

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

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

| ITEM | Lilongwe | | Zomba | | Blantyre | | Mzuzu | | Karonga | | Mangochi | |
|--|----------|----------------|--------|----------------|----------|----------------|--------|----------------|---------|----------------|----------|----------------|
| Maize | 12,286 | 24,572 | 12,600 | 25,200 | 13,000 | 26,000 | 12,333 | 24,666 | 8,750 | 17,500 | 13,000 | 26,000 |
| Milling (Including Grinding) | 314 | 4,396 | 442 | 6,188 | 250 | 3,500 | 367 | 5,138 | 700 | 9,800 | 500 | 7,000 |
| Beans (0.8kg/day) 8 Days | 775 | 4,960 | 1,171 | 7,494 | 843 | 5,395 | 1,033 | 6,611 | 700 | 4,480 | 767 | 4,909 |
| Dry Usipa (250g/day) 4 days | 5,750 | 5,750 | 5,143 | 5,143 | 6,571 | 6,571 | 5,667 | 5,667 | 3,750 | 3,750 | 6,833 | 6,833 |
| Dry Utaka/Mcheni (200g/day) 4 days | 5,500 | 4,400 | 5,143 | 4,114 | 7,277 | 5,822 | 7,183 | 5,746 | 3,500 | 2,800 | 6,667 | 5,334 |
| Kapenta (200g/day) 4 days | 6,075 | 4,860 | 5,829 | 4,663 | 6,949 | 5,559 | 3,550 | 2,840 | 6,514 | 5,211 | 5,333 | 4,266 |
| Beef(1 kg/day) 4 days | 2,250 | 9,000 | 2,400 | 9,600 | 2,300 | 9,200 | 2,500 | 10,000 | 1,800 | 7,200 | 2,500 | 10,000 |
| Eggs (12/day) 4 days | 86 | 4,128 | 90 | 4,320 | 100 | 4,800 | 100 | 4,800 | 90 | 4,320 | 100 | 4,800 |
| Rape (750g/day) for 30 days | 253 | 5,693 | 311 | 6,998 | 247 | 5,558 | 435 | 9,788 | 180 | 4,050 | 480 | 10,800 |
| Tomato (0.5 Kg/day) 30 days | 413 | 6,195 | 368 | 5,520 | 514 | 7,710 | 868 | 13,020 | 370 | 5,550 | 617 | 9,255 |
| Onion (116g/day) 30 days | 813 | 2,846 | 774 | 2,709 | 693 | 2,426 | 877 | 3,070 | 973 | 3,406 | 1,133 | 3,966 |
| Fresh Milk (250ml/day) 30 days | 291 | 4,365 | 331 | 4,965 | 307 | 4,605 | 352 | 5,280 | 390 | 5,850 | 300 | 4,500 |
| Kazinga Cooking oil (100mls/day)30 dys | 1,400 | 4,200 | 1,410 | 4,230 | 1,357 | 4,071 | 1,583 | 4,749 | 1,250 | 3,750 | 1,800 | 5,400 |
| Bread (5 bkfsts / wk) 20 days | 434 | 8,680 | 438 | 8,760 | 434 | 8,680 | 450 | 9,000 | 490 | 9,800 | 450 | 9,000 |
| Sugar (2 Kgs /Week) | 884 | 7,072 | 900 | 7,200 | 893 | 7,144 | 938 | 7,504 | 895 | 7,160 | 950 | 7,600 |
| Kitchen Salt | 286 | 286 | 363 | 363 | 250 | 250 | 524 | 524 | 390 | 390 | 400 | 400 |
| Tea leaves (Chisangalalo) | 93 | 3,720 | 111 | 4,440 | 50 | 2,000 | 99 | 3,960 | 100 | 4,000 | 125 | 5,000 |
| Cassava /potatoes (2Kgx2Bkfst/) | 268 | 4,288 | 197 | 3,152 | 204 | 3,264 | 198 | 3,168 | 275 | 4,400 | 92 | 1,472 |
| Sub-total | | 109,410 | | 115,060 | | 112,554 | | 125,531 | | 103,417 | | 126,534 |

(B) COST OF ESSENTIAL NON-FOOD ITEMS

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|--------------------------|--------|----------------|--------|----------------|--------|----------------|--------|----------------|--------|----------------|--------|----------------|
| Charcoal (50 kgs) | 9,656 | 19,312 | 12,750 | 25,500 | 10,429 | 20,858 | 10,158 | 20,316 | 6,250 | 12,500 | 8,333 | 16,666 |
| Protex | 429 | 4,290 | 482 | 4,820 | 447 | 4,470 | 455 | 4,550 | 575 | 5,750 | 500 | 5,000 |
| Boom | 359 | 2,872 | 387 | 3,096 | 357 | 2,856 | 453 | 3,624 | 425 | 3,400 | 400 | 3,200 |
| Clere Body Lotion | 508 | 1,016 | 555 | 1,110 | 519 | 1,038 | 617 | 1,234 | 700 | 1,400 | 600 | 1,200 |
| Vaseline Blue Seal | 781 | 1,562 | 777 | 1,554 | 792 | 1,584 | 783 | 1,066 | 850 | 1,700 | 800 | 1,600 |
| Electricity | 9,552 | 9,552 | 8,604 | 8,604 | 14,075 | 14,075 | 5,348 | 5,348 | 5,000 | 5,000 | 9,417 | 9,417 |
| Running Water (meter) | 6,380 | 6,380 | 8,612 | 8,612 | 10,158 | 10,158 | 6,380 | 6,380 | 11,487 | 11,487 | 9,256 | 9,256 |
| Housing (3 bedroom) | 49,125 | 49,125 | 38,958 | 38,958 | 44,125 | 44,125 | 25,167 | 25,167 | 22,000 | 22,000 | 31,375 | 31,375 |
| Sub-total | | 94,109 | | 92,254 | | 99,164 | | 67,685 | | 63,237 | | 77,714 |
| Total Basic Needs | | 203,519 | | 207,314 | | 211,718 | | 193,216 | | 166,654 | | 204,248 |

(C) SOME OTHER ADDITIONAL COSTS

| | Lilongwe | Zomba | Blantyre | Mzuzu | Karonga | Mangochi | |
|--|----------|-------|----------|-------|---------|----------|------------------------------|
| Education | | | | | | | Fuel (cost at the pump) |
| Secondary (fees) per year | 36999 | 18363 | 20964 | 30417 | 41514 | 27250 | Diesel (per litre) K874 |
| Primary (GPF) per year | 1605 | 1506 | 1825 | 7875 | 6544 | 3603 | Petrol (per litre) K868 |
| Uniform/shoes (Primary) per year | 12515 | 21287 | 16153 | 8023 | 10664 | 15587 | Paraffin (per litre) K755.30 |
| Uniform/shoes (Secondary) per year | 16310 | 26395 | 17591 | 10387 | 17571 | 17078 | |
| Other (pens, books, etc.) per term | 9166 | 15431 | 28325 | 6063 | 8867 | 15953 | |
| Minibus fare to town and back LL: MK1000; BT: MK416; ZA: MK400 – MK400; MZ: MK450 – MK500 | | | | | | | |

| Average | October,2018 | Nov 2017 | Dec 2018 | Jan 2019 | Feb 2019 | Mar 2019 | Apr 2019 | Mei 2019 | Jun 2019 | Jul 2019 | Aug 2019 | Sept 2019 |
|-------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| Amount (MK) | 182,162 | 187,684 | 190,543 | 194,483 | 193,343 | 194,723 | 194,048 | 196,409 | 196,450 | 197,980 | 195,858 | 198,915 |

NB: 1 USA dollar (\$) = K786 Malawian Kwacha (MK). The Social Conditions Research Programm of the Centre for Social Concern Conducted these surveys from 24th and 25th Sept, 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