LISUNGWI PARISH BOREHOLE PROJECT REPORT





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INTRODUCTION

Lisungwi parish is one of the Parishes in the Diocese of Upper Shire that is found within the Shire Archdeaconry. Its main station and the Parish headquarters St. Thomas is located within Phalura Trading Centre along the M1 road that stretches from Chingeni Turn off to Zalewa. The Station has over 150 parishioners and is surrounded two main villages which is a habitant of over 200 people. However, for the past eight (8) Years people from this area including the Parish Priest and congregants have been strangling to access quality water for their household use. This prompted the Parish Priest to come up with a project proposal to construct a new borehole in the area to address these challenges which was funded by the Malawi Association for Christian Support (MACS). This is therefore a report of the project.

"This is a dream came true we have been looking for this project for a long time. This borehole will also help us to do irrigation farming at the Church."

Kenson Thumuliwa – Parish Warden

With Support from the Mission Partners, the Malawi Association for Christian Support (MACS) The Parish has a new borehole which has been constructed to the tune of MK 5, 800, 000 (Five Million Eight Hundred Thousand kwacha only). In this report we will highlight the key activities throughout the project life cycle.

COMMUNITY ENTRY MEETING

A community entry meeting was conducted to brief the community members (beneficiaries) on how the project will be run, managed and financed. The meeting which was co-chaired by MACS Representative – Mr. Tione and Diocesan Projects officer – Mr. Mnelemba also highlighted on the roles to be played by each party this the community, Contractor, Diocese and MACS. Then the draft contract was shared and discussed with all parties and agreed on.

CONTRACT SIGNING

On 9th February, 2024 the Contract agreement between Lisungwi Parish as Client and Thamz Investments as Contractor amounting to MK 5, 800, 000 was signed witnessed by the Diocesan representative. Among others the Contract stipulated the scope of works, Responsibilities of both parties, Financing and completion of the project among others.

GEOGRAPHICAL STUDIES

Upon receipt of the first upfront payment of 82% of the contract sum, the contractor was handed over the project site and conducted the geographical studies which showed the presence and availability of water within the parish land and assured the client that the work will be done. The preliminary results showed two best sites as having water at 20 meters and 25 meters respectively. However, the two parties had to discuss the site based on other factors and agreed on the actual site.



INSTALLATION AND TRAINING OF COMMITTEE



On the 11th of February, 2024 the Contractor and its technicians Installed the remaining parts of the borehole and at the same time take time to conduct a basic training for 10 committee members on borehole maintenance and repairs. The committee which is made up of 6 women and 4 men had time to do the practical training as presented in the pictures above. The training has been ongoing since day one of the project.

MASONRY WORKS



The Pictures shows the different stages of Masonry works.

HAPPY FACES



THANK YOU!!