



MALAWI ELECTORAL COMMISSION

INVITATION TO COMPOSE AND RECORD THEME SONG FOR THE 2025 GENERAL ELECTION

The Malawi Electoral Commission (MEC) is a constitutional body created under Section 75 of the Constitution of the Republic of Malawi to supervise and direct the conduct of all statutory elections namely; Presidential, Parliamentary, Local Government and Referenda. In addition to this MEC has the “*mandate to exercise its functions according to provisions of Section 76 of the Constitution of the Republic of Malawi. Among its duties and functions, MEC has the mandate to promote public awareness of electoral matters through the media and other appropriate and effective means and to conduct civic and voter education on such matters*” (Section 8 (1) (j) of the Malawi Electoral Commission Act).

MEC is, therefore, calling for proposals from interested and talented musicians to compose and record the official theme song for the 2025 General Election. The theme song should be one to capture the electoral mood and essence of election in preparation for the 2025 General Election.

We are looking for an original electoral theme song that;

- a. Reflects the values of democracy, unity and elections.
- b. Captivates and inspires listeners of all backgrounds to participate in the election.
- c. Is catchy, memorable and easy to sing along.
- d. Is suitable for live performances and recording
- e. Represents the diverse cultural heritage of Malawi.

Applicants should indicate or attach proof that they: -

- (a) Are dully registered in accordance with the Malawi laws i.e. Registrar of Companies, Malawi Revenue Authority, Public Procurement and Disposal of Assets Authority (PPDA);
- (b) Have relevant experience in the field of music.
- (c) Are well-structured and well known at national level.

(d) Have copyright and are original composers to the song

To apply please submit the following:

- a. A sample of your composition in MP3 format.
- b. Lyrics to accompany the song in Chichewa.
- c. A brief explanation of how your song captures the essence of the 2025 Election and motivates all categories of voters to participate in the election.
- d. Your contact information, including name, email address and phone numbers.

Interested musicians should send their proposals or hand deliver to the following Regional Elections Offices to the following addresses by close of business on **31st January 2024**:

The Chief Elections Officer
Malawi Electoral Commission
Development House
Private Bag 113
LILONGWE

Regional Elections Management Office (South)
P O Box 30873
CHICHIRI, BLANTYRE 3

Regional Elections Management Office (Centre)
Mtunthama Drive Area 3
Private Bag A134
LILONGWE

Regional Elections Management Office (North)
Lutho Arcade
Private Bag 200
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Submissions after the deadline will not be accepted.

Note. Indicate on the envelope the service you are applying for on the top left corner of the envelope.

For further information, please contact Christina Kumwenda from Civic and Voter Education of MEC on 0999852300.