



Request for Business Plans for Enlistment as Participating Organizations of Ngwee Ngwee Ngwee Fund for Distribution of Clean Cooking Solutions under ASCENT Malawi Project (Component 4)

The Government of Malawi (GoM) has prioritized the development of the energy sector as a catalyst for achieving Malawi Vision 2063. Building on the success of the World Bank-funded Malawi Electricity Access Project (MEAP), the Ministry of Energy (MoE) is now implementing World Bank-funded Accelerating Sustainable and Clean Energy Access Transformation (ASCENT) Malawi Project through the Ngwee Ngwee Ngwee Fund (NNNF). The objective of the ASCENT Malawi is to support GoM in achieving its strategic goal of reaching at least 70% electricity access by 2030, as well as providing cleaner cooking solutions to 150,000 households, thereby contributing to the Energy Compact target of reaching 75% of households with access to clean cooking solutions.

Under Component 4 of the Project, NNNF is offering loans to Participating Organizations (POs) to support the distribution and financing of Tier 3 and above Clean Cooking Solutions (Woody Biomass Cookstoves, Charcoal Cookstoves, Pellet/Briquette Stoves, Electric Cookstoves, LPG Cookstoves and Stoves using compressed biogas cylinders) to the Eligible Households. The component is expected to distribute stoves to 150,000 households benefiting around 645,000 people. Eligible clean cooking companies may access financing under one of two options, subject to the applicable appraisal processes by the MoE. Activities under both options must meet the requirements set out in the Malawi Carbon Market Framework.

Accordingly, the Ministry of Energy, through the NNNF, hereby invites Business Plans from interested organizations seeking enlistment as POs under Component 4.

Interested organizations may obtain the complete application package from <https://www.energy.gov.mw/https://www.nnnf.energy.gov.mw/https://www.ascent.mw>. Completed Business Plans, together with all required attachments, must be submitted **no later than September 21, 2026, by 2:00 PM Central Africa Time**, both:

- Electronically: to ogmdf@idcol.org with a copy to info@ascent.mw
- In Hard Copy: Two (2) printed copies delivered to the address indicated below.

Applications will be evaluated based on the eligibility criteria and evaluation parameters outlined in the application package. Only selected companies will be contacted following the evaluation process.

A pre-proposal webinar will be held on **September 03, 2026, at 03:00 PM Central Africa Time**. Interested organizations may register at: <https://msteams.link/YVUP>

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