

# Malawi OGP National Action Plan 2025-2028

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# 5 Thematic Areas, 11 Commitments

Thematic Area	No. of Commitments
Anti-Corruption	3
Natural Resources	2
Fiscal Openness	2
Digital Governance	3
Environment and Climate	1

# Anti-Corruption

1. Operationalization of beneficial ownership disclosures
2. Promoting transparency in public procurement processes
3. Transparency and disclosure of political party funding

# C1: Operationalization of beneficial ownership disclosures

*Enhance transparency by enforcing BO disclosure laws and integrating registries and systems to track true company ownership*

- Update BO regulations to align with international standards
- Enact laws mandating re-registration of companies
- Strengthen the institutional capacity of oversight agencies
- Upgrade the Malawi Business Registration System (MBRS)
- Enhance monitoring, awareness, and sanction mechanisms for compliance

## **C2: Promoting transparency in public procurement processes**

*Adopt open contracting to publish procurement data, improve oversight and reduce corruption across the procurement cycle.*

- Implement Open Contracting Data Standards (OCDS)
- Fully utilize Malawi's e-Procurement System (MANEPS)
- Strengthen coordination among oversight institutions
- Enact the Whistleblower Protection Act
- Implement lifestyle audits covering public and private sectors

### **C3: Transparency and disclosure of political party funding**

*Strengthen regulation and public reporting of political party finances to ensure transparency and accountability in political party funding.*

- Finalize regulations for the Political Parties Act, 2018
- Enhance disclosures of audited accounts and campaign financing
- Increase capacity and resources for oversight by the Office of the Registrar of Political Parties (ORPP)
- Digitalize the Political Party registry
- Improve coordination between oversight bodies and civil society

# Natural Resources

4. Establishment of a Sovereign Wealth Fund

5. Adoption of Community Development Agreements in the mining sector

## **C4: Establishment of a Sovereign Wealth Fund**

*Create and operationalize a sovereign wealth fund to manage mineral revenues for current use and future generations with transparency and accountability.*

- Enact specific legislation for establishing and managing the SWF
- Review existing legal frameworks, like the PFMA or other financial instruments, to ensure harmonization
- Establish an SWF

## **C5: Adoption of Community Development Agreements in the mining sector**

*Ensure communities near mining sites benefit through legally enforced, transparent agreements with mining companies and active local participation.*

- Enforce mandatory CDA contributions
- Expand CDAs to medium-scale mining
- Publish and monitor CDA funds and projects
- Enhance community oversight capacity and environmental accountability

# Fiscal Openness

6. Implementation of domestic debt procedures for contracting and utilization
7. Creating strong linkages between parliamentary functions and constituencies through access to parliamentary information platforms and processes

## **C6: Domestic debt procedures for contracting and utilization**

*Strengthen oversight, transparency and legal frameworks for domestic borrowing to ensure responsible debt use and public accountability*

- Enforce compliance with the Public Finance Management Act for transparency in domestic debt
- Implement structured debt management and clearance systems
- Strengthen parliamentary oversight and public engagement in debt management

## **C7: Creating strong linkages between Parliamentary functions and constituencies through access to Parliamentary information platforms and processes**

*Improve access to Parliamentary information and citizen engagement in legislative and oversight processes through digital tools and public outreach*

- Digitalize Parliamentary information systems
- Expand Parliamentary radio and television outreach
- Strengthen communication and public engagement through local languages and digital platforms
- Enhance Parliamentary oversight and legislative transparency

# Digital Governance

8. Promotion of digital literacy, rights and inclusion
9. Enhancing utilization of e-Government systems
10. Enhancing access to public data/ information through e-Government platforms

## **C8: Promotion of digital literacy, rights and inclusion**

*Promote digital rights by improving access to digital services, devices, and increasing digital literacy in an inclusive manner*

- Promote public awareness and inclusion initiatives
- Strengthen data protection laws and digital rights frameworks
- Reduce device and internet costs through policy reforms

## **C9: Enhancing utilization of e-Government systems**

*Ensure progressive adoption of secure digital systems across government, enforce policy compliance and build capacity for efficient, tech-enabled service delivery*

- Enforce policy compliance on digital system use
- Expand digital infrastructure and cybersecurity
- Build technical capacity within government institutions

## **C10: Enhancing access to public data/information through e-Government platforms**

*Improve and expand access to government data via a centralized portal, enforce content update standards and increase infrastructure for digital inclusion*

- Centralize government data on an integrated portal
- Enforce mandatory publishing and updating of information
- Increase digital infrastructure for broad inclusion

# Climate and Environment

## 11. Open and accountable climate action

## **C12: Open and Accountable Climate Action**

*Improve climate transparency, public participation and finance tracking through open data, community monitoring and stronger legal frameworks*

- Operationalize Monitoring, Reporting, and Verification (MRV) systems
- Launch a Climate Finance Dashboard
- Institutionalize citizen participation and community-based monitoring
- Mandate proactive disclosure of environmental information and reports