



ECLT Foundation Programme in Malawi, 2006-2008

Integrated Child Labour Elimination Programme, phase 2 (ICLEP2)

Description of the Programme

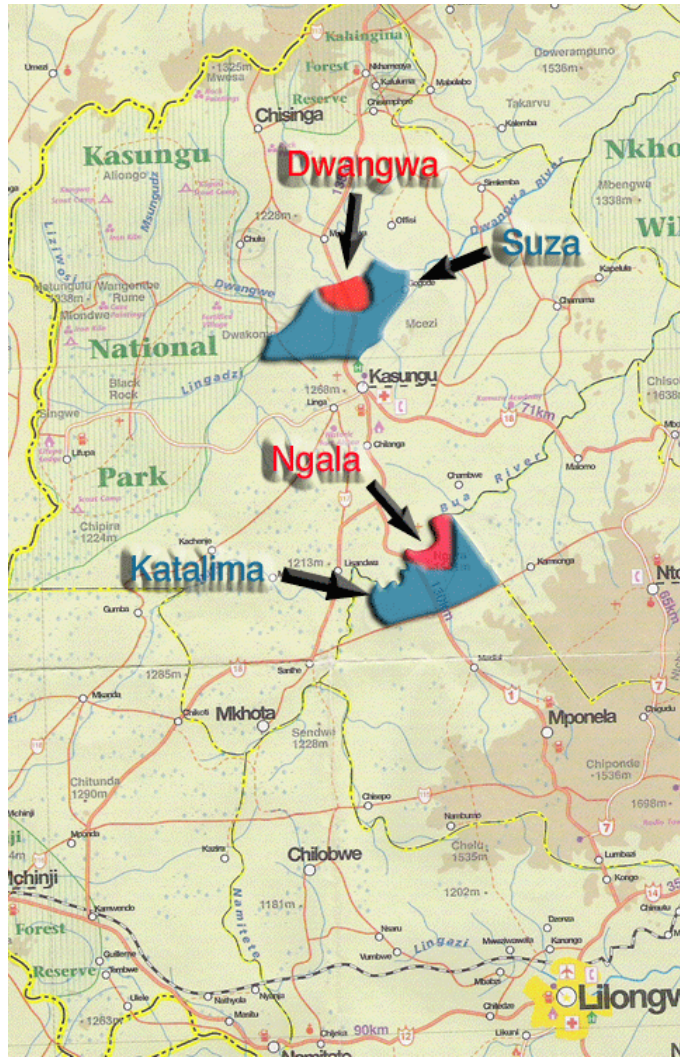
Programme background

Following the successful work done by TECS and its implementing partners during the first phase, the ECLT Foundation has decided to pursue this effective collaboration.

The ICLEP 2 programme will extend ICLEP1's existing impact in Dwangwa and Ngala to two new districts: Suza (284 villages) and Katalima (63 villages).

ICLEP 2 is a four component programme, with a health project, consisting of awareness and education, water and sanitation, food security and soil conservation.

A baseline survey to measure child labour will be carried out before the beginning of ICLEP 2 implementation.



Highlighted regions where the programme will be implemented

Programme objectives

Awareness and education

Creative Centre for Community Mobilisation (CRECCOM) will implement the education, community sensitisation and mobilisation component of the project. This element aims to increase enrolment, improve retention rates in primary and secondary schools and sensitise communities on the consequences of child labour. Communities will be mobilised to take action to reduce child labour in their area.

Activities will include:

- School building and renovating;

- Community initiatives to improve education and schooling (teachers houses, latrines etc)
- Support for to community initiatives in favour of orphans and vulnerable children;
- Training of teachers and committees;
- Sensitisation, awareness raising activities including theatre for development;
- Involvement of government agents (education, labour).

Water and sanitation

Nkhoma Synod will implement a safe water and sanitation component aimed at improving the health of the communities and children in the impact area. This will be achieved by providing the communities with potable safe water, empowering them with community based water management institutions and reducing the distances children have to walk to fetch water for their families.

Activities will include:

- Digging 160 wells;
- Three to four boreholes to be drilled per annum;
- Training of communities, committees and water maintenance teams.

Food security and soil conservation

Total Land Care (TLC) will implement a food security and nutrition component of the programme which will, among other things, improve the food and nutritional status of the communities and children in the impact area. Consequently this will also help to improve income levels. Other outputs of the TLC interventions will be sustainable environmental management and introduction of labour saving technologies.

Activities will include:

- Irrigation schemes, food production;
- Soil conservation, erosion control;
- Tree nurseries, tree planting.

Health

Lifeline Malawi (LM) is a new organisation in the group. They will be responsible for providing reliable health services to the communities in the pursuit of complementing the existing meagre health facilities in the impact area. This component will be crucial to alleviating the dire health status of the communities which has been made worse by the HIV/AIDS pandemic. The current health status detrimentally affects the schooling of children in the area.

Activities will include:

- Creating a rural clinic attending to approx 200 patients a day, based in one of the project areas;
- Attending to 50 children a day plus 10 to 15 related parents/care givers;
- Training within the communities (preventive, organisational and curative).

Project structure

Together Ensuring Children's Security (TECS) will provide the operational framework to create, mobilise resources, manage, monitor and coordinate the integrated poverty alleviation strategy to combat child labour in tobacco growing communities.

Budget

The overall programme budget is US\$2,132,000 over two years. The breakdown is as follows:

Awareness and education	24%
Water and sanitation	8%
Food security and soil conservation	14%
Health	28%
TECS coordination	26%
	100%

The programme started in June 2006 and will end in July 2008.

Further information on the programme

For the latest documents on the programme visit the Malawi page in Projects and Progress section on www.eclt.org.

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