

Shire Valley Transformation Programme (SVTP-1): ‘Irrigation and Cash Crops for a Better Life’

The Government of Malawi through the Ministry of Agriculture is implementing the Shire Valley Transformation Programme with the aim of increasing agricultural productivity and commercialization for targeted households in Chikwawa and Nsanje Districts. Approximately 43,370 hectares is expected to be irrigated through gravity-fed canals which will benefit 223,000 smallholder farmers. 43,370 hectares is expected to be irrigated through these canals.

Construction of the Intake and the first 6km of the Main Canal of Phase I of the project is currently in progress. This brief therefore provides pictorial highlights of some of the structures under construction.



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- 1: Construction of the flume in progress
- 2: Construction of the cut-off wall at the intake
- 3: Excavations at the intake
- 4: Concrete paving of the canal
- 5: Some of the paved concrete sections of the canal
- 6: One of the box culverts under construction as part of drainage works

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