



MALAWI ELECTORAL COMMISSION

REVIEW OF CONSTITUENCY AND WARD BOUNDARIES

PRELIMINARY DETERMINATION OF CONSTITUENCY AND WARD BOUNDARIES

DOWA

Pursuant to its powers under the Constitution of the Republic of Malawi and the Electoral Commission Act, the Commission has determined that the boundaries of the constituencies and wards in Dowa District Council for the purposes of the 2025 Parliamentary and Local Government Elections shall be as follows:

1. CONSTITUENCIES

1.1. DOWA NORTH EAST CONSTITUENCY

The constituency covers the Northern part of Traditional Authority Msakambewa and Northeastern part of Traditional Authority Chiwere.

Dowa Northeast Constituency has a projected eligible voter population of 48,311.

The boundary commences at the point where the boundary between Traditional Authority Dzoole and Msakambewa meets the boundary between Ntchisi and Dowa District boundaries, thence Easterly along the Ntchisi – Dowa district boundary, up to the point

where the district boundaries of Ntchisi, Salima and Dowa converge. Thence Southerly along the Salima and Dowa district boundary up to where it intersects S119 Road, in Kabadwa Trading Centre, thence south Westerly along S119 Road passing through Katona Primary School and Nalunga Village, up to the intersection with a river at coordinate 613669E, 8492466N, in Nalunga Village, thence Northerly, along the Stream up to its confluence with Lingadzi Rivers which is the Traditional Authority boundary of Traditional Authority Chiwere and Msakambewa, thence Westerly along Lingadzi River, which forms the boundary between Traditional Authority Chiwere and Traditional Authority Msakambewa up to the confluence with Temba River, proceeding Westerly along Lingadzi River, through Chibwata, Chiwale and Kayala Villages up to the source of Lingadzi River, thence South Westerly along a Stream, up to the Traditional Authority boundary between Mponela and Msakambewa, thence north Easterly, along the Traditional Authority boundary of Traditional Authority Mponela and Msakambewa up to the point of where the boundaries of Traditional Authority Mponela, Traditional Authority Msakambewa and Traditional Authority Dzoole, converge, thence easterly along the boundary between Traditional Authority Msakambewa and Traditional Authority Dzoole up to the point of commencement.

WARDS

MSAKAMBEWA WEST WARD AND MSAKAMBEWA EAST WARD

Msakambewa West Ward has a projected eligible voter population of 23,912

Msakambewa East Ward has a projected eligible voter population of 24,399.

Msakambewa West Ward is to the west and Msakambewa East Ward is to the East of the constituency.

Msakambewa West Ward covers the Western part of Traditional Authority Msakambewa and Msakambewa East Ward covers the North Eastern part of Traditional Authority Chiwere and Eastern part of Traditional Authority Msakambewa.

The two Wards are divided by the M7 Road from Dzaleka to Mwangala through Kongwe Forest.

1.2. **DOWA EAST CONSTITUENCY**

It covers the South Eastern part of Traditional Authority Chiwere

Dowa East Constituency has a projected eligible voter population of 55,128.

The constituency boundary commences at the point where S119 Road, intersects the district boundary between Dowa and Salima, at Kabadwa Village, thence South Easterly along the district boundary, thence Easterly, then southerly along the boundary up to M14 Road, thence Easterly along the district boundary, thence Southerly, thence Westerly along the district boundary, up to the point where district boundaries of Dowa, Salima and Lilongwe converge, thence South Westerly along Lilongwe – Dowa district boundary, up to the point where Traditional Authority boundaries of Traditional Authority Chiwere and Mkukula meet the district boundary, thence North Westerly along the Traditional Authority boundary, up to the point where it Joins M14 Road in Chidothi Village, thence Westerly along the boundary formed by M14 Road, up to a junction with M16 Road, thence Westerly along M16 Road which forms the boundary between Traditional Authority Chiwere and Traditional Authority Mkukula up to a point of intersection with S119 Road, thence North Easterly along S119 Road up to the point of commencement.

CHIWERE NORTH EAST WARD AND CHIWERE EAST WARD

Chiwere Northeast Ward has a projected eligible voter population of 36,325.

Chiwere East Ward has a projected eligible voter population of 18,803.

Chiwere Northeast Ward is to the Northern part and Chiwere East Ward is to the Southern part of the constituency. Both Wards are in Traditional Authority Chiwere.

The Wards are separated by M14 Road

1.3. **DOWA CENTRAL EAST CONSTITUENCY**

The constituency comprises the Southern part of Traditional Authority Msakambewa, Northern part of Traditional Authority Mkukula and the North western part of Traditional Authority Chiwere and the Boma

Dowa Central East Constituency has a projected eligible voter population of 53,154.

The constituency starts from the confluence of Lingadzi River and Themba River, which is the Traditional Authority boundary between Traditional Authority Msakambewa and Traditional Authority Chiwere, thence Easterly along Lingadzi River, up to its confluence with a Stream at coordinate 614416E, 8494814N, thence South Westerly along the Stream up to the intersection with S119 Road, in Nalunga Village, thence South Westerly along S119 Road, up to its junction with M16, along the boundary of Traditional Authority Chiwere and Traditional Authority Mkukula thence North Westerly along M16 Road up to the point where it meets the boundary of Dowa Hills, thence Southerly along the Forest Reserve boundary, thence Westerly, along the same boundary, thence Northerly up to the intersection point with an Earth Road to Chadza Village at coordinate 597358E, 8484497N, thence south Westerly along the Road passing through Chunzu School up to Chauwa village, thence Northerly along the Earth Road through Mtata Village up to the junction with M7 Road. Thence Northerly along M7 Road up to a point where it joins the boundary of Traditional Authority Msakambewa and Traditional Authority Mkukula, thence Westerly along the Traditional Authority boundary of Traditional Authority boundary, up to the point where Traditional Authority Msakambewa, Traditional Authority Mkukula and

Traditional Authority Mponela meet, thence North Easterly along the boundary of Traditional Authority Msakambewa and Traditional Authority Mponela up to a point where the boundary joins the Road to Kayala Village thence North Easterly along the Road up to the source of Lingadzi River, thence North Easterly along Lingadzi River up to the point of commencement.

WARDS

LINGADZI WEST WARD AND LINGADZI EAST WARD

Lingadzi West Ward has a projected eligible voter population of 12,471;

Lingadzi East Ward has a projected eligible voter population of 40,683.

Lingadzi West Ward is to the West and Lingadzi East Ward is to the East of the constituency.

Lingadzi West Ward covers the South Western part of Traditional Authority Msakambewa, Northern part of Traditional Authority Mkukula and Dowa Boma. Lingadzi East Ward covers the Western part of Traditional Authority Chiwere.

The boundary between the two Wards starts at the confluence of Lingadzi and Themba Rivers, along the boundary of Traditional Authority Msakambewa and Traditional Authority Chiwere, thence Southerly along the boundary formed by Themba River, up to the point where boundaries of Traditional Authority Chiwere, Traditional Authority Msakambewa and Dowa Boma converge. Thence Southerly along Traditional Authority Chiwere and Boma, to the converging point of Traditional Authority Mkukula, Boma and Traditional Authority Chiwere converge. Thence Southerly along the boundary of Traditional Authority Chiwere and Traditional Authority Mkukula boundary up to the constituency boundary.

1.4. **DOWA LUMBADZI CONSTITUENCY**

The constituency covers the Southern part of Traditional Authority Mkukula.

Dowa Lumbadzi Constituency has a projected eligible voter population of 58,859.

The boundary starts from the point where, the Dowa Hills Forest boundary meets M16 Road, thence South Easterly following M16 Road which forms boundary between Traditional Authority Chiwere and Traditional Authority Mkukula up to its junction with M14 Road, thence easterly along M14 Road up to Chidothe Village, thence Southerly along the boundary of Traditional Authority Chiwere and Traditional Authority Mkukula up to the District boundary with Lilongwe along Lumbadzi River, thence Westerly along the District boundary formed by Lumbadzi river, up to a point where the boundaries of Lilongwe City, Lilongwe District and Dowa District Councils converge thence North Westerly along Dowa and Lilongwe City boundary up to a point where the boundaries of Lilongwe City, Lilongwe District and Dowa District Councils converge, thence Northerly along Dowa and Lilongwe district boundary formed by Lumbadzi River up to the point where the boundaries of Traditional Authority Mponela, Traditional Authority Mkukula and Traditional Authority Dzoole and Boundary of Lilongwe District converge. Thence Easterly along Traditional Authority Mkukula and Traditional Authority Mponela boundary up to M1 Road at Mtengowanthena, thence Northerly along M1 Road which forms the boundary between Traditional Authority Mkukula and Traditional Authority Mponela up to the junction of M1 and S115 Road, thence Easterly along the Traditional Authority boundaries, between Mponela and Mkukula , then Mkukula and Msakambewa, up to the junction with M7 Road, thence Southerly along the M7 Road passing through Mtata Village, thence Easterly through Chunzu School, Chadza Village up to Dowa Hills Forest Reserve boundary (597359E 8484498N), thence Southerly along forest reserve boundary, thence Easterly, then North Easterly to the commencement point.

WARDS

LUMBADZI WEST WARD AND LUMBADZI EAST WARD

Lumbadzi West Ward has a projected eligible voter population of 48,072.

Lumbadzi East Ward has a projected eligible voter population of 10,787.

Lumbadzi West Ward is to the West and Lumbadzi East is to the East of the Constituency.

Both Wards are in Traditional Authority Mkukula

The two Wards are separated by a river which starts from Dowa Hill Forest Reserve, passing through Mamulu Village, thence Southerly to the Constituency boundary.

1.5. DOWA CENTRAL CONSTITUENCY

The constituency covers the who area of Traditional Authority Mponela.

Dowa Central Constituency has a projected eligible voter population of 51,154.

The boundary commences at the confluence of Kanyungu and Kasangadzi Rivers, where boundaries of Traditional Authority Mponela, Traditional Authority Msakambewa and Traditional Authority Dzoole converge, thence south Easterly along Traditional Authority Mponela and Traditional Authority Msakambewa boundary, thence South Westerly along the same boundaries, up to the point where Traditional Authority Mponela, Traditional Authority Msakambewa and Traditional Authority Mkukula converge. Thence Westerly along the boundary between Traditional Authority Mponela and Traditional Authority Mkukula up to the District boundary with Lilongwe, thence North Westerly along Traditional Authority Mponela and Traditional Authority Dzoole, up to the point where the boundaries of Traditional Authority Mponela, Traditional Authority Chakhaza, and Dzoole converge, at the confluence of Kasangadzi and Mtiti Rivers, thence south easterly

along Kasangazi River, which is the boundary of Traditional Authority Mponela and Traditional Authority Chakhaza thence proceeding to the boundaries of Traditional Authority Mponela and Traditional Authority Dzoole, up to the confluence of Kasangadzi and Kanyungu Rivers which is the point of commencement.

WARDS

MPANDA WEST WARD AND MPANDA EAST WARD

Mpanda West Ward has a projected eligible voter population of 19,011.

Mpanda East Ward has a projected eligible voter population of 32,143.

Mpanda West Ward is to the North Western side while Mpanda East Ward is to the South Eastern part of the constituency

Both Wards are in Traditional Authority Mponela

The two Wards are separated by Ntchisi Road from its intersection point with Kasangadzi River, thence Southerly joining M1 South Road, thence Southerly up to the constituency boundary at coordinate 579605E 8497415N

1.6. DOWA MNDOLERA CONSTITUENCY

It covers the whole the Southern Part of Traditional Authority Dzoole (A) and the Eastern part of Traditional Authority Kayembe.

Dowa Mndolera Constituency has a projected eligible voter population of 42,637.

The boundary commences at a point where boundaries of Traditional Authority Chakhaza, Traditional Authority Mponela, and Traditional Authority Dzoole converge at M1 Road, where M1 Road intersects Mtiti River, thence South Easterly along Traditional Authority Mponela and Traditional Authority Dzoole formed by Mtiti River, transitioning into boundary between TA Mponela and Dzoole at 570455E 8503279N up to the point where boundaries of Dowa and Lilongwe districts, Traditional Authority Mponela, Traditional Authority Mkukula and Traditional Authority Dzoole converge which is also the district boundary. Thence Westerly along the District boundary up to the point where the boundary of Traditional Authority Dzoole and Traditional Authority Kayembe meets the district boundary, thence North Westerly along the boundary between Traditional Authority Kayembe and Traditional Authority Dzoole up to the confluence of Champande and Livuna Rivers, thence north Westerly along Livuna River cutting through Traditional Authority Kayembe up to the point of intersection with an Earth Road at Mdika Trading Centre, thence Northerly to the Road passing through Ntsilo, Sindeya and Lupiri Villages (Junction of D120) up to the point where boundaries of Traditional Authority Chakhaza, Traditional Authority Dzoole, and Traditional Authority Kayembe converge. Thence North Easterly Along Traditional Authority Chakhaza and Traditional Authority Dzoole up to M1 Road, thence Easterly along M1 Road to the point of commencement.

WARDS

MNDOLERA WEST WARD AND MNDOLERA EAST WARD

Mndolera West Ward has a projected eligible voter population of 26,342.

Mndolera East Ward has a projected eligible voter population of 16,295.

Mndolera West Ward is to the Western part of the constituency and covers the North Eastern part of Traditional Authority Kayembe and Western part of Dzoole, while Mndolera East Ward is to the Eastern part of the constituency and covers the Eastern part of Traditional Authority Dzoole (A).

The two Wards are separated by Mtiti River

1.7. **DOWA KASANGADZI CONSTITUENCY**

The constituency covers the Northern part of Traditional Authority Dzoole and Eastern part of Traditional Authority Chakhaza

Dowa Kasangadzi Constituency has a projected eligible voter population of 47,453.

The boundary starts at a point where S116 intersects Nkalalo River along Dowa – Ntchisi District boundary, thence South Easterly along Ntchisi - Dowa District boundary up to the point where the boundaries of Traditional Authority Dzoole and Traditional Authority Msakambewa meets the district boundary, thence Westerly along Traditional Authority Msakambewa and Traditional Authority Dzoole up to the point where the boundaries of Traditional Authority Mponela, Traditional Authority Dzoole and Traditional Authority Msakambewa converge, thence North Westerly along Traditional Authority Mponela and Traditional Authority Dzoole then Traditional Authority Mponela and Traditional Authority Chakhaza up to the confluence of Mtiti and Kasangazi Rivers, thence Northerly along Kasangadzi River up to the point of intersection with S116 Road at Mpale Village, thence north Easterly along S116 Road up to the point of commencement.

WARDS

CHAKHAZA WARD AND DZOOLE WARD

Chakhaza Ward has a projected eligible voter population of 21,623 and

Dzoole Ward has a projected eligible voter population of 25,810.

Chakhaza Ward is to the Northern part of the constituency and covers the Eastern part of Traditional Authority Chakhaza. Dzoole Ward is to the Southern part of the constituency and covers the Northern part of Traditional Authority Dzoole (B).

The Wards are separated by Traditional Authority boundary between Chakhaza and Dzoole.(B)

1.8. **DOWA NGALA CONSTITUENCY**

The constituency covers the Northern part of area of Traditional Authority Chakadza

Dowa Ngala Constituency has a projected eligible voter population of 46,233

The constituency boundary starts from the point where, district boundaries of Dowa, Ntchisi and Kasungu converge. Thence Southerly along the Ntchisi and Dowa District boundary, up to the intersection with S116 Road at Kachipande Village. Thence Westerly along S116 Road passing through Chimbuli School, Chifukwa Trading Centre, Madisi Trading Centre, Kamongo School up to the point where the Road intersects Dowa – Kasungu District boundary, thence Northerly along the district boundary, then Northerly up to the point of commencement.

WARDS

LINTHEMBWE WARD AND NATOLA WARD

Linthembwe Ward has a projected eligible voter population of 23,108

Natola Ward has a projected eligible voter population of 23,125. Linthembwe Ward is to the Eastern side of the constituency and Natola Ward is to the Western side.

Both Wards are in Traditional Authority Chakhaza.

The Boundary between the two Wards is Kasangadzi River

1.9. **DOWA KANG'ONA CONSTITUENCY**

The constituency covers the Southern part of Traditional Authority Chakhaza and the Northern part of Traditional Authority Kayembe.

Dowa Kang'ona Constituency has a projected eligible voter population of 48,257

The boundary commences at a point where S116 Road intersects Kasangadzi River, thence Southerly along Kasangadzi river up to its confluence with Mtiti River, thence Southerly along Mtiti River up to M1 Road, thence Westerly along M1 Road up to its junction with D120 Road at Mtiti Village, thence South westerly along the boundary of Traditional Authority Dzoole and Traditional Authority Chakhaza, up to a point where the boundaries of Traditional Authority Chakhaza, Traditional Authority Dzoole and Traditional Authority Kayembe converge. Thence south westerly along D120 Road through Lupiri Trading Centre up to an intersection with an Earth Road 565028E 8499605N, thence Westerly following the Earth Road, up to Sendeya Village, thence Southerly along the same Road through Mtsiro Village up to Mdika Trading Centre, where it intersects Luvina River, thence North Westerly along Livuna River up to the district boundary with Lilongwe, thence North Westerly along Livuna River to the district boundary up to the point where the district boundaries of Lilongwe, Dowa and Kasungu converge. Thence north Easterly along Kasungu – Dowa boundary up to the point of commencement.

WARDS

KAYEMBE WARD AND MPHUDZU WARD

Kayembe Ward has a projected eligible voter population of 17,174.

Mphudzu Ward has a projected eligible voter population of 31,083.

Mphudzu Ward is to the Northern part of the constituency and covers the Southern part of Traditional Authority Chakhaza. Kayembe Ward is to the southern part of the constituency and covers the Northern part of Traditional Authority Kayembe.

The Wards are divided by Traditional Authority boundary between Chakhaza and Kayembe.

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