

Japanese Ambassador's 6th Judo Championship

(13th July, 2019 At Bingu National Stadium)

On 13th July, 2019, the Embassy of Japan in Malawi and the Judo Association of Malawi co-hosted the Japanese Ambassador's 6th Judo Championship. About 40 athletes from not only the Central region, but also North, South, and Dzaleka Refugee Camp competed each other in 7 weight categories.

In her speech, Ambassador Yanagisawa expressed her delight at the increase of the number of athletes from Dzaleka Refugee Camp. She also thanked Mr. Kudo, a JICA Volunteer who is teaching Judo. Furthermore, she stated that Judo with its spirit of self-discipline and mutual respect is a sport for peace, and encouraged athletes to continue Judo for the 2020 Tokyo Olympic Games.

The event was graced by the guest of honour, Hon. Phiso, Minister of Youth, Sports and Culture, as well as representatives from UNHCR and government institutions, including the Malawi Olympic Committee, the Malawi National Council of Sports, Lilongwe City Council, and the Malawi Police Services. Everyone enjoyed the Championship and learnt the spirit of Judo.



Match 1



Match 2



Demonstration by children from Dzaleka Camp
And Lilongwe Judo Club



A commemoration ceremony (women category)



A commemoration ceremony (men category)



A commemoration ceremony (children category)



Speech by Ambassador Yanagisawa



Speech by Hon. Phiso,
Minister of Youth, Sports and Culture



Group Photo