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Quick Facts

Countries	Malawi
Specific Location	Mwanza and Ntchisi districts
Financial Institutions	World Bank (WB)
Status	Approved
Bank Risk Rating	B
Voting Date	2018-07-27
Borrower	Government of Malawi
Sectors	Education and Health
Investment Type(s)	Advisory Services
Project Cost (USD)	$ 2.73 million

Project Description

The objective of the project is to increase production and consumption of nutritious foods among selected adolescent female and males in targeted project areas in the districts of Mwanza and Ntchisi. The objectiove will be achieved through:

i. mobilizing communities to enhance nutrition-sensitive agriculture, life skills, and nutrition of selected female and male adolescents aged 10-19 years through formation of girls only and boys' clubs/ groups.
ii. strengthening production and consumption of nutritious foods; and
iii. supporting project management, policy advocacy, monitoring and evaluation, and knowledge dissemination.

As a pilot project, the focus will be on promoting innovativeness and informing scale up and replication. The project will be structured into 3 components

1. Community mobilization and capacity building to enhance nutrition sensitive agriculture - This component will mobilize communities to improve nutrition-sensitive agriculture, nutrition and foster development of life skills including financial literacy and livelihood development skills. This component is divided into two
   sub components:
   i. Community mobilization. The first six (6) months of the project will involve active engagement, introduction and identification of key collaborators and participants of the project.
   ii. Capacity Building. In line with the Multi Sector Nutrition Policy and Strategic Plan, front line Extension workers (and district subject matter specialists) from Agriculture, Health and Community Development will empower the group promoters, peer leaders to roll out the project activities on the ground, while community development facilitators will coordinate the implementation of the work.
2. Strengthening production and consumption of nutritious foods. The primary target for this component shall be adolescents in and out of school, and pregnant/lactating adolescentn women in selected communities.
   i. Implementation of nutrition-sensitive agriculture interventions. This sub-component will strengthen the production capacities of primary beneficiaries for nutritious crops and animal source food.
   ii. Nutrition Education and Communication. The objective of this sub-component is to promote demand for nutritious foods and behavioral change on food
   consumption practices among beneficiary groups and their households.
3. Project Management and Administration, M&E and Knowledge Management This component will be delivered through three sub components:
   i. Project Management and Administration: This sub-component will cover operating costs for the project, including office space and supplies, computers, communications equipment, and transportation costs for delivering the project.
   ii. Monitoring and Evaluation: The implementing agency (FUM) will manage M&E activities
   iii. Knowledge Dissemination and Learning: The project will establish a process for regular documentation and dissemination of project achievements through, project launch, midterm workshop at District level, final workshops at both District and national levels.

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Bank Documents

- Appraisal Integrated Safeguards Data Sheet(ISDS) - Adolescent Nutrition-Sensitive Agriculture Pilot [Original Source]
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