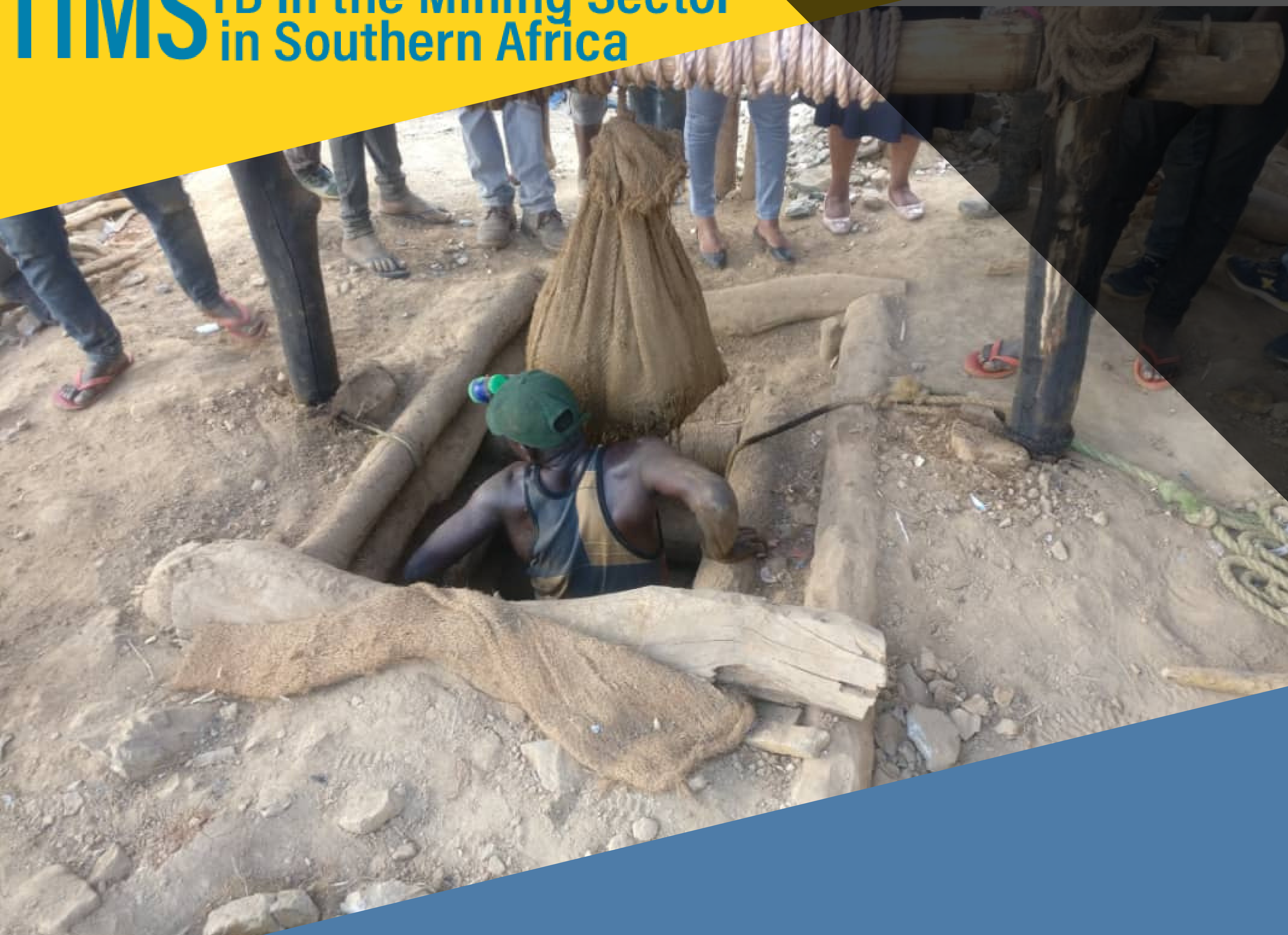


TIMS TB in the Mining Sector in Southern Africa



TIMS PROJECT: COUNTRY FOCUS/MALAWI





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1.0 Introduction

The Tuberculosis in the Mining Sector in Southern Africa (TIMS) is a regional catalytic project funded by the Global Fund. The project has earlier been implemented through two phases, TIMS I and TIMS II involving 10 countries. In order to sustain the gains from the two phases, Global Fund made available to RCM an additional grant of US\$10.5 million to implement phase 3 of the project (July 2021 to June 2024) with expanded geographic scope involving all the SADC countries.

As opposed to the previous phases, in TIMS phase III (TIMS III) ***the project shall not focus on services delivery at national level but on strengthening multi-country and multi-sectoral co-ordination and accountability mechanism for TB in the mines in the SADC region.*** Service delivery is anticipated to be directly supported through country specific grants by the Global Fund for qualifying countries. However, through the regional project some countries shall be supported in specific areas related generally to strengthening systems for occupational health and compensation, supporting development of private sector led TB in the mines initiatives for sustainability, and enhancing the ability of participation of key population to effectively participate in the governance structures at national and regional level regarding control of TB in the mines.

In designing phase III of the TIMS project, the RCM considered a number of issues including lessons and progress from previous phases of the project, the nature and scale of the mining industry in each country, the need for sustainability of TIMS initiatives in the region, variation amongst the SADC countries on the problem of TB in the mines, and practicability of implementation of an intervention in a country, among others. Therefore, in the funding request (FR) a differentiated approach was adopted in the implementation of certain initiatives to avoid a “one size fits all” approach. This basically implies, certain intervention shall cut across all the SADC countries while others will only be implemented in some countries.



2.0 Objective of this document

As elaborated in the Funding Request by the RCM to Global Fund, the funds shall go to the Principal Recipient (PR) who shall be responsible for grant management and implementation of all activities. ***There is no flow of funds directly from PR to any other entity or country.*** However, the PR shall implement the approved activities in collaborations with the various stakeholders identified in the funding request including relevant government departments, key population, private sector and SADC Secretariat, and as necessary pay service providers engaged by the mentioned entities directly as agreed beforehand. This document provides approximate budgetary implication of Malawi participation as one of the SADC countries to TIMS III for each module. Of course, the benefits of participation are expected to be much higher than the cost.

Therefore this document identifies set of interventions under TIMS III that Malawi will directly benefit from or participate in as it works with the PR. The document is expected to help the Malawi TIMS Technical working Group (TWG) to effectively support the process of TIMS project implementation for optimal benefit to the country and the region. The document indicates the activity whether it is regional or country level in nature, the key stakeholders at national level involved and expected outcome or benefits.



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Module 1: Health sector governance and planning- Approximate budget implication for Malawi participation in TIMS III =\$104,453

<p>Sustaining coordination and implementation of the SADC Declaration of TB in the Mines Protocol</p>	<p>Development of regional action (operational) plan for implementation of the Declaration of TB in the Mining Sector Protocol</p>	<p>Regional level activity - Officials from NTP, Occupational Health Unit, Ministry responsible for Minerals, Ministry responsible Compensation/Labour shall be engaged virtually to provide inputs to a regional prototype action plan.</p>	<p>SADC action plan developed with participation of key stakeholders from Malawi</p>
	<p>Integration and operationalization the action plan for the declaration of TB in the mining sector</p>	<p>A national level activity PR to facilitate Malawi TIMS TWG to. - Convene a 2-day meeting to review the regional action plan and develop a national action plan and build consensus on how relevant sectors shall incorporate into their work plans or strategies the action plan intervention. Expected in the meeting are 40 participants from TB, OH, Minerals, Compensation departments, KP, CCM, Chamber of Mines, etc. -National TIMS TWG with support of PR to convene 1 -day meeting to review progress with implementation in 2023 and 2024</p>	<p>Malawi action plan for implementing interventions for the declaration of SADC TB in the mines Protocol developed</p> <p>Key sectors: Health, Mines, Labour and Occupational Health and other implementers integrates action plan interventions into their routine work plans</p> <p>Interventions reflected into relevant department work plans and progress review reports</p>



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Support for TIMS grant oversight and coordination	NTP managers meetings	A regional level activity PR to facilitate the NTP manager of Malawi to participate in the SADC NTP managers meeting to finalize the annual TB report	SAnnual SADC TB report produced

Module 2: TB care and prevention- Approximate budget implication for Malawi participation in TIMS III = 147,756

TB Care and Prevention	Conducting training of doctors for B-reading of chest X-Ray films	This is a regional level activity: 5 day trainings will be conducted and the PR will facilitate the attendance of 4 doctors from Malawi; 2 trainings planned	4 Malawian doctors trained on B-reading of chest X-Ray films
	Train Health care workers from ASM mining localities on TB, other lung diseases and compensation for Occupational Health Services (OHS)	This is a regional level activity: 2 day training will be conducted and the PR will facilitate the attendance of 4 health care workers from Malawi; 1 training planned	4 Malawian Health Care workers trained



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Module 3: Health management information systems and M&E- Approximate budget implication for Malawi participation in TIMS III=130,298

Strengthen data governance for CBRS

Develop an inter-country data sharing agreement and data processing agreement for the SADC CBRS

Regional level activity
- Malawi TIMS TWG participate in the process of developing data sharing agreement and facilitates its signing at the national level

Malawi signs the data sharing agreement

Training to NTP staff at national, regional and district levels and Healthcare Workers on the CBRS and data sharing agreement

Regional level activity
Malawi TIMS TWG facilitate the identification of 3 relevant officials for the training on CBRS and data sharing agreement

CBRS is functional in Malawi

Provide technical assistance to develop a monitoring tool and train the NTP staff and healthcare workers on how to monitor the use of the CBRS system

National level activity
Malawi TIMS TWG and PR provide technical assistance in monitoring CBRS and provide other technical support at the facility site

CBRS is functional in Malawi

Provide technical assistance to document lessons learnt from the CBRS system and advise on how to link the system with other EMR systems existing in the countries

Regional level activity
-Malawi TIMS TWG facilitate the identification of 2 relevant officials in the regional meeting

CBRS is functional in Malawi

Convene a review meeting to assess the implementation of CBRS, lessons learnt and address any challenges

Regional level activity
-Malawi TIMS TWG facilitates the participation of relevant CBRS in review meeting

CBRS functional in Malawi



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<p>Development of the regional TIMS dashboard</p>	<p>Development of SADC TIMS results framework - countries building consensus on the indicators and reporting</p>	<p>Regional level activity Malawi TIMS TWG to support the identification of 4 relevant officials to participate in a regional meeting. PR to facilitate their travel to the meeting</p>	<p>SADC countries agrees on the set of indicators to be reported on and included as part of SADC TIMS results framework</p>
	<p>Develop a dashboard for TIMS Programme based on the results framework, develop a country reporting tool as well as the dashboard user guide and translate guide into SADC official languages</p>	<p>Regional level activity -Malawi TIMS TWG reviews the translated TIMS M&E framework document before PR prints the document</p>	<p>Results framework, Dashboard and user guide developed.</p>
	<p>Provide technical assistance to countries to revise their data tools to enable them collect data required for reporting to the regional TIMS dashboard</p>	<p>National level activity Malawi TIMS TWG works with the PR to facilitate the adaptation of reporting to include TIMS dashboard reporting at the national level</p>	<p>Countries reporting to SADC through the dashboard on TIMS</p>
	<p>Convene annual meetings for TIMS stakeholders to review TIMS data from all countries, identify lessons learnt, challenges and solutions and develop a report for the TIMS coordination structure</p>	<p>Regional level activity Malawi TIMS TWG to support the identification of 4 relevant officials to participate in a regional review TIMS data form the dashboard and lessons learnt. PR to facilitate their travel to the meeting</p>	<p>Report from the review produced and disseminated to Malawi stakeholders</p>



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ASM Mapping Surveys	Conduct a mapping and size estimation of ASM communities in Malawi and develop an ASM TB initiative to be implemented	This is a national level activity: All the Malawi stakeholders as identified by the TORs for TWG, will be engaged to provide input and validate the ASM Mapping surveys	TA report on the ASM communities in Malawi is developed



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Module 4: Removing Human Rights and Gender related Barriers to TB Services

Approximate budget implication Malawi participation in TIMS III =164,602

Conducting Community, Rights and Gender (CRG) Assessments in the Region

Technical assistance to establish and convene a technical team to design, guide and ensure quality CRG Assessments

This is a national level activity:

A Malawi CRG Technical team will be established in accordance with the guidance provided in the Concept note for CRG Assessments. The PR will facilitate the Malawi CRG Technical team to host at least 4 meetings to design how the Malawi CRG Assessments will/should be conducted and further facilitation will be provided to the Key Populations (KP) in Malawi to attend these meetings

The Malawi CRG Technical team is established

The design for Malawi CRG Assessments is developed

Carrying out of the CRG Assessments as per the design developed by the CRG Technical team

All the Malawi stakeholders as identified by the TORs for TWG and the KP, will be engaged to provide input

Malawi CRG Assessment report



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<p>Conducting Community, Rights and Gender (CRG) Assessments in the Region</p>	<p>Convene Malawi stakeholders to validate the CRG Assessment recommendations , advocate for their implementation and develop a Botswana CRG action plan</p>	<p>This is a national level activity:</p> <p>A 2 day meeting will be convened where 5 representatives of the different stakeholders will be facilitated to attend</p>	<p>CRG Assessment Recommendations validated</p> <p>Malawi CRG action plan developed</p>
	<p>Support the KP organisations in Malawi to engage with national programmes and realign them to implement the Malawi CRG operational plan</p>	<p>This is both a national and regional level activity:</p> <p>The PR will facilitate the attendance of KP organisations at regional or international TIMS events where priority will be given to women in mining and ASM communities</p>	<p>Malawi KP organisations engaging with national programmes on the Malawi CRG operational plan</p>
	<p>Facilitate a sensitization meeting of organised labour unions on findings of CRG Assessments and Operational Plans to influence change</p>	<p>This is a regional level activity:</p> <p>A 2-day meeting will be convened where a maximum of 3 Malawi labour unions will be facilitated to attend; 1 meeting planned</p>	<p>Malawi labour unions sensitized</p> <p>Meeting report developed</p>



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Human Rights and Gender	Sensitizing Members of Parliament on CRG, Action Plan for the Declaration on TB in the Mines or co-host regional Forums for MPs, Lawyers and NHRIs	<p>This is a regional level activity:</p> <p>A 2-day meeting will be convened and the expected participants include: Area MPs in mining communities; Parliamentary chairpersons for Health, Mines, Labour, Justice/Legal Committees; Lawyers and National Human Rights Institutes</p> <p>3 regional Forums are planned in year 2 and 3</p>	Malawi MPs sensitized on CRG and the Action Plan for the Declaration on TB in the Mines



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Module 5: Community systems strengthening - Approximate budget implication for Malawi participation in TIMS III = \$131,191

Community-led monitoring	Support technical assistance to set up and convene meetings of the CLM technical team that will guide the selection and design of the CLM tool and develop its implementation approach.	Country level activity Malawi TIMS TWG support the establishment of CLM technical team to design CLM tool and its implementation approach	CLM tool developed and plan for conducting CLM developed
	Support technical assistance to design the CLM tool and implementation guidelines/ Upgrade of the digital application and launch training at and national level	Country level activity -PR converts the CLM tool to a digital format	CLM tool available in a digital format
	Provide technical assistance to countries to build capacity of CLM implementers	Country level activity Malawi TIMS TWG with support of the PR build the capacity of CLM implementers	Capacity of CLM implementer built and they are collecting data as per the plan developed
	Convene country meetings to act on the CLM data to bring about change required in availability, quality, affordability and accessibility of TB-related services for the mining community	Country level activity Malawi TIMS TWG with support of the PR convene national level meeting to review CLM data and develop action plan for required change	SADC countries agrees on the set of indicators to be reported on and included as part of SADC TIMS results framework



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	<p>Convene regional meetings of countries to review data from CLM and recommend people-centered strategies</p>	<p>Regional level activity Malawi TIMS TWG facilitate the identification of 5 participants to participate in the regional CLM regional review</p>	<p>Regional review report disseminated Regional review report disseminated</p>

Module 6: Program management - Approximate budget implication for Malawi participation in TIMS III = 143,461

	<p>Country TIMS Coordination</p>	<p>National level activity Malawi TIMS TWG hold monthly meetings to review TIMS interventions at the country level and provides PR and other stakeholders with feedback for action. PR to facilitate the meeting</p>	<p>PR and other TIMS stakeholders provided with feedback for action</p>
	<p>PR staff to facilitate project implementation in the region</p>	<p>Regional level activity PR staff available to respond and provide technical support to Malawi and the SADC region on matters related to TIMS</p>	<p>PR staff available to support Malawi and other stakeholders during the course of project implementation</p>



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