

GEAMOC PROJECT REPORT-MALAWI OFFICE

April –August 2019



Geamoc Mw.Chairman Distribute materials to floods victims

The report covers the period between April to July 2019, which is a period in which our beneficiaries starts their third term in our school calendar and others sat for MSCE exams. All our primary school students did well in their exams and have moved from one class to another. This is being reflected in the list of kids 2019-2020 hereby attached.

JALI

As per my request to the board to include blankets for Jali centre. I visited this centre of which blankets were distributed to the kids in the presence of their guardians and parents. The centre is running through difficult times now as they are having challenges of power blackouts. The issue of power blackouts has affected almost every Malawian, hence them not spared.

Upon my recent visit to the centre, I found the supervisor and the maize miller just sat on the verandah waiting for electricity. Another challenge they experienced recently was the breakage of maize sheller bearing, in which due to low turn up of customers, it took some time before being replaced. But all in all they promised to continue assisting the kids as per our agreement.

My I request the board this time to include the 10 kids of Jali with school uniforms only as the supervisor was confident enough that they will afford to buy school materials such as notebooks and pens.

She assured me that, even school fees for the 2 students who are in secondary school, they will manage to pay.



The maize miller showing the replaced bearing



The supervisor waiting at the verandah waiting for power to return

LIRANGWE

Lirangwe centre was visited by the coordinator only after the chairman, due to other commitments failed. As outlined earlier, we no longer have a specific centre for blankets and school material distribution because the centre no longer belongs to us. I therefore had to go around in secondary and primary were these kids are and give them the materials.

Based on the list of students 2019-2020, Geamoc will continue assisting students who are in secondary school and those already in primary as we don't have students so far selected to Form 1, since we had no students who sat for standard 8 at Lirangwe.

It will be only next year when those who will be selected to Form 1, Geamoc won't sponsor them as per our stand.

Apart from the blankets, the kids in all the centres also received buckets, plates and other materials as they were affected by flood. The kids appreciated a lot and even the school headmaster encouraged those who received school materials to work extra hard in school so that their goals must be achieved.

The distribution of materials to all the centres was also covered by the Media and more people appreciated including the government officials.

ENOCK BANDA

Enock Banda, after being told about the Laptop gesture, he really thanked GEAMOC for the kind job they have done. Am yet to give him the computer during the distribution of school materials for the 1st term of 2019-2020 school session. His guardian, also appreciated more and promised to encourage him to work extra hard at College. He is yet to go to College in October 2019 and hence my request for his stationary allowance for the 1st semester at the college.



Mahill Host from German handing over the computer to the coordinator to be given to Enock Banda

CHIRADZULU.

At this centre I visited with the chairman , as usual we delivered the materials for the flood victims plus school materials for the kids. The supervisor got her 2 months allowance and she was overjoy. She thanked the Geamoc board for their consideration.

The kids and their guardians also appreciated the gesture from the board. They promised to take care of all the materials given including working extra hard at school. Chiradzulu supervisor informed the Chairman that, she will continue to monitor the kids in their respective schools so that, at least one from the centre should also go to University as Lirangwe and Mulanje. She sighted the examples of Tiyanjane and Enock Banda plus Dalitso, whom through GEAMOC have managed to excel in education .



The chairman distributing the buckets and allowance to the supervisor



The chairman distributing the blankets to the kids and supervisor

MULANJE

With recommendations from the President, this centre was given its materials as and when I met the kids, it was when I went there to meet some kids, where by other guardians began to call me for their materials as well. School fees were paid and blankets and materials to those I met and other materials were sent through my friends when they had trips to Mulanje. So far in Mulanje we are having 7 kids, and all are in secondary school.

TIYANJANE MBENDERA

Tiyanjane Mbendera is now based at Mwanza border doing her attachment, as per my previous report, firstly she was just visiting the border on errands, but now the company decided to have her there on fulltime basis to gain much exposure. Unfortunately she is still on attachment, as the company has no opening yet to offer her a job.

With her Diploma, I advised her to be applying for other jobs, elsewhere as I feel she has acquired enough experience. As such on the request list, I have included her to be considered for her lent and upkeep for this period. She told me that she is indeed enjoying her time at the clearing and shipping company, and has learnt a lot. She further requested whether it might be possible for Geamoc to sponsor her driving lessons, but I advised her to get job first and thereafter, driving lessons will have to be done, at a cost sharing aspect not at the moment. She adhered to my advice. My plan is to visit her with the chairman when distributing this session's school materials.



Tiyanjane in her office



Tiyanjane with her work colleague

REMARKS

As outlined above, schools have opened on 16th September 2019, as such we need to distribute the school materials and school fees to the kids. Furthermore, government has already advised students who are to sit for exams this year to start registering for next year's exams, as such I included it in my request as they need to pay as soon as possible.

Finally I have to thank the German Board for their help towards education system in Malawi to our kids. We have seen kids going to College and others leaving a sustainable life.

FLOODS AFFECTING MALAWIANS

Geamoc Malawi through the Chairman is thanking German Board for the donation of materials to our flood victims. It really helped them and guardians plus parents of the affected kids appreciated a lot.

The media covered the function as per below news articles.



From nation newspaper

From Malawi news



Benson Mongiwa (Geamoc-Malawi Coordinator)