

# Japanese Social Development Fund

## Signing Ceremony Promoting Inclusion of Children with Disability into Basic Education for All Program

### 28<sup>th</sup> March, 2012



**Top:** Mr. Mussa Chiwaula and Ms Bloemenkamp signing the contract witnessed by Ambassador Samukawa  
**Bottom :** Ambassador Samukawa giving brief remarks during the ceremony

On 28th March, 2012 the Federation of Disability Organizations of Malawi (FEDOMA) received funds amounting to \$1,832,880 for the implementation of the Program for Promoting Inclusion of Children with Disability into Basic Education for All for a period of three years from 2012. The funding was provided by the Japanese Social Development Fund (JSDF) through the World Bank. The Government of Japan has been providing this funding annually since 2000. The signing ceremony took place at the World Bank Malawi offices between Ms. Sandra Bloemenkamp, World Bank Country Manager for Malawi and Mr. Mussa Chiwaula, Executive Director of Federation of Disability Organizations of Malawi (FEDOMA) witnessed by Japanese Ambassador to Malawi His Excellency Fujio Samukawa. It is expected that after the project the learning environment of children living with disabilities will improve. The project will include the retention of disabled children in basic education, campaigns to raise awareness among stakeholders; training of Special Needs Education (SNE) teachers; and improving physical access by providing Braille textbooks and other relevant items.