

ANNEX 7: PRESENTATION ON DISTMS

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DISTMS REPORT

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DISTMS background

- Section under National Statistical Office: responsible for processing national statistics
- 1966: Unit under Accountant General Department: responsible for processing payroll and Government accounts
- 1982: Department under Ministry of Finance (Data Processing Department, DPD)
- 1995: DPD moves to Lilongwe
- 1999: Renamed DISTMS
- 2003: Department under OPC
- 2004: Department under Ministry of Information and Tourism
- 2008: Department under Ministry of Information and Civic Education

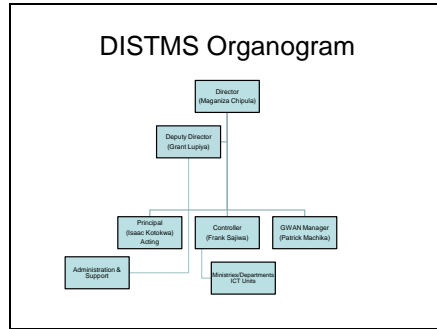
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DISTMS – Is responsible for ICT in Govt

- Policy development – ICT Policy and strategy
- Applications Development, Systems maintenance and Technical Support
- Government Wide Area Network (GWAN) – Infrastructure and connectivity
- ICT Education and Training - National College of Information Technology (NACIT)

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Budgets

	Approved 2010/11	Estimates 2011/12
DISTMS (PE)	071,406,532	064,915,532
DISTMS (ORT)	123,418,010	143,822,894
NACIT (Revenue)	166,000,000	160,000,000
NACIT (Expenditure)	162,000,000	156,000,000
National fiber backbone	150,000,000	
Digital Migration	190,651,500	205,091,000
Total (Less Revenue)	697,476,042	569,829,426

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- ### 2010/11 - Activities implemented
- 21 officers recruited on various positions
 - 30 officers attended courses in various training programs
 - 86 ICT officers underwent induction courses
 - Produced 297 graduates (86 Bsc, 80 Advanced Diploma and 131 Diploma)
 - Improved learning facilities by procuring 35 computers, 3 laptops, repaired 50 desks and procured 40 sets of computer books

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2010/11 - Activities implemented -cont

- GoM website redesigned, MANA and NACIT websites developed
- Submitted ICT text for MGDS II
- Digitalized cabinet records and facilitated the digitalization of records for public institutions
- Review of Civil Service ICT policy underway
- Commissioned the Pan-African e-network
- Upgraded software in 250 computers with genuine Windows software

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2010-11-Aactivities implemented -cont

- Upgraded GWAN Internet from 6 mbps to 16 mbps
- Roll out of GWAN to Mzuzu and Blantyre underway
- Procurement of inverters for power stabilization underway
- Renewed Trend antivirus software license

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Planned activities for 2011/12

- Procure 60 computers for NACIT laboratories
- Establish a computer museum
- Re-introduce BSc program for NACIT Lilongwe campus
- Facilitate the adoption of National and Civil Service ICT Policies
- Upgrade 500 computers with genuine Windows software
- Conduct national ICT baseline survey

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Planned activities for 2011/12 - cont

- Finalize roll out of GWAN to Mzuzu and Blantyre
- Install fiber links in Lilongwe connecting Police Headquarters, MDF Headquarters and Bwaila Hospital with Capital Hill
- Implement E-Government phase 1
- Facilitate the development of Digital Migration Strategy

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Planned activities for 2011/12 - cont

- Facilitate migration from Analogue to Digital Transmission for Television Broadcasting
- Facilitate Internet Connectivity to public institutions using RCIP funds
- Facilitate provision of access to Internet and telephony services in development corridors using ISP funds

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Problems/Challenges

- Shortage of staff (numbers and skills)
- Delays in recruitment processes
- Lack of ownership (support) by Ministries/Departments
- Inadequate transport
- Intermittent and fluctuating power supply
- Electrical faults in Government buildings

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Problems/Challenges

- Non-adherence to ICT standards in: application development, ICT procurement, ICT project management
- Compromised security of systems through viruses and hacking
- Confidence on GWAN Services
- GWAN awareness
- High cost of Internet bandwidth
- Intermittent Internet service from MTL
- Hygiene – improper disposal of food items. Rats

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Feedback