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Thematic Area 1: Institutionalisation of the WASH Master Plans –behind the tools

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# 1. About Malawi<sup>1</sup>

Has 28 districts

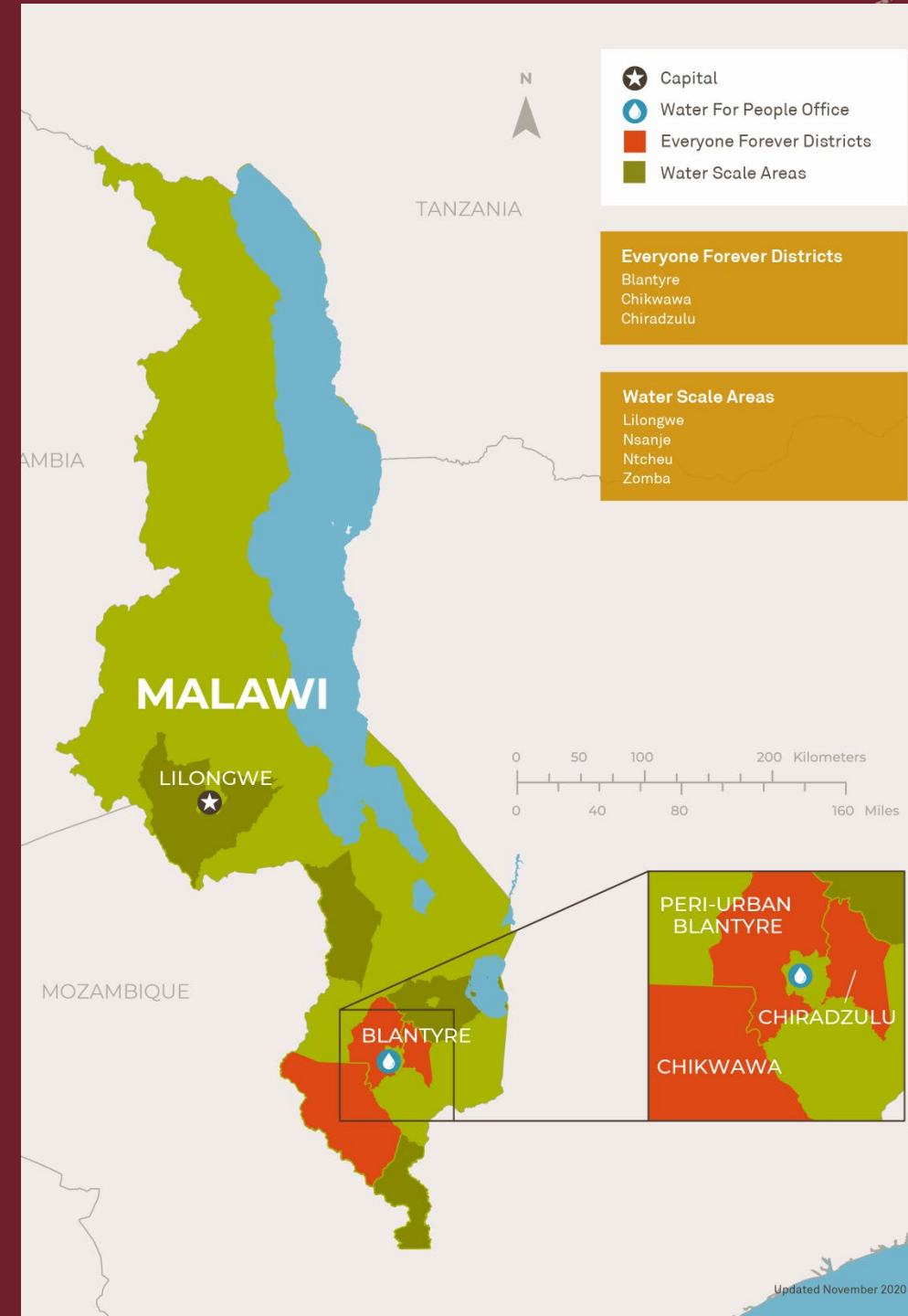
18 Million people

70% access to basic level of drinking water service

8% access to basic level of hygiene services

2% access to basic level of sanitation services

<sup>1</sup>2020 JMP report, NSO

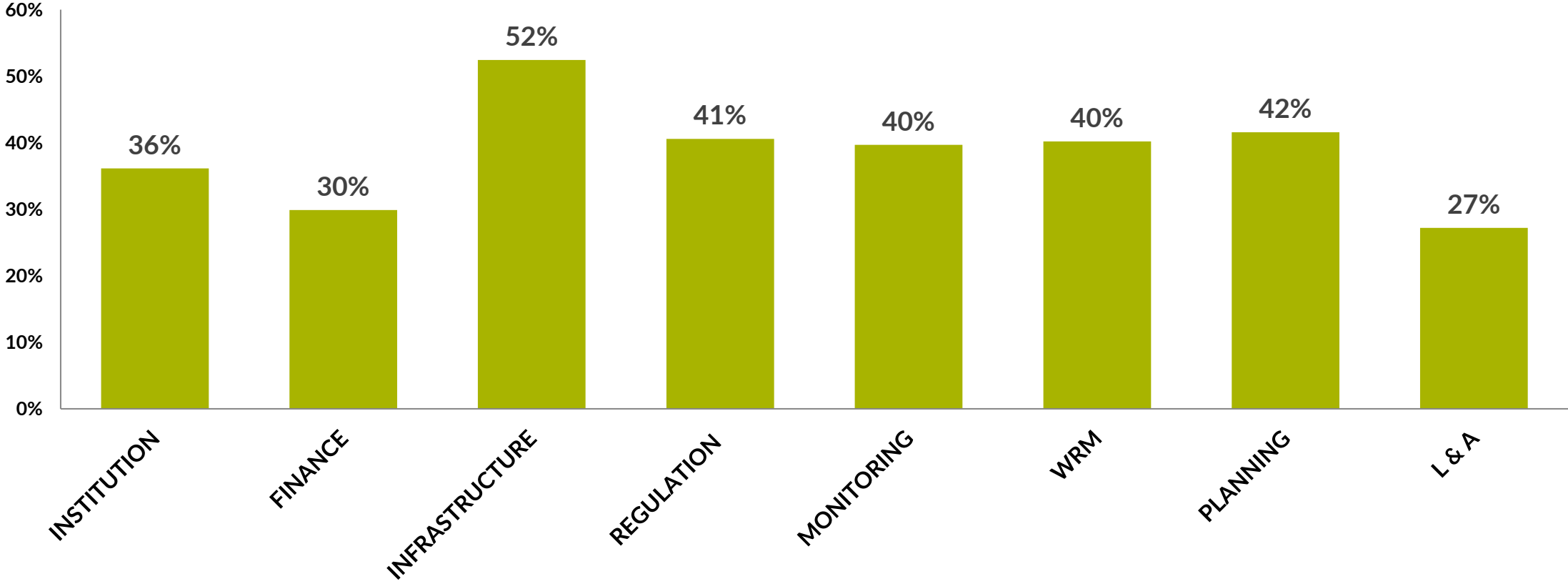


## 2. Creation of The District Wide Approach Water Sanitation and Hygiene (DWA) Group

- **Power of collective action: Identified like-minded people**
- **Set a common goal: Strengthening National WASH Systems**
- **Conduct the national WASH building blocks assessment to gather evidence**



### 3. National building blocks assessment results



## 3.1 National WASH system strengthening Priorities



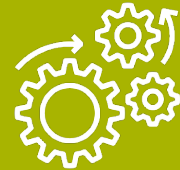
1. Institutional arrangements



3. Planning



2. Finance



4. Learning and adaptation



5. Water Resource Management

## 3.2 Development of WASH Master Plans: Who, where

No	District	Institution
1	Mangochi	Ministry of Water and Sanitation
2	Phalombe	Ministry of Water and Sanitation
3	Ntcheu	Ministry of Water and Sanitation
4	Nkhotakota	Ministry of Water and Sanitation
5	Rumphi	Ministry of Water and Sanitation
6	Chiradzulu	Water For People
7	Thyolo	United Purpose
8	Dedza	Welthungerhilfe
9	Dowa	United Purpose
10	Zomba	WaterAid

## 4. The high moments

- Growing number of organizations in DWA
- Government leading- the Director of Water Supply committed to have all the 28 district WASH master plans by 2024
- Climate Resilient WASH Finance Strategy
- Minister of Water calls for a National WASH Master Plan with funding strategies





## 4.1 The high moments!

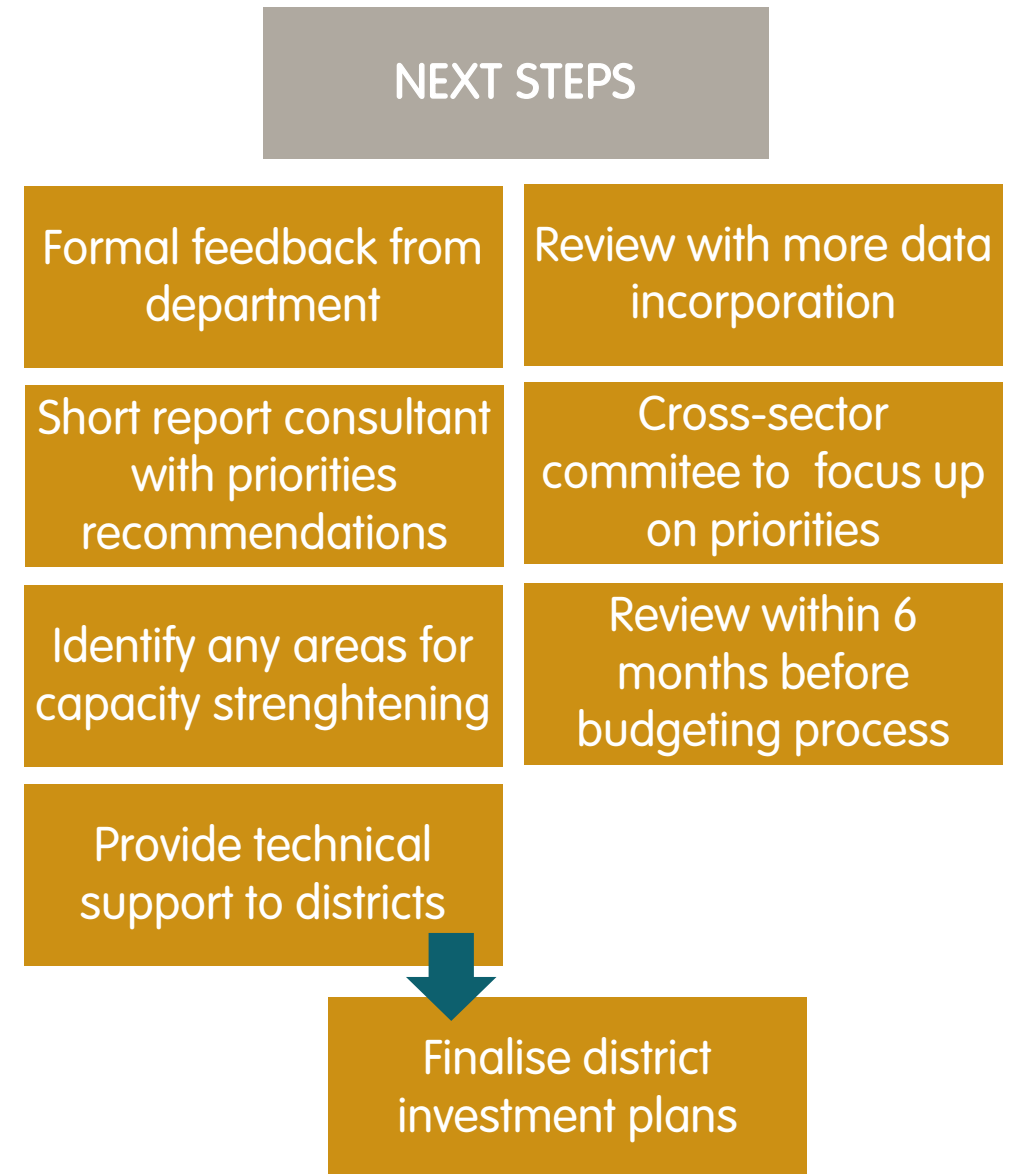
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## 5. Factors for success / the how ?

- **Collective action-Growing the DWA group (mbuto ya Kalulu inakula ndi tadzaoneni)**
- **Meetings with Government officials**
- **Teaming up with influential people/ institutions**
- **Policy briefs**
- **Providing Technical support to Government**
- **Learning and sharing**



## 5.1 Providing technical assistance to Government and other NGOs



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## 5.2 Technical assistance to Government



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## 5.3 The How: meeting Government officials, influencers, and decision-makers



“I am a politician and I know what is happening in my constituency very well, but as a Minister of Water and Sanitation, I need to know, the National WASH situation, what WASH assets do we have, where, what will it take to achieve SDG 6, where do we get the funds, how long will it take, who is supporting us and where?” (...) “Failing to plan is planning to fail”

**-Hon Abida Sidik Mia-Minister of Water and Sanitation-MP**



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