



MALAWI ELECTORAL COMMISSION

PRESS RELEASE

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION OF NAMES OF CANDIDATES NOMINATED FOR ELECTION AS MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT AND COUNCILLOR IN THE 30TH JUNE 2026 ELECTIONS (BY-ELECTIONS AND FRESH ELECTION)

Section 44 of the Presidential, Parliamentary and Local Government Elections Act, 2023

The Commission hereby declares that the following candidates have been validly nominated for election as Member of Parliament and Councillor in the Parliamentary and Local Government Elections to be held on 30th June 2026, as follows:

1. Parliamentary By-elections

1.1. Lilongwe City Bwaila Constituency

No	Name of Candidate	Gender	Affiliation
1.	Mike CHIMZUKIRA	M	DPP
2.	Precious Pempho Gama KABAMBE	M	MCP
3.	Grace Mbengo MNAPO	F	Independent
4.	Henry MUYAYA	M	Independent
5.	Phunziro MVULA	M	Independent
6.	Sandra Kamwendo NDAU	F	Independent
7.	Nellys Martha SENDEZELA	F	UTM

1.2. Machinga Mikoko Constituency

No	Name of Candidate	Gender	Affiliation
1.	Gertrude Lucy Edgar CHIRAMBO	F	Independent

No	Name of Candidate	Gender	Affiliation
2.	Francis Mukonaothana HAIYA	M	DPP
3.	Ishmael Louis JAPAN	M	Independent
4.	Dyton Jabilu MILANZI	M	UTM
5.	Evereen MILONDE	F	PP
6.	Ibrahim Rajabu OJESS	M	UDF
7.	Alexander SHOTI	M	MCP
8.	Yusuf TAIBU	M	Independent

2. Parliamentary Fresh Election

2.1. Balaka Mulunguzi Constituency

No	Name of Candidate	Gender	Affiliation
1.	Daniel CHIKOTI	M	UTM
2.	James MAKHUMULA	M	DPP
3.	Laston Ronnex MAKULUNI	M	Independent
4.	Ireen MAMBALA	F	Independent
5.	Dorrah Eliya SAMSON	F	UDF
6.	Lucy TCHALE	F	Independent
7.	Frankie WASHON	M	Independent

3. Local Government By-elections

3.1. Uliwa Ward In Karonga South Constituency

No	Name of Candidate	Gender	Affiliation
1.	Imedi Upendo KAMWENDO	M	UTM
2.	Robert Koyi KONDOWE	M	PP
3.	Alick Trasco MHANGO	M	MCP
4.	Tamala MHANGO	F	Independent
5.	Wilson Dyson MZUMARA	M	DPP

3.2. Kanjuli Ward in Machinga Central East Constituency

No	Name of Candidate	Gender	Affiliation
1.	Allie Lali ATWABI	M	DPP
2.	Benito Nicodemus CHILENJE	M	Independent
3.	Basheal Chinyama CHIMANGO	M	Independent
4.	Patileki CHIMOMBO	M	Independent
5.	Austin Saindi ISSA	M	Independent
6.	Wilson Saivation MAULANA	M	UDF
7.	Mwaiwao RICHMAN	F	PP

The names are in alphabetical order of surnames.

The Commission is reminding all stakeholders that a candidate can be disqualified at any point before polling if information is availed that could have led to disqualification during the nomination stage.

For one to be duly nominated to contest in elections, the law provides that he or she should;

- a. be a citizen of Malawi;
- b. have, at the time of nomination, attained the age of twenty-one;
- c. be able to speak and to read the English language well enough to take an active part in the proceedings of the National Assembly or council; and
- d. be a registered voter in any constituency or ward, as a case may be

Notwithstanding the above, no one is eligible to be nominated to contest in Parliamentary or Local Government Elections, if the person:

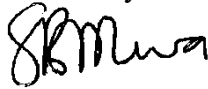
- a. owes allegiance to a foreign country;
- b. is, under any written law in force in Malawi, adjudged or otherwise declared to be of unsound mind;
- c. has, within the last seven years, been convicted by a competent court of a crime involving dishonesty or moral turpitude;

- d. is an undischarged bankrupt, having been adjudged or otherwise declared bankrupt under any law in force in Malawi;
- e. holds or acts in a public office or appointment;
- f. belongs to and is serving in the Malawi Defence Force, the Malawi Police Service or the Malawi Prison Service; or
- g. has, within the last seven years, been convicted by a competent court of violation of any law relating to elections.

In view of this, the Commission is encouraging members of the public to come forward if they have justifiable evidence or information challenging the eligibility of the above-listed candidates by writing to ceo@mec.org.mw .

The information will be treated in confidence and should be submitted in writing stating name of candidate and specific eligibility criterion not met.

Dated this 12th day of June 2026



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