

IPO MATURITY ASSESSMENT – PRESENTATION - MALAWI -

IP ADMINISTRATION SYSTEMS AND LEVEL OF AUTOMATION

- ❖ IT SECTION HAS 3 OFFICERS IN BLANTYRE OFFICE AND 1 OFFICER IN LILONGWE.
- ❖ AS OF JANUARY THIS YEAR, THE DEPARTMENT UPGRADED FROM IPAS 2.70 TO IPAS 3.50B. THE UPGRADE ALSO INVOLVED UPGRADING WIPO PUBLISHER TO 1.5. DURING THIS MISSION, WIPO FURTHER DEPLOYED THE MADRID MODULE AND THE ARIPO MODULE. WIPOSCAN+ AND EDMS WERE ALSO DEPLOYED.

ELECTRONIC REGISTRY- ELECTRONIC SUPPORT OF BUSINESS PROCESSES AND WORKFLOW AND AUTOMATION OF PUBLICATIONS

❖ with the upgrade of IPAS, the department is on the verge of fully utilizing the system for all IP administration. the department has been authorized to published **IP journal**, and this will also be done under IPAS

DOCUMENT MANAGEMENT – PAPER OR/AND ELECTRONIC

- ❖ The Department is aiming at maximizing the WIPO online tools for all document management. however, there is a backlog of physical files that are yet to be Digitized. the Department is still waiting on WIPO for the digitization project.

OTHER SYSTEMS

- In addition to IP Administration, the Department offer the following Online Services
 - **BUSINESS REGISTRATION:** only that the system is under maintenance.
 - **PERSONAL PROPERTY SECURITY REGISTRY**

END OF PRESENTATION

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