

NATIONAL CHESS FEDERATION (NCF): CONTINENT: DEVELOPMENT LEVEL: PERIOD:

**KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS (KPIs)** <sup>1</sup> are the critical (key) indicators of progress toward an intended result.

The NCF is required to measure the effectiveness of its programmes using the KPIs listed below. At the beginning of the period, the NCF is expected to complete both the **Baseline** and **End of Period-target** values. It is possible that a Federation may not be able to report on a particular KPI and this will be taken into consideration at the end of the reporting period. NCFs can also make use of the 'Comments' field as required. The NCF is also allowed to include any additional KPIs that it considers to be relevant for reporting purposes. When the NCF is preparing its final report for the end of the reporting period, the **Actual** values of the KPIs need to be completed for each KPI identified.

### **KPI STRUCTURE**

The KPIs' shall be divided into 4 main categories as follows:

**Core:** These KPIs are related to the technical operations of the federation. It includes number of active players, number of tournaments, average player ratings as well as supporting 'infrastructure' e.g. number of arbiters, trainers ETC. Most of this information can be sourced from by FIDE via its website or from the Elista office. This KPI allows FIDE to ascertain the quality/quantity of the players, technical officials events, etc...

**Social/Special:** These examine the engagement in additional programmes related to the work of other FIDE Commissions and their priorities. These include: females, kids/chess in education, vulnerable groups (refugees, people with special needs, chess in prisons etc.). Federations are encouraged to engage in at least one such programme. This KPI allows federations to fulfil the horizontal goals of FIDE as chess impacts several aspects of society.

**Promotion:** This includes the focus on the dissemination and profiling of chess activities of the federation and FIDE support. This should include mainstream and social media. It is important that chess activites are highlighted so persons within the wider communities understand the value of chess and the role of FIDE which can increase the opportunities for support.

**Partnerships:** This includes sponsors, strategic partners whose objectives are aligned to the federation. Strategic partners can include other government agencies, NGOS, media outlets. This KPI tracks the efforts of federations to engage other partners in the support of their mandate so as to build increased sustainability.

Of course, Federations can also include any other KPIs they see as relevant to their operations. The KPIs are listed in the table below.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> https://kpi.org/KPI-Basics



<b>Key Performance Indicators</b>	Baseline-	End of Period	End of Period	Comments
(KPIs)	2021 <sup>2</sup>	Target	Actual	
CORE				
Active FIDE-rated players  • Female	21	2	23	We had only three rated OTB tournaments,
• All	239	200	269	
Active players on FIDE List				
Female	116	50	121	
• All	772	48	820	
Certified Arbiters-Active				
Female	2	2	2	
• All	6	3	7	
Certified Trainers-Active				One additional trainer in 2021
Female	2	1	3	
• All	7	7	7	
Average rating of top 10 players				
Female	1500	1500	1546	
• All	2200	2200	2034	
FIDE-rated tournaments organised				
<ul><li>Classic</li><li>Hybrid</li></ul>	4	11	2	
Blitz	2	12	6	
Rapid				
Other tournaments-Participation				
<ul><li>Online/Hybrid events</li><li>Local events</li></ul>	13	15	6	
<ul><li>Local events</li><li>International chess</li></ul>	2	2	4	
tournaments	4	2	5	
Affiliated clubs	45	30		Some clubs were not active

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 $<sup>^2</sup>$  NCF to populate these fields with the current values of each KPI as at the beginning of the programme/project period.



FIDE			 
SOCIAL/SPECIAL			
Programmes  (Females, Education, Prisons, refugees etc)		1	Chess education in hard to reach schools in rural areas .  Other Programs affected by Covid
Participants in each programme		57	Chess in education in rural areas
PROMOTION			
Positive or neutral coverage in:  Mainstream media Social Media/Websites Other	80 120	90 150	These are estimated numbers. Chess received significant coverage in all the media houses for both electronic and print media as well as social media. For the activities done. Number of articles are fewer than 2021 as the activities were more in 2022.
PARTNERSHIPS			
Chess sponsors	3	4	Sponsors are one offs and have not been consistent. It continues to be a struggle to get Chess Sponsors who can sign up agreements.
Other Strategic Partners e.g. NOC, Media, government organisations, NGOs		4	Malawi National Sports Council ,Malawi Olympic Committee, Malawi Schools Sports Association(MASSA),Pyxus,
OTHER			
Please feel free to specify any other KPI that may be important to the operations of the federation			





On behalf of FEDERATION

President

Malawi

Date: 29 January 2022



NATIONAL CHESS FEDERATION (NCF): Malawi

**CONTINENT: AFRICA** 

**DEVELOPMENT LEVEL:5** 

Please complete ALL requested fields in this report.



## 1. Programme/Project Name:

CHESS ONLINE TRAINING TO GOVERNMENT SCHOOLS SCHOOLS OTB TOURNAMENTS
AFRICA INDIVIDUAL CHAMPIOSHIP
YOUTH ONLINE TOURNAMENTS

## 2. Programme/Project Dates:

March to December 2021

## 3. Summary of Project Outcomes:

- > Learners were able to play interact and learn Chess through online platform Youth players from schools were able to play OTB Chess and winners were selected Africa schools tournament in Kenya.
  - > We managed to achieve Gold ,Silver and Bronze at Africa Youth events
  - Increased number of youth and women players
  - Increased activeness of players
  - Provision of Chess equipment in Schools



Hosting of Africa Individual Cl	nampionshi	p				
Refer the 2021 KPI report.						
Neter the 2021 Killeport.						
4. Breakdown of Funding Usage (Please provide supporting documents as far as possible):						
SUMMARY OF INCOME& EXPENDITURE REPORT March- DECEMBER 2021						
Income	USD	Remarks				
Fide Funds Subvention – March-Dec	5000	Received				
2021						
Expenditure	USD	Remarks				
Administrative and operational	950	Office operations, supplies				
Costs Online tournaments (incl youth	650	,Communication,etc. Chess in schools development				
and ladies)	000	Criess in serious development				
FIDE youth Cadets online	532	Setting up chess clubs in schools				
World Olympiad Online	730	World Olympiad participation				
participation	0.500					
Africa Championship	2500	Africa Individual hosting				
Zone 4.5 Tournament online registration fees	230	Zone 4.5 Chess tournament on line Participation				
Regional OTB tournaments	986	Included youth tournaments				
Total Expenditure	6578					
Surplus/[Deficit]	0070					
<u></u>	(1578.00)					
** Evidence of expenses can be provi	ded on req	uest.				
** See annexes for technical and Scho	ools/Youth (	Chess events reports summarizing all				
the program activities in the period and coverage by Media.						
5. Any funds not yet used? Yes All funds were used No _						
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If No, please provide reasons and details on how and when the funds will be utilized:						
6. Lessons Learned/Future Improvements:						
> Train the patrons on online learning for sustainability						
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- > To Participate in more international tournaments to improve the ratings and improve the skill and organize open tournaments
- ➤ Improve the marketing and develop as many proposals to get sponsors to support the Chess activities as the main support was from FIDE.
- Lobby Malawi National Sports Council to support Online Chess activities mainly procurement of equipment to aid online training for the schools.
- > Conduct public online lectures on Chess to the media and general public.
- Conduct special tournaments for Ladies to increase the women participation. Few women are actively playing Chess. However, number of active women playing online Chess improved.
- ➤ Improve knowledge dissemination among Chess Trainers to keep them informed of Chess rules and improvements in Chess especially using virtual methods .
- Capacity building for more arbiters and trainers.

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## ANNEXE 1 : Summary of MALAWI Chess Activities in 2021



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