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| **JCTR *BASIC* *NEEDS* *BASKET*: LUSAKA** | | | | | |
| ***SEPTEMBER 2015*** | | | | | |
| **(A) COST OF BASIC FOOD ITEMS FOR A FAMILY OF FIVE IN LUSAKA** | | | |  |  |
|  | **Commodity** | **Kwacha** | **Quantity** | **Total** | **Kwacha** |
|  | Mealie meal(breakfast) | 68.91 | 2 x 25Kgs | 137.82 |  |
|  | Beans | 19.32 | 3 Kgs | 57.96 |  |
|  | Kapenta (dry) | 102.89 | 2 Kgs | 205.78 |  |
|  | Bream (dry) | 95.09 | 1Kgs | 95.09 |  |
|  | Beef, mixed cut | 30.96 | 4 Kgs | 123.84 |  |
|  | Dark green vegetable | 6.15 | 4 Kgs | 24.60 |  |
|  | Tomatoes | 5.05 | 4 Kgs | 20.20 |  |
|  | Onion, large | 7.01 | 2 Kgs | 14.02 |  |
|  | Cooking oil (2.5 Ltrs) | 41.76 | 3 litres | 50.11 |  |
|  | Bread wheat, refined floor, baked | 6.82 | 1 loaf/day | 204.60 |  |
|  | Sugar | 18.50 | 6 Kgs | 55.50 |  |
|  | Milk (fresh) | 6.07 | 4x500ml | 24.28 |  |
|  | Tea, powder | 35.53 | 1 Kgs | 35.53 |  |
|  | Eggs | 9.44 | 2 Units | 18.88 |  |
|  | Salt | 4.71 | 1Kgs | 4.71 |  |
|  | ***Sub Total*** |  |  |  | **1,072.92** |
| **(B) COST OF ESSENTIAL NON-FOOD ITEMS** | |  |  |  |  |
|  | Charcoal | 162.08 | 2x 90Kg bags | 324.16 |  |
|  | Soap (Lifebouy/Champion) | 6.51 | 10 Tablets | 65.10 |  |
|  | Wash soap (Boom) | 7.50 | 4x400g | 30.00 |  |
|  | Jelly (e.g Vaseline) | 18.28 | 1x500ml | 18.28 |  |
|  | Electricity (medium density - fixed) | 372.00 |  | 372.00 |  |
|  | Water & Sanitation (medium cost - fixed) | 325.00 |  | 325.00 |  |
|  | Housing (medium density - 3 bedroom) | 1,750.00 |  | 1,750.00 |  |
|  | ***Sub Total*** |  |  |  | **2,884.54** |
|  | ***Total for Basic Needs Basket*** |  |  |  | **3,957.46** |
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| **Totals from previous months** | **Aug 14** | **Sept 14** | **Oct 14** | **Nov 14** | **Dec 14** | **Jan 15** | **Feb 15** | **Mar 15** | **Apr 15** | **May 15** | **Jun 15** | **Jul 15** | **Aug 15** |
| **Amount (K)** | **3,742.60** | **3,703.02** | **3,635.83** | **3,694.44** | **3,905.22** | **3,793.59** | **3,767.68** | **3,797.55** | **3,759.04** | **3,677.28** | **3,704.69** | **3,715.47** | **3,831.24** |

**(C) SOME OTHER ADDITIONAL COSTS**

**Item**  **K Item K**

**Education**  **Transport (bus fare round trip)**

Grades 8-9 (User + PTA/year) K400.00 – K600.00 Chilenje-Town K12.00

Grades 10-12 (User + PTA/year) K650.00 – K1, 300.00 Chelstone–Town K12.00

School Uniform (grades 8-12) K90.00 – K200.00 Matero-Town K12.00

**Health (clinic)** **Fuel (cost at the pump)**

Registration (book) K3.00 - K5.00 Petrol (per litre) K9.87

Self-referral (Emergency Fee) K 5.500 Diesel (per litre) K8.59

Mosquito Net (private) K30.00 – K120.00 Paraffin (per litre) K6.12

**(D) A COMPARISON OF COSTS (in Kwacha) OF BASIC NEEDS ACROSS ZAMBIA IN SEPTEMBER**

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| **3,957.46** | **2, 521.25** | **2,522.51** | **2, 277.73** | **3,928.53** | **3, 513.80** | **2, 595.93** | **-** | **2,343.34** | **2, 950.33** | **3, 023.88** | **3, 215.82** | **3, 183.78** | **-** | **-** |

*This survey was conducted on* ***24th September, 2015*** *by the Social & Economic Development Programme of the Jesuit Centre for Theological Reflection. Average prices were calculated on the basis of prices gathered from retail outlets at Northmead, Shoprite (Cairo Road), City Market, Chawama, Chainda, Kabwata, Matero and schools, clinics/hospitals and filling stations around Lusaka. The September Basic Needs Basket is approximately* ***US376*** *based upon the exchange rate of* ***K10.5360*** *prevailing on* ***the day of data collection****. Please note that other monthly costs would include personal care, clothing, recreation etc*

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