



MALAWI GOVERNMENT
MINISTRY OF HEALTH

INFECTION PREVENTION AND CONTROL MEASURES IN PUBLIC PLACES



In light of the threat of Corona Virus Disease Pandemic (COVID 19) and subsequent declaration by His Excellency Prof Peter Mutharika, president of the Republic of Malawi that Malawi is in state of disaster, the **MINISTRY OF HEALTH** would like to provide the following guidance to public settings

PRISONS AND POLICE CELLS

The following measures are recommended for Prisons and Police Cells

- ✓ Strictly adhere to personal and environmental hygiene
- ✓ Provide handwashing facilities (water and Soap)
- ✓ Limit the number of prisoners in cells
- ✓ Ensure adequate ventilation
- ✓ Those with flu and cough should be provided with face masks
- ✓ **0.05% chlorinated water should be used for handwashing, this is cheaper and effective**
- ✓ Observe **COUGH ETIQUETTES** (cough or sneeze onto a tissue, sleeve or flexed elbow, throw the tissue in the trash bin then wash hands).
- ✓ Notify medical authorities immediately if you come across a passenger recently returning from COVID 19 affected countries
- ✓ Limit the number of visitors and time of visit
- ✓ Provide handwashing facilities for visitors
- ✓ Call medical people if you suspect a coronavirus patient
- ✓ Use 'Chipatala cha pa Foni' by calling 54747 for health messages including COVID-19

Your cooperation will be highly appreciated

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