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Launch of National Youth Policy (2023-2028)

The Government of Malawi through the Cabinet approved the revised National Youth Policy (2023-2028) on 19th July, 2023. The approved revised policy supersedes the 2013 National Youth Policy. The review and approval of the National Youth Policy underscores the Government's unwavering commitment to place young people at the core of the National Development Agenda (NDA). It also signifies a dedication to instituting reforms that promote the active involvement of youth in policy development, implementation, and monitoring across all sectors.

The National Youth Policy (2023-2028), with its ten priority areas, is designed to create an enabling environment that fosters the full potential of all young people, allowing them to harness their creative and productive capacities for personal and national development. The policy, aims to address various challenges faced by the youth, empowering them to contribute their energy, creativity, and innovation to the country's economy. It recognizes that the youth population constitutes a significant portion of our society and is an indispensable force for sustainable development. They are not only leaders but also major actors, beneficiaries of investments, and creators of wealth for both today and tomorrow.

The revised and approved National Youth Policy is now set for the official launch. The official launch of the policy has been organized with the primary objectives of raising awareness, facilitating dialogue, and mobilizing support and commitment for the successful implementation of the policy from all stakeholders. The official launch of the National Youth Policy 2023-2028 is expected to be presided over by His Excellency, Dr. Lazarus MacCarthy Chakwera, the State President of the Republic of Malawi on 31st October, 2023 at the Bingu International Convention Centre (BICC) starting at 9:00 am. The launch will be done alongside 2023 UN Day Commemoration which will be held under the theme "Malawi Unite: Championing Youth Led Innovation for a sustainable future and resilient communities." The Government of Malawi, therefore, invites all stakeholders and the general public to join in this momentous occasion and work collectively to empower our youth for a brighter and more prosperous Malawi, in line with the aspirations of Malawi 2063.

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