



COMMITMENT DOCUMENT FOR THE GOVERNMENT OF MALAWI TO THE SCHOOL MEALS COALITION

The government of Malawi expresses its strong support for the scale up of the school meals programme to achieve 100% coverage of school meals in Malawian public primary schools by 2030. The government focuses on expanding school meals to all public primary schools through a phased, scalable approach and creating sustainable, community-driven food systems. This signifies the country's strong commitment to improving the nutritional status, and education outcomes of children through the provision of school meals.

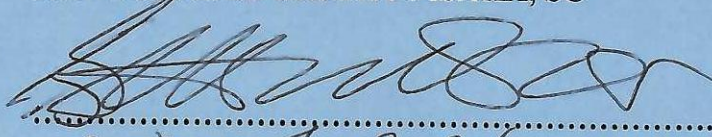
Malawi is convinced that scaling up the school meals programme is an essential step toward improving education, nutrition, and agricultural productivity while building resilience to climatic shocks. By promoting community ownership, enhancing accountability, and integrating climate-smart agricultural practices, the programme will provide sustainable, nutritious meals to all school going children thereby laying a strong foundation to the country's long-term development goals.

The government of Malawi joined the School Meals Coalition in October 2023 and hereby commits to achieve the following:

1. **Develop and implement a School Meals Expansion Road Map to guide scaling up of the school meals programme**
2. **Develop and execute a sustainable financing strategy for the school meals programme**
3. **Progressively scale up school meals to all public primary schools by 2030**
4. **Gradually increase public financing for the school meals programme**
5. **Review, develop, and update relevant policies, strategies, and guidelines, on school meals to support the growth and sustainability of the school meals programme**
6. **Produce high-quality research and evidence to inform policy and provide actionable recommendations that advance the scale-up of school meal programmes**
7. **Improve collaboration, coordination and experience sharing on school meals programming at local, national, regional and international levels**
8. **Capacity strengthening for school meals coordination structures and stakeholders**

Commitments Endorsed by the Minister of Education, Science and Technology

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