

ESWATINI

# END MALARIA FUND



“ Working together  
for a **Malaria-free**  
Eswatini by 2030



**Annual Report**  
2024/2025



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# Executive Summary

In the period under review July 2024 – June 2025 the End Malaria Fund significantly strengthened its support in the fight against malaria through a 100% approval of all funding requests emanating from the National Malaria Programme.

During this period the EMF engaged extensively with the NMP's Health Promotion department which remains crucial in reaching various demographics with information on preventative and curative measures extended by the NMP to the nation and further reiterating the message of ensuring the NMP is well resourced through contributions from grassroots level to corporates.

During the reporting period the EMF engaged with the His Excellency the Prime Minister Russell Mmiso Dlamini to appraise him on the EMF and the work that has been accomplished to date. This was the first encounter with the Prime Minister since his appointment into office and we intend to work closely with cabinet to ensure all Ministries are involved in the work of the EMF.

The EMF remains grateful to the generous donations from all our donors and invites more donors to assist the country to eliminate malaria.

## *Our Mission*

As the official Fund for the **Ministry of Health's National Malaria Programme (NMP)**, The End Malaria Fund generates private support and builds strategic partnerships to sustain and support the programs of the NMP towards the attainment of a **malaria free Eswatini** and further sustain elimination through mitigating resource gap

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# Seasonal Malaria Case Overview

In Eswatini, malaria is a seasonal condition hence the reporting period of July to June. The country starts experiencing low cases in August progressing to notable peaks in January to May

In the reporting period the country experience peaks in January as well as a high case load in March through to April. Although the country saw 52 cases in January which was lower than the previous season which peaked at 128 cases, the peak in March to May brought a significantly higher case load than the previous season at almost double the caseload.

Malaria is a seasonal condition in Eswatini with the number of cases fluctuating across the year as seen in the figure below. The season began with low cases, progressing to have notable peaks in January and March-May. Pockets of infection were drivers of the indigenous transmission during these periods. The intensity of the March- May peak was however far surpassed the numbers recorded in the previous season. Below is the graph illustrating case;

## Cases by Season Year

FiscalYear ● 2023-24 ● 2024-25

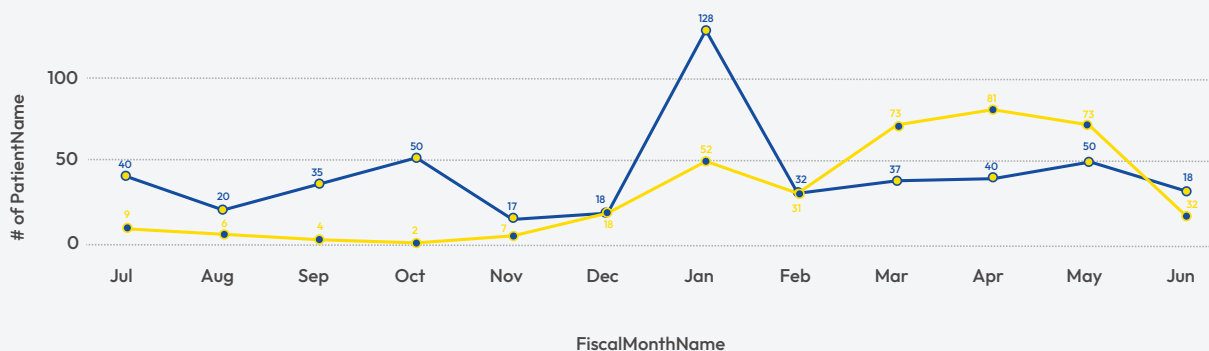


Figure extracted from the NMP 2024-2025 annual report

In the 2024/25 season, 425 cases were reported. This is a 19.5% reduction from the 528 reported the previous season (2023/24). Fifty (50) cases were found to be false positives, therefore leaving a total of 375 confirmed cases, incidence being 7.8 per 10 000 population. Of these, 239 cases (64%) were the result of indigenous transmission, while 128 cases (34%) were imported infections. There were six deaths, resulting in a case fatality rate of approximately 1.6%, with fatalities occurring primarily during the peak transmission months.

Of the 375 confirmed cases, 111(30%) were female while 264(70%) were male, with 87(24%) of the cases were of Mozambican descent and 278 (74%) Emaswati. The age groups affected the most ranged from 6 to 29 years. Farming remained the most common occupation for new cases.





Malaria cases occurred throughout the country, distributed across regions as indicated:

**48%**

Lubombo

**37%**

Hhohho

**46%**

Manzini

**11%**

Shiselweni

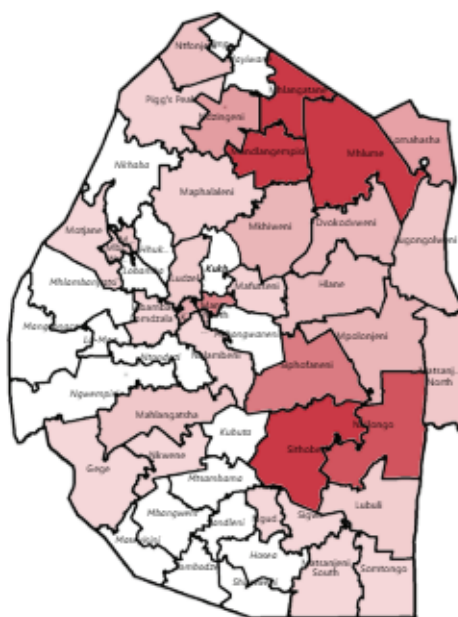
The figures below illustrate the intensity of the case burden across the respective tinkhundla in the country.

Total cases by Inkhundla



**Legend**

Inkhundla	Total cases
Mhlangatane	57
Mandlangempisi	47
Mhlume	42
Sithobela	41
Nkilongo	28
Siphofaneni	20
Manzini North	18
Ndzingeni	13
Lomahasha	12
Kwaluseni	9
Mkhiweni	8
Mpolonjeni	8
Dvokodweni	7
Hlane	6
Ntfontjeni	5
Lugongolweni	4
Mahlangatsha	4
Manzini South	4
Matsanjeni North	4
Lubuli	3
Ludzeludze	3
Mbabane East	3
Lobamba	2
Mafutseni	2
Maphalaleni	2





## Governing Board

**Thandile Nxumalo**  
Chair | Alphasz



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## Our Work in Action

The End Malaria Fund's focus is to raise enough resources to support under resourced interventions within the NMP.

Below are all the resource mobilization activities the EMF engaged in to raise awareness of its mandate and further deliver Return on Investment for the companies and organizations that extended a helping hand whether financially or in-kind.

During the reporting period the EMF engaged in various resource mobilization activities to help raise awareness of its campaign to help the NMP eliminate malaria. The following activities were conducted during the reporting quarter:

### 27 September 2024

The End Malaria Fund Golf Day in collaboration with KwaMagogo No43 to raise funds for the National Malaria Programme (NMP) took place on the 27th of September at the Royal Swazi Golf Club. This annual event provides an opportunity for the business community to get together informally to enjoy a day of golf, conversation and networking while raising money for an important lifesaving cause. The Format is a (4) ball tournament with each company sponsoring and branding a hole.





This event was a key part of the Fund's ongoing efforts to raise awareness and secure financial support for NMP's malaria elimination programs.

The annual golf day was joined by fifteen (15) companies as listed below:

**Alphsz, African Allinace, Billionarie Brother Project Management, End Malaria Fund, Eswatini Building Society, Eswatini Royal Insurance Corporation, Fincorp, Logico, Public Service Pension Fund, Standard Bank, Taiwan Embassy, Ubombo Sugar and Letshego.**

The main sponsor for the event was the **African Leaders Malaria Alliance and Gateway while**

The event raised a total of **SZL 150,000.00** for the Fund.



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## 24 September 2024

Standard Bank Eswatini remained committed to the health sector especially in the fight against malaria. Standard Bank's contribution to the EMF reflected its decision to the national goal of attaining malaria elimination in alignment with SDG 3. The bank pledged E 150 000.00 to support the NMP's implementation of its malaria elimination strategic plan. On behalf of the bank Mr Hlatshwayo asserted that the bank's contribution will help advance historic progress towards the EMF's goal and contribute to the greatest health and humanitarian achievement of our time – ending malaria within our generation.





## Board visit to the Prime Minister

**03 November 2024**

On the 3rd of November, the Board Members of the End Malaria Fund paid a courtesy visit to the Prime Minister of Eswatini. The purpose of the visit was to formally introduce the Fund and its mission to the Prime Minister, as well as to discuss potential avenues for collaboration with the Cabinet in the effort to eliminate malaria in the country.

The Prime Minister expressed strong support for the Fund's mission and acknowledged the importance of tackling malaria as a national priority. The discussion also centered on ways the Cabinet could facilitate the Fund's work, including through potential funding mechanisms and integrating malaria elimination into national development plans.

The courtesy visit to the Prime Minister was a productive meeting that laid the groundwork for future collaboration between the End Malaria Fund and the government. With the Prime Minister's support, there is a clear opportunity to strengthen the fight against malaria through joint efforts and resources.

## Signing of Malaria Pledge Chart by the Cabinet

**10 December 2024**

The Kingdom of Eswatini's Cabinet took a bold step in the fight against malaria by pledging its support to the African Union's Zero Malaria Starts With Me campaign. During a signing ceremony held at the Private and Cabinet Offices, Ministers reaffirmed their commitment to ending malaria by prioritizing prevention, early detection, and public education throughout their term. They also announced a generous donation of E70,000 to the End Malaria Fund Eswatini to further these efforts.

Prime Minister Russell Mmiso Dlamini acknowledged the essential role the End Malaria Fund plays in Eswatini's progress toward eliminating malaria stating that the fund has been instrumental in advancing the country's zero malaria goals. His Excellency further stated that continued investment in its initiatives will propel Eswatini closer to malaria elimination.

Through this ceremony the chairperson, Ms. Thandile Nxumalo, called on cabinet to actively support efforts to raise awareness before the malaria season begins. She also encouraged their involvement in advocacy initiatives, particularly around the Global Fund replenishment next year while inviting cabinet to join the Fund in hosting a multisectoral roundtable to mark World Malaria Day, which will further strengthen the country's efforts in adequately funding malaria elimination interventions.

The signing of the Malaria Pledge Chart and the donation to the End Malaria Fund were important milestones in the government's continued efforts to combat malaria. These actions signify strong governmental support for malaria elimination initiatives and are a clear indication of the Cabinet's dedication to achieving a malaria-free nation.





## 2024 Resource Mobilization

Table 1 – Pledged in-kind goods & services

Donor	Sector	Description of In-kind Goods & Services	Est Value (SZL)
Public Sector Pension Fund	Parastatal	Real Estate	113 634.00
African Alliance	Private	Accounting	120 000.00
African Leaders Malaria Alliance	Development Partner	Support for EMF Golf Day	98 691.00
Cabinet	Government	Donation	70 000.00
Old Mutual	Private	Donation	25 000.00
Standard Bank	Private	Donation	160 000.00
Taiwan Embassy	Public Sector	Donation	1 000 000.00
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>1 587 325.00</b>

## 2025 Resource Mobilization

Table 1 – Pledged in-kind goods & services

Donor	Sector	Description of In-kind Goods & Services	Est Value (SZL)
Public Sector Pension Fund	Parastatal	Real Estate	113 634.00
African Alliance	Private	Accounting	120 000.00
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>233 634.00</b>

Table 2 – Summary of Fund Expenditure

Expense Type	Financial Resources (SZL)		In-kind (SZL)	Est Value (SZL)
	Budgeted	Actual		
Public Sector Pension Fund	0	40 188	0	40 188.00
<b>TOTAL</b>				<b>40 188.00</b>





## Participation at the Eswatini Consumer Fair with the National Malaria Programme

**25 April 2025**

The End Malaria Fund was invited to partake in the Eswatini Consumer Fair, where the fair sponsored the EMF's presence. The fair hosted by A Peculiar People provided a valuable platform for both awareness and advocacy. The EMF collaborated with the NMP as well as the Malaria Youth Corps in raising awareness of malaria and this activity was further supported by the African Malaria Leaders Alliance (ALMA) who sponsored branding of t-shirts, sweaters and hats for all the members of the team.

Malaria No More UK further developed Change the story, a campaign that amplifies the voices of children affected by malaria to advocate urgent action and investment. This new film for World Malaria Day calls on leaders to hear their stories and make positive decisions that will change the story and change the future of millions of people across the world.

Eswatini joined the world in making this call through the support of the African Malaria Leaders Alliance (ALMA) who helped translate the short film to siSwati. Eswatini Television went on to sponsor its broadcast on national television during the combined National Flag Day/ Kings Birthday. Eswatini TV broadcasted it 3 times with 1.2 million viewers. And it was viewed 3,000 times on their YouTube account.

## MTN Bushfire Festival

**30 May 2025 – 1 June 2025**

The End Malaria Fund (EMF), in collaboration with the National Malaria Programme (NMP) and the Eswatini Malaria Youth Army, participated in the annual MTN Bushfire Festival held from Friday, 30 May 2025 to Sunday, 1 June 2025. This strategic presence aimed to increase public awareness on malaria, raise funds to support malaria elimination efforts, and recruit youth to join the national malaria advocacy movement.

The End Malaria Fund secured a stall at the United Nations Bring Your Fire Zone through African Leaders Malaria Alliance and MTN Bushfire part sponsored the stall through discounting it to E20 000.00 as opposed to the proposed E60 000.00.

Our stall was well-positioned to attract attendees





across the three-day event, enabling us to execute our joint objectives effectively. The objectives of the organization are highlighted below as follows:

- **End Malaria Fund:** Solicit donations to support malaria elimination initiatives in Eswatini.
- **National Malaria Programme:** Provide malaria education to the public, highlighting prevention, diagnosis, and treatment.
- **Eswatini Malaria Youth Army:** Engage young people and encourage them to join the Youth Army's efforts in malaria awareness and advocacy

The EMF's participation in MTN Bushfire 2025 yielded the following outcomes:

- Increased public engagement and awareness on malaria, particularly among youth and urban festival-goers.
- Enhanced visibility of national malaria efforts through a shared platform.
- Direct community involvement through fundraising and recruitment activities.
- Strengthened collaboration between EMF, NMP, and the Eswatini Malaria Youth Army through successful joint participation.



## End Malaria Fund Gala Dinner

The End Malaria Fund launched its inaugural Resource Mobilization Gala Dinner and targeted raising E 800 000.00 through selling 40 tables with members of the Board supporting the sale of tables in various institutions. A total of 20 tables were sold earning SZL 400 000.00 and further resources were earned through auctions amounting to the Fund collecting a total of E 665 000.00

The event raised a total of **SZL 665,000.00** for the Fund.



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# Disbursements to the National Malaria Programme

The End Malaria Fund's focus is to raise enough resources to support under resourced interventions within the NMP.

Expense Type	Financial Resources (SZL)		In-kind (SZL)	Est Value (SZL)
	Budgeted	Actual		
Procuring Internet Services for NMP Head Office	0	40 188.00	0	40 188.00
Procuring of anti-malarial injections	0	203 021.00	0	203 021.00
Procuring videography services for SK Awards	0	27 750.00	0	27 750.00
Extension of internet services contract	0	40 188.00	0	40 188.00
Procurement of buffer anti-malarial stock – Coartem 20/120	0	141 248.75	0	141 248.75
Maintenance of NMP truck fleet	0	58 018.00	0	58 018.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>510 414.00</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>510 414.00</b>

## 2025 Internal Updates and Transitions

During the reporting period, the End Malaria Fund underwent key internal developments that strengthened its operational capacity and governance. The Fund successfully recruited an Administrative Assistant to enhance day-to-day administrative functions, improve coordination, and support communication across projects and stakeholder engagements.

This addition has contributed to greater operational efficiency within the Secretariat. Furthermore, this period marked the retirement of the Board, whose dedicated leadership played a pivotal role in advancing the Fund's strategic direction, resource mobilization efforts, and collaboration with national partners. Their term concluded after guiding the Fund through notable milestones that have significantly contributed to its mission of supporting the National Malaria Programme.

The End Malaria Fund remains grateful for the in-kind support it has received from the Public Service Pensions Fund (PSPF)

