

NATIONAL REGISTRATION AND IDENTIFICATION SYSTEM (NRIS) **PROJECT**

Quarterly Progress report (01 January 2021 to 31 March 2021)

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Outcome:	and identification system in Malawi.
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	Identity card in 2017.
	2. NRIS inclusive of birth registration is transitioned to a permanent
	and continuous registration system.
	3. Government MDAs and private institutions are assisted to adopt the
	use of the NRIS (unique ID and the Birth Certificates).
	4. Up to 8.4 million Malawian children are registered with unique
	national identification (ID) numbers and issued with Birth Certificates
	by 2021
	5. Project is efficiently managed, staffed and coordinated, and is
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Acronyms

ADR Assistant District Registrar BRK Biometric Registration Kit

Common Market for Eastern and Southern Africa COMESA

Credit Reference Bureau CRB

CRVS Civil Registration and Vital Statistics **CSCA Country Signing Certificate Authority**

COVID-19 Corona Virus Disease-2019

DFID Department for International Development

DHRMD Department of Human Resource Management and Development

DRO **District Registration Office**

EBRS Electronic Birth Registration System

EGPAF Elizabeth Glaser of the Paediatric AIDS Foundation

Electricity Supply Commission of Malawi ESCOM

EU **European Union FCB** First Capital Bank

GWAN Government Wide Area Network

HQ Headquarters

ICAO International Civil Aviation Organization

Malawi Electoral Commission MEC

MDAs Ministries, Departments and Agencies **Management Information System Officer** MISO

MoJ Ministry of Justice

Memorandum of Understanding MoU MRA Malawi Revenue Authority

NEEF National Economic Empowerment Fund

NRB National Registration Bureau

National Registration and Identification System Project **NRIS**

PO Post Office

RO **Registration Officers** PKI Public Key Infrastructure **Principal Registration Officer PRO**

Southern African Development Community SADC

SDGs Sustainable Development Goals United Nations Children's Fund UNICEF

UNDP United Nations Development Programme

USAID United States Agency for International Development

1. Executive Summary

The purpose of the National Registration and Identification System (NRIS) Project is to establish a permanent and continuous national registration and identification system in Malawi. The project will contribute to Government's efforts to guarantee the fundamental right to identity, entitlement, and enjoyment of full citizenship in Malawi.

The initiative is consistent with Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) 16 to: "promote peaceful and inclusive societies for sustainable development, provide access to justice for all and build effective, accountable and inclusive institutions at all levels." Specifically, the NRIS will address SDG Target 16.9 that refers to providing a legal identity for all and will also facilitate the goal of achieving comprehensive birth registration by 2030. The Whole of Government impact of the system will offer improvements in planning, service delivery, and the operation of administrative systems supported by a functional NRIS.

This progress report presents a summary of work completed for the NRIS project for the first quarter (01 January – 31 March 2021).

Key milestones achieved during the reporting period include the following:

- The continuous national ID registration is progressing in 28 district registration offices and 33 post offices. The total registration for the national ID in the first quarter of 2021 was 8779, out of which 4775 were male and 4004 were females. The number is much lesser than the expected number i.e., 125,000 per quarter.
- The Ministry of Agriculture officially reported that the cost savings gained because of linking the National ID with their AIP system was about US\$ 28,000,000.
- The linkage of the e-Passport System and the National Registration Identification System means that passport applicants are now able to use national identity cards to validate passport applications. Using the National ID for this purpose has eliminated the previous vetting costs which were incurred during the screening process of applicants' identification documents, hence enhancing efficiency and effectiveness in the issuance of passports. This linkage will shorten the process as well as save approximately 500,000 USD per year.
- An official report from MACRA on SIM card registrations linked with National IDs revealed that 88% of TNM and 96% of Airtel customers now have SIM cards linked with their national ID. Overall 92.4% of the SIMs on average in Malawi are therefore linked to National ID.
- The training of NRB IT staff on the Public Key Infrastructure (PKI) and CSCA management was completed. The NRB team was trained for 3 days on the installation and configuration of the SignServer or Document Signer (DS). NRB now has in-house capacities to manage PKI and CSCA which are a core component of the NRIS system.
- The 30th NRIS Technical Committee was held on 25th February 2021 which approved the Annual Work Plan provided, noting there may be a possibility of changes based on the availability of funds and Covid-19 restriction implications.

2. Implementation Progress

Brief Background

Malawi endures a structural development challenge in the absence of an authoritative, comprehensive and accurate system of national identification. Fundamentally undermining most citizens' right to identity, the consequences are multi-sectoral, where citizens' access and entitlement to services are uncertain.

Unlike many countries in the Southern African Development Community (SADC) or Common Market for Southern and Eastern Africa (COMESA), Malawi has had no functional national registry and identification system for decades. Moreover, Malawi is only now starting to reestablish its system of civil registration and vital statistics (CRVS), to comprehensively register births, deaths, and marriages. The absence of these two systems (NRIS and CRVS, collectively known as a population register), which are mandates of the NRB within the Ministry of Home Affairs and Internal Security, undermines an individual's ability to claim their citizen's rights and services, as well as Government's ability to fulfil its obligations to provide inclusive social services, accountable administrative systems, and to foster evidence-based policy formulation and decision-making.

Efforts in various arenas have led to fragmented initiatives, creating costly or unsustainable silos of information, while also imposing institutional and technical obstacles to interlink information. The Malawi National Registration Act (No. 13 of 2010) which entered into force in August 2015 requires all Malawians 16 years of age and older to be registered in a National Registry and to be issued with an identity card. The National Registration Bureau (NRB) is mandated to administer this task.

As such, UNDP – with financial and technical support from key Development Partners - and in partnership with the National Registration Bureau is implementing a multi-Donor Basket funded National Registration and Identification System (NRIS) Project (2016 - 2018). The Project seeks to actualize the Right to Identity, ensuring that all Malawians 16 years and older are uniquely registered in a permanent and continuous system that provides proof of their identity, and to be issued with an identity card that is evidence of that identity. Correspondingly, the system will establish the management information systems that will allow Government and stakeholders to access and use that information in aggregate for planning, and as a central reference point for individual identity to be linked across multiple systems. Simultaneously, the management information systems and identity cards will enable the strengthening of accountability and verification processes within both the public and private sector domains that will enhance services for Malawi's citizens.

The expected results of the original Project were to: design, establish and manage the necessary systems, infrastructure and equipment for the National Registration and Identification System (NRIS), employing biometrically secure Smartcards; supervise the mass registration for all eligible Malawians (an estimated 9 million) within the country in 2017; transition the system to a continuous registration model in 2018, to develop the capacity and systems of NRB to maintain and operate the system; to provide an interface for other public and private sector systems that allow for appropriate data sharing within a legal framework that complies with international principles and standards for the right to privacy and data protection; and to ensure the effective management of the Project.

Following some amendments and addenda resulting from discussions with Government and donors, a two-year extension of the NRIS Project from 31 December 2019 was endorsed to support mass child registration. Cost-Sharing Agreements have been signed between UNDP and the Government of Malawi (USD \$28,747,497), DFID (GBP 15,485,000), Irish Aid (EUR 2,978,944), USAID (USD \$2,000,000), Norway (NOK 26,825,000) and the EU (EUR 10,800,000). UNDP has allocated USD \$4,350,000 from its core resources to the project. In addition, UNDP has signed an Inter-Agency Agreement with UNICEF (USD \$44,366). The entire project budget is now estimated at USD \$80,038,894.

The design of the card (shown in Figure 1, below) was approved by the Minister of Homeland Security to meet the three tier requirements. These are security features which are visible to the naked eye; enhanced security features that require minimal equipment to verify identity; and forensic analysis features that require high end equipment such as a microscope to verify identity. Security requirements of the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) and the information requirements elaborated in Section 8 of the law are also met. Additionally, the card allows for data to be manually read, or for machine reading using a QR code, swipe read, and chip read that will overcome traditional challenges with data accuracy. Overall, the design and features of the card draw on key technologies and processes that make forgery of the card improbable and enables mechanisms to verify its authenticity to ensure confidence that the card, as required by law, is prima facie evidence of the individual's recorded information.

Figure 1. Approved National ID Card Design Front



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Beneficiaries, Stakeholders, Implementing Arrangements

The NRB is the principal institutional beneficiary of the Project with Malawian citizens being the ultimate beneficiary of support. The main Project stakeholders are the NRB, Government of Malawi and Development Partners. The Project is implemented under UNDP's Direct Implementation Modality (DIM).

Output 1

Up to 9 million Malawians are registered and issued with a National Identity card in 2017.

Progress

This Output was achieved in 2017-18 with 9.16 million Malawian citizens registered for National ID and more than 9 million cards has been issues and distributed.

Output 2

NRIS inclusive of birth registration is transitioned to a permanent and continuous registration system.

Progress

The NRIS system was transitioned along with source code application and technical knowledge in 2017-18 to NRB. Under this Output, the following has been accomplished in the reporting period:

Continuous National ID Registration:

The total registration for the national ID in the first quarter of 2021 was 8779, out of which 4775 were male and 4004 were females. This figure is much less than the projected registration figure due to the Covid-19 pandemic as well as the distance people in villages must travel to access their local District Registration Office. The project is planning for mini-mass registration for reaching out to people across the country if funds are made available. District wise registration data for the first quarter of 2021 is shown below.

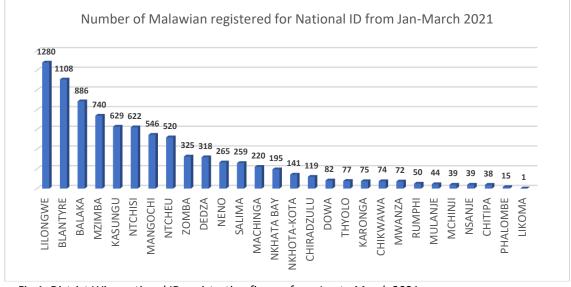


Fig 1: District Wise national ID registration figures from Jan to March 2021

Monitoring of continuous national ID and Birth registration:

Quarterly monitoring and supportive supervision exercises usually involves travelling to the districts to monitor birth registration and provide supportive supervision. The exercise takes place at the district registration office (DRO), Post Offices, health

facilities (central hospitals, district hospitals and health centres) and community level for districts with community level systems.

Quarterly supportive supervisions are one means of providing technical support to District Registration Offices and health facilities to ensure that national IDs and birth registration best practices are being maintained. However, this exercise was carried out remotely because of COVID-19 restrictions. To increase the national ID registration and birth registration a Technical Working Group has been formed to discuss how to increase the registration process.

Revise, update and train on birth registration SOPs to include community birth registration and linking with ID system:

The revised and updated birth registration SOPs has been drafted for all health facilities and DROs. A workshop is to be convened by NRB with all DROs to validate and finalize the process of SOP revision. The workshop is contingent upon the NRB adopting and finalizing various improvements and changes in the SOP and as such these will have to be reflected in the revised SOPs. The changes include a unified CRVS-ID system which is being designed. Other changes include the roll out of community birth registration and the specific registration form being used at community level among others. UNICEF is currently discussing with NRB the possibility of funding a national review meeting with DROs which will include validating and finalising the new SOPs so that birth registration can be standardised across the country.

The TORs for two consultants to be hired by UNICEF were finalised and were sent for advertisement. One position was for a Communication for Development (C4D) consultant to support NRB and partners on civic education exercises. The other position was for a CRVS TA to support the Ministry of Health's (MoH's) institutionalization of birth registration in the health system. It is expected that with the new positions in place the MoH will be supported to improve on birth notifications. The NRB will also have a civic education strategy developed and adopted for community birth registration as well as mass birth registration.

Output 3

Government MDAs and private institutions are assisted to adopt the use of the NRIS (unique ID and the Birth Certificates).

Progress

Linking national ID with AIP:

The Government through the Ministry of Agriculture implemented a Nation-wide programme of providing inputs to farming households under the Ministry of Agriculture's database. The Ministry has been implementing this programme through full support of several stakeholders, among others, the National Registration Bureau. The AIP used an electronic system which used National ID to sell the inputs to farming

households. For this to be possible, the data of farming households had to be validated with the database of NRB. This process resulted in the following activities:

Flushing out in-eligible beneficiaries: The Ministry of Agriculture, from the census of farming households that was completed in the 2018-19 season had 4,279,100 entries which were targeted for the 2020-21 AIP. When this was linked to and validated with the NRB, the number of authenticated farming households reduced to 3,788,105. The reduction (490,995) was as a result of deaths, inclusion of household members of one family as different households, some households couldn't be traced, and some were duplicated.

Likely reduction of financial resources for the inputs: As result of reduction of targeted households to 3,788,105; the amount of money needed to pay input suppliers is likely to reduce costs to government by about MK10 billion. The Ministry will do a cost saving of MK 10 billion.

Cutting costs that could have been incurred if a paper coupon system was used: Previously the Ministry of Agriculture issued inputs to farming households using special paper coupons. The costs involved to print these coupons which were printed outside the country was between MK150 and MK 170 million. With the use of the National ID however the government has saved this money because there is no need to print the coupons. In addition, there were other costs that were incurred by the Ministry at the implementation level specifically for headquarters, ADDs and Districts for security and distribution of the coupons.

• Impact of National ID on the Passport issuance system:

The Department of Immigration and Citizenship Services (DICS) is mandated to issue Malawian passports to eligible persons. DICS relies on personal identification documents from traditional leaders to ascertain the true identity of applicants for passports, to ensure they are eligible for a Malawian passport. This approach was cumbersome considering that the information provided was subject to verification through complex vetting which required MK 11,000 per person, hence incurring undue costs for the Department of Immigration. In the recent upgrade of the Passport Issuance System and the introduction of electronic passports, the Department of Immigration and Citizenship Services designed the system in such a way that makes the Malawi National ID card mandatory when applying for a passport.

The Malawi Government through the Department of Immigration and Citizenship Services kick-started the issuance of electronic passports on 15th January 2020. The purpose of this introduction was to enhance the security features of the Malawi Passport while at the same time conforming with international standards set by the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO), a specialized agency of the United Nations that regulates civil aviation across the globe. The upgrade of the passport issuance system addresses issues of securing passport processes while at the same time improving efficiency.

Through this arrangement, the use of the National ID to verify identities has eliminated costs which were incurred by passport applicants in the quest of fulfilling the general requirement of going through various offices to ensure that passport application forms are endorsed by the District Commissioners.

The following is a summary of benefits derived from using the National ID linkage with the e-Passport System:

- ✓ The linkage of the e-Passport System and the National Registration Identification System plays a pivotal role in the validation of the national identity cards submitted by passport applicants in the process of passport application.
- ✓ The national ID has eliminated costs which were incurred in the vetting process of identification documents, hence enhancing efficiency and effectiveness in the issuance of passports.
- ✓ Costs that were previously incurred by passport applicants in the old arrangement where unofficial verbal accounts indicate that District Commissioners were to be paid MK11,000 for their endorsement of passport application forms, have been saved.

Linking the National ID with Malawi Communications Regulatory Authority (MACRA):

The NRIS project received report from MACRA on the SIM registration linked with National IDs. The report shows that 88% of SIMs issued by TNM and 96% of SIMs issued by Airtel are now linked to the national ID. The overall percentage of linkage with the national ID was 92.4%

Service Providers	Linked to	Total	%	
Service Frontiers	national ID	subscribers	Linked	
TNM	3,276,636	3,734,566	88%	
Airtel	5,317,330	5540968	96%	
Total Linked	8,593,966			
Total National ID	9,300,000			
% of SIM linked to national ID (national mean)			92.40%	

Other meetings conducted during the quarter on linkages with MDAs:

- ✓ Followed up with the several MDAs on existing linkages: Department of Human Resource Management and Development (DHRMD), National Economic Empowerment Fund (NEEF), Registrar General and Fiscal Police. Meeting these stakeholders to assess the progress of existing linkages and their impact. The Fiscal Police is the department in charge of, among others, bank frauds which we want to evaluate the reduced numbers since the advent of IDs
- ✓ 2 Meetings took place with Anti-Corruption Bureau with the purpose of linking the National ID with their systems.

- After a discussion at the UN PMT on UN work to support the digital agenda in Government and the links to the National ID, NRIS has been put forward to lead the initial work on this across the UNCT. 3 possible areas of intervention have been identified: a) Finalization of the accountable DSA system b) Validate the identity of individuals included in the UBR social registry using the national ID c) Harmonization of the Case management system. This involves linking the information collected by the Police, MoJ, DPP, prisons and Judiciary under one identification number. This will allow the measurement of data flow from one component of the system to another.
- ✓ Meetings with Road Traffic Department with the objective of linking the two systems.
- ✓ Request for meeting were sent to Ministry of Labour, Lands and Education.
- ✓ Comments provided to NRB on the data protection bill.

• Ministry of Health Vaccine app:

A meeting was held on Friday 12 March with the MoH. The discussion concerned the NRIS' initiative to develop a Covid-19 app specifically to verify the individual recipients of the vaccine to address MoH concerns about a need for a system in place to ensure vaccinations reach the people that it was intended for and that Malawian citizens are not left behind.

A joint NRIS and Malawi University of Science and Technology (MUST) application was developed with this imperative in mind. The app has pillars relating to Distribution and Onboarding. MoH welcomed this initiative as it would be used to verify each recipient of the vaccine ensuring complete accountability where all targeted recipients are preregistered and validated using the NRB database. The pre-registration server (loaned by NRIS to MoH) is going online in May 2021.

Printing of Refugee cards:

Another meeting with UNHCR was held to further the discussion on printing refugee cards during the reporting quarter. Essentially, there are 2 prevailing Laws: The National Registration Act and the National Refugee Act with one intention to enable the printing of refugee cards.

The legal amendment is to be tabled in Parliament in April 2021. If passed, this should open the way for the approximately 25,000 refugees to be checked against the NRB database and their cards printed.

Output 4

Up to 8.4 million Malawian children are registered with unique national identification (ID) numbers and issued with Birth Certificates by 2021.

Progress

The annual plan for the implementation of the mass child registration has been modified and deadlines pushed out due to the Covid-19 crisis. The aim now is for the mass registration of children to be implemented in 2021 over 6 separate phases.

The following preparatory activities for the mass registration of children are in progress:

• Update on Integration of System Unification

NRIS team revised the work plan that was drafted in 2020, to reflect the new situation caused by Covid-19 restrictions. This plan will be reviewed by all stakeholders at the end of April 2021.

Elizabeth Glaser Paediatric AIDS Foundation (EGPAF) have accelerated the work to unify the Electronic Birth Registration System (eBRS) and Electronic Death Registration System (eDRS). This is in light of the unification of the civil registration systems and CRVS systems. So far work has been concentrated on integrating the back end of the systems. A services architecture has been adopted for this purpose. Further the architectural design of the eventual unification of the eBRS and eDRS will use the same services architecture. The Birth and Death registers will finally be integrated with NRIS, the last step in establishing an integrated CRVS system for Malawi.

Activities conducted related to Mass Children Registration

- ✓ All key functionality on the Child Registration Software was completed.
- ✓ A test tablet was received and has been field tested. Its performance is satisfactory.
- ✓ A Beta software version was shared and reviewed by NRB and comments were made on the front-end mobile application.
- ✓ Procurement of a Software Development Kit (SDK) to assist in the scanning of documents using the Android application is still underway. The scanning test will be resumed when dates for the mass registration exercise have been settled.
- ✓ Extra storage was installed at the main production site. About 15TB was provisioned on the DB1 on DB2 servers at this site.
- ✓ The Intermediary server to store data during the mass child registration was setup and installed at Capital Hill Accountant General's server room.
- ✓ There are 5 servers (including the intermediary server) which will be used for data consolidation during mass registration. Additional servers will need to be procured to achieve a 1 to 1 ratio between district and consolidation servers during a particular registration phase.
- ✓ Setup at the Disaster Recovery site for the newly installed equipment at production site will be completed by end May 2021.

Output 5:

The Project is efficiently managed, staffed and coordinated, and is implemented with national ownership.

Progress

Under this Output, the following milestones were accomplished in the reporting period:

• NRIS Technical Committee Meeting:

The 30th NRIS Technical Committee was held on 25th February 2021. The following are the action items of the meeting:

- ✓ The TC members approved the Annual Work Plan provided, noting there may be a possibility of changes based on the fund's availability and Covid-19 implications.
- ✓ For planning purposes UNDP would request the Government of Malawi to provide a date for the earliest contribution to the NRIS Basket fund.
- ✓ For planning purposes donor partners would also be requested to clarify their proposed level of contribution and the earliest date for contributions.
- ✓ The project manager will be working with NRB to set a date for the 9th Steering Committee meeting.
- ✓ The TC members suggested that there should be a plan B for the expiry and renewal of the national IDs.
- ✓ The TC proposed that there should be a financial sustainability plan from all angles looking at the cash flow, donors' contributions, savings that the project was making, and the revenue being generated by NRB which was not being channelled back to NRB. A draft strategy was made available at the end of March.
- ✓ There is a focus on continuous registration, reaching out to citizens who are left behind in districts some distance from District Registration Offices and for card renewals. The TC also suggested to conduct community awareness on this issue.
- ✓ On the NRIS Linkages, the Legal Analyst shared a presentation and a briefing note on the details of linkages in the week following the TC meeting.
- ✓ In the next TC meeting NRB would provide update on the action taken on the safety/stability of NRB server room.

Capacity Building of NRB:

The training of NRB IT staff on the PKI infrastructure and Country Signing Certificate Authority (CSCA) management was competed. The NRB team was trained for 3 days on the installation and configuration of the SignServer aka Document Signer (DS). The team was given a practical exercise where they had to install and configure their own DS. Only a few staff had challenges due to a lack of Linux background, but the majority coped well. Written materials were offered in the form of a PowerPoint presentation and in between the lessons, the trainees were given time to ask any questions regarding that particular lesson or PKI in general.

Documentation for the entire training as well as other useful resources was shared with NRB and UNDP in soft copy. The SELP team also assured NRB that they could always be reached through email or calls for any additional technical support regarding the PKI infrastructure. In summary, the following deliverables were achieved during the 10-day training period.

- ✓ Status analysis of the key issuance solution, troubleshooting and minor repairs.
- ✓ 10 NRB IT personnel trained on PKI infrastructure and CSCA management.
- ✓ Creation of the CSCA and DS updates.

✓ Training documentation produced.

• Monitoring and Evaluation of project implementation:

The District Registration Offices (DROs) and Post Offices were monitored online, and data collected from them. Due to the pandemic as well as distance people have to travel to the DROs the registration figures were not as high as expected. Physical monitoring visits will be conducted during the next quarter onwards on regular basis, Covid-19 restrictions permitting.

NRIS midterm evaluation:

Two consultants collected all relevant Project documents and field data for drafting the MTE report. They have also conducted interviews and focus group discussions with key stakeholders. The consultants will submit the mid-term evaluation report by mid-April 2021.

• Challenges:

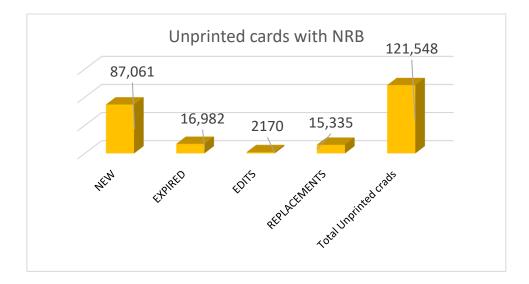
<u>Current Resource constraints:</u> The National Registration Bureau shared correspondence from the Ministry of Finance to the effect that the Government of Malawi's intended contribution to the basket fund for mass registration of children will not be available until the next Financial Year of the Government.

No Government funds for the first 2 quarters of 2021 will likely mean no donor funding also for that period as the prevailing financing agreement with FCDO is linked to Government's tranches for the mass child registration.

The implications for the NRIS Project are that there will be limited cash flow until at least 1 July 2021, which means savings must be made in terms of deferring major procurements, timing HR appointments so that the contracting coincides with the start of the mass registration, whenever that may be. The Project will instead concentrate on low (cash) value high impact activities such as linkages to National ID, support to NRB for continuous registration and Covid-19 response initiatives.

The Project has shifted the intended launch date for mass registration to August 2021 in the expectation that government and donor funds will become available.

The backlog printing of the national ID: The printing of national ID has been a challenge due to the low printing capacity and faulty printers in the card production facility at NRB HQ. There are more than 121,000 cards to be printed, which includes, new registration, card renewals, edits for mistakes, and replacements due to damage. These cards need to be printed immediately so that NRB can deliver them to the owner within the designated time frame. The NRIS project is planning to procure at least 1 heavy duty printer and repair the existing printers so that the backlog can be cleared as soon as possible, and the ID cards can be issued to citizens.



3. Progress against Results Framework Indicators

Refer to Annex I.

4. Conclusion

The first quarter of 2021 Progress Report highlighted activities undertaken and achievements made against agreed milestones. As reported above, many of the deliverables of the project have been affected by the Covid-19 pandemic and the paucity of adequate funding. The NRIS project has been focusing on the urgent task of renewing all the 2.9 million cards expiring by December 2021.

5. Future Plans

Moving ahead, the project will continue to prioritize:

a) Planned activities based on Annual Work Plan:

The project has revised the 2021 Annual Work Plan (AWP) taking into consideration the Covid-19 crisis and examined the timings on how responses are to be implemented and approved by the Technical Committee. The exact date of child mass registration implementation is not yet decided as the implementation first depends on Government of Malawi funding. The following are the planned activities for the project.

- ✓ Updating the legal note to Ministry of Justice on the amendment of the NR Act,
- ✓ Draft MoU between NRB/MOH and National Statistical Office (NSO).
- ✓ Joint event with EU on the Harmonization of the Case management systems which was cancelled on 13th January because of the surge of the second wave of the pandemic.
- ✓ Harmonization of Reserve Bank of Malawi pension system.
- ✓ Draft MoU and signing ceremony with Anti-Corruption Bureau (ACB).
- ✓ NRB training conducted by the Finance Intelligence Authority on the following topics: -Anti Money Laundering regime- Preventive measures with specific focus

on customer identification and verification requirements -the collaboration between the FIA and NRB.

- ✓ Report to be collected from DHRMD and fiscal police on the cost savings.
- ✓ Meeting/Linkage with the Competition and fair-trading commission.
- ✓ Review of the Mid-term evaluation report.
- ✓ The installation and configurations for the remaining 2 servers for the mass registration of child will be finalised by the end of April 2021.
- ✓ The NRIS ICT team completed a test installation for part of the equipment for child mass registration at an NRIS DR site in Blantyre. The test was successful, and the team proceeded to install the equipment at the production site first, as per standard procedures. 2 servers and 1 SAN storage array were installed and configured at the production site. A replica for this setup will need to be configured at the NRIS DR site by before end of May 2021.
- ✓ The NRIS DR site in Blantyre does not have a setup of biometric servers as is the case at production site. Therefore, the project has identified 5 servers with similar specs to that of production site and intends to install and configure them at the DR site. This installation and configuration exercise will be split into 2 phases with phase one expected to start in June 2021.
- ✓ The project will continue to provide technical support to NRB such as monitoring the performance of NRIS servers, applications, and equipment in the Card Production Facility as well as the network functionality.
- ✓ The project is planning to complete planning for unified system in the next quarter.
- √ The Covid-19 e-vaccine application is expected to be implemented by April 2021.
- ✓ The villages/school wise data for child mass registration will also be finalised by April 2021 and uploaded in the system.
- ✓ The Project identified isolating types of activities that can be continued despite the COVID-19 situation while preparing for those activities that can only be implemented when the situation improves and there is no sustained local transmission of the disease. For instance:
 - o Civic education activities for continuous national ID and routine birth registration and mass child registration.
 - o Monitoring for continuous national ID and birth registration by NRB/UNICEF and NRB teams.
 - o Constituting a CRVS TWG and conducting meetings to increase continuous national ID and birth registration.
- ✓ A number of critical civic education and community engagement activities were planned by UNICEF which include a rapid assessment on knowledge, attitude and practice (KAP) which will take place in the second quarter of 2021 and recruitment of a communication for development (C4D) consultant in the second quarter of 2021 to support NRB and partners on planning, designing, implementation and monitoring of civic education activities.

b) Development of one integrated Civil Registration system

NRIS is in the process of developing one Integrated Civil Registration system covering Birth (eBRS), National ID (NRIS), Marriage/Divorce and Death Registrations (eDRS). The National ID will be the foundation of the system. The NRIS team has been working on this and revised the work plan was drafted last year. This year's work plan will be revisited at the end of April 2021. Elizabeth Glaser of the Paediatric AIDS Foundation (eGPAF) have embarked on work to unify workflows in eBRS and eDRS. This is in light of the unification of the Civil Registration systems and Vital Statistics systems.

c) Management Courses to enhance NRB's capacity.

The NRIS and NRB teams will continue to prioritise NRB's building of its internal capacity needs for sustainability of the NRIS including a smooth continuous registration process. 8 out of the 9 selected courses based on the Training Need Assessment and conducted by the Malawi Institute of Management (MIS) have been completed, but the final course is yet to start due to the current Covid-19 crisis. The project shall consider revising its approach to online learning to cover social distancing and Covid-19 restrictions.

d) Legal framework:

The project will also continue its engagement with the Law Commission in the ongoing work on the amendment of both the Citizenship Act and the National Registration Act. Moreover, the project will prioritize support for the amendment of the National Registration Act.

e) Privacy and data protection:

This deliverable is part of a World Bank project in collaboration with the department of e-government. The consultancy firm Macmillan Keck Attorneys and Solicitors from the USA drafted a review report on data protection in Malawi. This report was approved and the consultant was then asked to draft the legislation. The consultant managed to author a revised draft legislation document that was circulated to the Task force Members for their review. The Task Force discussed the revised draft legislation which the Consultant prepared. The bill was circulated to various Stakeholders for their review. The Data Protection Task Force reviewed the data protection legislation and submitted their comments to the Consultant. Thereafter the Consultant worked with the legal team of the Taskforce to integrate the proposals which were made.

The next steps are as follows.

- ✓ The consultants will come on a two-to-three-week mission from 8th May during
 which time they will conduct UAT on all technical functions of the system apart
 from matters requiring API configurations and payment module first with UNDP,
 DRG team and thereafter key stakeholders. The aim is that by the end of the
 mission, the system should be ready to go live.
- ✓ That during the mission, they will conclude issues concerning system interfaces and also that we will have a solution for online payments.

✓ The consultants will finalise and send the revised SRS document no later than 29th April 2021.

6. Financial Section

All financial data (Annexes III) presented in this report is provisional. From UNDP Bureau of Management/Office of Finance and Administration, an annual certified financial statement as of 31 December, will be submitted every year no later than 30 June of the following year.

Annexes

Annex I: Progress against Results Framework Indicators:

Results Framework

Outcome Goal: The establishment of a permanent and continuous national registration and identification system in Malawi.

Outcome Indicators:

- Number of MDAs and private institutions using NRIS for administrative or operational systems (Baseline 2016): 0; Target (2019): >10; Source: Official records)
- Percentage of eligible resident Malawians registered and issued with an identity card (Baseline 2016: 0; Target (2019): >90%; Source: National Register,
 NSO)
- Assessed capacity of NRB to operate and maintain the NRIS (Baseline 2016): None; Target (2019): Good capacity; Source: Project Evaluation Report)

EXPECTED OUTPUTS	OUTPUT INDICATORS	DATA SOURCE	BASELINE		TARGETS						Data Collection Methods and Risks
			Value	Year	2017	2018	2019	FINAL	2020	2021	
Output 1 Up to 9 million Malawians are registered for issuance of a	1.1 Number of Malawians registered in the National Register as part of mass registration, disaggregated by gender.	National Registry	_	2016	More than 9 million			More than 9 million			Data extraction.
National Identity card in	1.2 Number of Malawians issued with a National ID card as part of mass registration.	NRB Records	0	2016	More than 4 million	More than 4.5 million	-	More than 8.5 million	More than 9 million		Data extraction.

2017	1.3 Proposed amendment of National Registration Act submitted to Ministry of Justice.	Public Record	0	2016	1	0	0	1			Public record
	1.4 Number of paid information campaign products aired on radio.	Project records	0	2016	10	0	0	10			Media monitoring reports. Survey reports
Output 2 NRIS is transitioned to a	2.1 Number of District Registration Offices equipped for continuous registration.	NRB Records	0	2016	20	8	0	28			NRB Records. Spot check.
	2.2 Percentage of registrars trained in rules and procedures.	Training records.	0	2016	70%	30%	0	100%			Training participation records.
system	2.3 Number of Malawians issued with a National ID card as part of continuous registration.	NRB Records	0	2016	0	0.3 million	0.47 million	0.77 million			Data extraction
	2.4 Number of District Post Offices equipped for continuous birth registration	NRB Records	0	2019					65		
	2.5 Percentage of registrars trained in rules and procedures on CRVS.	Training records.	0	2019					0	100%	
	1	Training records.	0	2019					0	100%	
	,	NRB Records	300,000	2020					300,00	.5millio n	

Output 3	3.1 Number of inter-institutional	NRB	0	2016	0	5	>5	>10			Official
Government MDAs and private institutions are	agreements between NRB and Government Ministries, Departments, Agencies (MDAs) and private institutions on the use of the ID card system.	records									requests
assisted to adopt the use of the NRIS.	3.2 Number of Government Ministries, Departments, Agencies (MDAs) and private institutions using Birth Certificate	NRB records	0	2019						>2	
Output 4 Up to 9 million Malawian	,	CRVS System	600,000	2019						8.4 million	CRVS system
children are registered with unique national identification (ID) numbers		NRB Records	300,000	2019							CRVS system
and issued with Birth Certificates by 2020.	=	Project records	0	2019					0		Civic Education Campaign report
Output 5 Project is	5.1 Agreed M&E planned activities implemented.	Project records	0	2016	No	Satisfactory	Satisfactor y	Satisfactorily			Official records
efficiently managed, staffed and	5.2 Percentage of Project positions filled.	UNDP records	0	2016	95%	5%	0	100%	42%	100%	UNDP records

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coordinated, and 5.3 Steering and Technical			0	2016	3/8	3/8	3/8	7/26	0/4	4/24	Project records
is	Committee meetings held per year.	records									
implemented											
with national											
ownership											

Annex II: Risk Log (Updated)

Project Title: National Registration and Identification System	Award ID: 00100113	Date: 22 February 2021

#	Description	Date Identified	Туре	Impact &	Countermeasures /	Owner	Updated	Last	Status History
				Probability	Management Response		by	Upda	
								te	
1	Funding	20 Oct 16	Financial	Late deposit of funds will undermine	Contributions will be integrated into a	Technical	СТА	20	Amended. (30
	availability		Total: 15	operational delivery and confidence of	Basket Fund.	Committee		Oct	Nov) P amended
				stakeholders.	All contributions will be			16	from 5 to 3
				P = 3	subject to agreements				based on initial
				I = 5	stating the timeline.				receipt of funds
2	Slippage on	20 Oct 16	Operational	Timelines are constrained with	Monthly monitoring of progress in	Technical	СТА	1 Oct	No change (1
	operational		Total: 20	census in 2018 and elections in	Technical Committee to determine	Committee		2020	October 2020)
	timelines		10tal: 20	2019. If not implemented on	corrective actions, as necessary. TC				
				schedule major deviations off plan	and SC meetings taking place regularly				
				mayneed to be considered.	and according to timeline. The project is				
				P = 4	on track so far.				
				I = 5					

3	Institutional	20 Oct 16	Operational	Lack of sufficiently trained national	Government conducted a	GoM UNDP	СТА	1 Oct	Amended. (19
	national	20 000 10		staff, lack of sustainable financial	functional review to increase NRB	SOM OND			January 2017) P
	capacities		L Total: 20	model for NRB and delays in setting up	staffing. Government sanctioned			2020	amended from 3
	capacities			the ID card productionfacilitysitewill	recruitment of 16 IT Officers for				to 4 in view of
				compromise sustainability of	NRB to support mass registration.				delays in the
				continuous registration, data recovery	For further recruitment of				functional review
				and deny some Malawian citizens	additional staff as recommended				and the increase in NRB staffing
				their right to identity.	by the functional review in relation				required.
				P = 5	to the sustainability of continuous				
				l = 5	registration, 30 Registration				Escalated for the
					Officers and 110 Assistant				attention of the
					Registration Officers have been				SC on 5 th April
					recruited, pending offer letters to				2017.
					be sent. Training plan of these				Escalate to SC in
					officers is being developed.				anticipation that
					Recruitment of other officers to				there might be a
					follow in 2019 once Government				gap in NRB's
					disburses funding for such.				Capacity for
					Regarding the DRS, it has been moved				continuous
					to the Malawi Revenue Authority				registration if
					premises (MRA) in Blantyre.				the new
									approved
					As for the ID card production				positions are
					facility site, NRB reinforced and is				not filled at all
					making use of what is currently				or ontime.
					available for printing of the ID				
					cards and the procurement of a				Amended (22
					prefabricated container for the				March 2018)
					setting up of a prefabricated				Upgraded P=4
					containerized printing facility is in				to P=5 with
					process.				reference to

				the removal of key and management staff that were already well trained.
				Narration of Impact& Probability amended on (19Feb2019) No change. (1 Oct 2020)

4	External fraud	20 Oct 16	Operational Total: 15	Non-Malawians seek to register as Malawians, undermining the integrity of the NRIS. P = 5 I = 3	Operational policies and procedures developed to prove entitlement at registration. Public information campaigns will highlight criminality. Coordination with law enforcement.	NRB/UNDP	СТА	20 Oct 16	No Change. (30 Nov)
5	Procurement timelines	20 Oct 16	Operational Total: 6	Procurement timelines are not met, creating operational delays. P = 2 I = 3	Procurement expertise of UNDP PSO to be retained. Close monitoring of progress against benchmarks to effect	UNDP	СТА	28 March 17	Amended. (28 March 2017) P amended from 3 to 2 and I amended from 4 to 3 given the level of procurement already taken.
6	Technology adoption	20 Oct 16	Operational Total: 12	Introduction of new technologies and systems introduces unprecedented challenges for implementation and sustainability. P = 3	International expertise to implement under the Project, supported by contractor arrangements. Skills transfer for the new technologies is built into the design of the Project.	UNDP/NRB	СТА	1 Oct 2020	No Change. (1 October 2020)
7	Adequate data protection provisions	20 Oct 16	Legal Total:	I = 4 Failure to protect privacy and data can undermine confidence in registering and erodes the right to privacy of individuals.	A review of the National Registration Act and development of amendments is part ofthe Project deliverables. A meeting took place at the end	UNDP /GoM	СТА	1 Oct 2020	Amended. (02 October 2017) 2017) P amended from 3 to 4

	P = 4	of January 2018 between the UNDP	given the level of
		Legal Specialist and NRB to discuss the	current data
	I = 4	amendments of the National	protection
		Registration Act. A legal note is being	provisions in
		finalized which will be the basis for a	Malawi.
		memo from the Ministry of Home	Na Changa /1
		Affairs and Internal Security to the	NoChange.(1
		Ministry of Justice and Constitutional	Oct 2020)
		Affairs (MoJ) requesting the	
		necessary amendments of the law.	
		The introduction of the Electronic	
		Transactions Bill will strengthen	
		rights to privacy and data protection.	
		The Electronic Transaction Bill was	
		passed by Parliament on 04 July 2016	
		and the President assented to it on 20	
		October 2016. Its publication was on 04	
		November 2016.	
		On Data Protection Act, UNDP team	
		will be following up and work with	
		the World Bank team to support the	
		development of a comprehensive Data	
		Protection	
		Act for Malawi. World Bank is leading	
		this through their supported Digital	
		Malawiproject.	

8	Network connectivity	20 Oct 16	Operational Total: 10	Limited or unstable access to connectivity can undermine data movement and synchronization during continuous registration. P = 5 I = 3	NRB and E-Government will ensure that systems for data transfer have been developed. UNDP will support.	GoM	СТА	1 Oct 2020	Amended. (01 December 2017) No change. (1 Oct 2020)
9	Wet season disrupts operations	20 Oct 16	Total: 10	Off-schedule wet season denies or disrupts access for citizens to register. P = 2 I = 5		UNDP/NRB	СТА	20 Oct 16	No Change. (30 Nov)
10	Serviceable transport assets	30 Nov 16		Government to meet transportation requirements for mass registration are	Transportation committee was setup by GoM being chaired by OPC to plan and coordinate. Vehicles will be subject to fitness test prior to receipt. In view of declining number of vehicles provided by the GoM for the mass registration exercise, UNDP wrote the Minister of Home Affairs and Internal Security so that appropriate action is taken.			2017	New Risk (30 Nov). P = 4; I = 4. Risk identified from PoC and reflects similar challenges in elections. Upgraded to P=5 from P=4 and I=5 from I=5 (19 July 2017). To be escalated to the Steering Committee.

11	Quality of civic education campaign impacts on numbers of people registering	•	Operational Total: 15	P = 3 I = 5	Targets will be established, and implementation will be closely monitored.	UNDP/NRB		28 April 2017	New Risk (28 April 2017). No change (19 July 2017)
12	An attrition of Registration Officers and Registration Supervisors	22 June 2017	Operational Total: 15	Failure to increase payments to Registration Officers and Registration Supervisors, enough to break-even for meals and accommodation in the field may result in resignations which may comprise the registration process P = 2	Government, UNDP and Development Partners will make resources available and agree on payments to Registration Officers and Registration Supervisors that on average, will be enough to breakeven for reasonable meals and accommodation as they work in the field.	UNDP/NRB		19 July 2017	New Risk (19 July 2017)
13	Negative perceptions on national registration process by political players and other stakeholders		Political Total: 8	Failure to contain negative perceptions on the national registration process may undermine Malawians desire to register P = 2 I = 4		UNDP/NRB		19 July 2017	New Risk (19 July 2017)
14	Lack of clarity on communication strategy on ID Card distribution and consistent engagement with	02 Oct 2017	Political Total:12	Lack of proper communication channels with key targeted public messages regarding collection of ID cards may create confusion on ID	NRB will use proper communication channels (radio, SMS, USSD system) in phased approach to inform public to collect their ID cards. UNDP will support the initiative. NRB and UNDP will consistently engage the media to	UNDP/NRB	СТА	1 Oct 2020	New Risk (02 Oct 2017) Amended. (01 December 2017) No change.

	the media create negative political perception and anxiety among citizens and political parties			distribution resulting in negative perceptionon NRIS P=3 I=4	update them on the status of ID Card distribution.				(1 Oct 2020)
15	impasse	2019	Political Total:12 P=3 I=4	Post-election demonstrations may result in destruction of NRB property in registration centers which will in turn affect continuous registration and sustainability of the NRIS.	Government will ensure security of NRB offices and property.		СТА		New Risk change (03 Sep 2019) No change (1 Oct 2020
16	Salary and wages for ROs are not consistent with applicable labor standards (SES Standard 3 related to safe and healthy working conditions)		Ops Total:20	be deployed in urban and rural areas in six phases for six months, during the implementation of mass registration. Previous SECU Report of NRIS project identified several findings and recommendations related to wages that will inform project labor management moving forward.	Labour management procedures will be developed for the project that set out the conditions in which project workers will be employed or engaged and managed, in accordance with applicable labour laws, rules and regulations and UNDP's SES. This will include an analysis and clarification of applicable labour requirements, including for wages and salaries. Labour law expert will be hired as part of the project team to ensure labour standards are applied and monitored. Formal engagement and subsequent agreement are being undertaken with the Ministry of Labour on labor-related concerns and more specifically on the	NRB and UNDP	CTA/PM	1 Oct 2020	New Risk change (03 Sep 2019) No change (1 Oct 2020)

heal ac co rele	Occupational alth and safety and working onditions are not up to elevant labour standards	Ops Total:20	P=3 I=4 Previous SECU investigation of NRIS project identified several findings and recommendations related to OSH and working conditions that will inform project labour management moving forward. P=3 I=4	adequate salary determination. Before the deployment of the ROs, a start-up lump sum will be provided (approximately MWK 50,000 for purchasing necessary items in the field). NRIS will design a form and a specific process for requesting compensatory time off Labour management procedures will be developed for the project that set out the conditions in which project workers will be employed or engaged and managed, in accordance with applicable labour laws, rules and regulations and UNDP's SES. This will include an analysis and clarification of applicable labour requirements, including for health and safety and working conditions. A temporary employment contract will be signed by the registration officers with clear clauses about the phased approach operation and the expected challenging rural conditions. The advertisement will be clear on the	NRB and UNDP	CTA/PM	New R change (03 Sep 2019) No change (1 Oct 2020)	isk
				advertisement will be clear on the rural conditions to be expected and the resources to be provided. This will				

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					also be included in the pre-				
					deployment training, with ROs				
					informed ahead of time of what they				
					should expect to bring with them.				
					Considering the high rate of malaria in				
					rural areas, fully enclosed mosquito				
					tents will be provided to ROs. to the				
					extent possible local				
					housing/accommodation would be				
					provided through collaboration with				
					local authorities or village heads and				
					when this isn't feasible tents would be				
					provided?				
					Considering the poor water quality in				
					rural areas and unavailability of				
					mineral water, bleaching powder for				
					filtering the water will be part of the				
					standard backpack.				
					First Aid kits will also be provided in				
					case of emergency.				
18	Registration	30 Nov	Ops Total:20	Enhance grievance redress	A temporary employment contract will	NRB and UNDP	CTA/PM	1 Oct 2020	New Risk
	Officers or	2019		systems to those potentially	be signed by the registration officers				change (03 Sep
	and/or citizens'			impacted though the submission	with clear clauses about the phases				2019)
	complaints are			of formal complaints	approach operation and the expected				
	not heard or				challenging rural conditions. The				No change
	resolved properly	1			advertisement will be clear on the				(1 Oct 2020)
					rural conditions to be expected, as will				
					the pre-deployment training.				

		A formal complaint system will be	
		established which will be part of the	
		pre-deployment briefing, with the	
		following key components:	
		Complaint forms will be provided in the	
		backpack and it will be also available on	
		UNDP, UNICEF and NRB websites.	
		The contract will include a clause on the	
		grievance system and a complaint form	
		will be distributed to ROs for submitting	
		a complaint.	
		Complaints/hotline/call centre will be	
		established to receive and resolve the	
		complaints, including safety concerns.	
		ROs and citizens will be empowered to	
		file and get information about the status	
		of their complaints through mobile	
		based USSD e-system.	
		All complaints will be logged in the	
		complaints database with proper audit	
		trail even those that have been resolved	
		will be retained with complainant's	
		acknowledgment.	
		The details of the grievance mechanism	
		for project workers will be spelled out in	
		the labour management procedures for	
		the project.	
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		A workplace grievance mechanism	
		(distinct from the project-level	
		grievance mechanism) is provided for all	
<u> </u>		project workers to raise labour	

concerns. The mechanism will be easily accessible to project workers who are to be informed of the grievance	
be informed of the grievance	
mechanism at the time of recruitment	
and the measures to protect them	
against any reprisal for its use.	
The grievance mechanism shall be	
designed to address workers' concerns	
promptly, using an understandable,	
transparent process that provides	
timely feedback to those concerned in a	
language they understand, without any	
retribution, and shall operate in an	
independent and objective manner. The	
grievance mechanism may utilize	
existing grievance mechanisms,	
providing that they meet the above	
criteria. Existing grievance mechanisms	
may be supplemented as needed with	
project-specific arrangements.	
The grievance mechanism shall not	
impede access to other judicial or	
administrative remedies that might	
be available under applicable laws,	
regulations or rules or through	
existing arbitration procedures, or	
substitute for grievance mechanisms	
provided through collective	
agreements, if applicable. The	
mechanism ensures workers' rights	
to be present and to participate	

19	Potential cases of sexual harassment	30 Nov 2019	Ops Total:20	implemented to ensure that	directly in the proceedings and to be represented by a trade union, if applicable, or person of their choosing. Before the deployment to the field, UNDP and UNICEF will hold a prevention of sexual harassment and	NRB and UNDP	СТА/РМ	New change (03 Sep 2019)	Risk
				the same time the cases of sexual	safeguarding sessions as part of the training program for ROs. Formal engagement and subsequent agreement are being undertaken with the Ministry of Gender on gender -related concerns and more specifically on the team composition.			No change (1 Oct 2020)	
20	Delays in the deployment and retrieval of ROs leading to deployments extending beyond 21 days	18 June 2020	Ops Total:20	officers in rural areas may affect their living conditions.	Labour management procedures will be developed for the project that set out the conditions in which project workers will be employed or engaged and managed, in accordance with applicable labour laws, rules and regulations and UNDP's SES. This will include an analysis and clarification of applicable labour requirements, including for wages and salaries. Labour law expert will be recruited as part of the project team to ensure labour standards are applied and monitored.	NRB and UNDP	CTA/PM	New change (03 Sep 2019) No change (1 Oct 2020)	Risk

				P=3	ROs will be retrieved on completion of the phase (21 days) In order to secure an adequate number of vehicles to transport ROs, 50% of the vehicles will be hired from				
					private contractor so that the project will not rely only on GoM in-kind contribution. The payment of the remuneration will be automatically processed upon completion of 21 days in the field, even in the exceptional cases whereby ROs were not retrieved. A transition fee of MWK 10,000 will be				
					paid upon completion of a phase. 140 newly recruited NRB registration officers will increase the overall effectiveness of the operations.				
21	Safeguarding children during the child registration exercise	18 June 2020	Operational	During the mass registration for birth certificate children might pose a risk from adults and other children P=3	Safeguarding policies and procedures of UNICEF will be implemented to ensure that every child, regardless of their age, disability, gender reassignment, race, religion or belief, sex, or sexual orientation, has a right to equal protection from harm.	,	DFID	1 Oct 2020	New Risk change (18 June 2020) No change (1 Oct 2020)

22	Public trust in	18 June	Operational	Due to the strong allegations	NRB will thoroughly check, verify, and	NRB	Irish AID	1 Oct 2020	New	Risk
	NRB and	2020		made that minors were being	properly adjudicate the ID data that				change (18 Ju	une
	database			registered most particularly by the					2020)	
				Temporary Registration Officers	captured during the Voter Registration					
				that were carrying out ID	evercise hefore heing processed				No change	
				Registration during the MEC Voter	further for issuance of ID				(1 Oct 2020)	
				Registration, the NRB						
				P=3						
				I=4						
23	Availability of	1 Oct 2020	Financial	Due to delay in the	NRB will ensure that the government	NRB, UNDP and	UNDP	1 Oct 2021	New	Risk
	finance for the				funding is released on time as this is	UNICEF			(1 Oct 20	20)
	implementation				contingent to other donors funding.					
	of Mass Child			for other project activates the						
	Registration			required funding may be affected.						
				P=5						
				I=5						

Note: P stands Probability and I stands for Impact

Annex III: Financial Utilization

A. 2021 Quarter One Expenditure Summary Report:

AWP Variance Analysis Q1				
OUTPUTS NAME	Budget (US Dollar)	Expenditures (US Dollar)	Difference (US Dollar)	Comments on principal reason for Variances
Up to 9 million Malawians are registered and issued with a National Identity card in 2017	-	17,326	(17,326)	Extension of warranty (SELP)
Up to 9 million children are registered and issued with Birth Certificate	9,186,418	384	9,186,034	Activities to be rescheduled because of the pandemic
NRIS inclusive of birth registration is transitioned to a permanent and continuous registration system	690,654	73,126	617,527	Activities to be rescheduled because of the pandemic
Government MDAs and private institutions are assisted to adopt the use of the NRIS (unique ID and the Birth Certificates)	325,259	-	325,259	Activities to be rescheduled because of the pandemic
Project is efficiently managed, staffed and coordinated, and is implemented with national ownership	749,051	434,062	314,990	Some recruitments are on stand by
Covid 19	-	12,486	(12,486)	NRIS project is supporting MUST university on research against Covid 19(Funded by DFID)
Technical Support for Unforeseen Capacity Gaps (5%)	313,981	-	313,981	
UNDP Procurement Support Office (PSO) (4.5%)	350,000	89,982	260,018	
General Management Service Fees (GMS) (variable)	1,242,011	6,839	1,235,171	
<u>TOTAL</u>	12,857,373	634,205	12,223,168	