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Our Aim Foundation beckons Women

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Our Aim Foundation (OAF) has expressed its commitment to empower women in the country in order for them to realize their dreams.

In an interview with Malawi News Agency (Mana) in Lilongwe, Tuesday, OAF Founder, Nisha Mandani said that her organization which was currently drilling 14 women in tailoring on sewing trade school program at Tongozala Holistic Community Center in Mchinji district, discover their potential.

"Our Aim Foundation is helping to transform the lives of women in rural Malawi. Through our femal empowerment initiative, we are imparting women with knowledge and skills to help them succeeds in small businesses and rapidly change the Malawian and African economy at large.

"Currently, we have graduated hundreds of women from our sewing trade school program at Tongozala Holistic Community Center in Traditional Authority (TA) Mkanda in Mchinji District," she said.

Mandani added that, her organization targets women from underprivileged households who are unable to sustain their lives financially.

"We are supporting women from underprivileged and poverty-stricken homes where resources are hard to find, the foundation gives opportunity to create long lasting changes for themselves and their families.

"We believe that an empowered woman can achieve anything she sets on her mind regardless of her level of education," the Foundersaid.

According to Mandani, OAF was targeting to empower women and girls from 126 villages in Mchinji District which include; Tongoloza, Delesi, Nedi and Nyavingwe villages.

Asked on why OAF decided to empower women in Mchinji District, she said her organization observed that women in Mchinji had interest to gain vocational skills, but were lacking assistance to develop their skill.

One of the sewing trainees who have been trained for 11 months at the center, Margret Kasonda commended OAF for its gesture saying that it would empower her to gain tailoring and designing skills that are desirable on the market.

"I am happy with the tailoring training which Our Aim Foundation rendered to us; the training will assist me to gain enviable tailoring designing skills.

"After the training, I am hoping to open my tailoring shop and this will assist me to become economically empowered and support my family," she said.

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