



Calling on Nkhata-Bay district leaders

**Help save the mothers
and babies in your district!**



LACK OF ESSENTIAL EQUIPMENT
CONTRIBUTES TO **3 IN EVERY 10**
MATERNAL DEATHS IN NKHATA-BAY¹



4 OF THE 6 FACILITIES WHERE WOMEN
GIVE BIRTH IN NKHATA-BAY DO NOT HAVE
FUNCTIONAL AUTOCLAVES²



HALF OF FACILITIES WHERE WOMEN GIVE BIRTH
IN NKHATA-BAY DO NOT HAVE DELIVERY PACKS²



Without these essential pieces of equipment,
it is difficult for health workers to provide a safe,
clean birth environment for mothers and babies.

Prioritise resources to buy and maintain
essential equipment to enable a safe, clean
birth for all mothers and babies.

CLEAN BIRTHS SAVE LIVES!

ONLY **1 OF THE 6** FACILITIES WHERE WOMEN
GIVE BIRTH IN NKHATA-BAY HAD AN AMBULANCE
AVAILABLE THE LAST TIME IT WAS NEEDED²



PROVIDE MORE RESOURCES FOR AMBULANCES!



**AMBULANCES ARE INTENDED TO SAVE LIVES.
ENSURE THEY ARE USED RESPONSIBLY!**

DISTRICT COMMISSIONER
**SUPPORT THE DISTRICT HEALTH MANAGEMENT
TEAM WITH TRANSPORT FOR EMERGENCIES**

Speak up for your district!

The mothers, babies and citizens of Nkhata-Bay are relying on you!

REFERENCES

1. Nkhata-Bay District Health Office, Ministry of Health [Malawi]. 2015. District data dashboards on maternal deaths.

The source of this data is from Nkhata-Bay District Health Office dashboards containing HMIS and maternal death surveillance and response data. From January 2013 to July 2015 there were 22 maternal deaths recorded, 18 of these were reviewed and 5 of these were found to have a lack of essential equipment as a contributory factor in that death. $(5/18) \times 100 = 27.78\%$ (rounded to 30% or 3 in 10).

2. Quality of Institutional Care data, rapid telephone based assessments. It takes a snapshot on a single day of the readiness of the facility to provide quality maternal and newborn services within a 24 hour period.

Data presented here were collected during assessments conducted between [August 2015] and [October 2015]. There are 6 facilities in Nkhata-Bay where women give birth.



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