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CORRUPTION
EXPERIENCE AND LESSONS IN MALAWI

EITI in Malawi

**Joined EITI
Membership
in 2015**

**Produced 6
EITI reports
consecutively**

**Undergone
two
Validation
Assessments
Successfully**

2018 Meaningful progress

2022 (80%) Moderate score

Malawi Corruption Case Study

- An extractive sector corruption case about an alleged bribery for a Mining License renewal
- Detected through an audio recording leaked by the social media
- It involved senior officials from the Ministry of Mining discussing with another investor on how they would use their powers to give him the license for the same mine and the amount of payment in return



Escalation of the Corruption Case

- **Provoked hot debate on how to treat the case from EITI perspective**
- **CSOs boycotted the MSG meetings and rejected to approve the Malawi 4th EITI report**
- **Minister of Mining and the EITI Champion were involved to amicably solve the matter**
- **CSO's escalated the matter to the EITI International Secretariat for mediation**
- **This risked meeting the deadline for report submission**



Actions Taken and Lessons Learnt



Actions taken by MSG:

1. **Reported** the allegation to the **Anti-Corruption Bureau** to investigate the case and take necessary action
2. Included the matter **in the 4th EITI report**
3. **Follow up the case** in subsequent reports
4. **Requested the MoM to make a public statement** about the allegation and **take action against the officers** involved



Lessons learned:

1. **Need for EITI National Anti-Corruption Strategy** to guide MSG in handling corruption cases
2. **Importance of strengthening MSG rules of engagement**

How Malawi will be Addressing Corruption in the Extractive Sector

Developing	Developing	Developing
MWEITI Anti-Corruption (ACS) Strategy	MWEITI Legislation	MSG engagement handbook to guide on how to effectively handle similar matters in future

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