrepreneurial skills.

