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<b>Project Name:</b>	<i>Agriculture Policy Monitoring and Evaluation in Malawi</i>		
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<b>Assignment Description:</b>			
<p>Agriculture in Malawi is one of the key industries that accounts for 35% of Malawian GDP and earns 80% of foreign exchanges. The Ministry of Agriculture and Food Security (MoAFS) has been implementing the Agriculture Sector Wide Approach (ASWAp) as its national agricultural development and food security strategy since 2011; most development partners including JICA have agreed to provide assistance to the sector in alignment with the strategy.</p> <p>A practical monitoring and evaluation (M&amp;E) system in the sector is strongly required in order to assess the performance of ASWAp. However, the government has only limited human resources, budget and capacity of officials to implement quality M&amp;E. In addition to the fact that a current draft master plan for M&amp;E insufficiently mentions a practical operation system, the M&amp;E Technical Working Group (M&amp;E TWG) is losing sight of its role and function in terms of M&amp;E.</p> <p>In order to promote further implementation of M&amp;E under ASWAp, this service aims to provide technical advice to MoAFS to establish a practical M&amp;E system, conduct M&amp;E capacity building of staff involved and revitalize operation of the M&amp;E TWG.</p>			