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2nd September, 2021,

From: Executive Director, Partners in Action for Sustainable Development

To : The President, Hope for Malawi Foundation Inc.

Cc: The Chairperson and all Board members. PASD Advisory Board.

Re : <u>Progress Report on Malakamu school construction - Mlumbe area.</u>

Dear all,

Kindly see this second report on Malakamu school construction project which is estimated to complete by October 2021. The construction project started very well as all the resources which were meant to be mobilised locally like bricks and sand were readily available. Communities moulded bricks for the project two years prior to the commencement of the project. This has, however, posed a challenge as the bricks have overstayed and most of them are just eroding in the process, calling for urgent need of new bricks. We have hence been forced to stop the project temporarily as communities have embarked on moulding new bricks. The completion of this school largely depends on villagers' dedication towards supply of local building materials which include bricks, water and sand. Donor contribution was made available in good time hence all building materials other than the local ones are already available in the village stores.



The above picture shows Malakamu school construction which was temporarily stopped the past two weeks. The villagers have now started moulding additional bricks at the construction site for convenience, which will be burnt for the completion of the school structure, a kitchen and a bakery and toilet.



Left front angle view of the building. New bricks are laid around the building waiting to be burnt by the community.



Left rear angle view of the building.

Malakamu School is designed to have all necessary features that qualifies it to be child friendly and conducive for learning. Key among the features will be a toilet, a kitchen, swings and see-saw in the play field, drawings inside and out of its walls. There will also be a bakery for women to engage in income generation activities. The whole work was estimated at a total of MK15,082,305.00 an equivalence of USD 20,109.74.

In order to bring the desired outcome we have encouraged the community to make their contributions thoroughly in order not to disturb the project budget hence we will not buy any bricks or sand to encourage total community involvement.

Gratitude to the entire family of Hope for Malawi Foundation for supporting Malakamu village through the project. May God continue to bless you for your generousity.

Yours Sincerely

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