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GENERAL NOTICE No. 9

MALAWI ELECTORAL COMMISSION

17TH MARCH 2026 BY-ELECTIONS

Publication of Names of Candidates Duly Nominated For Election As Members

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

TAKE NOTICE that the Commission hereby declares that the following candidates have been validly nominated for election as Member of Parliament and Councillor in the By-Elections scheduled for 17th March 2026. The names of the candidates, arranged in alphabetical order of their surnames, are as follows for the respective constituencies and wards—

1. PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS

1.1. Rumphi Central Constituency

No	Name of Candidate	Gender	Affiliation
1.	Licy Nkosi KAMWENDO	F	Independent
2.	McDowel Aaron Chidumba MKANDAWIRE	M	MCP
3.	Moir Walita MKANDAWIRE	M	DPP
4.	Matthews Chinombo MTUMBUKA	M	UTM
5.	Paul NYIRENDA	M	AFORD

1.2. Nkhosakota Liwaladzi Constituency

No	Name of Candidate	Gender	Affiliation
1.	Zelita Tankhulenji BANDA	F	Independent
2.	Alexander Billy CHAZIYA	M	Independent
3.	Pascal Alfred CHITUNDU	M	PDP
4.	Overstone Frank KONDOWE	M	MCP
5.	Thokozire LUNJI	F	DPP
6.	Aisha SILVER	F	Independent

1.3. Dedza Mtakataka Constituency

No	Name of Candidate	Gender	Affiliation
1.	Patrick Siyabonga BANDAWE	M	MCP
2.	Hyacinta Palingana CHIKAONDA	F	Independent
3.	Davie KUPEMPHA	M	Independent
4.	Nancy Stella Kaendera MALUZA	F	DPP
5.	Charles John SANDRAM	M	Independent

1.4. Blantyre West Constituency

No	Name of Candidate	Gender	Affiliation
1.	Mavuto Mapongo GULO	M	Independent
2.	Dexton Mphatso GUNSALU	M	DPP
3.	Stella Tinenenji JAMU	F	Independent
4.	Nicholas KACHINGWE	M	Independent
5.	Turnson KALIZA	M	PPM
6.	Jason Isaac KANEKA	M	Independent
7.	Annie Exildah KAZEMBE	F	AFORD
8.	Vinniey KUMITETE	F	Independent
9.	Lista MASAMBA	F	Independent
10.	Dija Magret MUSSA	F	Independent

2. LOCAL GOVERNMENT BY-ELECTION

2.1. Ighembe Ward in Karonga Songwe Constituency

No	Name of Candidate	Gender	Affiliation
1.	Moshi Muludini FUNDI	F	PP
2.	Teleza KAMuNYOWE	F	NDP
3.	Benedicto KAONGA	M	AFORD
4.	Thumbiko Eddu KAONGA	M	UTM
5.	Adrian MASIMBI	M	DPP
6.	Ephraim Junior King MVULA	M	MCP
7.	Magret MWAKALINGA	F	MRP
8.	Cheyo NYASI	F	PETRA

2.2. Luwunga Ward in Mzuzu City North Constituency

No	Name of Candidate	Gender	Affiliation
1.	Thomas KAUNDA	M	DPP
2.	Wanangwa Wilson KUMWENDA	M	Independent
3.	Clavel Dapalapa MHANGO	M	Odyza Zake
4.	Arthur Multher Symon MKUMBWA	M	MCP
5.	Mafunase MPHEPO	F	Independent
6.	Pachalo Fwasani NYONI	M	AFORD
7.	Elines Judith SAKALA	F	PP

2.3. Linthembwe Ward in Dowa Ngala Constituency

No	Name of Candidate	Gender	Affiliation
1.	Blessings Steven CHAGUZA	M	Independent
2.	Gideon CHIWASA	M	DPP
3.	Brian KHUMBENI	M	Independent
4.	Racheal MEKE	F	MCP
5.	Emily MWALE	F	Independent

6.	Richard NKHATA	M	Independent	6.	Chisomo Harry LEMANI	M	Independent
7.	Nephtary ZIKAMERA	M	Independent	7.	Hudson Divaison MWANGALIKA	M	Independent

2.4. Msitu Ward in Mchinji South Constituency

No	Name of Candidate	Gender	Affiliation
1.	Spesha Jasten FUNGULANI	M	Independent
2.	Artson Arthur KAMBALANJE	M	Independent
3.	Louis MASANJULA	M	MCP
4.	John Levison MKULEZA	M	DPP
5.	Benjamin PALLIAN	M	Independent
6.	Zidoni Banda SOFT	M	UTM

2.9. Muonekera Ward in Thyolo Goliati Constituency

No	Name of Candidate	Gender	Affiliation
1.	Isaac CHISEKO	M	Independent
2.	Goliath Nsulupi CHISOWA	M	Independent
3.	Peter LINGANI	M	Independent
4.	George MOLESI	M	DPP
5.	Stanford MUKIWA	M	Independent
6.	Foster TOBIAS	M	Independent

2.5. Chilobwe Ward in Lilongwe Chilobwe Constituency

No	Name of Candidate	Gender	Affiliation
1.	Gradwell Samuel CHIWAYA	M	Independent
2.	Saili GWEDE	M	DPP
3.	Davie KAMWENDO	M	MCP
4.	Zindo Mavuto NDEMBO	M	Independent

Dated this 27th day of February 2026

JUSTICE ANNABEL MTALIMANJA
Chairperson

2.6. Mikongo Ward in Mangochi North East Constituency

No	Name of Candidate	Gender	Affiliation
1.	Aisha CHIKOLONI	F	Independent
2.	Lackson Mustafa JAGAJI	M	Independent
3.	Arthur M’dala KUNJE	M	DPP
4.	Ruth MAKWINJA	F	UDF
5.	James ROYIDI	M	Independent
6.	Lackson SIMBA	M	Independent

2.7. Chanda Ward in Zomba Chikomwe Constituency

No	Name of Candidate	Gender	Affiliation
1.	Stephano AMOSI	M	Independent
2.	Jailoss BROWN	M	MCP
3.	Bonnex CHINGWALU	M	Independent
4.	Timothy Raphael MAKAITSA	M	UTM
5.	William MUTHIPA	M	DPP
6.	Christopher NANKWENYA	M	Independent

2.8. Chirunga Ward in Zomba City North Constituency

No	Name of Candidate	Gender	Affiliation
1.	Benson BULLA	M	Independent
2.	Christopher Kriss CHAKAH	M	UTM
3.	Edward CHINGANI	M	AFORD
4.	Chikhulupiliro JIMU	M	DPP
5.	Farida Malida KARAH	F	UDF