



“Equipping for Empowerment in Political Education”

Profile for ToT Participants

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1. **Clement Makuwa** is the Director of Lilongwe Young Politicians Union (YPU). He also combines the role of the Head of Programs and Administrative Secretary at the Youth of Good Hope. Before this, Clement has been very influential and supportive to the growth and development of YPU in Malawi at both district and National level. He holds MSCE Certificate obtained at Puteya Secondary School in Machinga. He has vast experience in Political Leadership, Human Rights approaches, Conflict Management Skills Youth Friendly Health Service (YFHS) and HIV/AIDS counseling and Testing (HTC). He was born on 25th December 1982.

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2. **Jacob Jacob Nthala** was the first Director of Mzuzu University YPU from 2008 to 2009. He holds a university degree of Bachelor of Arts (Education). Jacob is very outspoken and his leadership qualities were also evident when he was the Speaker of Mzuzu University Students Union (2007-2008). Because of his outstanding performance, he won *a 3 months Intercultural Studies Scholarship to study in Jönköping University-Sweden*. He is a founding producer of Mzuzu University Theater Heights. He has attended several trainings in Leadership and Management as well as Motivation and Team Building. He was born on 26th November, 1980.

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3. **Boston Mkandawire** is the current Treasurer of Rumphi YPU. He holds an MSCE certificate obtained at Euthini Day Secondary School in 1998. He has particular expertise in financial management and political leadership. In his capacity as a District Treasurer, Boston has demonstrated maturity and qualities of a good leader. He was born on 11th May, 1977.

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4. **Suzen Mwawalwa** is the current Director of Karonga YPU. She holds a Malawi School Certificate of Education (MSCE) obtained in 2003 at Our Future Secondary School. She has knowledge in democratic governance and political leadership from various trainings. She aspires to be a development facilitator. She was born on 1st July, 1985.

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5. **Shadreck Ulaya** is currently the Deputy Research and Documentation Officer for YPU National Secretariat. He holds a certificate in Information Technology and an MSCE certificate obtained at St Bapton Private Secondary School in 2003. He once worked as the Director of Lilongwe YPU. He is passionate about motivation, team building skills, leadership, good governance and democracy. He was born on 22nd July 1984.

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6. **Chimwemwe Namatumbo** is the District Director for Mangochi YPU. She holds an MSCE certificate obtained in 1998. She has once worked with Malawi Bridge project as an HIV/AIDS Youth Coordinator under a project called *Tisankhenji*. She is a musician and a netballer. Her professional interests are Political Participation, Human Rights, HIV/AIDS and Team Building skills. She was born on 5th July, 1981.

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7. **Eda Chongo** is very outspoken and assertive. She has 9 months experience as a primary school teacher. She holds an MSCE certificate obtained in 2008 at Ntcheu Secondary School. Her experience as a primary school teacher has earned her interest in Human Rights particularly child rights. She has participated in previous election as a monitor for the DPP. Eda is currently the Secretary of Balaka YPU. She was born on 31st January, 1989.

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8. **Absalom Chumachaazungu** is a gifted and visionary Director of Mzimba YPU. He is so passionate about young people and their involvement in politics. Being a Director of the Union, he has experience in networking with local and national civil society organizations. He has also knowledge in conflict management, leadership skills and financial management skills. He holds an MSCE certificate obtained in 1998 at Liwaladzi Private Secondary School in Nkhotakota. He was born on 26th February, 1981.

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9. **William Monjeza** is the National Logistic Officer of the YPU. He holds MSCE certificate obtained in 1995. He has dynamics and interpersonal relations that he has acquired from working with different institutions like Ministry of Health, Malawi Revenue Authority, National Initiative for Civic Education, Consumer Association of Malawi and Malawi Telecommunication Limited. He has special interest in conflict management, political participation, HIV/AIDS prevention measures, and human rights and democracy. He was born on 27th February, 1978.

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10. **Paul Gondwe** is the Treasurer of the YPU National Secretariat. He holds a certificate in Information and Technology obtained at Talingana Computer Center and an MSCE certificate obtained at Chilumba Secondary School in 1997. Paul has basics of economic fundamentals and has skills in financial management plan. He has participated in various trainings like *Empowering Malawian Citizenry with Political Skill organized by KAF*, Paralegal Training on *Law, Justice and Development* organized by CILIC and Library and Computer Skills organized by SFMP. He was born on 1st April, 1976.

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- 11. Kible Kamandani** is the current Director of YPU National secretariat. He holds an MSCE certificate obtained in 1998 at Chiradzulu Secondary School. He also works as a Director of Thyolo Aids Support Organizations. He attended an international conference in Uganda Kampala organized by Afro-Arab Youth Council called Afro-Arab Youth Festival. He has interpersonal relations that he has acquired from Ministry of Health and Malawi Telecommunications Limited. His areas of expertise include; project management, facilitation of capacity building processes, organization team building and financial management. He was born on 28th September, 1978.

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- 12. David Katete** is an ambitious, assertive and outspoken young leader YPU has nurtured. He is the Deputy Director of the YPU National Secretariat. He holds a Malawi School Certificate of Education (MSCE) obtained in 1998. He worked with World Vision Malawi as a Development Facilitator for a five years contract. He is also one of the influential youth leaders of the Democratic Progressive Party (DPP) in Nkhatabay. He has also attended an international training conference organized and funded by Konrad Adenauer Foundation (KAF) in South Africa. His areas of expertise include; party formation, project management, facilitation of capacity building processes and organization team building. He was born on 14th April, 1979.

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- 13. Kumbukani Gondwe** is the Deputy Director of Rumphi YPU. She holds a certificate in computer studies and an MSCE. She will be remembered for her role in writing a *Vote of No Confidence letter* to the previous YPU National Secretariat paving way for a fresh elections which saw the new leaders being elected at the 2008 YPU AGM held in February 2009. She also has wide knowledge in political leadership and political participation. She was born on 28th April, 1983.

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- 14. Merina Phiri** is a gifted young lady with excellent communication skills. She is self confident, composed and assertive. She holds a Malawi School Certificate of Education (MSCE) obtained from Likuni Girls Secondary School in 2005. Currently she is studying a four year Bachelor of Arts degree in Public Administration at Chancellor College. Merina is working as a Research and Documentation Officer of the YPU National Secretariat. She is also the Deputy Director of Chanco Association of Young Politicians (CAYP). Her areas of interest include; youth participation on politics, conflict management, gender and decentralization. She was born on 23rd February, 1989.

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15. **Patience Chifundo Chilera** is a young lady who is very passionate about people. She is the current Deputy National Logistics Officer of the YPU National Secretariat. She is a fast learner, self motivated, endowed with high levels of confidence, competence and eloquence. Her one year experience in teaching has nurtured her abilities in public speaking and training other people. She also has very good research skills. Her areas of interest include: Democracy, Decentralization, Human Rights, Institutions and Development, political parties, processes and participation as well as civil societies, agricultural and development economics and public policy. She is studying for her BA (Political Science) at Chancellor College and is in third year. She was born on 29th May, 1990.

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15. **Andrew Mpinda** is the current District Secretary of Chiradzulu YPU and also as a director of Mbulumbuzi Zone. He holds a JCE certificate. He has peculiar leadership qualities that he has developed overtime. He has attended several trainings on Life skills, Financial Management and HIV/AIDS. He was born on 25th December, 1980.

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16. **Douglas Nyirenda** is the current Director of Mzuzu University YPU. He holds a Malawi School Certificate of Education (MSCE) obtained at Zomba Open Community Day Secondary School in 2006. Currently he is studying a four year Bachelor of Arts degree in Education at Mzuzu University. Douglas is a unique young politician who has special interest in political history of Malawi. He has experience in political participation, gender, human rights, HIV/AIDS and behaviour change among the youth. He was born 19th July, 1986.

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17. **Blessings Shuga** is the National Public Relations Officer for the YPU Secretariat. He is also currently working as the National Youth Director for the Republican Party. He holds a Malawi School Certificate of Education (MSCE) obtained from Ching'anda Revolution Secondary School in 2004. His four years experience as a primary school head teacher has made him to be candid, visionary and focused. To his credit, he has attended several political trainings organized by KAF, GTZ, and Republican Party. He was born on 16th December, 1987.

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18. **Bonex Nonde** is the current Deputy Director of Nsanje YPU. He once worked as the Logistic Officer of the same union. He holds Malawi School Certificate of Education (MSCE) and a certificate in accounting. His experience as a primary school teacher has made him to be a goal and result oriented professional. He has also developed a special interest in human rights particularly civil and political rights. He was born on 13th March, 1982.

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19. **Izeki Sande** he is the current Logistics Officer for Nsanje YPU. He holds an MSCE. He is very skillful, ambitious and visionary young man. He is very ambitious and visionary young man. He has experience in budget tracking, non –violence approach to conflict management and political education. He was born on 26th November, 1980.

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20. **John K. Chunda** is the current district Secretary for Nkhata Bay YPU. He also works as a Chairperson for Commitment Committee of World Vision –ADP, Para Civic Educator for Nkhata Bay NICE as well as Public Relations Officer for PETRA. Academically he is the holder of a Malawi School Certificate of Education (MSCE) obtained at Lupaso Community Day Secondary School in 1997. He has experience in leadership skills, group dynamic and community empowerment skills attained through KAF, UNDP, World Vision International and YPU trainings. He was born on 8th February, 1976.

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21. **Hadge Madomba** is the Director of Mulanje YPU. He holds a Malawi School Certificate of Education (MSCE) obtained in 1997 at Chikwawa Secondary School. He has demonstrated creativity and leadership skills during his time as the Director of the union in Mulanje. He was born on 25th December, 1979.

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22. **Naomi Saka** is the current Deputy Secretary of YPU National Secretariat. She holds O' Level Certificate obtained in Zimbabwe in 1991. She is working as a Receptionist at TEJA II Motel in Kasungu. She has experience in group dynamics and leadership and management skills. She has particular interest in gender relations, political leadership, human rights and civil societies. She was born on 6th October, 1975.

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23. **Esnart Mhango** is the current Secretary of Mchinji YPU. She is one of the visionary female leaders in YPU. She holds a Malawi School Certificate of Education (MSCE) obtained in 2006 at Chayamba Secondary School. Her area of interest is on women participation in political activities as well as changing gender relations among the YPU leadership in Malawi. She was born on 05th September, 1987.

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24. Howard Chiutsi is one of the dedicated alumina YPU has natured. He is very committed and has a lot of passion for YPU in Malawi. He holds an MSCE obtained from Thyolo Secondary School. He has acquired leadership skills that have made him an inspiration to YPU in Chikwawa. He has great passion for active youth participation in politics.

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