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Malawi recorded **five new** confirmed M-pox cases on 25th August, 2025. The cases are a 4-year-old male from Mtandire, a 26-year-old male from Ngwenya, a 8-year-old female from Area 9, 10-year old female from Kauma and a 44-year old from area 23. All the cases reported at Bwaila district hospital on 25th August. They presented with fever, fatigue, general body pains, muscle ache and skin rash with no underlying condition. Samples (lesion swabs) were collected on the same day of facility visit and sent to the laboratory, where testing confirmed Mpox infection. This brings the **total number of laboratory confirmed Mpox cases to 86** since the first case was recorded on April 17th, 2025.

Travel history: All the cases have no travel history to outside Malawi.

Actions taken by the districts

- Sample (swab from blisters) collection and sent to Lab for testing
- DRRTs are conducting contact tracing, case follow up and investigation

The Public Health Institute of Malawi is mandated to protect the health of the public through surveillance, disease prevention, early warning and containment of any outbreaks in a multi-sectoral approach. The following are measures put in place;

- Activated the Incident Management System (IMS)
- Multi-sectoral collaboration using the One-Health approach in disease surveillance
- Functional Rapid Response Teams at national and district level
- Trained National Emergency Medical Team and surge team, and health workers
- Risk Communication and Community Engagement
- Trained human and animal health workers at national and district level

PHIM will continue to monitor this event and provide updates as they become available.