

**CFSC BASIC NEEDS BASKET BASKET: LILONGWE ,ZOMBA , BLANTYRE ,MZUZU ,MANGOCHI AND KARONGA May, 2019**

**(A) COST OF BASIC FOOD ITEMS FOR A HOUSEHOLD SIZE OF SIX PEOPLE IN**

ITEM	Lilongwe		Zomba		Blantyre		Mzuzu		Karonga		Mangochi	
Maize	8,429	16,858	8,200	16,400	9,000	18,000	9,333	18,666	6,500	13,000	10,000	20,000
Milling (Including Grinding)	321	4,494	417	5,838	250	3,500	440	6,160	700	9,800	400	5,600
Beans (0.8kg/day) 8 Days	763	4,883	1,071	6,854	893	5,715	892	5,709	700	4,480	700	4,480
Dry Usipa (250g/day) 4 days	7,125	7,125	4,286	4,286	7,357	7,357	5,000	5,000	2,000	2,000	5,767	5,767
Dry Utaka/Mcheni (200g/day) 4 days	6,600	5,280	4,286	3,429	8,700	6,960	7,733	6,186	2,000	1,600	6,833	5,466
Kapenta (200g/day) 4 days	6,425	5,140	5,771	4,617	7,714	6,171	3,500	2,800	6,514	5,211	4,000	3,200
Beef(1 kg/day) 4 days	2,200	8,800	2,400	9,600	2,271	9,084	2,500	10,000	1,800	7,200	2,500	10,000
Eggs (12/day) 4 days	87	4,176	93	4,464	100	4,800	100	4,800	85	4,080	100	4,800
Rape (750g/day) for 30 days	373	8,393	357	8,033	247	5,558	521	11,723	400	9,000	633	14,243
Tomato ( 0.5 Kg/day) 30 days	941	14,115	1,200	18,000	1,279	19,185	1,570	23,550	448	6,720	1,100	16,500
Onion (116g/day) 30 days	1,190	4,165	914	3,199	1,150	4,025	1,300	4,550	535	1,873	1,200	4,200
Fresh Milk (250ml/day) 30 days	304	4,560	340	5,100	307	4,605	362	5,430	340	5,100	300	4,500
Kazinga Cooking oil (100mls/day)30 dys	1,363	4,089	1,435	4,305	1,298	3,894	1,183	3,549	1,100	3,300	1,600	4,800
Bread (5 bkfsts / wk) 20 days	403	8,060	387	7,740	390	7,800	393	7,860	450	9,000	300	6,000
Sugar (2 Kgs /Week)	879	7,032	871	6,968	876	7,008	932	7,456	875	7,000	950	7,600
Kitchen Salt	288	288	349	349	251	251	508	508	390	390	300	300
Tea leaves (Chisangalalo)	90	3,600	111	4,440	50	2,000	100	4,000	70	2,800	90	3,600
Cassava /potatoes (2KgX2Bkfst/)	169	2,704	92	1,472	204	3,264	188	3,008	253	4,048	102	1,632
<b>Sub-total</b>		<b>113,762</b>		<b>115,094</b>		<b>119,177</b>		<b>130,955</b>		<b>96,602</b>		<b>122,688</b>

**(B) COST OF ESSENTIAL NON-FOOD ITEMS**

Charcoal (50 kgs)	10,779	21,558	12,614	25,228	12,857	25,714	8,850	17,700	5,000	10,000	8,333	16,666
Protex	431	4,310	456	4,560	437	4,370	517	5,170	450	4,500	450	4,500
Boom	349	2,792	378	3,024	347	2,776	383	3,064	450	3,600	350	2,800
Clere Body Lotion	489	978	491	982	519	1,038	600	1,200	600	1,200	450	900
Vaseline Blue Seal	769	1,538	796	1,592	756	1,512	700	1,066	790	1,580	800	1,600
Electricity	8,888	8,888	7,271	7,271	13,579	13,579	5,188	5,188	5,031	5,031	9,448	9,448
Running Water (meter)	8,581	8,581	6,988	6,988	10,741	10,741	6,070	6,070	8,045	8,045	9,142	9,142
Housing (3 bedroom)	46,313	46,313	35,000	35,000	44,125	44,125	24,875	24,875	22,000	22,000	31,375	31,375
<b>Sub-total</b>		<b>94,958</b>		<b>84,645</b>		<b>103,855</b>		<b>64,333</b>		<b>55,956</b>		<b>76,431</b>
<b>Total Basic Needs</b>		<b>208,720</b>		<b>199,739</b>		<b>223,032</b>		<b>195,288</b>		<b>152,558</b>		<b>199,119</b>

**(C) SOME OTHER ADDITIONAL COSTS**

	Lilongwe	Zomba	Blantyre	Mzuzu	Karonga	Mangochi		
<b>Education</b>							Fuel (cost at the pump)	
Secondary (fees) per year	31313	37500	21545	40500	43078	27250	Diesel (per litre)	K874
Primary (GPF) per year	1481	1506	1825	7875	6544	2800	Petrol (per litre)	K868
Uniform/shoes (Primary) per year	7241	8156	12674	8023	10516	7821	Paraffin (per litre)	K755.30
Uniform/shoes (Secondary) per year	8372	11859	13775	10387	9305	9288		
Other (pens, books, etc.) per term	32213	16157	28325	5714	7886	11667		
<b>Minibus fare to town and back</b>								

LL: MK1000; BT: MK416; ZA: MK400 – MK400; MZ: MK450 – MK500

AVG	Jun 2018	Jul 2018	Aug 2018	Sept,2018	2018	Nov 2017	Des 2018	Jan 2019	Feb 2019	Mrt 2019	Apr 2019	Mei 2019
Amount (MK)	<b>176,420</b>	<b>180,297</b>	<b>178,074</b>	<b>176,087</b>	<b>182,162</b>	<b>187,684</b>	<b>190,543</b>	<b>194,483</b>	<b>193,343</b>	<b>194,723</b>	<b>194,048</b>	<b>196,409</b>

NB: 1 USA dollar (\$) = K730 Malawian Kwacha (MK). The Social Conditions Research Program of the Centre for Social Concern Conducted these surveys from 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> May, 2019 in the cities of Blantyre, Zomba, Lilongwe, Mzuzu, Karonga and Mangochi.

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**NOTE: The data on electricity, housing, water and other additional costs is collected and analysed on quarterly basis**