

## Activity Report 1

Pre-primary education in Malawi is under the jurisdiction of the Ministry of Gender, Community Development and Social Welfare. The jurisdiction at the district level is the Social Welfare Office.

Pre-primary education facilities in Malawi are broadly divided into Community-Based Childcare Centre (CBCC) and Nursery schools. CBCC is public and free, while Nursery School is private and charges fees. CBCC accounts for 70% of the total number of schools in Malawi.

Before starting the project, we conducted a preliminary survey from August to September 2021. In this report, we introduce the Community-Based Childcare Centre (CBCC), which will be targeted in the project, and Child Protection Worker (CPW), which works in the community.

### 1. Community-Based Childcare Centre: CBCC

The project target area, Nkhata Bay District, has 299 CBCCs. We introduced two facilities that are targeted in the project below.

#### Facility A

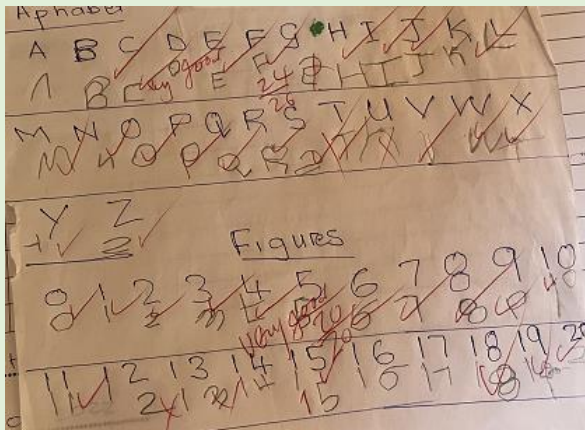
Facility A was established in 2012 in a community building. It is located in an area that is a 30-minute walk from the town center and a 20-minute walk from the nearby primary school. It is open from 8:00 am to 12:00 pm. Two caregivers operate it and serve 47 children aged 2 to 5. MK1,000 (about \$0.8) per month is collected from the children to cover the cost of paper and printing for tests and report cards. The community is inactive, so they think they need support from the community. Active caregivers manage the facility. We look forward to future progress.



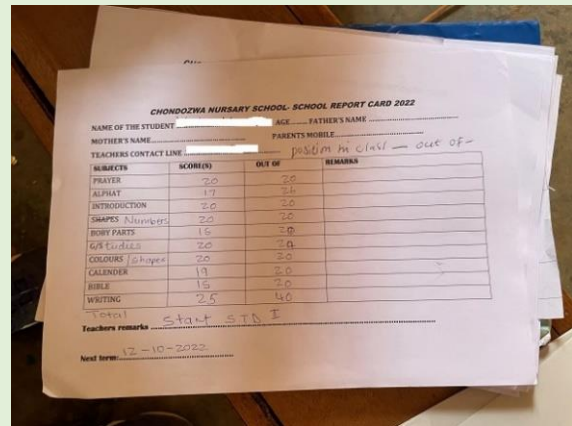
Caregivers tell to children to sit down



Children listening to caregivers



Test for alphabet and numbers



Report card

## Facility B

Facility B was just built in 2021 with community support. It is located in an area that is a 45-minute walk from the town center. It is open from 8:00 am to 12:00 pm. It is operated by three caregivers, and 35 children aged 3-5 attend the school. The facility does not collect any money from the children and is free of charge. There are ten community members. They conduct a meeting once a month. Enthusiastic caregivers manage the facility by obtaining community support. We look forward to seeing further progress.



The facility was built by community



Government officers, caregivers, and children



Studying materials (Animals, alphabet, and fruits)



Playing tools

## 2. Child Protection Worker: CPW

There is a Child Protection Worker (CPW) in each community area. The Child Protection Worker's job is to monitor the children in the community. She also monitors CBCC once a month.



Meeting with CPW and caregivers



Interview to CPW