

CFSC BASIC NEEDS BASKET BASKET: LILONGWE ,ZOMBA , BLANTYRE ,MZUZU ,MANGOCHI AND KARONGA April, 2020

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

ITEM	Lilongwe		Zomba		Blantyre		Mzuzu		Karonga		Mangochi	
Maize	9,286	18,572	8,333	16,666	10,000	20,000	20,250	40,500	8,750	17,500	7,500	15,000
Milling (Including Grinding)	307	4,298	475	6,650	250	3,500	367	5,138	700	9,800	500	7,000
Beans (0.8kg/day) 8 Days	756	4,838	943	6,035	829	5,306	1,042	6,669	700	4,480	800	5,120
Dry Usipa (250g/day) 4 days	4,750	4,750	4,714	4,714	7,071	7,071	5,167	5,167	3,500	3,500	5,500	5,500
Dry Utaka/Mcheni (200g/day) 4 days	4,625	3,700	4,857	3,886	7,571	6,057	7,900	6,320	3,500	2,800	5,387	4,310
Kapenta (200g/day) 4 days	6,000	4,800	5,086	4,069	9,357	7,486	3,450	2,760	6,514	5,211	5,167	4,134
Beef(1 kg/day) 4 days	2,300	9,200	2,400	9,600	2,343	9,372	2,500	10,000	1,800	7,200	2,400	9,600
Eggs (12/day) 4 days	81	3,888	92	4,416	100	4,800	100	4,800	85	4,080	97	4,656
Rape (750g/day) for 30 days	305	6,863	407	9,158	363	8,168	429	9,653	500	11,250	444	9,990
Tomato (0.5 Kg/day) 30 days	375	5,625	743	11,145	650	9,750	835	12,525	613	9,195	610	9,150
Onion (116g/day) 30 days	750	2,625	1,000	3,500	909	3,182	1,120	3,920	740	2,590	1,017	3,560
Fresh Milk (250ml/day) 30 days	295	4,425	324	4,860	307	4,605	363	5,445	340	5,100	300	4,500
Kazinga Cooking oil (100mls/day)30 dys	1,356	4,068	1,500	4,500	1,421	4,263	1,183	3,549	1,300	3,900	1,300	3,900
Bread (5 bkfsts / wk) 20 days	446	8,920	435	8,700	450	9,000	450	9,000	400	8,000	450	9,000
Sugar (2 Kgs /Week)	826	6,608	836	6,688	857	6,856	942	7,536	850	6,800	850	6,800
Kitchen Salt	306	306	341	341	257	257	482	482	390	390	400	400
Tea leaves (Chisangalalo)	89	3,560	125	5,000	50	2,000	100	4,000	80	3,200	125	5,000
Cassava /potatoes (2KgX2Bkfst/)	175	2,800	167	2,672	234	3,744	191	3,056	256	4,096	208	3,328
Sub-total		99,846		112,599		115,415		140,519		109,092		110,947

(B) COST OF ESSENTIAL NON-FOOD ITEMS

Charcoal (50 kgs)	10,100	20,200	13,857	27,714	12,429	24,858	10,858	21,716	7,500	15,000	6,583	13,166
Protex	425		467	4,670	447	4,470	473	4,730	450	4,500	450	4,500
Boom	350	2,800	389	3,112	357	2,856	442	3,536	425	3,400	350	2,800
Clere Body Lotion	504	1,008	530	1,060	514	1,028	583	1,166	650	1,300	500	1,000
Vaseline Blue Seal	794	1,588	790	1,580	843	1,686	748	1,066	795	1,590	800	1,600
Electricity	16,875	16,875	7,783	7,783	13,667	13,667	5,771	5,771	4,406	4,406	8,150	8,150
Running Water (meter)	18,583	18,583	9,122	9,122	11,150	11,150	7,263	7,263	6,798	6,798	7,904	7,904
Housing (3 bedroom)	52,396	52,396	41,342	41,342	48,292	48,292	28,208	28,208	23,125	23,125	32,083	32,083
Sub-total		113,450		96,383		108,007		73,456		60,119		71,203
Total Basic Needs		213,296		208,982		223,422		213,975		169,211		182,150

(C) SOME OTHER ADDITIONAL COSTS

	Lilongwe	Zomba	Blantyre	Mzuzu	Karonga	Mangochi		
Education							Fuel (cost at the pump)	
Secondary (fees) per year	31923	15153	20883	41103	33882	27250	Diesel (per litre)	K924.00
Primary (GPF) per year	1605	1506	1825	7875	6544	2640	Petrol (per litre)	K930.00
Uniform/shoes (Primary) per year	17583	16050	11593	8023	10664	15589	Paraffin (per litre)	K710.50
Uniform/shoes (Secondary) per year	21201	22664	10218	10387	17571	17016		
Other (pens, books, etc.) per term	9166	5718	8029	6063	8867	14690		
Minibus fare to town and back LL: MK1000; BT: MK416; ZA: MK400 – MK400; MZ: MK450 – MK500								

Average	Mei 2019	Jun 2019	Jul 2019	Aug 2019	Sept 2019	Oct 2019	Nov, 2019	Dec, 2019	Jan, 2020	Feb,2020	Mar,2020	Apri ,2020
Amount (MK)	196,409	196,450	197,980	195,858	198,915	198,918	205,759	211,197	223,173	221,391	212,883	203,695

NB: 1 USA dollar (\$) = K786 Malawian Kwacha (MK). The Social Conditions Research Programm of the Centre for Social Concern Conducted these surveys from 25th, 26th and 27th April, 2020 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