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List of Eswatini Category A Public Enterprises & Abbreviations

Sector & Enterprise	Abbreviation	Ministry
Agriculture		
1. Eswatini Dairy Board	EDB	AGRICULTURE
2. National Maize Corporation	NMC	AGRICULTURE
3. Eswatini Cotton Board	ECB	AGRICULTURE
4. National Agricultural Marketing Board	NAMBOARD	AGRICULTURE
5. Eswatini Water and Agricultural Development Enterprise	ESWADE	AGRICULTURE
Transport		
6. Royal Eswatini National Airways Corporation	RENAC	PUBLIC WORKS & TRANSPORT
7. Eswatini Railway	ESR	PUBLIC WORKS & TRANSPORT
8. Central Transport Organization	CTO	PUBLIC WORKS & TRANSPORT
9. Eswatini Civil Aviation Authority	ESWACAA	PUBLIC WORKS & TRANSPORT
Finance		
10. Eswatini Development & Savings Bank	EDSB	FINANCE
11. Eswatini Revenue Authority	SRA	FINANCE
12. Eswatini Development Finance Corporation	FINCORP	FINANCE
13. Sincephetelo Motor Vehicle Accident Fund	SMVAF	FINANCE
Utilities		
14. Eswatini Electricity Company	EEC	NATURAL RESOURCES & ENERGY
15. Eswatini Posts & Telecommunications Corporation	EPTC	INFORMATION COMMUNICATION & TECHNOLOGY
16. Eswatini Water Services Corporation	EWSC	NATURAL RESOURCES & ENERGY
Business Promotion		
17. Eswatini National Industrial Development Corporation	ENIDC	COMMERCE, INDUSTRY & TRADE
18. Small Enterprises Development Company	SEDCO	COMMERCE, INDUSTRY & TRADE
19. Commercial Board*	CB	COMMERCE, INDUSTRY & TRADE
20. Eswatini Competition Commission	ECC	COMMERCE, INDUSTRY & TRADE
21. Eswatini Investment Promotion Authority	EIPA	COMMERCE, INDUSTRY & TRADE
22. Eswatini Standards Authority	SWASA	COMMERCE, INDUSTRY & TRADE
23. Eswatini Youth Enterprise Revolving Fund	EYERF	SPORTS, CULTURE AND YOUTH AFFAIRS
24. Royal Science and Technology Park	RSTP	INFORMATION, COMMUNICATIONS AND TECHNOLOGY
Education		

25. University of Eswatini	UNESWA	EDUCATION & TRAINING
26. Southern African Nazarene University	SANU	EDUCATION & TRAINING
27. Eswatini Medical Christian University	EMCU	EDUCATION & TRAINING
28. Sebenta National Institute	SEBENTA	EDUCATION & TRAINING
Tourism and Environment		
29. Pigg's Peak Hotel & Casino	PPHC	TOURISM & ENVIROMENTAL AFFAIRS
30. Eswatini National Trust Commission	ENTC	TOURISM & ENVIROMENTAL AFFAIRS
31. Eswatini Tourism Authority	ETA	TOURISM & ENVIROMENTAL AFFAIRS
32. Eswatini Environment Authority	EEA	TOURISM & ENVIROMENTAL AFFAIRS
33. Eswatini Tourism Development Company*	ETDC	TOURISM & ENVIROMENTAL AFFAIRS
Information		
34. Eswatini Television Authority	ETVA	INFORMATION COMMUNICATION & TECHNOLOGY
Housing		
35. Eswatini National Housing Board	ENHB	HOUSING & URBAN DEVELOPMENT
Labour		
36. Conciliation, Mediation & Arbitration Commission	CMAC	LABOUR & SOCIAL WELFARE
37. Eswatini National Provident Fund	ENPF	LABOUR & SOCIAL WELFARE
38. Public Service Pension Fund	PSPF	PUBLIC SERVICE
Health		
39. National Emergency Response Council on HIV/AIDS	NERCHA	PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE
40. Eswatini Nazarene Health Institutions	ENHI	HEALTH
41. Good Shepherd Hospital	GSH	HEALTH
Sports		
42. Eswatini National Sports & Recreation Council	ESRC	SPORTS, CULTURE & YOUTH AFFAIRS
Arts and Culture		
43. Eswatini National Council of Arts and Culture	ENCAC	SPORTS, CULTURE & YOUTH AFFAIRS
Youth Affairs		
44. Eswatini National Youth Council	ENYC	SPORTS, CULTURE & YOUTH AFFAIRS
Disaster Management		
45. National Disaster Management Agency	NDMA	DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE
46. Baphalali Eswatini Red Cross Society	BERCS	DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE
Regulatory Authorities		

47. Eswatini Energy Regulatory Authority	ESERA	NATURAL RESOURCES & ENERGY
48. Financial Services Regulatory Authority	FSRA	FINANCE
49. Eswatini Communications Commission	ECCOM	INFORMATION COMMUNICATION & TECHNOLOGY
50. Eswatini Public Procurement Regulatory Agency	ESPPRA	FINANCE
51. Eswatini Higher Education Council	ESHEC	EDUCATION
Energy		
52. Eswatini National Petroleum Company	ENPC	NATURAL RESOURCES & ENERGY

* Dormant

OVERVIEW

Introduction

1. The Public Enterprises Unit (PEU) was established under the Public Enterprises (Control & Monitoring) Act, 1989. This Act provides for the PEU to monitor the performance of the designated Category A Public Enterprises and to provide technical advice on their operations and policy management. The Act establishes a sound operational framework for the corporate governance of the Public Enterprise Sector in Eswatini.
2. The Act requires each Public Enterprise to submit a report to the PEU on its financial and operational performance, within one month after the end of every three months period. The PEU then compiles these reports for submission to the Cabinet Standing Committee on Public Enterprises (SCOPE). This quarterly report is the PEU's fulfilment of this requirement for the period from October to December 2021, which is the third quarter of the 2021/2022 financial year.

Reporting

Late Reports

3. **Only one Public Enterprise did not submit this quarter.**
4. It is a statutory obligation for all Category A Public Enterprises to report on a quarterly basis. The non-submission of quarterly reports is a violation of section 7 of the PE Act. Section 11 of the Act provides for a Disciplinary Tribunal that addresses issues of non-compliance with the Act, as well as recommending disciplinary measures accordingly.
5. The quarterly reports are a vital part of the Public Enterprises Monitoring and Management Process. Each enterprise's quarterly report is not only sent to the PEU, but should also be submitted and approved by the Board and the line Ministry. The PEU regularly draws individual Ministries and SCOPE's attention on cases of poor operational and financial performance, with accompanying suggestions on how they could be remedied.

SCOPE Approvals

6. SCOPE met eight (8) times during the quarter and approved the following Scope Papers:
 1. Strategic plan for Eswatini Standards Authority for 2021 to 2024.
 2. Public Service Pensions Fund 2020 salary review.
 3. Payment of Performance Bonuses to Public Service Pensions Fund staff - 2020/2021.
 4. Extension of Acting Chief Financial Officer- Eswatini Tourism Authority (ETA)

5. Appointment of the CEO for Eswatini National Trust Commission (ENTC).
6. Appointment of CFO for Eswatini Tourism Authority (ETA).
7. Disciplinary Tribunal member appointment - Musa Kunene.
8. SMVAF audited financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2021.
9. Extension of Acting General Manager - Piggs Peak Hotel and Casino.
10. Financial statements for the year ending 31st March 2021 for; ESWADE; NMC, Cotton Board and Dairy Board.
11. Appointment of an Acting CFO at National Maize Corporation.
12. Appointment of CFO for the Good Shepherd Hospital and Nursing College.
13. SMVAF and Eswatini Bank transition request to Circular 2 of 2021
14. PEU quarterly report for the period ending 30 June 2021.
15. Appointment of Acting CEO at NAMBoard.
16. Eswatini Water Services Corporation re-appointment of MD, Ms. Jabulile Mashwama.
17. Re-appointment of CEO of the National Disaster Management Agency.
18. Contract extension for the CFO of the National Disaster Management Agency.
19. Eswatini Water Services Corporation approval of once off payment.
20. PSPF cost of living adjustment 2021/2022.
21. Appointment of Acting Vice Chancellor for SANU.
22. Re- engagement of the Eswatini Tourism Authority CEO.
23. Replacement of board member for the Eswatini National Trust Commission
24. Appointment of CEO and CFO for the Eswatini National Petroleum Company.
25. Replacement of two members of the PSPF Board of Trustees.
26. Appointment of the CFO Eswatini Dairy Board.

27. Transition request of six entities from Circular 3 of 2016 to Circular 2 of 2021.
28. Contract renewal for the CEO –Eswatini Cotton Board.
29. RENAC approval of airline logo/branding and commencement of commercial airline operation.
30. Appointment of a board member in the Construction Industry Council.
31. Re-appointment of the CFO for the Eswatini Civil Aviation Authority.
32. Nomination of SNG Grant Thornton auditors for the Eswatini Communications Commission.
33. Request for shareholder approval to donate land to Ingwenyama in trust for the Swati Nation by the RSTP.
34. Appointment of a board member at Eswatini Competition Commission.
35. SWASA's financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2021.
36. Information Paper on disposal of Eswatini Housing Board assets.
37. Appointment of CEO – National Agricultural Marketing Board.
38. Re- appointment of FINCORP Managing Director.
39. Re-appointment of NERCHA National Executive Director and CFO.
40. Approval of the termination of the shareholders' agreement establishing Eswatini Airlink.
41. Re-appointment of Acting CFO for the Eswatini Environment Authority.
42. Appointment of Mr. Siboniso Madlopha as Acting CEO of Eswatini Tourism Authority.

Restructuring

RENAC

7. Following Government's decision to revive RENAC, the entity had requested Government to transfer its shareholding from Swazi Air link to them and they also want to venture into the flying space like other airlines in the world.

General

Management Development - Individual

8. PEU continued supporting individual training of senior management of Public Enterprises through the training portion of the Loan Guarantee Fund. Under this program, enterprises send their senior managers to certain specific courses, upon the approval of the PEU to fund those workshops/conferences. Due to the worldwide shutdown in travel, there were no requests for training during the quarter.

Management Development – Group Training

This program is planned to resume next year to allow the Loan Guarantee Fund to accumulate enough funds for this very essential program.

Corporate Governance

9. PEU is responsible for ensuring that Board of Directors are all trained on Corporate Governance. Through the LGF, some entities have benefited through training of their Board of Directors. Following the adoption of the King IV Code of Corporate Governance by the Government of Eswatini, a new syllabus will be developed and used by Public Enterprises in their governance trainings.

Eswatini Public Enterprises Association (SPEA)

10. SPEA brings together the Chief Executives of Category A Public Enterprises in a meeting with representatives of the PEU to discuss matters of mutual concern. There was no formal SPEA Meeting this quarter.

Non appointment of Chief Executive Officers, Chief Financial Officers.

The following Entities had not appointed substantive key positions;

- Eswatini Environment Authority (EEA) - CEO
- Piggs - Peak Hotel & Casino (PPH) - CEO

11. The non-appointment of Chief Executive Officers is not a good sign of corporate governance and it also compromises the performance of the entities who are without substantive leaders for a very long time.

Public Enterprises Reforms

12. The Ministry of Finance has presented the report to Cabinet for approval and it had been approved in principle. ESEPARC will work on crafting the implementation plan of this study that will have to be presented to Cabinet for approval. The Report will also be shared with all CEOs of category A Public Enterprises and the Principal Secretaries in all the Government Ministries.

INDIVIDUAL ENTERPRISE REPORTS

For the quarter under review, the following enterprise did not submit her report.

1. ETVA

I. AGRICULTURE SECTOR

1. ESWATINI DAIRY BOARD (EDB)

Parent Ministry: Agriculture

Operational Review

- The Board continued to carry out inspections meant to ensure quality control of imports, dairy and dairy related products sold in local shops, and its safety for public consumption.
- A total of 86 cows/heifers were bred with artificial insemination for farmers countrywide compared to 52 last quarter. Fourteen farmers were trained in conducting artificial insemination.
- To increase farmer's technical capacity and productivity levels, the Board conducted 625 farm visits compared to 469 last quarter and 8 resource assessments for aspiring dairy farmers.
- A total of 9 technical meetings on milk marketing, technical progress and value addition were held, with an average attendance of 9 farmers per meeting.
- The Board produced one business plan for a medium scale dairy farmer and further provided business and entrepreneurial advice to three farmers on profit maximization.
- A lease of one milk cooling tank was facilitated to Chubeka Farmers Association, for the establishment of a Milk Collection Centre (MCC).
- A total of 5 pasture establishment demonstrations were conducted for individual farmers and farmer groups. The pastures types included Kikuyu grass, Pannicum maximum, star grass and yellow maize.
- To develop and encourage farmers to make their own hay bales, a total of 36 baling boxes were leased out for farmers to produce 10-15kg hay bales.
- Operating Milk Collection Centres (MCCs) included Luyengo, Sengani, Ntandweni, Mpuluzi, Dwalile and Thabankulu. Engagements for MCC establishment began at Hhukwini, Mafutseni and Mpuluzi.
- There were four Operational Small Scale Processors that were assisted with technical advice and milk sourcing. The Board facilitated the export of 45,000kg yoghurt and 32,000kg dairy juice by local processors to Mozambique and Botswana and it was in the final phase of operationalizing the processing plant in Matsapha.

- Despite the partial school operations, the Board continued to monitor and assist the 18 schools currently running dairy projects. Seven schools had shown interest in dairy projects and had started preparations.
- Two heifers were passed on to other farmers through the “Pass on the gift” programme.
- The Board continued to produce liquid nitrogen at Masundwini Nitrogen Plant and the nitrogen is used to store semen straws for artificial insemination. A total of 216L of liquid nitrogen was supplied to stakeholders, which include dairy farms, dairy extension officers etc.

Outlook

- Increase the number of leased bailing boxes in circulation to meet the increased demand.
- An intensive training on dairy goats’ production.

Financial Situation

- Total income was E13.57m compared to E13.40m last quarter.
- Total expenditure was E7.893m compared to E7.85m last quarter.

Financial Statements

	2021	2021	2021	2021
Income Statement	Dec. 31	Sep. 30	Jun. 30	Mar. 31
Turnover	13,565,018	13,402,507	11,715,837	18,545,427
Expenditure	7,891,303	7,850,917	6,321,841	11,421,285
Net Profit	5,673,715	5,551,590	5,393,996	7,124,142
Balance Sheet				
Fixed Assets	15,284,270	31,917,796	51,419,512	15,324,070
Investments	115,978,843	99,705,604	112,694,426	113,378,085
Current Assets	81,414,115	67,154,822	49,438,255	53,861,523
Current Liabilities	22,045,571	15,022,469	24,294,805	10,277,517
Net Current Assets	59,368,544	52,132,353	25,143,450	43,584,006
Total Employment of Capital	190,631,657	183,755,753	189,257,388	172,286,161
Retained Income	182,838,911	175,789,733	181,611,162	164,320,143
Dairy Development Fund	7,966,020	7,966,020	7,966,020	7,966,020
Office Block	-	-	-	-
Medium Term Lease Obligation	-	-	-	-
Total Capital Employed	190,804,931	183,755,753	189,257,388	172,286,163

PEU Comments

The Board is commended and encouraged to continue facilitating the development of the dairy industry in the country. The Eswatini Dairy Board facilitated the exportation of 45,000kg yoghurt and 32,000kg dairy juice by local processors to Mozambique and Botswana respectively. This is an indication that the dairy industry is growing and produce is quality that meet exportation standards, thus facilitating international trade and stimulating domestic economic activity and creating employment.

We are looking forward to the operationalization of the second dairy processing plant in Eswatini, which will increase the supply of locally produced milk products, bring competition and create employment.

The Board is encouraged to continue to develop the industry and promote the supply of quality dairy products in the country and outside Eswatini.

2. NATIONAL AGRICULTURAL MARKETING BOARD (NAMBOARD)

Parent Ministry: Ministry of Agriculture

NAMBOARD reported as follows for the quarter,

Operational review

- The Market sold 563mt of produce worth E4.07m, which represents a 10% decline when compared to the same period last year. Major sales were realized in beetroot, green pepper and butternut. Under value addition, the Market was able to process 4.46mt compared to 3.79mt the same period last year. Encabeni market bought 446mt from farmers compared to 783mt the same period last year and Sdemane Farming procured 40.87mt of baby vegetables from local farmers. The import substitution programme resulted in 2, 249mt sourced locally compared to 2, 185mt the same period last year.
- The Farm Input Shop and Nursery achieved total sales of E1.5m during the period. 1.15m seedlings and a total of 5, 682 fruit trees were sold to farmers.
- The quality assurance unit trained 152 farmers on quality and general crop husbandry, harvesting and post-harvesting and quality specifications. Rejection rates were 3% and 16% for conventional and baby vegetables respectively, against maximum acceptable rejection rates of 6% and 15% respectively.
- NAMBOARD continued pursuing critical projects in conjunction with other stakeholders. The High Value Horticulture and Crop Project (HVHCP) was able to deliver 36mt of fresh produce to Encabeni, and the Smallholder Market-led Project (SMLP) was able to produce 86.47mt. The Climate Smart Oriented Agriculture (CSMA) Project was handed over to beneficiaries.
- The total export of scheduled products was 27.74mt compared to 20.48mt last year same quarter.

Scheduled imports were 75.05mt compared to 74.40mt last year.

- A total 347 import permits were issued compared to 452 last year same period.

Outlook

- Host a webinar on Market-led Approach to agricultural development.
- Continue AMIS registration, commission a Land Suitability Study for the KM III Agri-zone Project.
- Updating Human Resource policies, procedures, job profiles and performance management.
- Continue with commercial farmer's recruitment strategy through Sdemane Farming.

Financial Situation

- The Board recorded a surplus of E2.69m compared to a surplus of E3.59m last year same period. The Board realised a surplus of E1.14m last quarter.
- Income from levies amounted to E15.39m for the period compared to E38.92m last year same period.
- Expenditure for the period amounted to E13.39m compared to E33.40m last year same period.

Financial Statements

	2021	2021	2021	2021
Income Statement	Dec. 31	Sep. 30	Jun. 30	Mar. 31
Sales	5,778,921	6,323,846	5,364,950	4,678,128
Cost of Sales	6,867,216	6,554,203	4,655,432	4,438,724
Gross profit/loss	(1,088,296)	(230,357)	763,375	239,404
Income from levies	15,393,969	10,893,812	18,998,742	12,758,747
Other Income	891,434	545,813	503,533	848,116
Expenditure	13,593,667	10,699,423	14,703,828	15,843,287
Operating Surplus/Deficit	2,691,736	1,138,465	5,507,822	(1,997,020)
Fixed Assets	41,690,703	39,896,565	36,080,948	36,030,442

Investments	24,335,507	23,871,591	23,580,136	24,298,828
Current Assets	25,283,214	20,664,244	21,289,522	16,769,956
Current Liabilities	19,515,817	14,966,723	14,209,120	15,919,627
Net Current Assets	<u>5,767,397</u>	<u>5,667,521</u>	<u>7,080,402</u>	<u>850,329</u>
Employment Capital	<u>71,793,607</u>	<u>69,435,677</u>	<u>66,741,486</u>	<u>61,179,599</u>
Retained Earnings	45,911,000	44,277,717	43,170,084	33,415,591
Revaluation Reserves	18,856,525	18,856,525	18,856,525	18,856,525
Long term liabilities	7,026,082	6,301,436	4,714,876	8,907,483
Total Capital Employed	<u>71,793,607</u>	<u>69,435,677</u>	<u>66,741,485</u>	<u>61,179,599</u>

PEU Comments

The Board realised a surplus of E1.6m compared to a surplus of E3.59m same period last year attributed mainly to reduced cost of sales E6.55m compared to E11.59m same period last year. The Board made a surplus of E5.51m last quarter.

Improvements in quantities are observed year after year under the import substitution program. Local purchases for the period were 2, 249mt compared to 2, 185mt same period last year. There is evident decline in the import quantities of the key commodities dominating local purchases. This is proof that the country has the potential or competitive advantage in supplying the local market. We commend the Board for the program and we urge it to engage more stakeholders so that the country can reach levels where it is able to produce and supply the local market thus reducing imports and completely eliminating them in some product lines.

3. NATIONAL MAIZE CORPORATION (NMC)

Parent Ministry: Agriculture

NMC reported as follows for the quarter,

Operational review

- Local maize purchases declined to 177mt from 4,878mt last quarter, indicating a 25.5% increase from last year same period's 141mt.
- Due to low maize received at community level, all depots were closed except for Matsapha and Madulini, it is expected that less maize would be received in the next reporting period.
- A total of 86ha were contracted from 20 farmers for both maize and beans and the total contracted area was 5,981ha from 478 farmers. Total active farmers stood at 208, with 733ha under production.
- The NMC – MONDS Maize and Beans Project was closed as it incurred a loss of E0.15m, although better than the E0.30m incurred last year and it was agreed that the partnership should not be renewed.
- The NMC-HMCS Sorghum Partnership was also terminated due to the losses incurred through the period, as such, no production took place.
- Under the Mhlosheni Beans Project, planting of 5ha of maize was done and 6ha of beans will be planted next quarter.
- Yields were poor on the Winter Crop due to farmers violating their contract agreements and selling to informal markets, maize from 9ha was damaged by hailstorm, with no signs of recovery.
- The CEO Awards combined tonnage brought in by the top 30 farmers increased by 10% to 1,391mt from 1,265mt last year. Winners were given Inputs Vouchers amounting to E0.26m.
- Sales across all products dropped by 13% to 13,683mt from 15,748mt last year same period, with maize being the major contributor to the drop in sales, following several breakouts in the production plant.
- Under quality monitoring, 94% of white maize purchased met the Corporation's specification compared to 85% in the same period last year.

Tractor Service Input and Subsidy Project

- Government approved prices to be paid by farmers as per the following; Maize increased to E3,500 from E3,000, Beans remained at E4,000 and Sorghum was reduced to E2,000 from E2,500.
- There were 15,049 payments for maize, 196 for beans and 34 for sorghum and these indicate an increase compared to the previous year.

- Total hours registered increased to 69,425 from 52,050 last quarter and total hours worked were 63,663 against 56,928 last quarter.
- A total of 60 Tractor Drivers were trained on the new tractors that were received as a donation from Taiwan.
- Revenue collected was E0.05m, indicating an increase of 39% from last year same period's E0.03m and a total of E17m was received from Government.

Financial Situation

- Total income was E61.02m against E50.54m last quarter.
- Total expenditure was E61.54m against E52.00m last quarter.

Financial Statements

Income Statement	2021	2021	2021	2021
	Dec. 31	Sep. 30	Jun. 30	Mar. 31
Total Income	61,016,020	50,536,133	66,035,784	82,511,693
Total Expenditure	61,543,431	52,000,856	67,530,857	84,477,542
Net Profit/ Loss	(527,411)	(1,464,723)	(1,495,073)	(1,965,849)

Balance Sheet

Non-Current Assets	33,081,147	33,833,231	34,523,521	40,162,932
Current Assets	41,200,121	34,207,326	43,689,896	43,432,689
Current Liabilities	84,927,270	77,590,348	87,189,256	81,136,563
Net Current Assets	(43,727,149)	(43,383,022)	(43,499,360)	(37,703,874)
Total Employmt of Capital	(10,646,002)	(9,549,791)	(8,975,839)	2,459,058
Share Capital	2,405,000	2,405,000	2,405,000	2,405,000
Grant : Plot 542 –land & Silos	-	4,909,410	4,924,924	4,955,951
: Maize Govt Grant				
Revaluation Reserve	9,098,713	9,098,714	9,098,713	9,448,413
Retained Income	(29,802,015)	(29,274,604)	(27,809,880)	(23,346,190)
Long Term Liabilities	7,652,300	3,311,689	2,405,404	8,995,884
Total Capital Employed	(10,646,002)	(9,549,791)	(8,975,839)	2,459,058

PEU Comments

The Corporation recorded a loss of E0.53m against a loss of E1.46m last quarter and a loss of E3.83m last year same period. The Company has struggled with profitability as the last time it recorded a profit was in the last quarter of the 2018/2019 financial year, losses have been reported ever since. The Corporation's Net Working Capital still remains high which is not a good indication. It is, however, hoped that the Entity will turnaround as there are signs of improvement.

The Board, in consultation with the Ministry of Agriculture is encouraged to support the organization to ensure that it regains its positive financial standing in order to allow it to effectively carry out its mandate and fulfil its strategic objectives.

4. ESWATINI COTTON BOARD (ECB)

Parent Ministry: Agriculture

ECB reported as follows for the quarter,

Operational Review

- The Lowveld Experiment Station (LES) recorded a total of 374.1mm of rainfall compared to 180.4mm received the same period last season.
- Farmers took advantage of early rains and bought 11.62mt of planting seed, enough to plant 1,660ha.
- The Board managed to train 20 technical officers from ESWADE and the focus was on cotton production skills, to bridge the gap as officers are more inclined to sugar cane and vegetable production.
- Crop establishment trainings in preparation for the new season were conducted and a total of 290 farmers attended.
- The Board continued to distribute farm inputs and packaging material, though the latter was in small scale, indicating that the picking and marketing season was over.
- A total of 3,010kg of seed cotton amounting to E0.18m was purchased compared to 190,012kg amounting to E1.14m last period. The quality of the crop fell within acceptable limits as 82.03% of the cotton was A grade and the rest shared between grade B and C.
- Stock worth E1.24m was held as at the end of the quarter compared to E1.76m previously held and it included: factory materials, ginnery stock, planting seeds, spraying chemicals and production stocks.

- The Credit Revolving Fund established to finance inputs for cotton production lended E1.35m to farmers, whilst E0.87m was recovered.

Outlook

- The Board looks forward to supporting farmers on cotton picking, buying cotton, distributing farm inputs and packaging material, training farmers on crop establishment, procuring cotton planting seed and chemicals, monitoring the planting of research trials and commercial crops and finalizing ICT and Standard Operation Procedures.

Financial Situation

- Income realized amounted to E0.98m compared to E6.31m recorded in the previous quarter.
- Total expenditure amounted to E1.87m compared to E3.01m last quarter.

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Income Statement

	2021	2021	2021	2021
	Dec. 31	Sep. 30	Jun. 30	Mar.31
Income	979,916	6,308,853	-812,283	2,022,198
Subvention	-	1,500,000	-	-
Expenditure	1,866,616	3,011,405	1,161,420	1,430,527
Profit/Loss	-886,700	4,797,448	-1,973,703	591,671

Balance Sheet

Fixed Assets	3,199,950	2,646,645	2,124,203	2,188,345
Investments	523,726	523,726	523,726	523,726
Current Assets	6,109,025	6,236,966	7,647,407	6,429,947
Current Liabilities	2,714,743	2,277,445	2,277,978	3,118,818
Net Current Assets	3,394,282	3,959,521	5,369,429	3,311,129
Employment of Capital	7,117,958	7,129,892	8,017,358	6,023,200
Contributed Surplus	6,024,595	6,024,595	6,024,595	7,012,618
Retained Income	(843,679)	(3,692,151)	3,966,466	(3,311,129)
Net Profit/Loss	1,937,042	4,797,448	(1,973,703)	1,539,342
Capital Employed	7,117,958	7,129,892	8,017,358	6,023,200

PEU Comments

The Board incurred an operating loss of E0.89m compared to a profit of E4.80m the previous quarter. It is worth noting that the E1.5m subvention was not received compared to last period, thus the significant decrease in profit.

Finance for cotton production still remained a major challenge as the Revolving Fund caters for planting seed and chemicals, since the available amount is minimal, thus the Board is losing sizeable areas that would have been used for cotton production.

5. ESWATINI WATER AND AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT ENTERPRISE (ESWADE)

Parent Ministry: Agriculture

ESWADE reported as follows for the quarter,

Operational Review

LOWER USUTHU SMALLHOLDER IRRIGATION PROJECT (LUSIP) Phase II

- The Construction of the Ripening Facility shed and Cold-room slab at Lukhetseni Pack house was completed.
- A total of 174 goats were sold by the goat marketing groups at dip tank level, through Veterinary Assistants from the Ministry of Agriculture.
- The total yield produced in open fields was 365.2mt and harvested crops were banana and papaya from the three Farmer Companies.
- The Mncumaneni rangeland was fenced off during the quarter.
- Trees were planted on four (4) sites towards afforestation plan implementation.
- Supervision of Bush clearing, land preparation and Irrigation installation of LOT 5a Batch 2 Schemes (304.8ha) was at 38% completion.

- Water reticulation pipeline installation, canal crossing, valve chambers were all completed. Water drinking ponds were at 80% complete.

Smallholder Market-Led Project/Climate Smart Agriculture for Resilient Livelihoods (SMLP/CSARL)

- The installation of the infield irrigation system was completed at the Sikhunyane land rehabilitation site, and farm inputs had been procured.
- A total of 6.26ha of degraded land was rehabilitated.
- The construction and fencing of Ngololweni Dam was completed and the dam had begun impounding and storing water.
- The Project collaborated with the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) for funding of Magele Youth in Action to start a honey processing Facility. An extractor and two settling tanks were delivered.
- Khethokuhle Breeding Station at Nkonjwa received 13 pure boer breeding does to supply market ready farmers with improved breeding bucks within PDA.

High Value Crop & Horticulture Project (HVCHP)

- Sigcwelegwele received financing (SZL 542 994, 40) from the Fruit Tree Production and Marketing Project and 13,56ha of banana were planted.
- A total of 74 employees were hired in 6 farmer companies.

MKHONDVO/NGWAVUMA WATER AUGMENTATION PROJECT (MNWAP)

- A total of 9 builders were recruited for the construction of homesteads ear-marked for resettlement and 10 homesteads were already under construction and at an advanced stage
- A total of 11 graves were relocated during this period.
- Construction sites were levelled at Thezane, Makhava and KaMngayi.

Financial Situation

- ESWADE did not receive any subvention this quarter and incurred a deficit of E3.1m.

- Capital expenditures released to date amounted to E134,7k (KDDP), E378,4k (LUSIP 1), E436,74m (LUSIP II), E2,9m (Fruit Tree), (HVCHP) E3.24k, (WHDP) E6,4k, SMLP E47,9m and E9.9m for MNWAP.

Financial Statements

	2021	2021	2021	2021
	Dec. 31	Sep. 30	Jun. 30	Mar. 31
Income Statement				
Income and Subvention	773,832	3,914,163	3,919,744	6 605 957
Expenditure	3,895,784	3,261,384	4,727,674	2 778 973
Surplus/Loss(-)	-3,121,952	292,779	-807,930	3 826 985
Balance Sheet				
Fixed Assets	35,550,407	34,668,803	35,908,412	18,511,691
Capital Projects expenditure	497,830,092	316,985,024	1,739,579,491	1,586,332,701
Current Assets	462,373,378	600,424,849	461,491,141	392,720,831
Current Liabilities	43,798,025	15,080,170	62,749,437	68,278,914
Net Current Assets/Liabilities	418,575,353	585,344,679	398,741,704	324,441,917
Total Employment of Capital	951,955,852	936,998,506	2,174,229,607	1,929,286,309
Share Capital	2	2	2	2
Government Grant	527,606,650	527,606,650	934,689,624	930,954,051
European Union Grant	3,539,002			
IFAD Grant	39,980,881	28,837,916	73,135,805	69,828,878
GEF Grant	19,379,510	15,931,777	30,641,577	28,082,766
IRLI Grant	-	-	-	-
EIB Grant	230,723,950	230,723,950	353,614,831	177,283,956
ADB Grant	98,367,953	98,367,953	701,674,621	641,300,993
OFID Grant	-	-	23,993,668	23,993,668
ICDF Grant	5,385,730	5,385,730	2 349 301	2 349 301
EDF IV – EU	-	-	28,405,759	28,405,759
MTN Eswatini	372,991			
Borrowings	7,971,686	7,971,686	7,096,924	8,365,438
Retained Income	18,627,496	18,627,496	18,627,496	18,721,497
Total Capital Employed	951,955,852	936,998,506	2,174,229,607	1,929,286,309

PEU Comments

There was a delay in the release of ESWADE's subvention this quarter, which resulted in a deficit of E3.1m. Total expenditure increased to E3.90m from E3.26m last quarter.

ESWADE is currently undertaking four major projects namely; High Value Crop and Horticulture Project (HVCHP), Mkhondvo-Ngwavuma Water Augmentation Project (MNWAP), Lower Usuthu Small Holder Irrigation Project (LUSIP) – Phase II and the Smallholder Market-Led Project (SMLP)

The Mkhondvo-Ngwavuma Water Augmentation Project (MNWAP), is a new project that is still at detailed feasibility design stage. It is to be implemented in two phases. When fully implemented, the project is expected to irrigate 30,000ha, and directly benefit about 100, 000 people.

II. TRANSPORT SECTOR

6. ESWATINI RAILWAYS (ESR)

Parent Ministry: Public Works & Transport

ESR reported as follows for the quarter,

Operational Review

- A total of 1.47mt of cargo were transported this period compared to 1.62mt transported last period. Actual revenue earned was E59.48m compared to E64.11m earned last period.
- Imports traffic recorded a total of 0.030m tonnes compared to 0.026m tonnes prior quarter and actual revenue earned was E6.18m compared to E4.98m prior quarter.
- A total of 0.062m tonnes of cargo were exported compared to 0.067m tonnes last quarter. Revenue earned from export traffic was E7.65m compared to E8.39m prior quarter.
- Inclusive in the imports/exports revenue is income from the Inland Container Depot (ICD) which recorded a total of 0.018m tonnes compared to 0.015m tonnes last quarter.
- A total of 1.37m tonnes were transported in transit traffic compared to 1.53m tonnes last quarter. Actual revenue earned was E45.66m compared to E50.74m earned last quarter.
- There were two tourist trains this period which generated revenue amounting to E0.12m.
- There was a derailment reported in Golela which was cleared after five days resulting in a loss of an estimated four trains per day of transit traffic. An illegal work stoppage from the train crews was also experienced by the Company, however, the service recovery team was able to continue moving trains and there were no trains lost during this illegal stoppage.
- Matsapha ICD Phase II & Phase III Engineering Designs – the Company awarded a consultant (Steve Hall Architects) for the architectural designs and port buildings. Signing of the contract was concluded at the end of November 2021. The conceptual design drawings were submitted by the contractor and were currently under review.
- Work Package 4 (Eswatini Rail Link- Sidvokodvo to Phuzumoya upgrades) – the courtesy session between the Company and the African Development Bank representatives was conducted in December 2021. The cost estimate for the project was US\$ 63, 288.36 and the assignment was anticipated to be eight weeks.
- Mpaka ICD Development – A contract between the contractor and the Company was signed off beginning of December 2021 and a kick off meeting and scope alignment meeting was held with the contractor. Updated construction drawings and site survey data had been transmitted to allow for a

site handover on the 4th of January 2022.

- Eswatini Rail Link Project – the Company completed the following activities this period; secured about 120 of the required 188 resettlement sites, consultations with local RTTs on the preparations and logistics of undertaking the resettlement exercise, revising and finalizing a detailed, achievable and realistic resettlement implementation plan, engaging property valuers to assess and value project affected people’s assets (PAPs). The Company also completed the appointment of architects and quantity surveyors to finalize building plans and bills of quantities for the PAPs.

Financial situation

- Total revenue was E69.47m compared to E72.12m last quarter.
- ESR recorded a profit of E1.47m compared to a loss of E1.03m last quarter.
- Total expenditure was E67.99m compared to E73.15m prior quarter.

Outlook

Forward a request to the Republic of China on Taiwan for the expansion of the Dry Port implementation and publicize expression of interest to help solicit Public Private Partnerships (PPPs) for the implementation of projects (sugar spur lines, Matsapha ICD expansion and Mpaka ICD) and give input to the Attorney General’s office to improve the Railway Bill 2004 particularly the operations of the Rail Regulator.

Financial Statements

	2021	2021	2021	2021
Income Statement	Dec. 31	Sep. 30	Jun. 30	Mar. 31
Revenue	69,467,000	72,116,000	62,169,000	63,404,000
Expenditure	67,992,000	73,150,000	75,943,000	74,061,000
Net Profit/Loss	1,475,000	-1,034,000	-13,774,000	-10,657,000
Fixed Assets				
Fixed Assets	661,600,000	665,519,000	665,519,000	667,571,000
Investments	17,356,000	17,356,000	17,356,000	17,356,000
Current Assets	397,465,000	427,806,000	427,806,000	435,044,000
Current Liabilities	52,224,000	67,673,000	67,673,000	41,275,000
Net Current Assets	345,241,000	360,133,000	360,133,000	393,769,000
Employment of Capital	1,024,197,000	1,043,008,000	1,043,008,000	1,078,696,000
Equity	446,780,000	446,780,000	446,780,000	446,780,000
Reserves	160,068,000	172,492,000	172,492,000	175,239,000
Retained Earnings	100,360,000	91,497,000	91,497,000	107,274,000
Non-Current Liabilities	316,989,000	332,239,000	332,239,000	349,403,000
Total Capital Employed	1,024,197,000	1,043,008,000	1,043,008,000	1,078,696,000

PEU Comments

A much improved performance has been noted when comparing this period to the previous quarter. A profit of E1.48m was recorded compared to a loss of E1.03m that was incurred last quarter. The much improved performance was attributed to the decline in expenditure as it decreased from E73.15m to E67.99m this quarter.

This quarter saw the return of tourist trains after there was a halt in this service following the Covid – 19 pandemic. As a result a total of E0.12m was generated by this service. One is hopeful that the pandemic will subside and allow tourists to utilize this service.

Eswatini Railways is facing some challenges as clients are losing interest in the Transnet Freight Rail (TFR) operations and are opting to purchase road trucks to haul their cargo. This means that Eswatini Railway will lose a lot of transit traffic via rail. However, there are some opportunities to be exploited by the Company by providing hauling services of the cargo from road to rail to Maputo and Richards Bay.

7. ESWATINI CIVIL AVIATION AUTHORITY (ESWACAA)

Parent Ministry: Public Works & Transport

ESWACAA reported as follows for the quarter,

Operational Review

- ESWACAA carried out air worthiness and inspections of the 2 RENAC Embraer ERJ 145 aircrafts to facilitate their Air Operator Certificates (AOC) and ensure compliance with AIR aspects.
- The Safety Regulator managed to conduct training for Internal Aviation Stakeholders on International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) Global Runway Condition reporting format.
- A desktop review oversight in light of the Covid-19 pandemic across the Air Transport Sector was conducted by the Security Regulator.
- A total of 20 permits were issued, 21 were landing permits and 9 were overflight permits. There were 271 scheduled flights with 4,940 passengers and total cargo was 27, 443kg.
- The KM III IA continued to operate under Fire Category 7, capable of upgrading to Category 9 on request and due to the unrest in October, the Airport operated between 1200hrs & 1800hrs.

- There were two lightning strikes reported on Runway 20, which resulted in a halt in its operation for 3 days, with total costs of repairing amounting to E0.12m.
- There were 4 Aircraft diversions due to bad weather in December and flights were diverted to OR Tambo International Airport or Kruger Mpumalanga International Airport, leading to financial losses.
- A total of two VVIP Aircrafts and one Charter were handled.
- The House of Senate passed the Civil Aviation Bill No.22 of 2019 with amendments and it was submitted to the Attorney General for amendments.

Financial Situation

- Government subvention was E32.15m.
- Other income was E1.86m against E1.46m last quarter.
- Total expenditure was E60.73m against E71.36m last quarter.

Financial Statements

	2021	2021	2021	2021
Income Statement	Dec.31	Sep.30	Jun.30	Mar.31
Government Subvention	32,153,094	33,845,362	33,845,362	33,845,362
Other income	1,859,108	1,458,145	2,420,924	1,450,223
Expenditure	60,733,816	71,363,999	66,232,120	78,121,967
Operating Surplus/Deficit	(26,721,614)	(36,060,492)	(29,965,834)	(42,826,382)

Balance Sheet

Fixed Assets	1,291,685,713	1,325,298,097	1,359,832,047	1,393,908,026
Current Assets	15,502,153	8,419,973	14,049,927	20,703,778
Current Liabilities	22,804,628	22,602,145	26,761,133	28,175,703
Net Current Assets	(7,302,475)	14,182,172	(12,711,206)	(7,471,925)
Total Capital Employed	1,284,383,238	1,311,115,925	1,347,120,841	1,386,436,101

Contributed Surplus	(1,329,707,975)	(1,359,678,724)	(1,359,673,808)	(1,320,358,548)
Retained income	2,799,498,086	2,706,794,649	2,706,794,649	2,706,794,649
Total Capital Employed	1,284,383,237	1,311,115,925	1,347,120,841	1,386,436,101

PEU Comments

ESWACAA experienced a few challenges which included the lightning strike that occurred on Runway 7, which resulted in maintenance costs of E0.12m. The heavy rains received this summer impacted negatively on ESWACAA as flights had to be diverted to OR Tambo IA and Kruger Mpumalanga IA.

A deficit of E26.72m was incurred against E36.06m incurred last quarter and total expenditure declined to E60.73m from E71.36m the previous quarter, more than half of the expenditure was depreciation which stood at E33.71m.

The Government of Eswatini, through the Ministry of Public Works and Transport is encouraged to continue to support the Authority to ensure that the country's Airport maintains World Class Standards, as it is the gateway to Eswatini. Opening of the Manzini – KM III IA Highway is a milestone as it allows smooth transport to and from the Airport, giving passengers and visitors the best comfort, thus encouraging them to revisit our country. It is anticipated that with the new RENAC Aircrafts, ESWACAA will be kept busy and more airlines will be attracted to the Eswatini Airspace, thus creating more employment opportunities.

8. ROYAL ESWATINI NATIONAL AIRWAYS CORPORATION (RENAC)

Parent Ministry: Public Works & Transport

RENAC reported as follows for the quarter,

Operational Review

- The Corporation reported no safety incidents and the Safety Manual was amended in line with scheduled operations, in-house Staff Training continued with Covid-19 prevention and management.
- The Quality Department managed to acquire an Air Service Licence, audited three prospective external service providers, reviewed Air Operator Manuals and the Statement of Compliance.
- All required maintenance of the Corporation's Aircraft was carried out and compliance was ensured with all required standards and recommended practises.
- The two Aircrafts were delivered to RENAC and underwent post purchase maintenance checks, they were still in Johannesburg for painting into National colours.
- RENAC was assigned the mandatory IATA Codes and the envisaged commencement date remains 31st March 2022, in the event an Air Operator Certificate is issued later, the launch date may shift to a later date.

- The Corporation successfully launched an Ethics Hotline and had started to receive reports which were handled in terms of the Corruption Prevention Strategy.

Royal Eswatini Travel Agency (RETA)

- The Agency started operations in July 2021, operating two offices in Manzini and Mbabane, however, the Manzini Office was discontinued due to slow business caused by Covid-19 effects.
- A milestone was achieved when the Agency obtained IATA accreditation, which allows it to network with other airlines to buy air-tickets on behalf of its customers.
- An amount of E3.00m was deposited into the Agency's call account as a guarantee for IATA accreditation.
- A loss of E1.61m was reported and it was largely due to start up related costs and it is envisaged that the loss will be cleared as operations pick up.

Financial Situation

- Income increased to E0.57m from E0.49m last quarter.
- Government subvention was E18.55m.
- Total expenditure increased to E60.38m from E43.38m last quarter.

Financial Statements

Income Statement	2021	2021	2021	2021
	Dec. 21	Sep. 30	Jun. 30	Mar. 31
Income	571,007	485,146	2,069,278	5,019,280
Government Subvention	18,546,667	49,186,667	83,866,667	40,320,000
Expenditure	60,375,263	43,379,227	31,607,881	60,095,450
Operating Profit	(41,257,589)	6,292,586	54,328,093	(14,756,170)

Balance Sheet

Fixed Assets	454,366,513	483,054,732	483,002,595	432,979,059
Current Assets	153,454,303	198,463,530	300,609,366	238,945,926
Current Liabilities	48,483,999	(64,321,515)	43,338,411	43,697,300
Net Current Assets	104,970,304	262,785,045	257,270,955	195,248,626
Total Employment of Capital	559,336,817	745,839,777	740,273,550	628,227,685

Shareholder Contributions	324,694,279	100,466,998	100,466,998	100,466,998
Reserves	202,441,461	585,462,819	584,877,939	515,291,557
Retained Income	30,701,076	58,409,959	53,428,613	10,969,130
Ordinary Share Capital	1,500,000	1,500,000	1,500,000	1,500,000
Deferred Income	-	-	-	-
Total Capital Employed	559,336,817	745,839,777	740,273,550	628,227,685

PEU Comments

RENAC reported a deficit of E41.26m against a surplus of E6.29m attained last quarter, mainly attributable to the low subvention received (E18.55m against E49.19m last quarter), as well as the high expenditure incurred (E60.38m against E43.38m last quarter). The increased expenditure largely culminated from the increase in maintenance costs and salaries, which were 41% and 25% of the entire expenditure respectively. Maintenance costs ballooned as a result of the two new Aircrafts which had to undergo maintenance in Morocco and Johannesburg for painting.

Procurement of the two Commercial Aircrafts is a milestone for the entire country as this allows Eswatini to have her own airline, reducing dependence on Airlink. This will also boost the economy through job creation and improve the Country's GDP. Stability of the Royal Eswatini Travel Agency will also be ensured as its revenue base will improve through air ticket sales, ensuring that the Corporation works towards self- sustainability.

III. FINANCE SECTOR

9. ESWATINI DEVELOPMENT AND SAVINGS BANK (EDSB)

Parent Ministry: Finance

EDSB reported as follows for the quarter,

Operational Review

- Interest income generated during the quarter amounted to E41.48m compared to E39.75m last quarter. The quarter increase was due to increases in interest generated from corporate business, Motor Vehicle Finance loans, mortgage and Khululeka loans partly offset by a decrease in agriculture loans.
- Interest paid amounted to E15.68m compared to E15.51m previously. The variance was due to increases in interest paid on PSPF, ordinary call accounts and special funds.
- A total of E33.61m (E30.99m last quarter) was generated from fees and commissions and the

favourable variance was mainly due to increases in lending commissions, administration fees and insurance commissions partly offset by decreases in forex commissions, standing order commissions, unpaid cheque commissions, cash withdrawals and encashing cheques commissions.

- Investment income generated from surplus funds invested in short and long term investment instruments amounted to E10.75m compared to E9.44m last quarter.
- Customer deposits mainly from corporate clients amounted to E1.49bln and have decreased by E43.64m during quarter. The significant customer deposit decrease was mainly from call deposits and transactor accounts.
- Loans and advances increased to E1.67bln compared to E1.5bln last period: an increase of E149.48m due to corporate lending, mortgage lending and partial growth on motor vehicle lending partly offset by repayments in agriculture loans and personal credit loans.

Financial Situation

- Results for the quarter reflected a profit of E1.22m compared to E5.05m last quarter.
- The total statement of financial position has increased to E2.63bln compared to E2.51bln last quarter.

Financial Statements

Income Statement

	2021	2021	2021	2021
	Dec. 31	Sep. 30	Jun. 30	Mar. 31
Interest Income	41,481,000	39,763,000	37,822,000	39,090,000
Interest Expenses	15,680,000	15,507,000	15,420,000	16,098,000
Net Interest Income	25,801,000	24,257,000	22,402,000	22,993,000
Provisions	5,000	-	-	3,000,000
Net Int. Income after Prov.	20,801,000	24,257,000	22,402,000	25,993,000
Non-Interest Income	44,617,000	40,696,000	37,624,000	39,818,000
Operating Income	65,418,000	64,953,000	60,026,000	65,810,000
Total overheads	64,781,000	60,091,000	58,527,000	60,861,000
Operating Profit	637,000	4,862,000	1,499,000	4,949,000
Recoveries	582,000	187,000	81,000	100,000
Share of Loss from Associate	-	-	-	-
Total Loss/Profit	1,219,000	5,049,000	1,580,000	5,049,000

Balance Sheet

Liquid Assets	671,993,000	716,205,000	649,601,000	704,149,000
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Loans & Advances	1,671,978,000	1,522,498,000	1,751,380,000	1,465,381,000
Other Current Assets/Debtors	17,741,000	12,812,000	20,747,000	22,272,000
Provisions	-	(235,409,000)	(235,409,000)	(266,820,000)
Equity Shares Metropolitan	12,046,000	12,046,000	12,046,000	15,207,000
Fixed Assets	251,244,000	243,252,000	248,178,000	246,557,000
Total Employment of Capital	2,625,003,000	2,506,812,000	2,446,543,000	2,453,565,000

Deposits	1,485,508,000	1,544,535,000	1,444,176,000	1,482,002,000
Long Term Liabilities	278,145,000	126,209,000	166,249,000	163,767,000
Performing Loans	-	1,232,033,000	-	-
NPLs and Loans with Arrears	-	525,874,000	-	-
Other Liabilities	72,748,000	60,566,000	67,007,000	57,528,000
Special Funds	229,112,000	215,299,000	213,970,000	212,335,000
Shareholders' Funds	559,490,000	560,202,000	555,141,000	537,933,000
Total Capital Employed	2,625,003,000	2,506,812,000	2,446,543,000	2,453,565,000

PEU Comments

The total balance sheet was recorded to be E2.63bln compared to E2.51bln last period and below the budgeted E2.64bln. The favourable variance was mainly due to an increase in long term liabilities partly offset by the decline in customer deposits. When compared to same period last year, the total Balance Sheet has increased by E192.2m due to increases in customer deposits, special funds, shareholder's funds and other liabilities.

The Bank continued to pro-actively mobilize deposits and manage the wholesale-investor relationships to ensure sustainable liquidity position whilst containing the cost of funds. This is needed as there was a significant decrease in customer deposits by E48.63m.

10. ESWATINI REVENUE SERVICES (ERS)

Parent Ministry: Finance

ERS reported as follows for the quarter,

Operational Review

- Actual revenue collected stood at E2.74bln compared to E2.99bln last quarter and against a target of E3.31bln.
- The cost to revenue ratio stood at 3.65% which is above the 3.43% target for the financial year.
- The total debt stock increased to E9.38bln from E7.74bln last period.

- Total exports to the world stood at E8.92bln compared to E8.38bln last quarter while imports were recorded at E8.28bln compared to E7.56bln.
- ERS received two judgements, both in favour of the ERS. One taxpayer offered to settle part of the amount claimed by the organisation, through a deed of settlement and settled matter out of court.
- The extension of hours of operation at Ngwenya border post to 24 hours began in the reporting period.

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Income Statement	2021 Dec. 31	2021 Sep. 30	2021 Jun. 30	2021 Mar. 31
Subvention	138,403,105	138,403,105	138,403,105	100,903,105
Income	1,266,065	1,025,209	811,699	1,562,089
Expenditure	122,294,402	113,231,070	107,620,055	109,624,018
Surplus/Deficit	17,374,768	26,197,244	31,594,749	-7,158,824

Balance Sheet				
Fixed Assets	999,799,662	1,007,820,725	1,016,935,331	1,036,375,245
Current Assets	184,347,058	141,234,968	106,799,595	166,422,818
Current Liabilities	20,470,042	11,513,814	7,074,580	14,626,806
Net Current Assets	163,877,016	129,721,154	99,725,015	151,796,012
Employment of Capital	1,163,676,678	1,137,541,879	1,116,660,346	1,188,171,257

Retained Income	-3,671,348,486	-3,550,320,149	-3,438,114,288	-2,884,166,865
Long Term Liabilities	528,772,282	540,012,252	551,570,331	666,110,518
Capital and Reserves	4,278,973,497	4,120,570,392	3,975,924,918	3,379,043,759
Donor Funding	27,279,384	27,279,384	27,279,384	27,183,845
Capital Employed	1,163,676,678	1,137,541,879	1,116,660,346	1,188,171,257

PEU Comments

ERS made a surplus of E17.37m compared to E26.20m last period and the decline was due to increases in operational costs to E122.29m from E113.23m previously. Despite the increased costs, the organization was able to save as the budgeted cost was E124.5m.

Revenue collected stood at E2.74bln compared to E2.99bln last quarter and against a target of E3.31bln. Revenue collections started on a negative note in October with revenue collections recording a below target performance of 24% due to an increase in VAT refund payments. November had a 15% below target performance due to a decline in payments received from company taxes. December also had below target

performance (14%) due to a lower than expected performance for VAT, CIT and Fuel taxes.

11. ESWATINI DEVELOPMENT FINANCE CORPORATION (FINCORP)

Parent Ministry: Finance

FINCORP reported as follows for the quarter,

Operational Review

- A huge increase in loan disbursements was noted this period as a total of E328.16m was disbursed compared to E216.84m loan disbursements last quarter. This is due to First Finance loans which increased from E165.14m to E259.67m.
- FINCORP submitted a fourth listing of a medium term note of E300m to the Eswatini Stock Exchange and approval of the listing was anticipated by the end of January 2022.

Financial Situation

- A total of E56.82m was received from interest and fee income compared to E50.57m last quarter.
- A huge decline in non – interest income was noted as it declined from E31.92m to E5.84m.
- Interest expense was E27.48m compared to E25.99m last quarter.
- Credit loss impairment allowance was E23.02m compared to E25.66m last quarter.
- Other expenses comprising of staff costs and general overheads were E21.07m compared to E22.78m last quarter.

Outlook

- Completion of the process of developing a new strategic plan that will run from 2022 to 2027. A workshop to develop a new strategic plan that will run from 2022 to 2027.
- Operationalizing remote access to the management information system and enabling staff members to work from home.

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	2021	2021	2021	2021
Income Statement	Dec. 31	Sep. 30	Jun. 30	Mar.31
Income	62,661,006	82,592,259	65,676,408	56,587,708
Expenditure	49,732,869	49,965,485	53,661,830	45,422,714
Impairment Allowance	23,015,433	25,66,4568	4,334,825	(2,253,379)
Operating Income	-10,087,296	6,962,206	7,679,753	13,418,374
Taxation	1,081,338	2,010,060	3,609,780	1,242,912
Net Income/Loss	-11,168,634	4,952,146	4,069,973	12,175,461

Balance Sheet

Fixed Assets	137,650,446	140,674,335	141,099,101	123,598,032
Investments	124,357,170	149,509,199	98,287,899	5,310,919
Current Assets	1,218,466,945	1,242,535,999	1,392,014,225	1,337,987,976
Current Liabilities	52,347,452	42,168,065	42,466,978	19,203,725
Net Current Assets	1,166,119,493	1,200,367,934	1,349,547,247	1,318,784,251
Employment of Capital	1,428,127,109	1,490,551,468	1,588,934,247	1,447,693,202

Non-Distributable Reserve	235,350,069	234,975,069	184,225,069	184,225,069
Distributable Reserves	52,180,849	63,477,123	69,453,839	42,383,287
Non-Current Liabilities	1,140,596,190	1,192,099,275	1,335,255,337	1,221,084,847
Total Capital Employed	1,428,127,108	1,490,551,467	1,588,934,245	1,447,693,202

Key Financial indicators:

Ratio description	Q3	Q2	Q1	Q4
ROCE (EBIT/Capital Employed)	-0.01	0.0	0.0	0.009
Debt/Equity Ratio (debt/Equity)	4.0	4.0	5.3	5.4
Current ratio (current assets/Current Liabilities)	23:1	29:1	33:1	70:1
Credit Impairment Provisions	23,015,433	25,664,568	4,334,825	(E2,253,379)

PEU Comments

A significant decline in profits is noted this period as a result of the huge decrease in revenue from E82.59m to E62.66m this quarter. The decline in revenue is attributable to the decrease in non-interest income as there was a debt forgiveness from Government last quarter. As a result, the Group incurred a loss amounting to E11.17m compared to a profit of E4.95m prior quarter.

Non-performing loans in the form of portfolio at risk increased from 19% in September 2021 to 20% in December 2021, as the full effects of the Corona Virus as well as the political unrests began to be experienced. On a positive note, the Group made some efforts to grow the loan book and revive on lending efforts, as a result the Group's loan book increased by 2% over the three months period.

12. SINCEPHETELO MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENT FUND (SMVAF)

Parent Ministry: Finance

SMVAF reported as follows for the quarter,

Operational Review

- Fuel levy received was E28.19m compared to E27.66m last quarter, while investment income increased from E8.27m to E13.29m.
- Net benefits and claims decreased significantly from E66.15m to E2.39m, whereas total claims and other expenses paid decreased from E92.18m to E25.47m.
- Claims registered were 179 compared to 251 last quarter, which represents a 29% decrease and settled claims increased from 439 to 513.
- The Fund implemented an agile approach in the processing of backlog claims, prioritising cases that are longest in the system and this resulted in the adoption of a year on year reduction.
- SMVAF slots with various media channels were maintained and were currently being utilized by the Accident Prevention and Public Education Department.
- The Road Safety Council of Eswatini did not conduct road accident campaigns because of Covid-19 as it was felt that doing so was unsafe.
- The Fund Collaborated with the Ministry of Works and World Food Program in clearing the overgrowth in several roads in a bid to prevent road accidents.
- The SMVAF investments portfolio remained bias towards interest bearing securities as the Fund continues to draw down reserves to fund its operational and capital needs. The portfolios were valued at E418.4m from E417m the last quarter.
- Cash continued to make up a significant portion of investment holdings, well above the Funds proposed asset allocation.
- The number of clients attended at the clinic increased for both SMVAF and private this quarter compared to last quarter.

Financial Situation

- The Fund attained a surplus of E18.26m compared to a deficit of E52.30m last quarter.

- Fuel levy collected was E28.19 compared to E27.66m last quarter.
- Other Income consisted of rental from tenants and fair value losses/gains.
- Investment income amounted to E13.29m compared to E8.27m last quarter.

Financial Statements

	2021	2021	2021	2021
Income Statement	Dec.31	Sep.30	Jun. 30	Mar.31
Income (Fuel Levy)	28,189,340	27,655,988	27,886,366	23,682,962
Other operating income	2,257,694	3,956,702	3,248,600	12,233,261
Expenditure	-25,472,495	-92,181,005	-42,993,344	-34,470,616
Operating profit/loss	4,974,539	-60,568,315	-11,858,378	1,445,607
Net Investment Income	13,290,3761	8,273,120	5,261,993	5,167,436
Profit/ Loss	18,264,915	-52,295,195	-6,596,385	6,613,043
Balance Sheet				
Fixed Assets	199,562,544	200,147,539	201,117,899	208,648,168
Investments	341,475,145	328,317,297	327,156,177	329,546,381
Current Assets	182,641,182	198,937,870	183,980,087	175,714,249
Current Liabilities	92,680,624	129,540,002	380,311,993	375,369,243
Net Current Assets	89,960,558	69,397,868	-196,331,906	199,654,994
Employment of Capital	630,998,247	597,862,704	331,942,170	338,539,555
Accumulated Deficit/Surplus	261,391,106	243,126,191	331,942,170	338,539,555
Non-Current Liabilities	369,607,141	354,736,513	-	-
Total Capital Employed	630,998,247	597,862,704	331,942,170	338,539,555

PEU Comments

There was a slight increase in fuel levy collected when compared to the previous quarter, but it remained relatively low when compared to same period last year. This was due to travel disruptions attributed to the political unrest and the lockdown imposed as a result of Covid-19.

Total expenditure decreased significantly from E92.18m to E25.47m and the main driver was a decrease in benefits and claims paid. A surplus of E18.26m was reported compared to a deficit of E52.30m last quarter. The Fund is commended for having done a great job in significantly reducing the claims backlog with the project, where efforts were focused on settling all outstanding claims.

The Fund's portfolio continued to remain steady and strong while cash and bond holdings were readily available to provide funds when needed. The Fund took proactive steps to re-balance the investment portfolio and position itself to be able to withstand external shocks, and sudden corrections in financial assets in the midst of the pandemic.

IV. UTILITIES SECTOR

13. ESWATINI ELECTRICITY COMPANY (EEC)

Parent Ministry: Natural Resources and Energy

EEC reported as follows for the quarter,

Operational Review

- Edwaleni – Stonehedge 132KV Transmission Line – the procurement process to engage a new contractor to take over the implementation of this project was closed at the end of the quarter.
- Southeast Grid 66KV Reinforcement – compensation of the affected parties in all the sites was completed, meaning that the project was ready for capitalization.
- Lavumisa Solar Plant Construction – the project received its commercial operation date and the plant entered into a two-year defect liability period which commenced on the commercial operation date. Currently, the contractor was still working on addressing the snag list that was drawn up during commissioning of the project.
- Network Reinforcement and Access Project - The electrical contractors that had entered into framework agreements with EEC were expected to undergo a second session of induction on the approved safeguard instruments after which actual construction was to resume.
- Malkerns and Siphocosini Substations – the major outstanding equipment was delivered and was being installed. The commissioning of the substation was scheduled for mid-February 2022.
- A total of 33.6GWh were lost in the system compared to 37.9GWh system losses last quarter. The estimated monetary value of the system losses was E69.5m.

Financial Situation

- Sales revenue was E543.13m compared to E607.47m last quarter.
- Profit for the quarter was E9.33m compared to E96.56m last quarter.
- Power procurement costs amounted to E295.53m. The figures are comprised as follows:

Details	December 2021	September 2021
	E(million)	E(million)
Purchases from Eskom	250.59	293.44

Purchases from DAM+USL+EDM	32.50	60.59
Purchases from Wundersight	0.04	0.03
Wheeling Charges	9.90	9.93
Amortization of USL PPA	2.50	2.50
Total	295.53	396.99

- Total units purchased were 209.5GWh compared to 257.3GWh prior quarter.
- Generation costs were E11.91m compared to E11.12m last quarter. Local power generation increased from 63.5GWh to 76GWh.
- Transmission costs were E43.19m compared to E36.30m last quarter.
- Distribution costs were E115.91m compared to E85.33m prior quarter.
- Administration costs were E91.73m compared to E50.44m incurred prior quarter.

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	2021 Dec. 31	2021 Sep. 30	2021 Jun. 30	2021 Mar. 31
Income Statement				
Sales revenue	543,130,000	607,472,000	592,759,000	566,381,000
Other Income	39,302,000	39,775,000	23,928,000	84,316,000
Total Trading Income	582,432,000	647,247,000	616,687,000	650,697,000
Power Purchases	295,527,000	396,989,000	362,661,000	261,731,000
Generation Costs	11,909,000	11,117,000	10,052,000	12,858,000
Transmission Costs	43,194,000	36,302,000	35,751,000	39,349,000
Distribution Costs	115,908,000	85,330,000	82,584,000	89,549,000
Total	466,539,000	529,738,000	491,048,000	403,487,000
Gross Profit	115,893,000	117,509,000	208,223,000	336,759,000
Administration Expenses	91,725,000	50,444,000	79,514,000	90,751,000
Net finance cost	(7,551,000)	(6,760,000)	(6,784,000)	556,000
Forex Losses/(Gains)	(1,194,000)	(1,894,000)	441,000	(233,000)
Share of Motraco Profits	(17,640,000)	(17,640,000)	(17,640,000)	(15,197,000)
Profit before tax	50,554,000	93,360,000	70,108,000	171,332,000
Income Tax	41,227,000	(3,202,000)	32,000,000	43,552,000
Net profit/Loss	9,327,000	96,562,000	38,108,000	127,780,000
Balance Sheet				
Property, Plant and Equip.	3,483,877,000	3,432,509,000	3,348,315,000	3,287,633,000
Right of Use of Asset	3,778,000	3,778,000	4,935,000	4,935,000
Investment in Joint Venture	450,676,000	433,036,000	437,053,000	535,245,000
USL Electricity prepayment	40,000,000	40,000,000	40,000,000	40,000,000
Retirement Benefit Asset	3,424,000	3,424,000	2,563,000	2,563,000
Other Assets	51,874,000	40,508,000	50,262,000	50,120,000
Other Investment	191,762,000	387,265,000	480,664,000	455,602,000

Embedded Derivative Asset	51,618,000	51,618,000	71,998,000	71,998,000
Current Assets	948,441,000	753,298,000	873,763,000	776,048,000
Current Liabilities	330,176,000	338,426,000	405,615,000	302,587,000
Net Current Assets	618,265,000	414,872,000	468,148,000	473,461,000
Employment of Capital	4,895,273,000	4,807,009,000	4,939,938,000	4,921,557,000
Government Investment				
Share Capital	433,494,000	433,494,000	433,494,000	433,494,000
Foreign Exchange Reserve	155,924,000	155,924,000	155,924,000	227,608,000
Retained Earnings	3,122,559,000	3,113,203,000	3,007,427,000	2,948,143,000
Borrowings	401,282,000	379,744,000	423,157,000	426,280,000
Deferred Grant income	335,613,000	330,836,000	325,710,000	359,004,000
Lease Liability	4,405,000	4,405,000	5,343,000	5,343,000
Other deferred income	51,874,000	40,508,000	50,262,000	50,120,000
Deferred income Tax	390,423,000	349,196,000	539,413,000	472,355,000
Retirement Benefit Obligation	(301,000)	(301,000)	(792,000)	(792,000)
Total Capital Employed	4,895,273,000	4,807,009,000	4,939,938,000	4,921,556,000

PEU Comments

EEC recorded profits amounting to E9.33m compared to a profit of E96.56m last quarter. The huge decline in profits was attributable to factors including a fall in sales revenue as well as the increase in tax paid. Sales revenue declined by 10.6% from E607.47m last quarter to E543.13m, while tax paid increased by more than E40m.

A huge decline in power purchases was noted and this was as a result of the decreased energy usage by customers, as this quarter fell on the summer season. On another note, local power generation increased from 63.5GWh to 76GWh as this quarter experienced plenty of rainfall, which resulted in full capacity generation, as some of the dams were overflowing.

14. ESWATINI POSTS AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS CORPORATION (EPTC)

Parent Ministry: Information, Communication & Technology

EPTC reported as follows for the quarter,

Operational Review

- Installations for internet service stood at 667 against a quarterly target of 900. The full potential for the quarter that could have been achieved was 745. Installations for ordinary fixed lines was 552 against a quarterly target of 441; the full potential for the quarter was 1,055.

- The proposal for the introduction of Communication Centres in Post Offices has been completed and these will offer Internet services, printing, photocopying, scanning and typing services.
- NMC has re-engaged EPTC for the payment of its products and services. Tractor hire continued and a remarkable increase in handled transactions from 3,387 to 17,550. This was largely influenced by that the ploughing season coincide with the quarter under review.
- The Government has appointed Eswatini Post as the preferred delivery channel for vehicle license disc renewals paid through Eswatini MTN MoMo.
- Domestic letter post volumes plunged by 42.02% when compared to the same period last year. Incoming international mail followed the same trend recording a decline of 38.75% when compared to previous quarter. Domestic registered mail and inbound international mail grew by 41.28% and 10.65% respectively.
- Parcel post and small packets business decreased by 38.60% and 40.33% due to largely disrupted global supply chain which left items stranded within transit centers.
- The cumulative number of renewed mailboxes rose to 17,115 from 13,397 registered in the previous quarter, reflecting an occupancy rate of 41.30%.

Outlook

- Commissioning of the EEC/EPTC backbone link between Matsapha and Sikhuphe.
- Investigate and implement measures to address and curb copper theft.
- Increase the international bandwidth by adding more capacity to ensure quality of service from the current 26.6GB.
- Full roll out of the Postal Automation Project to other post offices.
- Launch EAD App in the market.

Financial Situation

- A profit of E24.79m was reported compared to a deficit of E32.34m last quarter.
- Total revenue for the quarter was E164.34m compared to E109.86m last quarter.
- Total expenditure was E139.56m compared to E142.20m the previous quarter.

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Income Statement

	2021	2021	2021	2021
	Dec. 31	Sep. 30	Jun. 30	Mar. 31
Income	112,826,000	109,861,000	114,021,000	111,160,000
Dividend Income	51,517,000	0.00	0.00	78,671,000
Expenditure	139,555,000	142,199,000	140,685,000	138,379,000
Profit	24,788,000	-32,338,000	-26,664,000	51,452,000

Balance Sheet

Fixed Assets	549,642,000	558,336,000	531,770,000	530,858,000
Investments	26,879,000	26,879,000	26,879,000	26,879,000
Current Assets	423,033,000	400,370,000	488,254,000	531,191,000
Current Liabilities	407,042,000	396,457,000	378,963,000	341,071,000
Net Current Assets/Liabilities	15,991,000	3,913,000	109,291,000	190,120,000
Employment of Capital	592,512,000	589,128,000	667,940,000	747,857,000
Distributable Reserves	260,722,000	347,858,000	316,171,000	463,148,000
Long-term liabilities	331,790,000	241,270,000	351,769,000	284,709,000
Capital Employed	592,512,000	589,128,000	667,940,000	747,857,000

PEU Comments

Eswatini Posts and Telecommunications reported a profit of E24.79m compared to a loss of E32.34m the previous quarter and this was due to the dividend income of E51.52m. The Corporation's Statement of Financial Position indicates an improvement, as it increased to E592.51m from E589.13m last quarter.

It is noted that EPTC performed below targets and this has been as a result of lack of supplies as well as the infrastructure necessary for the provision of their services. EPTC is continuously challenged by the absolute infrastructure, making it difficult for them to provide efficient service to their customers.

15. ESWATINI WATER SERVICES CORPORATION (EWSC)

Parent Ministry: Natural Resources and Energy

EWSC reported as follows for the quarter,

Operational Review

- **The Central Region**
 - The Region grew by 410 new water connections installed across the supply areas within the region.
 - There were 45 new sewer connections installed during the period.
 - Non-Revenue water (NRW) for August was at 38%.
 - A total volume of 2.69m cubic meters was abstracted, which was a further decline of 4% compared to the 2nd quarter.
 - The overall year-to-date portable water quality compliance stood at 93.9% (93.8% in the previous quarter).

- **The North West Region**
 - The Region grew by 148 new water connections and 13 new sewer connections.
 - There was raw water instability in Ezulwini at the source, Nyonyane River, which was experienced at the beginning of the 3rd quarter has since normalized following the consistent heavy rainfall received since November 2021.
 - The overall potable quality compliance for the quarter was at 95.3%.
 - The Region suffered vandalism of infrastructure, as a total of 7 customer meters were stolen.
 - The average NRW for the Region was 36%.

- **The South West Region-**
 - Raw water was restored at the Lavumisa Balancing Dam on the 28th of October 2021 and services fully restored to customers on the 7th of November 2021. Dam levels were steadily increasing, reaching 70% by the end of the quarter.

- The Water Supply Network Extension Projects at Mbangweni, Vusweni and the recently commissioned Dlovunga areas have yielded a total of 248 connections, supporting livelihoods of an estimated 800 people.
- The average NRW for the quarter was 27%.
- The overall potable water quality compliance was at 94.2%.
- **The East Region-**
 - A total of 345 new water connections and 19 new sewer connections were done.
 - The Region recorded 51% NRW. There were 769 pipe bursts & leaks compared to 844 in the previous quarter. A total of 65 unregistered connections were activated in the billing system.
 - Treated water quality compliance was at 94.5% against a target of 98%-100%.
 - The main source of raw water for the East Region is the Mbuluzi River which has a quarterly average flow of 2.43 cumecs. The Mnjoli Dam upstream has continued to maintain healthy levels of about 98% (up from 90% in the previous quarter), owing to healthy rains.

Non-Revenue Water

- The National average NRW was 36% and the year to date NRW was at 38%. The Central Region had NRW of 38%, North West and East Regions had NRW figures of 36% and 51% respectively, while the South West Region had NRW of 27%.

Quality Assurance

- A total of 1028 samples were collected in the EWSC Potable Water Sampling Program. This represents a 74.5% success rate, which is higher than the previous quarter's 69.0%. Samples collected included raw water (12.6%), treated water (12.3%) and distribution water (75.1%).
- A total of 60 out of the 72 planned audits were conducted, yielding 86% performance. The audits were conducted to ascertain the efficiency of Plants' Treatment Processes and to identify areas for improvement for implementation by Operations.
- The 2020 – 22 Reservoir Cleansing Programme commenced in September 2020 and 5 reservoirs were cleansed during the period. The overall progress was at 42 reservoirs out of a total of 83.

- A total of 189 wastewater samples were collected and analysed, resulting in 7,182 tests being conducted in the process. Overall, the quarter wastewater effluent quality compliance decreased to 70.3% from 75.2% in the previous quarter.
- A total of 56 samples out of a targeted 60 samples were collected for the River Monitoring Programme. No deviation in the composition and quality of the river water was noted.
- Trade Effluent - A total of 365 industrial effluent samples were collected and 1, 825 tests conducted. A total of 56.5% samples exhibited excessive Chemical Oxygen Demand (COD) content.

Financial Situation

- Total revenue was E123.45m compared to E115.06m last quarter.
- Total expenditure was E98.81m compared to E101.89m the previous quarter.
- There was an operating profit of E24.64m compared to an operating profit of E13.16m last quarter.
- Gross trade debtors amounted to E256.2m (E244.9m last quarter) representing an increase of 4.6%. Total Government debtors amounted to E78.5m (E68.8m last quarter), representing an increase of 14%. Residential debtors constituted 53% of total debtors.
- Total assets amounted to E3.2bln (E3bln last quarter).

Financial Statements

	2021 Dec. 31	2021 Sep. 30	2021 Jun. 30	2021 Mar. 31
Income Statement				
Turnover	123 453 339	115 055 690	118 837 799	107 859 616
Operating Expenses	98 813 232	101 891 320	98 455 93	103 866 645
Operating Profit/(Loss)	24 640 107	13 164 370	20 381 860	3 992 971
Other Income	11 534 207	5 271 544	7 913 417	44 353 990
Net Profit/(Loss)	36 174 314	18 435 914	28 295 277	48 346 961

Balance Sheet

Fixed Assets	2 408 683 631	2 380 393 917	2 360 495 379	2 363 547 684
Current Assets	803 727 466	634 597 731	592 913 096	545 604 091
Current Liabilities	88 557 952	107 126 134	82 784 870	60 380 644
Net Current Assets	715,169,514	527,471,597	510,128,226	485 223 447
Total Employment of Capital	3,123,853,145	2,907,865,514	2,870,623,605	2 848 771 131
Share Capital	30,222,580	30,222,580	30,222,580	30,222,580

Retained Income	749 641 888	713 467	695 031	680 558
		573	659	356
Capital Grant	2 255 390 964	2 079 154 587	2 061 977 478	2 062 061 353
Long-term Loans	62 380 335	58 803 396	57 174 509	58 286 011
Deferred Income Tax Liability	26 217 378	26 217 377	26 217 377	17,642,830
Total Capital Employed	3,123,853,145	2,907,865,514	2,870,623,605	2 848 771 131

PEU Comments

EWSC had an operating profit of E24.64m compared to an operating profit of E13.16m the previous quarter. Total revenue amounted to E123.45m compared to E115.06m last quarter. The positive variance was mainly due to an increase in billed sewer revenue, as a result of the ongoing program for capturing all previously unbilled sewer connections.

The emergence of the Omicron variant of the pandemic did not sanction any further lockdowns as the country pushed for economic recovery, however, the ripple effect can still be felt, as businesses continue to recover from a distorted value chain clouded by an uncertain future. Utilities continue to face working capital challenges characterised by accumulating arrears (debtors book), yet the services provided especially clean water and safe sanitation have become crucial under the circumstances.

V. BUSINESS PROMOTION SECTOR

16. ESWATINI NATIONAL INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION (ENIDC)

Parent Ministry: Commerce Industry and Trade

ENIDC reported as follows this quarter,

Operational Review

- The Corporation received seven funding applications worth E71.2m from the Agriculture, Agro-processing and Manufacturing Sectors. Currently these applications were under review to assess financial viability and prospective economic impact.
- ENIDC signed a Memorandum of Understanding with USAID Trade- Hub to formalise a partnership that seeks to increase access to finance to companies exporting their products to South Africa and further improve market linkages for export ready companies from Eswatini to the US under the Africa Growth and Opportunity Act (AGOA).

- The Corporation approved loan applications worth E4.8m in the Agriculture and Manufacturing Sectors, however, no disbursements had been made by close of the quarter.
- ENIDC secured land from the Ministry of Commerce Industry and Trade to construct a factory shell for a prospective client in the Textile and Apparel Sector. This project is anticipated to create 1, 200 jobs in the next three years.

Financial Situation

- Total revenue was E1.32m compared to E1.41m last quarter.
- Total expenditure was E2.07m compared to E1.81m last quarter.

Financial Statements

	2021	2021	2021	2021
Income Statement	Dec. 31	Sep. 30	Jun. 30	Mar. 31
Income and Subvention	1,317,150	1,413,680	1,416,921	1,516,450
Expenditure	2,070,409	1,805,052	1,961,097	1,679,125
Surplus/Deficit	-753,259	-391,372	-544,177	-162,675
Balance Sheet				
Fixed Assets	1,180,886	1,180,886	1,180,886	1,180,886
Investments	121,965,086	121,965,088	121,638,890	119,678,889
Other Assets	34,028,801	34,028,801	33,997,532	33,997,532
Current Assets	99,298,599	99,943,866	100,873,478	102,827,788
Current Liabilities	122,490	14,500	196,273	267,065
Net Current Assets/Liabilities	99,176,109	99,929,366	100,677,205	102,560,723
Employment of Capital	256,350,882	257,104,141	257,494,513	257,418,030

Equity and Liabilities

Revaluation Reserves	72,960,000	72,960,000	72,960,000	71,000,000
Shareholders contribution	26,658,380	26,658,380	26,658,380	26,658,380
Share Capital	5,421,314	5,421,314	5,421,314	5,421,314
Accumulated Funds	38,821,688	39,574,947	39,965,319	40,494,026
Non - Current Liabilities	112,489,500	112,489,500	112,489,500	113,844,310
Capital Employed	256,350,882	257,104,141	257,494,513	257,418,030

PEU Comments

The Corporation recorded a deficit amounting to E0.75m compared to a deficit of E0.39m incurred last quarter. The increase in losses was attributable to the increase in expenditure as it increased from E1.81m to E2.07m.

ENIDC secured land from their line ministry to construct a factory shell for a prospective client in the Textile and Apparel Sector. The success of this project will create an additional 1, 200 jobs in the next three years which will improve the livelihoods of Emaswati.

17. SMALL ENTERPRISE DEVELOPMENT COMPANY (SEDCO)

Parent Ministry: Commerce, Industry and Trade

SEDCO reported as follows for the quarter,

Operational Review

- A total of 87 youth entrepreneurs (109 last period) that received business loans from the Youth Enterprise Revolving Fund (YERF) continued to receive business coaching services.
- Short courses aimed at improving the management and performance of businesses was attended by 587 participants compared to 435 in the previous quarter.
- A total of 87 producer groups received business coaching services under the Provision of Market Facilitation and Business Coaching Contract with World Vision.
- A total of 119 households (HHs), (75 last quarter) received fruit tree grants sponsored by the Food and Agricultural Organization.
- As a result of business advisory services, a total of 14 permanent jobs were created, 15 potential jobs, 145 maintained and 8 were lost.
- The Company assisted 48 entities (45 last period) with registration of their companies, 4 with trading licences, 57 (52 last quarter) with Forms C and J and 1 amendment. These activities generated revenue of E0.065m compared to E0.061m in the previous period.
- SEDCO provided workspace to 126 MSMEs in the nine estates compared to 122 MSMEs recorded last period.
- MTN Foundation sponsored a total amount of E0.2m towards the fourth season of the MTN-SEDCO Cija Ngebhizinisi Radio Programme.
- SEDCO published the second edition of “Covid-19 Business Recovery: A guide for Eswatini SMEs” Magazine. The Magazine included articles on strategies that will assist small businesses to adjust and recover from the Covid-19 pandemic.

- The 15-minute radio programme on Voice of the Church (VOC) Radio Station continued to cover services and programmes offered by SEDCO.
- An initiative termed “SEDCO News” feature column continued to be published every Monday in the Eswatini Observer. The column provides updates, news and activities undertaken by SEDCO in pursuing her mandate of entrepreneurship development in Eswatini.
- The company facilitated the participation of five handicraft traders at a business expo organized by the Eswatini Theatre Club in collaboration with Interior Novela.

Financial Situation

- The Company’s subvention and income was E4.60m compared to E4.28m last quarter.
- Expenses stood at E4.49m compared to E4.84m previously.

Financial Statements

	2021 Dec. 31	2021 Sep. 30	2021 Jun. 30	2021 Mar.31
Income Statement				
Subvention & Income	4,603,216	4,275,572	4,232,034	4,940,997
Expenditure	4,494,897	4,838,587	4,450,250	4,877,777
Surplus/Deficit	108,319	-563,015	-218,216	6,322
Fixed Assets	80,854,760	81,258,595	81,665,400	80,819,495
Investments	2,219,114	2,219,114	2,219,114	2,219,114
Assets under construction	-	-	-	806,946
Current Assets	6,093,961	5,629,365	5,535,196	7,160,852
Current Liabilities	1,231,025	1,278,581	1,739,467	3,821,687
Net Current Assets	4,862,936	4,350,784	3,795,729	3,339,165
Employment of Capital	87,936,810	87,828,493	87,680,243	87,184,720
Share Capital	2,401	2,401	2,401	2,401
Fixed Asset Reserve	45,582,725	45,582,725	45,582,725	45,582,725
Retained Income	7,406,731	7,298,413	7,150,165	6,654,639
Govt. Capex Grant	33,266,285	33,266,285	33,266,285	33,266,285
Borrowings	1,678,669	1,678,669	1,678,669	1,678,669
BIAWE Project Grant	-	-	-	-
Total Capital Employed	87,936,810	87,828,493	87,680,243	87,184,720

PEU Comments

SEDCO continued to provide business advisory services for on-the-spot and contracted clients as one of her core functions. These interventions enable MSME clients to develop plans on the best ways in which

they could turn their business opportunities into successful business ventures. They also enable clients to raise the resources and finances necessary to implement business plans.

The Company recorded a surplus of E0.12m compared to a deficit of E0.56m previously and this was mainly attributable to revenue received from counselling fees, savings on property rates and licence & Insurance.

18. ESWATINI COMPETITION COMMISSION (ECC)

Parent Ministry: Commerce, Industry and Trade

ECC reported as follows for the quarter,

Operational Review

- Thirteen cases were reported under consumer protection, out of which seven were closed amicably. There were three enforcement investigations that were still ongoing and one case that was before the High Court was settled by one of the parties independently.
- The Commission approved seven mergers and acquisitions without conditions and one was approved with conditions.
- The Compliance Program entered into between the Commission and the Driving Schools Associations was rolled out and completed between 8th October and 2nd December 2021 at the various test centres. The program involved training of members of the Associations on competition law matters to ensure compliance with the Competition Act.
- The Commission had seven market studies still pending, namely; Pharmaceuticals Industry, Audit and Assurance, Ngwane Mills- Premier Swazi Bakeries merger impact assessment, Eagles Nest – Usuthu Poultry Investment Impact Assessment, Covid commodities price survey, Animal Feed Production and Distribution scoping study and the Agriculture Sector study.
- ECC conducted three radio program interviews with EBIS 1. The first interview focused on educating and informing the public about the Driving School's Settlement Agreement, the second educated businesses about anti-competitive trade practices and the third educated both consumers and businesses about consumer rights.

Financial Situation

- Total income received was to E2.52m compared to E3.84m last quarter, comprising of subvention (E1.18m), notifications fees (E1.21m), COMESA fees (E0.02m) and interest income (E0.04m).
- Total expenditure incurred was E3.16m compared to E3.11m last quarter.

Financial Statements

	2021	2021	2021	2021
	Dec. 31	Sep. 30	Jun. 30	Mar. 31
Income Statement				
Income and Subvention	2,518,657	3,843,780	2,117,654	5,283,254
Expenditure	3,157,738	3,114,131	3,189,948	3,527,935
Surplus/Deficit	-639,082	729,649	-1,072,294	1,755,319
Balance Sheet				
Fixed Assets	18,145,464	17,509,885	16,153,289	16,228,703
Current Assets	5,473,286	6,923,742	7,801,533	9,208,643
Current Liabilities	814,471	748,671	1,153,826	1,286,826
Net Current Assets	4,658,815	6,175,071	6,647,707	7,921,817
Employment of Capital	22,804,279	23,684,956	22,800,996	24,150,520
Accumulated Funds	14,639,171	15,277,263	14,403,225	15,416,749
Long-Term Liabilities	8,165,108	8,407,693	8,397,771	8,733,771
Capital Employed	22,804,279	23,684,956	22,800,996	24,150,520

PEU Comments

ECC continued to promote consumer protection and competition law compliance where she educated and informed the public about the Driving schools settlement agreement, educated businesses about anti-competitive trade practices as well as educating both consumers and businesses about consumer rights. The Commission is applauded for the continuous advocacy, as it keeps both businesses and consumers abreast with competition laws and consumer rights respectively.

One is hopeful that the market studies that are currently ongoing will provide the Commission with the necessary information and will be completed soon, as the results of these studies will go a long way in assisting consumers and businesses of Eswatini by ensuring that there is compliance with the Competition Law.

The Commission recorded a deficit of E0.64m compared to a surplus of E0.73m last quarter. The decline in surplus was attributable to the decrease in revenue, as it fell from E3.84m to E2.52m, mainly due to the decline in notification fees as well as subvention received.

19. ESWATINI INVESTMENT PROMOTION AUTHORITY (EIPA)

Parent Ministry: Commerce, Industry and Trade

EIPA reported as follows for the quarter,

Operational Review

- One Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) company in the Packaging Sector was facilitated and this company had invested E50m, in anticipation that 90 job opportunities will be created. A further four projects were added to the investment pipeline and they were in beverage manufacturing, pharmaceutical and agribusiness.
- EIPA undertook one outward mission to South Africa and hosted 6 inward missions from Egypt, UK, South Africa, India and the USA.
- One Domestic Direct Investment (DDI) started project implementation in the energy, investing E40m and creating 80 job opportunities. Two more DDI projects were added to the investment pipeline and they were in the Manufacturing and Property Development Sectors, anticipated to create 500 jobs.
- A total of 25 work permits, 3 visas as well as 3 trading licenses were facilitated for investors. Twenty two companies were visited as part of the after-care programme.
- The Authority participated in the World Expo, dubbed Expo 2020 Dubai where-in the Authority, facilitated 24 local companies to exhibit their products by coordinating the collection and shipping of same to Dubai, UAE.
- EIPA coordinated the Eswatini Business Seminar which was held during the Eswatini National Day, wherein participants from the world were indulged on Investment and Trade opportunities the country presents.
- In terms of domestic trade, EIPA facilitated 16 companies to access and expand their footprint in domestic markets.
- The Authority capacitated 23 local companies on domestic trade and also hosted a webinar to capacitate 30 local handcraft companies on product marketing, export declaration process as well as Government support to their sector.
- Mavuso Trade & Exhibition Centre (MTEC) continues to host the Covid-19 Isolation Centre for patients with mild cases and as such, booking for events remains suspended.

Financial Situation

- Subvention received this quarter was E4.84m.
- Total expenditure was E5.34m compared to E5.74m last quarter.

Financial Statements

	2021	2021	2021	2021
Income Statement	Dec. 31	Sep. 30	Jun. 30	Mar. 31
Subvention	4,838,209	5,092,852	5,092,852	8,555,993
Other income	2,431,348	1,325,800	1,654,562	1,524,977
Total income	7,269,557	6,422,652	6,747,414	10,070,960
Expenditure	5,342,543	5,738,968	5,647,739	6,622,790
Surplus/Deficit	1,927,014	683,684	1,099,674	3,448,170

Balance Sheet

Fixed Assets	4,325,025	4,396,221	3,842,025	2,992,514
Current Assets	9,892,209	7,606,640	6,664,719	8,056,498
Current Liabilities	3,583,327	3,773,885	3,192,506	4,325,468
Net Current Assets	6,398,882	3,832,755	3,472,213	3,731,030
Employment of Capital	10,633,908	8,228,976	7,314,238	6,723,544

Government Grant/

Reserves	10,633,908	8,228,976	7,314,238	6,723,544
Retained Income		-	-	-
Total capital Employed	10,633,908	8,228,976	7,314,238	6,723,544

PEU Comments

EIPA reported a surplus of E1.93m compared to E0.68m last quarter and this was due to the fact that most of the Authority's activities remained constrained because of the Covid-19 pandemic.

The Trade and Investment Promotion Department's activities remained constrained due to restrictions on cross-border movement, despite the challenges to the country's investment environment.

20.ESWATINI TOURISM AUTHORITY (ETA)

Parent Ministry: Ministry of Tourism & Environment Affairs

ETA reported as follows for the quarter,

Operational Review

- A total of 65, 243 international visitors were received compared to 58, 251 visitors last year same period, attributed to advancements in the roll-out of Covid-19 vaccines in the country and in key source markets stimulating confidence for tourism consumers.
- ETA and Industry Partners designed 6 leisure packages which were marketed by 6 local tour operators. These packages were promoted across all ETA digital platforms. Locally, a total of 41 articles were published through print, digital, television and radio.
- The Authority gave an opportunity to 6 local tour operators to experience, market, and promote their products to campers during the Lujulu and Mlawula Camp Fire Festivals as part of its strategy to identify and train local tour operators on putting together a leisure package according to categories.
- The Authority continued monitoring community-based tourism projects and providing technical assistance where necessary. A total of seven (7) of these projects in various stages of development received assistance from Global Environmental Fund (GEF).

Outlook

- ETA will continue to market Eswatini as a preferred tourist destination and promote the development and diversification of the local tourism product.
- Provide accurate data on tourism and source markets, increase tourism receipts by 5% annually.
- Increase average length of stay to 3 days by 2023.

Financial Situation

- Total revenue amounted to E4.14m which comprised of subvention of E3.49m, Bed levies of E0.30m and Other Income E0.36m.
- Total expenditure was E4.23m compared to E3.51m last quarter, resulting in a deficit of E0.09m.

Financial Statements

	2021	2021	2021	2020
Income Statement	Dec. 31	Sep. 30	Jun. 30	Sep. 30
Subvention	3,485,177	3,669,232	3,699,232	1,223,078
Other Income	657,494	277,858	346,816	78,200
Total Income	4,142,671	3,947,090	4,016,048	1,301,278
Expenditure	4,227,997	3,512,746	2,942,240	2,737,525
Surplus/Deficit	(85,326)	434,344	1,073,808	(1,436,248)

Balance Sheet

Fixed Assets	1,467,776	1,841,993	1,841,993	1,809,345
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Current Assets	1,600,272	2,618,908	3,942,633	2,057,737
Current Liabilities	343,732	783,699	2,242,501	210,400
Net Current Assets	1,256,540	1,835,209	1,700,132	1,847,337
Employment of Capital	2,724,316	3,677,202	3,553,123	3,656,682
Reserves	2,809,642	3,242,859	2,479,315	5,092,929
Surplus/loss	(85,326)	434,344	1,073,808	(1,436,248)
Total Capital Employed	2,724,316	3,677,202	3,553,123	3,656,682

PEU Comments

The Authority incurred a deficit of E0.09m compared to a surplus of E0.43m last period. Even though the Authority generated more income, it received less subvention and incurred more expenditure compared to last quarter, resulting in the deficit.

International arrivals increased by 12% when compared to same period last year, although they remained below pre-pandemic levels. With the emergence of the Omicron variant, which resulted in temporal suspension of travel to Southern Africa by overseas markets, the Authority is commended for effectively promoting domestic tourism as utilisation of tourism products was anchored by domestic tourists this quarter due to uncertainties related to international travel restrictions.

21. ESWATINI STANDARDS AUTHORITY (SWASA)

Parent Ministry: Commerce, Industry and Trade

SWASA reported as follows for the quarter,

Operational Review

- Work program 13 (WP 13) with a total of 18 standards was divided into two sub programs which are: WP 13a, with 8 standards under the fast-track option of standards development & WP 13b which has 10 standards under the normal standards development process. WP 13a was at the gazetting stage while WP 13b had been approved for gazetting by Council.
- It is worth reporting that one large enterprise (Enkonyeni Precast) was in the process of transferring her product certification from the SABS to SWASA and a stage 2 audit had already been undertaken. This will be a landmark certification for SWASA to issue the first product certificate and for the entity's product mark of quality to be placed on a product for the 1st time, since SWASA came to existence.

- SWASA tested alcohol-based hand sanitizers on behalf of the Competition Commission. All samples were tested and found to be below the 70% legal requirements. The products were seized by the Matsapha Town Board on behalf of the Competition Commission. The samples had SABS marks and SABS revealed that the supplier was not registered with them and was still to investigate further.
- SWASA was in the process of certifying three (3) local MSMEs' products against Eswatini National Standards. Once certified, these products will enjoy shelf space in large local retail outlets, while also positioning themselves for export markets in support of Government's strategy of making Eswatini an export driven economy.

Financial Situation

- Total income received was E2.30m compared to E2.29m received last quarter.
- SWASA had a loss of E0.21m compared to a surplus of E0.13m attained last quarter
- Total expenses amounted to E2.50m compared to E2.16m last quarter.

Financial Statements

	2021 Dec. 31	2021 Sep. 30	2021 Jun. 30	2021 Mar. 31
Income Statement				
Income (Subvention)	1 898 729	1 998 663	1 998 663	2 025 312
Other Income	397 557	290 769	278 084	112 012
Expenditure	2 504 820	2 157 230	2 680 774	2 635 964
Surplus/Deficit	-208 534	132 229	-404 027	-498 640

Balance Sheet

Fixed Assets	4 740 353	4,952,354	5,162,457	5,739,585
Investments	766 018	864,747	730,882	1,0919,04
Current Assets	846,355	447,644	685,366	788 065
Current Liabilities	582,196	796,447	1,243,127	604,334
Net Current Assets	264,159	-348,803	-557,761	183 731
Employment of Capital	5,770,530	5,468,298	5,345,586	7 015 220
Retained Income	1 766 854	1,131,881	999,652	2,613,379
Deferred Income				
Deferred Assets	1 992 719	2,836,226	2,836,226	2,007,353
Gratuity Provision	946 135	785,995	665,843	526,869
Lease Liability	1,064,822	714,196	843,856	1,867,619
Total Capital Employed	5,770,530	5,468,298	5,345,586	7 015 220

PEU Comments

The Authority received a subvention of E1.90m, total expenditure was E2.50m, which resulted in a loss of E0.21m. Other income amounted to E0.40m compared to E0.29m received last quarter. SWASA should explore and seize opportunities associated with income streams diversification and cost containment, through procurement planning and reducing expenditure on non-essential activities

SWASA's efforts to support MSME development, particularly their inclusion in the implementation of and certification to standards are slowly bearing fruit. SWASA is currently in the process of certifying three (3) local MSMEs' products against Eswatini National Standards. Once certified, these products will enjoy shelf space in large local retail outlets, while also positioning themselves for export markets in support of Government's strategy of making Eswatini an export driven economy.

It is worth mentioning that the MSME sector is battling to adopt and successfully implement standards due to lack of capacity (financial, technical knowhow and scale of production), SWASA is optimistic that these three (3) MSMEs will be successful in paving the way for others to follow suit. It is in the spirit of supporting MSME development that the entity will soon be developing an SMME Development Policy, with a view of seeing more MSMEs being able to enjoy the benefits of standardisation and conformity assessment at subsidized rates.

22. ESWATINI YOUTH ENTERPRISE REVOLVING FUND (EYERF)

Parent Ministry: Sports Culture & Youth Affairs

EYERF reported as follows for the quarter,

Operational Review

- A total of 123 loan applications were received, out of which only 21 qualified for appraisal and the rest were deferred due to incompleteness and poor business plans, amongst others. To date, a total of 8 cycles have been completed with the 9th cycle still under process.
- Under cycle 3 of the MTN-YERF "Khula Natsi", the Fund received a total of 27 new loan applications and processing was ongoing. Only one loan was approved under this cycle. So far the program has created 16 job opportunities for the youth.
- A total of 9 approved beneficiaries were trained in preparation for loan disbursement. This is a risk mitigation initiative aimed at preparing the young entrepreneurs for funding before receiving the loans.

- Mentorship and coaching of beneficiaries was outsourced to Business Development Service Providers being Altersol and SEDCO. A total 107 beneficiaries were handed over to Altersol, whilst 111 were handed over to SEDCO.
- A total number of 89 employment opportunities were created, 220 jobs were maintained and 8 jobs were lost. This was a result of shrinking businesses due to the Covid-19 impact and the social unrest.
- EYERF continued to engage with the stakeholders. Some of the partnerships had already culminated into either MoU's or SLA's, with the purpose for the Fund to leverage on programs offered by stakeholders without incurring additional costs.

Financial Situation

- Total income received amounted to E3.51m compared to E3.64m last quarter
- Total expenditure was E2.35m compared to E2.53m last quarter.

Outlook

- The Fund looks forward to continuous public awareness, mentorship, finalize review of both the Credit Policy and Operational Guidelines, development of fund raising proposals, procurement of the Loans Management System, finalization & approval of reviewed strategy document and initiate a process for reviewing and alignment of the Fund Regulations.

Financial Statements

	2021	2021	2021	2021
	Dec. 31	Sep. 30	Jun. 30	Mar. 31
Income Statement				
Income and Subvention	3,513,418	3,638,557	3,612,259	3,437,004
Expenditure	2,353,116	2,528,632	2,446,557	2,333,615
Surplus/Deficit	1,160,302	1,109,925	1,165,702	1,103,389
Balance Sheet				
Fixed Assets	1,719,192	1,809,723	1,944,085	1,801,095
Current Assets	31,804,604	31,443,181	30,207,555	31,819,999
Current Liabilities	530,892	523,047	546,263	2,429,391
Net Current Assets/Liabilities	31,273,712	30,920,134	29,661,292	29,390,608
Employment of Capital	32,992,905	32,729,857	31,605,377	31,191,703
Share Capital				
Revaluation Reserves	188,166	188,166	188,166	188,166
Retained Income	32,804,739	31,431,766	30,251,509	29,900,147
Total Capital Employed	32,992,905	32,729,857	31,605,377	31,191,702

PEU Comments

A surplus of E1.16m was realised compared to E1.11m last quarter and this was due to an increase of 11% in interest bearing loans, even though businesses were faced with a lot of challenges due to Covid-19. The Fund is encouraged to tighten their monitoring function in order to ensure businesses continue to operate and are sustainable.

The Youth Fund continues to rely on Government for financial support for the loan disbursements as well for their daily operations. It is critical that the Fund be self-funding, therefore resource mobilization from the private sector and international organizations to complement the Government funding is required. The Fund is encouraged to fast track the development of resource mobilization proposals.

Vigorous business coaching, mentorship and monitoring is essential to minimize the risk of none repayment of loans due to failing businesses. This will also contribute to the growth and sustainability of the fund, resulting in a self-funding entity in the near future.

VI. EDUCATION SECTOR

23. UNIVERSITY OF ESWATINI (UNESWA)

Parent Ministry: Education & Training

UNESWA reported as follows for the quarter,

Operational Review

- The 2021/2022 academic year commenced on the 1st November 2021 and supplementary exams ran parallel with the new academic year.
- The University, through the support of the Commonwealth of learning (COL) launched a new course, Certificate in Online Teaching for educators, which is meant to equip teachers and course instructors with online teaching knowledge. Eleven participants from within and outside UNESWA took part in the four week program.
- The Eswatini Institute of Research in Traditional Medicine, Medicinal and Indigenous Food Plants (ERMIP) received grant funding from SADC for a project on cannabis, which was conducted in collaboration with the Biotechnology Platform, Agricultural Research Council, South Africa.
- The Entrepreneurship Business Development Centre (EBDC) supported students in the Applied Entrepreneurship course who helped youth groups to write business plans for fundable businesses. This initiative was supported by the National Youth Council.
- The University signed an MoU with the University of Calgary of Transforming the Field Education Landscape (TFEL). The steering committee under the leadership of University of Calgary will be conducting a TFEL African Field Education Study aimed at better understanding the state of social work field education in Africa.
- The UNESWA Consultancy and Training centre facilitated training for farmers to produce goat feed.

- The University has prioritised the construction of two double storey classroom buildings on its project that is funded by the Motsepe Foundation and the project was at tender stage.
- Scheduled maintenance was deferred due to the financial challenges faced by the Institution, however, the Maintenance Department continued to attend to breakdowns and emergencies.
- Outstanding invoices for the Library currently stood at E5.39m and no payment nor procurement was made in the quarter due to non-availability of funds.
- Student admitted in the 2021/22 academic year were 3, 063.

Outlook

- The following programmes were under consideration by the University Senate: Msc Computer Science, B. Ed. Primary – Early Childhood Education, B. Com. Information Systems Management, B. Com. Operations and Supply Chain Management, B. Com. Human Resources Strategy, B. Com Marketing, B. Sc. Health Informatics, BSc Biotechnology, B. Ed. Primary – Direct Entry and UNESWA Business School.

Financial Situation

- Income declined to E75.89m from E78.85m last quarter.
- Subvention received was E102.13m same as previous quarter.
- Total expenditure declined to E144.57m from E149.20m last quarter

Financial Statements

	2021	2021	2021	2021
Income Statement	Dec. 31	Sep. 30	Jun. 30	Mar. 31
Income	75,892,720	78,854,947	3,178,879	11,159,475
Subvention	102,125,304	102,125,304	102,125,000	98,418,154
Expenditure	144,571,140	149,198,600	164,224,051	171,914,843
Surplus/Loss after subvention	33,446,883	31,781,652	-58,920,172	-62,337,214
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Balance Sheet				
Fixed Assets	71,962,072	71,743,022	70,899,969	96,670,817
Investments	29,363,648	29,198,915	29,267,569	29,067,580
Current Assets	97,355,981	51,901,653	113,077,057	49,608,387
Current Liabilities	1,104,683,868	1,033,155,775	1,068,342,719	1,042,084,240
Net Current Assets	-1,007,327,887	-1,060,080,373	-995,265,662	-992,475,853

Employment of Capital	-906,002,167	-880,312,186	-855,098,124	-866,737,456
Non Distributable Reserves	134,361,432	134,361,432	134,361,432	137,561,432
Distributable Reserves	-1,131,280,650	-1,111,982,026	-1,087,171,217	-1,039,802,444
Other Funds	7,692,305	14,083,663	14,486,916	12,214,324
Long Term Liabilities	-	-	-	-
	83,224,746	83,224,746	83,224,746	23,289,232
Total Capital Employed	-906,002,167	-880,312,185	-855,098,124	-866,737,456

PEU Comments

UNESWA continues not to pay her suppliers and current liabilities continue to increase quarter to quarter, the main contributor being Pay As you Earn, which currently stands at E785m. UNESWA also fail to remit other payroll deductions such as Pension. UNESWA must come up with other avenues that will generate revenue in order to be sustainable, going forward, her continuous reliance on Government subvention is becoming a major risk for her going concern.

Government is encouraged to support the University and it is hoped that with implementation of the proposed programmes, the University will be able to generate income and gradually reduce the huge debts it is currently facing.

It is noted that some of the University's graduates are unemployed. It is critical that UNESWA conduct a research on what the market demands and create programs that addresses the market needs. This will assist in ensuring that the curriculum is relevant to the market needs and result in almost all the graduates being absorbed in the labour market or graduates that have life skills to sustain themselves and be able create job opportunities for others.

24. SOUTHERN AFRICA NAZARENE UNIVERSITY (SANU)

Parent Ministry: Education

SANU reported as follows for the quarter,

Operational Review

- The University continued to monitor academic activities and the prevailing dynamics of the Covid-19 pandemic and countrywide unrest.
- End of year results for final year students were released.
- A provisional approval for a Master’s programme in Nursing was granted by Eswatini Nursing Council.
- One short course entitled Counselling During Crisis Times, under the Education Department was facilitated.
- Government sponsored Level 1 students signed agreement forms with the sponsor and a majority of award letters were received.
- The Student Representative Council (SRC) was dissolved and an Interim Committee was elected to serve, pending the election of a new SRC.
- Registration of students for Semester 1 was conducted through the new Student Management System, GNECsis and a total of 1,961 students were registered.
- Moodle User Manuals for both staff and students were developed and disseminated.
- Third Year Pharmacy students were trained on Pharmacovigilance, while Fourth Year Bachelor of Science in Nursing and Midwifery students were trained in Integrated Management of Adolescent and Adult Infections (IMAI).
- Plans for the construction of a guard house at the administration entrance were initiated.
- As part of community service, a group of lecturers from the Faculty of Education (FoE) joined hands to fund the construction of a one room house for a destitute family at Luve.
- Twenty students from the Bachelor of Science in Nursing programme assisted with Covid-19 vaccination, as requested by the Ministry of Education and Training.

Financial Situation

- Total income was E19.15m against E5.99m last quarter.
- Total expenditure was E16.07m against E15.41m last quarter.

Financial Statements

	2021	2021	2021	2021
Income Statement	Dec. 31	Sep. 30	Jun. 30	Mar. 31
Income	19,146,318	5,993,476	7,025,306	14,766,269
Expenditure	16,068,119	15,409,142	17,272,190	13,090,873

Surplus/Deficit	3,078,199	-9,415,666	-10,246,884	1,675,396
Balance Sheet				
Fixed Assets	58,464,157	58,420,080	58,675,849	58,581,950
Endowment Funds- Restricted	2,191,939	2,191,939	2,191,939	2,191,939
Related Party Balances	12,762	494,609	485,277	406,145
Designated Investments	1,544,994	1,218,228	1,862,420	2,091,677
Current Assets	25,402,490	15,783,488	26,734,573	31,814,245
Current Liabilities	14,284,001	10,328,200	11,667,675	6,482,189
Net Current Assets	11,118,489	5,455,288	15,066,898	25,332,056
Total Employment of Capital	73,332,342	67,780,143	78,282,383	88,590,360
Endowment Funds	2,197,481	2,197,481	2,197,481	2,197,481
Retained Earnings	48,614,988	44,150,709	48,006,793	46,331,397
PAYE Interest Waiver	-	-	6,223,327	6,223,327
Non-Distributable Reserves	28,818,206	28,818,206	28,818,206	28,818,206
Scholarship Fund	1,184,201	1,154,302	1,185,864	1,020,913
Designated Investments	665,604	875,111	2,097,596	2,323,639
Surplus/Deficit	(8,148,138)	(9,415,666)	(10,246,884)	1,675,396
Total Capital Employed	73,332,342	67,780,143	78,282,383	88,590,360

PEU Comments

SANU realised a surplus amounting to E3.08m compared to a deficit E9.42m last quarter. The University failed to honour salary deductions to third parties due to cash flow challenges and as a result, there was a significant increase in liabilities from E10.33m to E14.28m. It is projected that these liabilities will be settled as student fees are to be paid by Government now that invoices were issued.

The University continued with its operations in the midst of disruptions resulting from the Covid-19 scourge and national unrest. Teaching and learning progressed through Blended Learning for the entire semester in all the Faculties.

25. SEBENTA NATIONAL INSTITUTE (SNI)

Parent Ministry: Education & Training

Sebenta reported as follows for the quarter,

Operational Review

- A total of 150 classes were recorded compared to 152 last quarter.
- A majority of learners enrolled were in SiSwati at 375 learners followed by Basic English with 292.
- The Institute collaborated with Young Heroes and Joyful Hearts in the implementation of Young Livelihoods component under the Dreams Initiative.

Financial Situation

- Income generated was E0.27m against E0.26m last quarter.
- Subvention was E1.45m against E1.53m last quarter
- Total expenditure was E1.76m compared to E1.87m last quarter.

Financial Statements

Income Statement	2021	2021	2021	2021
	Dec. 31	Sep. 30	Jun. 30	Mar. 31
Revenue	265,490	262,228	571,958	109,463
Subvention	1,452,502	1,528,950	1,528,950	1,549,338
Expenditure	1,762,687	1,866,868	1,924,950	1,691,401
Surplus/Deficit	-44,695	-75,690	175,639	-32,600

Balance Sheet

Fixed Assets	9,102,726	8,471,422	9,035,120	8,445,613
Current Assets	815,175	961,958	1,086,475	477,810
Current Liabilities	1,148,259	1,130,388		
Net Current Assets	-333,084	-168,430	-43,913	-438,707
Employment of Capital	8,769,642	8,302,992	8,991,207	8,006,906
Accumulated Surplus/Deficit	-2,069,816	-2,536,466	-1,848,251	-2,832,552
Grants	426,000	426,000	426,000	426,000
Revaluation Reserve	10,413,458	10,413,458	10,413,458	10,413,458
Capital Employed	8,769,642	8,302,992	8,991,207	8,006,906

PEU Comments

Financial challenges are limiting operations of the Institute in terms of recruiting, procuring teaching and learning material. The Institute, however, continued to use less for more in all daily activities so as to optimize the usage of available resources. Income generated from the print shop, hall, industrial kitchen rental, registration and tuition fees assisted the organization with other expenses.

26. ESWATINI MEDICAL CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY (EMCU)

Parent Ministry: Education & Training

EMCU reported as follows for the quarter,

Operational Review

- The Third Semester commenced with no problems, however, normal operations were interrupted by two class boycotts, as students had a number of grievances which were finally resolved.
- Auditing of the University continued and the 2018 Financial Statements were concluded.
- Construction of the Chapel and laboratories progressed well.
- The University was able to secure qualified staff, resulting in the non-renewal of contracts for teaching assistants in various Departments.

Financial Situation

- Revenue generated was E1.76m.
- A subvention of E8.43m was received.
- Total expenditure was E23.26m.

Financial Statements

Income Statement

	2021	2021	2021	2021
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	Dec. 31	Sep. 30	Jun.30	Mar.31
Income	1,757,018		258,117	6,750,731
Govt. Subvention	8,426,667		3,200,000	11,776,000
Government Special Grant				
Expenditure	23,259,174		7,469,908	28,843,030
Operating Surplus/Deficit	(13,075,489)		(4,011,791)	(10,316,299)
Balance Sheet				
Fixed Assets	6,867,968		46,042,831	39,947,308
Current Assets	11,864,028		17,824,129	22,621,051
Current Liabilities	43,248,488		30,225,668	24,915,275
Net Current Assets	(31,384,460)		(12,401,539)	(2,294,224)
Total Employment of Capital	(24,516,492)		33,641,292	37,653,084
Capital Employed				
Share Capital	-			-
Revaluation Reserve	(24,516,492)		33,641,292	37,653,084
Long Term Liabilities				-
Total Employed Capital	(24,516,492)		33,641,292	37,653,084

PEU Comments

The University continued with its day to day operations irrespective of a few boycotts which were later resolved. Construction of the 1st floor laboratories progressed well and it is hoped that this will help boost the University's Statement of Financial Position. The University saw a decline in its fixed assets, subsequent to the transfer of some of them back to the Africa Continent Mission. This resulted in the negative working capital of E31.38m, subsequently resulting in the Statement of Financial Position recording a negative E24.52m. This is a huge blow to EMCU as Financial Services Providers will no longer be willing to provide them with overdraft facilities.

The University Council, in consultation with the Ministry of Education is urged to come up with an effective financing strategy that will ensure the going concern of EMCU.

VII. TOURISM AND ENVIRONMENT SECTOR

27. PIGG'S PEAK HOTEL AND CASINO (PPHC)

Parent Ministry: Tourism & Environmental Affairs

PPHC reported as follows for the quarter,

Operational Review

- The hotel recorded an average occupancy of 31%, which was a 6% decrease from the previous quarter's 37%.
- The net worth of the Hotel decreased by 14% compared to last year same period, while there was a decrease of 3% when compared to last quarter.
- Operational expenses were E5.49m against to E4.59m incurred last quarter, indicating an increase of 19.6%, attributable to salaries and dispute settlement payments.
- The Hotel had difficulty in developing future plans for sustainability due to the pending issue of finalizing the franchising deal and the current Covid-19 pandemic.

Financial Situation

- Total revenue amounted to E4.69m against E3.71m last quarter.
- Total expenditure was E5.49m against E4.59m last quarter.

Financial Statements

Income Statement	2021 Dec. 31	2021 Sep. 30	2021 Jun. 30	2021 Mar. 31
Total revenue	4,514,930	3,473,486	4,454,919	886,994
Interest received	176,385	238,628	218,525	183,687
Sundry Income	-	-	-	-
Total Income	4,691,315	3,712,114	4,673,444	1,070,681
Expenses	5,485,575	4,588,412	3,941,468	3,698,418
Net Profit/ (Loss)	-794,260	-876,298	731,976	-2,627,737

Balance Sheet				
Fixed Assets	12,764,087	12,913,236	13,092,616	13,271,997
Investments	-	-	-	-
Net Current Assets	14,613,677	15,199,748	16,345,482	16,147,942
Employment of Capital	27,377,765	28,112,984	29,438,098	29,419,939

Share Capital	2	2	2	2
Accumulated Income	-3,190,855	-2,455,640	-1,130,524	-1,148,684

Net Profit for year				
Long-term liabilities	-	-	-	-
Revaluation Reserve	30,568,620	30,568,620	30,568,620	30,568,620
Capital Employed	27,377,765	28,112,984	29,438,096	29,419,939

PEU Comments

With the restrictions in international travel due to the Covid-19 pandemic, the hotel had no tourists coming in, yet they form a substantial percentage of the Entity's customer base. A loss of E0.79m was incurred against a loss of E0.88m last quarter and total expenditure increased to E5.49m from E4.59m last quarter.

The fire incident that was experienced reduced the Hotel's capacity by about 25%, however, there was an insurance claim that was still being processed. The Hotel needs to finalize the franchising deal as soon as the current Covid-19 pandemic is over, so that future plans for sustainability can be developed.

28. ESWATINI NATIONAL TRUST COMMISSION (ENTC)

Parent Ministry: Tourism & Environmental Affairs

ENTC reported as follows for the quarter,

Operational Review

- A total of 952 patrols were undertaken compared to 616 last quarter, covering 93% of the Parks.
- One game count was undertaken, while 97 permits were issued to the community and Park stakeholders to have access to Parks natural resources, while also assisting them in sustaining their livelihood.
- A total of 10 tangible and intangible cultural heritage materials and objects were documented, while 3 leather objects were collected and preserved.

- To improve the conservation of flora and fauna through effective and efficient management of protected areas, ENTC developed 1 database for the Parks and 3 reports on Parks law enforcement, patrol and data collection were issued.
- Radio programs that focused on the role and importance of protecting and sustainable use of wetlands resources and electricity to preserve the environment were produced.

Financial Situation

- Subvention received was E4.44m and E1.91m was generated from internal sources.
- Total expenditure was E6.58m compared to E6.16m last quarter.

Financial Statements

	2021	2021	2021	2021
	Dec. 31	Sep. 30	Jun. 30	Mar. 31
Income Statement				
Subvention	4,444,586	4,446,104	4,446,104	3,735,301
Revenue	1,906,559	873,920	1,013,994	1,119,631
Other Income	2,226	2,175	-	-
Expenditure	6,575,075	6,156,182	6,599,909	5,932,584
Surplus/Deficit	-444,028	-835,502	-1,139,811	-1,077,652
Balance Sheet				
Fixed Assets	267,186,679	267,186,679	266,218,981	266,218,981
Current Assets	8,488,399	8,448,399	390,850	10,114,918
Current Liabilities	23,610,344	23,610,344	22,081,278	20,920,490
Net Current Assets	-15,121,945	-15,161,945	-21,690,428	-10,805,572
Employment of Capital	252,064,734	252,024,734	244,528,553	255,413,409
Long Term Loan				
Capital Reserves	252,860,236	252,860,236	254,703,081	259,336,428
Retained Income	-835,502	- 835,502	-9,953,061	-3,922,938
Capital Employed	252,024,734	252,024,734	244,750,020	255,413,490

PEU Comments

Total income from operating activities increased from E0.87m last quarter to E1.91m and this was attributed mainly to the ongoing Covid-19 pandemic, which has seen lower tourist numbers. However, ENTC continued to recover with another reduced deficit compared to the previous quarter as a deficit E0.44m was reported against E0.84m last quarter. The major contributing factor was improved costs control, for which the Commission must be commended.

ENTC continued to feel the effects of the Covid-19 pandemic even this quarter, as the number of

visitors was quite low compared to previous periods. The political unrest also meant loss of business as international visitors chose other destinations.

29. ESWATINI ENVIRONMENT AUTHORITY (EEA)

Parent Ministry: Tourism & Environmental Affairs

EEA reported as follows for the quarter,

Operational Review

- Waste management license applications received and administered totalled 37 and this indicates an increase of 19% from last year same period.
- A total of 31 clean up campaigns were undertaken together with stakeholders such as Ezulwini Municipality and local community youth.
- Cleaning material and vehicles were provided for clean-up campaigns at Kwaluseni, Buhleni and Lobamba and construction of two buy back centres was underway at Kwaluseni.
- Awareness raising initiatives were undertaken during clean up campaigns and social media, particularly Facebook. Roadside market stalls were also visited to ensure compliance.
- A total of three infringement notices were issued to Farm Chemicals and Buhleni as well as Kwaluseni Waste Projects.
- Mapping of disposable nappies users was completed and a sample of 80 participants were selected to participate in the experiment.
- Sites inspected for effluent quality included; Lusushwana, Medisun Clinic, Zheng Yong, Rhodes Food Group, Matsapha Waste Water Treatment Plant and Mbabane River, amongst others.
- A total of 3 Ozone Depleting Licenses (ODS) were received, processed and issued to Top Oceanic Investments, T- man Refrimate and Libo Investments.
- Sites inspected for air pollution included Block Tango at Montigny and Eswatini Plantations.
- A permit was issued to NMC for importation of 60,000mt of white maize and yellow maize importation permits were issued to Emalangen Farm Foods, Eagles Milling, Arrow Feeds, and Swaziland Milling.
- The National Environment Fund continued with its projects at Ngcayini and Manzimhlophe, trees were planted at Nkonjwa donga rehabilitation.

- Fencing of wetlands was completed at Mangwenya Water Pan, Ntondozi , Ndlandlameni and Nsenga wetlands.

Financial Situation

- Income generated declined to E0.16m from E0.21m last quarter.
- Total expenditure was E3.29m against E3.47m last quarter.

Financial Statements

Income Statement

	2021	2021	2021	2021
	Dec. 31	Sep. 30	Jun. 30	Mar. 31
Revenue	157,386	209,314	193,777	159,996
Expenditure	3,288,695	3,474,949	3,459,804	4,056,823
Operating Surplus/Deficit	(3,131,309)	(3,265,635)	(3,266,027)	(3,896,827)
Grants/Donations				
Subvention	3,306,751	3,480,792	3,480,790	3,527,203
Surplus/Loss after Subvention	175,442	215,157	(214,763)	(369,627)

Balance Sheet

Fixed Assets	2,910,615	2,910,615	2,910,915	3,382,908
Current Assets	2,767,810	3,591,503	2,511,814	1,719,725
Current Liabilities	2,451,326	2,515,019	2,593,677	2,279,237
Net Current Assets	316,484	1,076,484	(81,863)	(559,512)
Total Employment of Capital	3,227,099	3,987,099	2,829,052	2,823,396

Employment of Capital

Retained Income				-
Grant Finance	13,923,165	13,923,165	13,487,075	13,487,075
Realised Grant	(10,696,067)	(9,936,066)	(10,658,022)	(10,663,679)
Total Capital Employed	3,227,099	3,987,099	2,829,053	2,823,396

PEU Comments

The Authority continued to provide material and vehicles for clean-up campaigns in communities, where environmental awareness is created and the youth is encouraged to ensure communities are kept clean at all times. This has resulted in fewer people getting infringement notices for environmental violations.

The Disposable Nappies Project will come as a relief to many communities as they have been an escalating problem, since most people tend to be negligent with them, even disposing them off along the road.

The ban on plastic bags has seen the country having a huge decline in plastic litter. This has positively

impacted not only to the environment but to livestock as well. It is hoped that Eswatini will completely ban the use of plastic bags, thus ensuring a clean and safe environment for all.

A surplus of E0.18m was reported against a surplus of E0.22m reported last quarter. EEA is commended and encouraged to continue to stick to the budget as this ensures that the Entity continues to execute its mandate even during these fiscal challenges.

VIII. HOUSING SECTOR

30. ESWATINI HOUSING BOARD (EHB)

Parent Ministry: Housing & Urban Development

EHB reported as follows for the quarter,

Operational review

- A total of 85% expected rental income was collected and loss of rental income was experienced due to vacancies and refurbishments.
- There were 31 lease terminations and 54 units remained vacant, 3 tenants vacated to move into their own houses while 19 moved out due to different reasons.
- Under capital projects 1, two-bedroom house was under construction at Mhobodleni, Manzini

District. Minor progress was achieved due to delays by service providers.

- Nhlanguano Township Extension 9 (Nkhanini) - there were no plots sold and no houses sold, as a result, 8 houses have been sold since project inception.
- Mabuya Township (Ngwenya) - there were no plots sold and no houses sold during. Accumulatively, 5 houses have been sold valued at E3.05m and all outstanding claims were collected leaving a zero balance on the guaranteed sums.
- Woodlands Township Extension 2 - 12 plot sales were recorded and a total of 157 plots have been sold out of 298 available for sale.
- Community Liaison Report – at Msunduza Package 13 - Five 99 Year Leases were registered bringing the total to 678 while, four 99 Year Lease Holders were granted consent to cede their rights to third parties.
- Rental debtors amounted to E1.49m compared to E1.37m the previous quarter and of the total owing, 3% is for Government leased flats, 11% for commercial tenants and 86% for individual tenants.

Financial Situation

- Woodlands Shopping Centre facilities management fee was E0.079m.
- IHP property maintenance levy received was E3.55m,
- Property sales amounted to E7.20m against a budget of E26.81m.
- Rental billings were E8.71m against a budget of E9.32m and Sundry income was E0.026m.
- Interest received was E0.049m.
- A recapitalization grant of E2.50m was received from Government.
- Total expenditure amounted to E27.35m against a budget of E32.36m.

Financial Statements

	2021	2021	2021	2021
Income Statement	Dec.31	Sep.30	Jun. 30	Mar. 31
Subvention	2,500,000	2,500,000	-	9,200,000
Income	166,260	123,350	80,485	1,078,281
Institutional Housing	13,982,948	18,053,799	15,542,995	9,654,843
Rental	8,705,190	8,683,657	8,772,199	8,798,152

Other	25,804	11,163	30,411	22,650,487
Sale of assets	7,196,384	8,219,975	5,177,873	9,410,709
Interest	209,310	45,011	392,321	550,526
Total Income	32,786,887	37,816,456	30,017,243	61,343,157
Cost of Sales	5,515,796	7,140,919	3,266,545	9,999,696
Gross Profit /Loss	27,271,091	30,675,537	26,750,698	51,343,460
Expenditure	27,352,739	27,778,850	27,144,907	29,981,832
Profit/Loss	-81,649	2,896,686	-394,208	21,361,628

Balance Sheet

Fixed Assets	936,343,130	956,903,760	946,763,730	1,034,780,870
Current Assets	96,547,533	101,774,232	167,840,557	107,619,455
Current Liabilities	67,525,154	62,439,722	76,642,135	97,357,501
Net Current Assets	29,022,379	39,334,510	91,198,422	10,261,954
Employment of Capital	965,365,509	996,238,270	1,037,962,152	1,045,042,824
Capital–Govt	10,800,000	10,800,000	10,800,000	10,800,000
Revaluation reserve	318,526,617	318,526,617	318,526,617	318,526,617
Capital reserve	17,018,826	16,941,826	16,787,826	17,035,060
Retained Income	(54,939,503)	(56,939,512)	(57,333,720)	(75,618,252)
Long-term liability	673,959,566	704,316,900	749,181,426	751,549,557
Total Capital Employed	965,365,509	996,238,270	1,037,962,152	1,045,042,824

PEU Comments

The Board reported a loss of E0.082m compared to a profit of E2.90m last quarter and this was due to Institutional Housing fees which declined to E13.98m from E18.05m last quarter. Total expenditure almost remained constant at E27.35m compared to E27.78m last quarter.

The payments to the Institutional Housing Project Financiers had been addressed by the Board and the Central Agencies. There had been a review of the way these funds are provided for in the Government budget i.e. relocation from recurrent provision in the Ministry of Public Service to Statutory provision in the Ministry of Finance. The Board received E2.5m as part of the new arrangement to capitalize the entity.

IX. LABOUR SECTOR

31. CONCILIATION, MEDIATION & ARBITRATION COMMISSION (CMAC)

Parent Ministry: Labour and Social Security

CMAC reported as follows for the quarter,

Operational Review

- The Commission provided services to 759 stakeholders compared to 891 last quarter. A total of 208 disputes were reported for conciliation, of which 192 were processed.
- The processing rate was at 63% compared to 64% last quarter, while the settlement rate was at 28% compared to 32% last period. The targets for the processing and settlement rates were 95% and 60% respectively.
- A total of 8 Memoranda of Agreement were lodged with the High Court compared to 10 last quarter.
- There were 72 active cases under arbitration compared to 74 last quarter and 3 matters were referred to arbitration by the Industrial Court. Overdue arbitration awards were 4.

Financial Situation

- Total revenue amounted to E4.34m compared to E4.09m last quarter.
- A surplus of E0.31m was recorded compared to a deficit of E0.61m last quarter.
- Total expenditure incurred amounted to E4.03m compared to E4.70m last quarter.

Outlook

The Commission looks forward to the launch of its strategic plan 2022-2027, development of a change management strategy, recruitment of part time commissioners, diversification to consumer Alternative Dispute Resolution for income generating purposes and increasing the uptake of virtual services for Conciliation, Mediation and Arbitration.

Financial Statements

Income Statement	2021	2021	2021	2021
	Dec. 31	Sep. 30	Jun. 30	Mar. 31

Income and Subvention	4,338,379	4,091,064	4,115,256	5,825,572
Expenditure	4,032,533	4,698,512	3,628,346	4,052,405
Surplus/Deficit	305,846	-607,448	486,911	1,773,167
Balance Sheet				
Fixed Assets	4,148,022	4,157,922	4,148,022	4,157,922
Investments	1,634,916	1,765,773	2,753,255	2,732,937
Current Assets	3,110,347	2,165,609	2,243,473	1,844,002
Current Liabilities	3,484,768	3,484,768	3,484,768	3,084,768
Net Current Assets/Liabilities	-374,421	-1,319,159	-1,241,295	-1,240,766
Employment of Capital	5,408,517	4,604,536	5,659,982	5,650,093
Share Capital				
Retained Income	1,744,264	688,819	1,744,264	2,734,376
Deferred Gov. Subvention	748,536	1,000,000	1,000,000	-
Long-Term Liability	2,915,717	2,915,717	2,915,717	2,915,717
Capital Employed	5,408,517	4,604,536	5,659,981	5,650,093

PEU Comments

The operational performance of the Commission continued to be way below the set targets, and as such, the recruitment exercise for part time Commissioners who will deal with the backlog of pending cases was still ongoing. Hopefully, this exercise will be completed very soon, as the arrival of these part time Commissioners is anticipated to have a positive effect on the operational performance of the Commission.

CMAC recorded a surplus of E0.31m compared to a deficit of E0.61m last quarter, mainly attributable to the decline in expenditure as it fell from E4.70m last quarter to E4.03m. Moreover, there was an increase in revenue from E4.09m to E4.34m.

32. ESWATINI NATIONAL PROVIDENT FUND (ENPF)

Parent Ministry: Ministry of Labour and Social Security

ENPF reported as follows for the quarter,

Operational Review

- The Fund received E106.8m in contributions compared to E104.8m last quarter.
- Member benefits paid amounted to E36.8m compared to E40.1m last year and the age benefit continued to be the most claimed benefit.
- The Fund continued to attract more voluntary lump sum contributions and supplementary contributions. The drive bore fruits of 7.68% this quarter.

- Claims were all processed in an average turnaround time of 2.1 days per claim compared to 1.79 days recorded the prior quarter.
- The Fund developed an SMS notification that enables sending of SMSs to all registered members who have availed their cell phone numbers to the Fund through their employers.
- The online member portal which is expected to be fully operational by the end of next quarter was developed. Through this portal, members will be able to initiate claims, view claim status and view their statements amongst other functionalities.

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Income Statement

	2021 Dec.31	2021 Sept.30	2021 June 30	2021 Mar. 31
Income	139,176,736	78,146,488	81,693,696	132,338,936
Expenditure	34,863,627	28,926,542	33,613,252	32,179,620
Profit/Loss	104,313,109	49,219,946	48,080,444	100,159,316

Balance Sheet

Fixed Assets	86,866,345	88,354,635	76,887,805	78,445,855
Investments Properties	565,444,000	565,444,000	541,743,468	541,743,468
Investments	3,842,670,781	3,529,456,954	3,342,322,257	3,291,968,511
Loans and advances	340,937,390	343,547,574	343,589,048	343,765,200
Current Assets	20,086,665	85,685,722	110,144,849	67,493,955
Current Liabilities	13,004,289	13,087,738	11,738,141	10,885,042
Net Current Assets	7,082,376	72,597,984	98,406,708	56,609,913
Total Employment of Capital	4,843,000,892	4,599,401,147	4,402,949,286	4,312,531,947
Non-Distributable Reserve	32,427,169	32,427,169	8,119,926	6,561,763
Contributions & members' int.	4,604,562,131	4,491,020,738	4,422,187,850	4,351,402,737
Reserves	10,015,469	9,198,223	19,542,965	19,542,965
Funeral Benefits Fund	3,439,180	3,000,430	2,550,430	2,724,180
Accumulated Profit/Loss	192,556,942	63,754,587	(49,451,884)	(67,699,699)
Total Capital Employed	4,843,000,892	4,599,401,147	4,402,949,286	4,312,531,947

PEU Comments

The Fund reported an increase in profit from E49.22m to E104.31m and this was informed by increases in investment income, as financial markets continued on an upward trend riding on the success of the

vaccination programmes as lock down restrictions were further eased up during the quarter. Expenditure also increased as several investment properties' capital projects commenced.

For the first time since the outbreak of the Covid-19 virus, the Fund posted positive reserves. This reiterates the fact that the investment strategy is well diversified, with a long-term investment horizon, designed to be resilient to market volatility and positioned to deliver on strategic priorities.

33. PUBLIC SERVICE PENSIONS FUND (PSPF)

Parent Ministry: Labour and Social Security

PSPF reported as follows for the quarter,

Operational Review

- The Fund had a membership of 40, 882 total active members compared to 41, 114 last period, of which 9, 975 were principal pensioners and 15, 940 dependent beneficiaries mainly children and spouses of members who also receive a pension from the Fund.
- The Fund provided 138 housing loan guarantees for active pensionable members compared to 283 last quarter.
- The Fund complied with the Retirement Funds Act by maintaining 45% of its gross assets (41% last quarter) in the domestic portfolio against the minimum requirement of 30%. The Portfolio held in Global assets stood at 22% against the maximum threshold of 20% approved by the Central Bank.
- A total of 306 active members exited the Fund compared to 296 last period, 111 through normal retirement, 24 through early retirement, 11 through forced retirement, 11 through expiry of contract and 12 through withdrawal. A total of 37 members died compared to 98 last quarter and 100 exited through abolition of office.
- A total of 438 (513 last quarter) beneficiary claims were received, 244 were paid and 194 unpaid due to outstanding documentation by the identified beneficiaries. Funeral benefits were paid to a total 130 members compared to 277 last quarter.

QUARTERLY BENEFITS AWARDED (E 'millions)

Description	Dec. 2021	Sep. 2021	Jun. 2021	Mar. 2021
Pension	244.14	249.83	233.55	225.33
Lump sum on retirement	63.20	68.20	55.37	62.21
Lump sum on deaths	9.62	32.46	11.27	40.02

Lump sum on withdrawals	0.95	0.32	0.33	0.79
Funeral expenses	1.31	2.77	1.22	3.85
TOTAL	344.79	353.60	301.74	332.20

- **TOTAL INVESTMENT INCOME (E ‘millions)**

Description	2021 Dec. 31	2021 Sep. 30	2021 Jun. 30	2021 Mar. 31
Dividends	61	196	93	21
Interest	167	155	163	255
Rentals	10	10	10	7
Realised profit	158	146	69	179
TOTAL	396	507	335	462

Financial Situation.

- Pension contributions were E302m compared to E301m last quarter.
- Withholding tax paid was E20.36m compared to E7.21m last quarter.
- Total expenditure declined to E409.65m from E416.13m last quarter.
- Accumulated funds increased to E30.31bln from E28.74bln last quarter.

Financial Statements

	2021 Dec. 31	2021 Sep. 30	2021 Jun. 30	2021 Mar. 31
Income Statement				
Contributions	299,606,262	302,455,745	302,234,918	300,800,185
Investment Income	395,913,719	507,675,076	335,401,012	461,248,252
Expenditure	409,645,872	416,132,614	364,211,724	415,141,794
Revaluation gains/(losses)	1,225,289,802	393,841,442	150,638,042	1,187,795,837
Surplus/deficit before tax	1,582,480,584	787,839,649	424,062,248	1,534,702,480
Withholding tax	8,001,581	20,359,185	7,205,999	10,552,122
Surplus/ Deficit	1,574,479,003	767,480,464	416,856,249	1,524,150,358

Balance Sheet

Property, Plant& equipment	40,447,248	40,535,416	40,989,652	41,317,846
Foreign Assets	18,268,701,014	16,849,671,611	16,176,628,187	15,924,273,551
Domestic Assets	12,009,588,730	11,982,628,126	11,727,539,287	11,549,021,854
Current Assets	110,252,230	135,159,484	142,808,205	146,037,711
Current Liabilities	(114,441,472)	(267,925,891)	(115,377,049)	(207,074,773)
Net Current Assets	(4,189,242)	(132,766,407)	27,431,156	(61,037,062)
Employment of Capital	30,314,547,749	28,740,068,746	27,972,588,282	27,453,576,189
Accumulated Profit/loss	30,314,547,749	28,740,068,746	27,972,588,282	27,453,576,189
Total Capital Employed	30,314,547,749	28,740,068,746	27,972,588,282	27,453,576,189

PEU Comments

The Fund's net surplus increased to E1.57bln from E0.77bln last quarter, attributable mainly to good performance by the South African portfolio. Total Investment income increased to E395.91m from E507.68m last quarter, attributable to higher realized profits and dividend income from the South African portfolio. The domestic portfolio contributed E2m dividend income compared to E24m last quarter.

The Fund continues to improve claims paid by exit date turnover. A total of 46% of received exits were paid within 5 days after retirement date. About 35% of the exits received were paid after 90 days had elapsed, which were abolition of office exits. Delays in the processing of other exits is mainly caused by missing documents from beneficiaries.

X. HEALTH SECTOR

34. NATIONAL EMERGENCY RESPONSE COUNCIL ON HIV/AIDS (NERCHA)

Parent Ministry: Prime Minister's Office

NERCHA reported as follows for the quarter,

Operational Review

- The National World AIDS Day held on the 1st December 2021, was preceded by three regional commemorations which were hosted both physically and virtually, in line with Covid-19

guidelines. The main gatherings from which the events were streamed were made up of regional representatives, representatives of primary target audiences and key technical experts as guest speakers.

- NERCHA continued providing social behaviour change interventions to first year students in Institutions of Higher Learning. Tertiary students were provided with Social Behaviour Change interventions, which are critical in reducing the risk of acquiring HIV. Further, the students were oriented on the various HIV and AIDS services available and encouraged to make use of these services
- To increase and sustain HIV awareness, NERCHA continued with a program hosted by EBIS on Tuesdays at 6.15pm (Intsambo lebovu) which addresses the risk of HIV acquisition.
- NERCHA undertook a rapid assessment to determine the drivers of the high HIV infections in 10 Tinkhundlas. The assessment highlighted that poverty, unemployment, alcohol, multiple partnerships, inconsistent condom use, and inter-generational sex are the main drivers of the new infections. Covid-19, including being out of school and loss of livelihoods, GBV and lack of access to HIV prevention services also increased vulnerability to HIV acquisition in these constituencies
- A total of 44 chiefdoms and 17 Tinkhundla collected and populated dashboards with their community data. The dashboards track performance on a broad spectrum of development indicators including those articulated in National Minimum package of HIV/AIDS Services at community level.
- The second phase of the People living with HIV (PLHIV) livelihood support programme was launched by His Excellency, the Right Honorable Prime Minister at Buhleni, during the World AIDS Day commemoration. A total of (30) support groups successfully submitted proposals for grants under this phase. The Livelihood program are designed to support PLHIV to adhere to treatment, thus reducing viral load which reduces the risk of HIV transmission.

Outlook

- Implementation of the decentralization coordination structures as anticipated in the National HIV/AIDS Coordination Framework.
- Conclusion of the midterm review of the National Multi-Sectoral HIV and AIDS framework 2018-2023.
- Closing the HIV/TB grant from the Global Fund and implement new grants including that for Covid-19.

- Undertake Program Review for Global Fund and prepare accelerations plans for activities lagging behind.
- Start the processes for reviewing progress made against achieving the ambitious targets set in the National Multi-Sectoral HIV and AIDS Framework 2018-2023.
- Host the External Auditors appointed by the Global Fund from the United Kingdom to undertake specific audit of the Global Fund Grants.

Financial Situation

- Grant Income received was E120.62m compared to E121.13m last quarter.
- Administration expenses, which include the cost of managing the Global Fund grants amounted to E7.90m.
- Total Program costs amounted to E49.7m (HIV and Aids E36.5m, Malaria E4.4m, TB E6.6m and Covid-19- E2.3m).

Financial Statements

	2021	2021	2021	2021
Income Statement	Dec. 31	Sep. 30	Jun. 30	Mar. 31
Income and Subvention	120,619,714	121,128,830	30,425,880	115,917,900
Deferred Income B/F	142,097,601	164,137,007	225 514 373	188,203,881
Expenditure	57,647,183	142,746,643	65,243,685	78 607 408
Foreign Exchange (L)/G	7,063,212	-421,592	-	-
Net Surplus/loss (deferred to next quarter)	212,133,344	142,097,601	190,696,568	225 514 373
Balance Sheet				
Fixed Assets	21,477,323	21,859,258	21 733 209	20 960 132
Investments				
Current Assets	205,442,600	175,831,662	248 743 953	220 426 126
Current Liabilities	14,786,579	33,579,554	69 514 620	53 182 378
Net Current Assets	190,656,021	142,252,108	179 229 333	167 243 747
Employment of Capital	212,133,344	164,111,366	200 962 542	188 203 880
Deferred Income	200,962,542	200,962,542	261 708 457	261 708 457
Grant Received During Period	270,787,693	30,425,880	224 895 012	134 871 517
Realised Grant	-259,616,890	-67,277,055	-285 640 927	-208 376 093

Capital Employed	212,133,344	164,111,366	200 962 542	188 203 880
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PEU Comments

Grant income received during the period amounted to E120.62m. The absorption of program funds, continued to slowly recover from the impact of the Covid-19 pandemic.

Program implementation expenses performed below budget, and this was largely due to the delayed delivery of commodities ordered for HIV, Tuberculosis and Covid-19. Not included in actual expenses is an expenditure of E12.9m for a Biosafety Level Laboratory, currently under construction at the Lubombo Referral Hospital. At the time of reporting, this laboratory was at 85% completion stage and it is likely to subsist for some time.

35. ESWATINI NAZARENE HEALTH INSTITUTIONS (ENHI)

Parent Ministry: Health

ENHI reported as follows for the quarter:

Operational Review

Activity	December 2021	September 2021
RFM ACTIVITY		
Patients seen (outpatient)	35,911	32,198
Medications issued (outpatient)	266,904	278,658

Admissions	2,621	2,456
Average length of stay/Days	6	5
Bed Occupancy rate	39%	54%
Death rate	5%	5%
Hospital Deaths	105	114
Minor surgeries	231	258
Major surgeries	18	48
Number of patients initiated on ART	81	84
Total patients on ART	18,079	17,991
Number of babies delivered	1,695	1,663
CLINICS ACTIVITY		
Antenatal care	3,945	3,757
Family planning	3,457	2,841
Emergency deliveries	0	1
Child welfare	7,921	7,152
HIV Test	4,325	4,290
ART initiation	185	175
ARV refills	14,267	12,700
Cervical Cancer Screening (VIA)	471	469
Dental Care Services	40 Extractions 10 check ups	51 Extractions 6 check ups

- The Institution together with Mercy Air conducted eye outreach services at Sigwe Inkhundla, Mzipha Clinic, Mgazini Clinic, Nhletjeni Clinic and Mkhitsini Clinic. A total of 322 clients were seen, of which 15 were diagnosed for cataract and 207 reading glasses were distributed.

Financial Situation

- Total revenue amounted to E58.11m compared to E83.14m last quarter. Revenue comprised of subvention (E48.10m), drugs and medical supplies (E7.10m) and patients fees (E1.98m).
- Total expenditure was E56.32m compared to E69.88m last quarter.

Financial Statements

	2021	2021	2021	2021
	Dec. 31	Sep. 30	Jun. 30	Mar. 31
Income Statement				
Income and Subvention	58,105,393	83,142,003	53,579,918	53,927,371
Expenditure	56,323,270	69,884,648	60,634,566	138,495,367
Surplus/Deficit	1,782,123	13,257,355	-7,054,648	-84,568,006
Balance Sheet				
Fixed Assets	450,299,075	449,944,918	449,664,320	212,217,035
Current Assets	34,745,888	36,769,641	51,412,935	49,709,384
Current Liabilities	350,113,131	353,564,850	370,562,424	360,830,104
Net Current Assets/Liabilities	-315,367,243	-316,795,209	-319,149,489	-311,120,720
Employment of Capital	134,931,832	133,149,709	130,514,831	-98,903,685
Designated Funds	460,512,141	460,512,141	471,134,618	232,724,277
Accumulated Surplus/Deficit	-325,580,309	-327,362,432	-340,619,787	-331,627,961
Capital Employed	134,931,832	133,149,709	130,514,831	-98,903,684

PEU Comments

In her endeavour to provide high quality health care services to all people in an affordable, equitable and accessible manner, the Institution conducted eye care outreach services in different places of the country, where a total of 322 patients were seen and 207 reading glasses distributed.

A huge decline in expenditure has been noted as it decreased from E69.88m to E56.32m this quarter, mainly due to cost of goods sold, which decreased from E12.43m to E8.21m and durables which declined from E4.49m to E0.45m.

The Institution continues not to remit statutory deductions such as PAYE and this inability is a cause for concern, as it escalates the Institution's liabilities.

36. GOOD SHEPHERD HOSPITAL (GSH)

Parent Ministry: Health

GSH reported as follows for the quarter,

Operational Review

Hospital Performance Report

Activity	Dec. 31	Sep. 30	Jun. 30	Mar. 31
GOOD SHEPHERD ACTIVITY				
OPD Visits	19,679	18,997	18,120	18,850
Admissions	1,853	1,790	1,995	1,972
Deliveries	940	900	974	873
Average length of stay/Days	5 days	6 days	5 days	5 days
Occupancy rate	31%	31%	30%	34%
Death rate	3.6%	3.6%	3.1%	6.54%
Minor surgeries	219	219	289	166
Major surgeries	226	226	216	193
CLINICAL ACTIVITY				
Number of patients seen	19,679	18,997	18,120	18,850
Main OPD	9,957	9,477	8,850	9,680
Children's OPD	473	461	346	401
Home Based Care	134	173	94	32
VCT	31	26	28	29
ART	24,592	24,498	24,594	24,529
ENT	281	270	323	326
EYE	1,932	1,933	1,876	1,341
Physiotherapy	181	115	90	103
Radiology	3,886	3,832	3,311	4,104
Laboratory	27,563	27,058	24,049	25,316
Social Welfare	41	66	42	69
Theatre	575	445	505	359
Mortuary Services	72	110	67	129

- There was an increase in patient inflow with OPD services reflecting an increase of 3.5%, followed by ART services.
- The Hospital continued to conduct vigorous Covid-19 screenings and 48,829 screenings were conducted, with 123 suspected cases and 53 positive cases admitted and 1 death was recorded.
- Admitted patients increased by 3.5% to 1853 from 1790 patients last quarter.
- The 2021 – 2025 strategy was launched and construction of the new OPD building commenced.

Financial Situation

- Income generated was E6.61m compared to E5.16m last quarter.
- Government subvention was E33.70m compared to E27.70m last quarter.
- Total expenditure amounted to E37.31m compared to E34.35m last quarter.

Financial Statements

	2021 Dec. 31	2021 Sep. 30	2021 Jun. 30	2021 Mar. 31
Income Statement				
Subvention	33,700,000	27,700,000	27,700,000	25,200,000
Other income	6,610,607	5,158,844	3,940,426	3,929,641
Total income	44,310,607	32,858,844	31,640,426	30,998,594
Expenditure	37,305,635	34,345,230	32,967,436	34,162,194
Surplus/Deficit	7,004,972	-1,486,386	-1,327,010	-3,163,600
Fixed Assets	104,115,868	103,431,124	103,134,706	57,920,342
Current Assets	21,416,262	38,165,445	29,967,120	36,108,781
Current Liabilities	194,166,378	178,893,209	176,351,005	172,126,855
Net Current Assets	-172,750,116	-140,727,764	-146,383,885	-136,018,074
Employment of Capital	-68,634,248	-37,296,640	-43,249,179	-78,097,732
Share Capital				
Accum. Surplus/Deficit	-127,668,350	-96,330,743	-96,770,830	-95,443,820
Revaluation Reserves	59,034,102	59,034,103	53,521,651	17,346,087
Total Capital Employed	-68,634,248	-37,296,640	-43,249,179	-78,097,733

PEU Comments

The Hospital's current liabilities continue to increase quarter to quarter. The increase this quarter is due to increases in the provisions for severance/gratuity and tax liability. GSH is commended for the commitment it has shown in reducing to clear, the Pay As You Earn arrears. The Government of Eswatini is requested to meet this Institution half-way with regards to the arrears and penalties.

A 28% increase in other income was realised and this was due to college tuition fees received, as well as revenue collection efficiencies, as the hospital continues to improve its revenue collection methods and processes.

The Hospital is encouraged to continue providing Health Services to the Lubombo Community and surrounding areas.

XI. SPORTS SECTOR

37. ESWATINI NATIONAL SPORTS & RECREATION COUNCIL (ENSRC)

Parent Ministry: Sports, Culture & Youth Affairs

ENSRC reported as follows for the quarter,

Operational Review

- The Council conducted 2 Shukuma Eswatini outreach activities at Nkwene Inkhundla Centre and Mhlangatane, where different corporate partners were invited.
- ESRC participated in the 9th Edition of the African Union Sports Council Region 5 Youth Games in Maseru. Eswatini participated in athletics, boxing, football, swimming, taekwondo and volleyball.
- The Eswatini Sports & Recreation Council continues to maintain positive and meaningful relations with the various media houses as evidenced by the extensive and positive reporting realised during the period under review.
- The Council maintained its weekly column on the Eswatini Observer and Times of Eswatini, which continued to be a source of information for the public on all our programmes and activities, including those of recognised sports associations.
- The Councils reported considerable growth on its Facebook Page and its website had been updated on a weekly basis with Council activities and activities of the recognized sports bodies.

Financial Situation

- Total income was E1.84m (subvention).
- Total expenditure was E3.32m compared to E2.79m last quarter.
- A deficit of E1.48m was incurred against a surplus of E0.15m last quarter.

Financial Statement

	2021	2021	2021	2021
Income Statement	Dec.31	Sep.30	Jun.30	Mar.31
Subvention	1,839,390	2,931,903	1,931,177	1,646,246
Income			5,335	-
Expenditure	3,317,964	2,786,412	1,647,028	1,296,380
Surplus/Deficit	-1,478,574	145,491	289,484	349,866
Balance Sheet				
Fixed Assets	736,093	781,713	833,800	615,083
Current Assets	1,006,628	2,503,748	2,306,170	2,019,967
Current Liabilities	2,149,322	2,213,487	2,213,487	5,920
Net Current Assets	-1,142,694	290,261	92,663	2,014,047
Employment of Capital	-406,600	1,071,974	926,484	2,629,130
Accumulated Funds	-406,427	1,072,147	926,656	2,619,081
Long-term loans	-173	-172	-172	10,049
Capital Employed	-406,600	1,071,975	926,484	2,629,130

The Council received a subvention of E1.84m compared to E2.93m last quarter. Total expenditure was E3.32m, resulting in a deficit of E1.48m. The deficit can be hugely attributed to the fact that most of the organization's activities resumed after the relaxation of Covid-19 regulations.

More sports codes were allowed by Government to resume activities this quarter. These are good news to athletes as performing means income. While some Governments provide rescue funding packages for the sector, the prolonged restrictions would have eventually led to many closures and redundancies.

38. ESWATINI NATIONAL COUNCIL OF ARTS AND CULTURE (ENCAC)

Parent Ministry: Sports, Culture & Youth Affairs

ENCAC reported as follows for the quarter,

Operational Review

- The Council hosted a sibhaca and Ingadla Competition 2021, where a total of 31 teams registered and participated in the one-day event.
- The Council with its affiliate, launched a campaign to get Eswatini vaccinated fast. This was an effort by the Council and other arts bodies aimed at stopping the interruptions in the industry by having more arts consumers vaccinated.
- ENCAC also launched the Miss Heritage 2021/22 and the pageant was able to attract the participation of corporate entities as they pledged financial and technical support.
- The 2nd Edition of the Social media Awards, started at regional level, where young people were presented with an opportunity to learn on the advantages and disadvantages of social media.
- The Council participated in a Cultural Exchange Programme with the Republic of India through participation in the National Tribal Dance Festival.
- A total of seventy event applications were received and 67 event permits were issued to various arts venues and arts stables.
- Over 7 local designers and 12 models participated in a 2 day fashion show, showcasing Eswatini designers. As part of the programme, local designers had the opportunity to exchange ideas with international designers.
- The Council launched the film festival which kicked off with training of over 150 young people. A total of 22 film entries were received for the National Film festival.

Financial Situation

- Total income was E0.99m (Government subvention plus other income).
- Total expenditure was E1.32m compared to E0.94m last quarter.

Financial Statements

Income Statement	2021	2021	2021	2021
	Dec. 31	Sep. 30	Jun. 30	Mar. 31
Subvention	994,840	994,840	994,840	1,008,105
Other Income	10,300	1,500	2,500	12,500
Total Income	1,005,140	996,340	997,340	1,020,605
Expenditure	1,323,120	943,331	833,603	706,312
Surplus/ Deficit	-317,980	53,008	163,736	314,292

Balance Sheet

Fixed Assets	111,926	113,193	95,723	81,223
Current Assets	364,413	719,046	668,005	503,487
Current Liabilities	148,000	31,408	43,665	55,231
Net Current Assets	216,413	687,538	625,340	448,256
Total Capital Employed	328,339	800,831	720,063	529,479
Acc. Deficit/Surplus	328,339	800,831	720,063	529,479
Total employment of Capital	328,339	800,831	720,063	529,479

PEU Comments

Total income for the quarter was E1.005m compared to E0.997m last quarter, while expenditure slightly increased from E0.93m to E1.32m, resulting in a deficit of E0.32m.

The global spread of COVID-19 in the early months of 2020 triggered monumental upheaval within the arts and creative industries. The instigation of lockdown measures in countries internationally led to the immediate closure of public spaces, galleries, exhibitions, museums, arts venues, and other cultural assets. This therefore provided new opportunities for arts and cultural engagement through virtual activities and streamed performances.

39. ESWATINI NATIONAL YOUTH COUNCIL (ENYC)

Parent Ministry: Sports, Culture and Youth Affairs

ENYC reported as follows for the quarter,

Operational Review

- The Council coordinated the SADC Youth Co-operatives Summit 2021 which provided a platform to share experiences and understand the economic environments of member states, to sensitize youth about co-operatives, providing them an opportunity to understand the cooperative model and principles in doing business in the face of Covid-19 and beyond. The Program, therefore, demonstrated to the youth how they could create employment through cooperation using the skills and education acquired.
- Through the bilateral relation between the Government of the Republic of China in Taiwan and the Government of the Kingdom of Eswatini, the Youth Council has been able to mobilized resources for the Insika Yensha Youth Entrepreneurship Development Program. This Program seeks to, among other

things, increase opportunities for youth income generation projects, through youth access to advisory services and increased number of businesses hiring rural youth.

- The Council engaged in a regional dissemination exercise for the 2020 reviewed National Youth Policy (NYP). This was meant to improve access and reach for all Inkhundla leadership who influence policies from grassroots level. A total of 400 copies were distributed, as a way of popularizing NYP to community, constituency and national level legislators.
- Junior Achievement Eswatini partnered with the ENYC on an entrepreneurial and incubation programme based in the Shiselweni Region. A total of 100 trained young entrepreneurs were targeted through the programme and 30 young entrepreneurs were to be awarded with seed capital. ENYC complemented the already existing seed capital offered by JAE.

Outlook

- Finalize working document between the Matsapha Town Council for the Matsapha Youth Economic Development Program.
- Roll-out the Insika Yensha Youth Development Program.
- Register and support youth accelerator projects, youth groups in co-operatives and youth in the TVET track.
- Monitoring and profiling of supported youth groups and projects.

Financial Situation

- Total revenue was E1.15m compared to E1.21m last quarter.
- Total expenditure was E1.23m compared to E1.44m last quarter.

Financial Statements

	2021	2021	2021	2021
Income Statement	Dec. 31	Sep. 30	Jun. 30	Mar. 31
Income and Subvention	1,147,125	1,207,505	1,207,505	1,014,419
Expenditure	1,232,325	1,441,401	1,153,395	1,093,170
Surplus/Deficit	-85,200	-233,896	54,110	(78,751)

Balance Sheet

Fixed Assets	446,132	425,054	412,404	412,404
Current Assets	723,610	624,425	272,006	130,133
Current Liabilities	1,111,040	1 068 005	855,888	914,580
Net Current Assets/Liabilities	-387,430	443,580	-583,882	-784,447
Employment of Capital	58,702	-18,526	-171,478	-372,043

Share Capital

Retained Income	-318 823	-233,896	-318,823	-372 043
Provision for Gratuity	377,525	215,370	147,345	-
Total Capital Employed	58,702	-18,526	-171,478	-372,043

PEU Comments

ENYC continued to partner with both Governmental and non-Governmental organisations, which support youth related activities in line with their mandate. The Council's resource mobilization initiatives have resulted in them receiving funding from the Republic of China in Taiwan, which has been used to fund the Youth Entrepreneurship Development Program.

The Institution continues to experience liquidity issues as current liabilities are more than current assets. The main contributor to the liabilities is PAYE arrears, which increase every quarter. The continuous budget cuts affect the Institution's going concern as well as its ability to execute its mandate.

XII. DISASTER MANAGEMENT SECTOR**40. BAPHALALI ESWATINI RED CROSS SOCIETY (BERCS)**

Parent Ministry: Deputy Prime Minister's Office

Red Cross reported as follows for the quarter,

Operational Review

- Baphalali was able to respond to a total of 41 fire incidences in 32 different households, which affected 217 people.
- In some parts of the country, some constituencies experienced windstorms (strong winds), which left a trail of damage in some communities. A total of 259 households with 1616 people were severely

affected by the storm. Baphalali responded by conducting assessments and distribution of response material to the affected households.

- Baphalali Eswatini Red Cross Society (BERCS) continued to support migrants with telephone services in Malindza Refugee Camp where a total of 967 calls were facilitated.
- Baphalali, in collaboration with Finnish Red Cross have been implementing two food security projects in the Shiselweni region assisting a total of 6700 households, through cash transfers and livelihood activities. Out of the 6700 households, 3200 households were getting cash transfers at a cash value of E700.00 per month (throughout the reporting period), while 3500 households were assisted with livelihoods activities which are mainly agricultural inputs.
- Baphalali conducted a targeting and distribution process of Government food commodities from NDMA to vulnerable people affected by the Covid-19 pandemic in the Shiselweni and Hhohho Regions.
- Baphalali identified OVCs in schools around Silele and Sigombeni clinics, who were then assisted with food and non-food items as per the critical need at the time. A total of 100 children were assisted with these packs.
- Following the devastating cyclone Eloise in February 2021, Baphalali with assistance from local companies were able to construct and finish 11 houses (two roomed houses) for the vulnerable households.
- Baphalali Eswatini Red Cross health care facilities rendered health care services to 31,747 people through Mahwalala, Sigombeni and Silele Red Cross clinics.
- A total number of 6, 338 people were given health assistance during Incwala ceremony. This included administering of ORS, Bandage, Cough mixture and Plaster amongst others.

Financial Situation

- Total income was E11.73m compared to E17.37m last quarter.
- There was a surplus of E2.23m compared to a surplus of E7.89m the previous quarter.

Financial Statements

	2021	2021	2021	2021
Income Statement	Dec. 31	Sep. 30	Jun. 30	Mar. 31
Subvention	2,572,069	2,572,069	2,572,069	2,762,763
Other income	9,165,122	14,797,215	13,853,815	6 963 773

Total income & subvention	11,737,191	17,369,284	16,425,884	9,726,536
Expenditure	9,416,590	9,483,843	12,418,703	7,563,603
Surplus/Deficit	2,230,601	7,885,441	4,007,181	2,162,933

Balance Sheet

Fixed Assets	11,586,557	11,586,557	11,565,357	13,318,821
Investments	360,000	360,000	350,000	350,000
Current Assets	16,659,909	19,416,190	19,845,511	15,122,077
Current Liabilities	1,051,163	1,305,366	1,420,324	881,434
Net Current Assets	15,608,746	18,110,824	18,425,187	14 240 643
Total Employment of Capital	27,555,303	30,057,381	30,350,544	27 909 464
Special Funds	-	-	-	-
Accum. Surplus/Deficit	1,808,772	4,310,850	4,604,013	2,162,933
Revaluation Reserves	25,746,531	25,746,531	25,746,531	25,746,531
Other Funds	-	-	-	-
Total Capital Employed	27,555,303	30,057,381	30,350,544	27,909,464

PEU Comments

BERCS consolidated revenue received was E11.74m compared to E17.37m last quarter and total expenditure was E9.42m, resulting in a surplus of E2.23m.

The quarter was characterized by a lot of disasters including the heavy rains, leading to the collapse of houses, Covid-19 pandemic, and many others, which in their very nature, Baphalali was forced to focus more on responding to the pandemic while also providing other services to the public. Baphalali Eswatini Red Cross Society (BERCS) continued to provide services to the public on Disaster Management, Health Care and First Aid.

41. NATIONAL DISASTER MANAGEMENT AGENCY (NDMA)

Parent Ministry: Deputy Prime Minister's Office

NDMA reported as follows for the quarter,

Operational review

- The focus of the Agency continued to be the Covid-19 Emergency Response. A fourth wave of infections caused by the Omicron variant was confirmed by the Ministry of Health. Covid-19 awareness campaigns in communities, through Regional Disaster Risk Management Teams continued to ensure compliance to Covid-19 regulations as well as encourage uptake of the vaccine. Social media and radio content was also developed to disseminate information to the public.
- The food assistance program donated rice to 74,557 households across all constituencies and distributed 1.14m litres of portable water.
- A total of 13, 107 households benefited from Cash Based Transfers (CBT) from the Kirsh Foundation, where each household received E700 per month.
- A total of 166 houses were constructed and 104 rehabilitated. The Agency also coordinated the rehabilitation of 11 bridges and 1098km of roads.
- About 2, 750 households were damaged by hailstorms, affecting about 13, 749 people. A combined 2, 819 households were affected by storms and fires and relief material comprising of food, tents, blankets and mattresses was provided to affected households.
- The Research and Early Warning Unit developed and approved Terms of Reference for the implementation of the Drought Preparedness and Resilience Project and a framework for vulnerability assessments using Unmanned Ariel Vehicles (UAV) and remote sensing technologies.

Outlook

- Continue coordination of Covid-19 response in collaboration with the Ministry of Health, implementation of the CBT Project by the Kirsh Foundation.
- Continue coordinating the rehabilitation, reconstruction of road infrastructure and houses in collaboration with the Ministry of Works.
- Finalize review of strategic plan and implementation of quality management systems.

Financial Situation

- The Agency received E5.54m subvention.
- Total expenditure was E4.82m against E4.52m last quarter, the Covid-19 Project had E27.16m, Cyclone Eloise E5.76m and Child Headed Household Project had E0.073m.
- Total donations from World vision for the Covid-19 Response Project amounted to E0.91m.

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	2021 Dec. 31	2020 Dec. 31	2020 Sep. 30	2020 Jun. 30
Income Statement				
Government subvention	5,543,750	5,725,000	2,862,500	2,862,750
Deferred Income-Agency	(719,409)	(1,205,785)	(373,993)	883,500
Other income	9	6		357,379
Donations	-	-	1,090,809	58,907,108
Expenditure	4,824,341	4,519,214	3,579,316	124,063,244
Surplus/Deficit	9	6	0	1,379
Balance Sheet				
Fixed Assets	16,842,646	16,010,493	15,889,348	18,146,416
Current Assets	4,034,808	4,183,520	2,456,415	2,702,220
Current liabilities	796,650	3,686,979	3,215,860	2,924,835
Net Current Assets	3,238,158	496,541	(795,445)	(220,615)
Total Employment of Capital	20,080,804	16,507,034	15,129,903	17,923,801
Deferred Grant Income	-	(292,392)	(1,669,523)	(443,506)
Amortised grant	4,849,260	(5,133,887)	(5,133,887)	(3,566,005)
Retained income	15,231,544	21,933,313	21,933,313	21,933,313
Total Capital Employed	20,080,804	16,507,034	15,129,903	17,923,801

PEU Comments

The Agency reported E9.00 surplus, as total income was almost equivalent to total expenditure. The Agency could not fully carry out planned activities due to cash flow constraints in the first part of the quarter. Available resources had to be diverted to the hailstorm that hit the country in early November.

The Agency continued with the Covid-19 Response Food Assistance Program, cash-based transfers, portable water distribution, and the rehabilitation and construction of houses and road infrastructure. The Agency also responded to the hailstorm disaster in November.

We commend the Agency for finally launching and disseminating the Tropical Cyclone Readiness Plan to stakeholders, in line with the Agency's approach of prioritising preparedness and resilience over response.

XIII. REGULATORY SECTOR

42. ESWATINI ENERGY REGULATORY AUTHORITY (ESERA)

Parent Ministry: Natural Resources & Energy

ESERA reported as follows for the quarter,

Operational review

- The Authority received 70 new applications for petroleum licenses, of which 29 were for retail, 33 for commercial consumers, 2 for wholesale and 6 for LPG. The Authority issued 8 new licenses for retail and 2 for commercial operations.
- Under quality monitoring of petroleum products, ESERA took samples from 41 sites to the fuel testing laboratory for testing, and 153 sites were inspected under the Downstream Petroleum Facilities Compliance Programme.
- The Authority, through an invitation from the Directorate of Industrial and Vocational Training (DIVT) participated in the review of Electrical Unit Standards. The Authority also received the Mini-grids and Off-grids assessment report and was officially notified of the Global Environment Facility's (GEF) endorsement and approval for the GEF Africa Mini-grids Program for the country. The Authority procured 5 additional power quality monitoring instruments to ensure increased coverage of monitoring across the network.
- The Authority continued to monitor the performance of the Utility for the third quarter of 2021. Revenues recovered were E607.5m against a budget of E629.4m, cost of sales were 1% above budget and operational expenditure was 42% below budget. The Authority was in the process of developing the Electricity Supply Industry (ESI) guidelines, whose objective is to regulate third-party access to

the national grid. A study to inform the optimal level of cross-subsidies between customer categories under the Subsidy Framework was ongoing.

- ESERA completed the development of the Stakeholder Management Strategy and Implementation plan and undertook stakeholder education on fuel permit application and issuance for farming, LPG regulation and safety standards, electricity safety and efficiency during the rainy and festive seasons. Draft Regulations for registration, control and operation of electricians were developed and await engagement with the Ministry and other stakeholders.
- The evaluation of Request for Qualification stage on the 40MW Biomass procurement was successfully completed and 4 bidders were shortlisted to proceed to the Request for Proposal (RFP) stage.
- Following the Independent Review Committee (IRC) ruling against the Authority in the 40MW Solar PV procurement, the Authority took the IRC's verdict for review at the High Court.

Outlook

- Completion of scope for wheeling framework for the local Electricity Supply Industry, review tariff methodology against Ring-Fencing Guidelines, advance study on optimal level of cross-subsidy, develop Petroleum Compliance Framework.
- Continuation of activities to be undertaken prior to implementation of Small-Scale Embedded Generation Framework, develop technical regulation mechanisms for oil and gas, procurement of consultancy to undertake Grid Code Review, conclude regulation for the registration and control of electricians.
- Review of technology architecture and capacity, continue with procurement of 40MW PV solar and 40MW biomass projects.

Financial Situation

- Deferred Grant income was E0.58m compared to E0.98m last quarter.
- Cash and cash equivalents for the quarter was E18.42m compared to E18.51m last quarter.
- Accounts receivable were E7.56m compared to E18.71m last quarter.
- Total expenditure was E11.31m compared to E7.11m last quarter.

Financial Statements

	2021 Dec. 31	2021 Sep. 30	2021 Jun. 30	2021 Mar. 31
Income Statement				
Government subvention	-	-	-	1,176,000
Licence fees	10,375,630	5,912,177	8,166,028	6,158,004
Other income	1,080,190	1,330,661	672,264	595,552
Expenditure	11,312,121	7,108,437	8,700,974	7,773,184
Operating surplus/Loss	143,698	134,401	137,318	156,371
Balance Sheet				
Fixed Assets	6,077,815	5,664,765	5,547,671	5,668,683
Current Assets	25,986,578	37,220,273	34,274,401	82,999,026
Current Liabilities	2,560,610	2,934,933	2,689,062	1,459,861
Net Current Assets	23,425,968	34,285,340	31,585,339	81,539,165
Total Employment of Capital	29,503,783	39,950,105	37,133,010	87,207,848
Finance lease obligation	3,102,866	3,102,866	3,112,367	3,215,414
Retained income	3,971,091	3,827,393	3,692,992	3,555,674
Deferred Grant income	576,852	982,726	1,037,936	64,115,258
Deferred Income	21,852,973	32,037,119	29,289,715	16,321,503
Total Capital Employed	29,503,783	39,950,105	37,133,010	87,207,849

PEU Comments

The Authority realised a surplus of E0.14m compared to a surplus of E0.13m last quarter. There was an increase in Licence Fees, which was able to accommodate the increase in expenditure compared to last period.

The Authority has identified a need for petroleum regulations and gazetted inspectors for the effective enforcement of compliance by licensees to regulations, industry standards and licence conditions. These will ensure the effectiveness of all inspection activities. The Authority is encouraged to continue liaising with the Ministry, which has the mandate to develop such an instrument.

43. FINANCIAL SERVICES REGULATORY AUTHORITY (FSRA)

Parent Ministry: Finance

FSRA reported as follows for the quarter,

Operational Review

- A total of 22 entities out of 27 submitted their applications for renewal of licences on time and the Capital Markets Industry had a total of 27 licensed entities.
- Total assets under management amounted to E30.6bln, with Institutional Retirement Funds claiming 73%, Collective Investment Schemes and Companies held 8% each and the rest were SACCOs and others.
- SACCOs' total assets increased by 1.4% to E2.27bln, Credit Providers' total assets grew by 0.2% to E6.1bln and Building Societies assets increased by 3% to E2.98bln from E2.89bln last quarter.
- SACCOs' member savings increased by 1.9% to E1.69bln, whilst Building Societies savings improved to E1.21bln, resulting in a 2.62% increase in overall savings.
- Under the Insurance and Retirement Funds Sector, there were 470 entities and 147 individual agents under supervision. A total of 12 entities were deregistered.
- The Re-Insurance Bill, 2021 was published by the Ministry of Finance on 22 October 2021, with the purpose to allow stakeholders the opportunity to go through the Bill and submit their comments.
- The Consumer Credit (Amendment) Act, 2021 was published in the Government Gazette on the 26th November 2021, with the purpose to amend the Consumer Credit Act so that it can be harmonized with the Central Bank Order, 1974, the Financial Institutions Act, 2005 and the FSRA Act, 2010.
- Intervention measures were initiated against three Insurance Brokers who continued to operate in the financial services space, yet they failed to apply for renewal of their licences.
- The Authority was in the process of finalising its sectorial risk assessment to implement a risk based approach to AML/CFT supervision, the 2nd and 3rd Drafts of the Mutual Evaluation Report were received.
- FSRA took part in the National Cyber Security Awareness month, which starts from October to November and joined other organizations in the promotion of the National Customer Service Week.
- To raise awareness on its role, the Authority launched electronic billboards in Mbabane in the month of October 2021.

Ombudsman of Financial Services

- Registered complaints increased by 25% to 15 from 12 last quarter and most of them were savings and credit complaints.
- A total of 55 queries were received, 6 of them were opened and registered as formal complaints.
- The OFS and Eswatini Competition Commission co-hosted the Power of Service Webinar where the Webinar panel discussed the growth impact of alternative dispute resolution in Eswatini.
- Consumer Public Education Awareness continued on Social Media and Facebook had the highest number of views and followers, followed by LinkedIn and Twitter had the lowest.

Eswatini Stock Exchange (ESE)

- There were 7 listed companies on the ESE main Board with Royal Eswatini Sugar claiming the highest stake at 34.00%, followed by SBC Limited at 20.16% and Swd Empowerment Limited at 15.64%.
- The ESE Market Capitalization increased to E4.293bln from E4.258bln last quarter and the increase was due to the Greystone Partners Share price increase by 50 basis points.
- The ESE all Share Index increased to 461.67 from 457.96 last quarter.
- A turnover of E0.42m was recorded from a sale of 155,516 shares over a total of 15 trades concluded over the quarter.

Financial Situation

- Total income was E5.73m against E14.66m last quarter.
- Total expenditure was E12.83m against E11.42m the previous quarter.
- Government Projects disbursements amounted to E0.06m compared to E2.61m last quarter.

Financial Statements

Income Statement

	2021	2021	2021	2021
	Dec. 31	Sep. 30	Jun. 30	Mar. 31
Income	5,727,624	14,663,755	32,484,397	14,395,606
Expenditure	12,829,916	11,417,310	11,629,696	13,510,438
Government Projects	64,144	2,612,534	2,660,758	2,121,917
Surplus/ Deficit	(7,166,436)	633,912	18,193,943	(1,236,749)

Balance Sheet

Fixed Assets	7,091,011	7,049,038	7,399,581	8,092,818
Current Assets	91,753,406	100,875,838	88,086,005	70,045,105
Current Liabilities	20,835,634	22,592,116	11,272,515	9,101,667
Net Current Assets	70,917,772	78,283,722	76,813,490	60,943,438
Total Employment of Capital	78,008,783	85,332,760	84,213,071	69,036,256

Capital & Reserves

Accumulated Surplus/deficit	76,279,965	83,603,942	82,484,253	64,642,935
Unclaimed benefits		-	-	-
Long Term Liabilities	1,728,818	1,728,818	1,728,818	4,393,321
Total Capital Employed	78,008,783	85,332,760	84,213,071	69,036,256

PEU Comments

The Authority incurred a deficit of E7.17m against a surplus of E0.63m attained last quarter, mainly attributable to less levies received. Total expenditure increased to E12.83m and 82.5% of that constituted salaries and staff training costs, as the Authority continues to capacitate its staff through online courses from reputable Academic Institutions in neighbouring South Africa and other International Organizations where affiliated.

The Ombudsman's Office continues to create awareness on social media platforms. This is attested by the increase in the number of registered complaints and it indicates that the Public is getting more and more aware of their rights on financial services. The Power of Service Webinar that was held with other stakeholders will promote public awareness about Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) in the country. The Authority is commended for such efforts as they promote a harmonious working environment and good stakeholder relationships, whilst ensuring that consumers are protected at all times.

44. ESWATINI COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION (ESCCOM)

Parent Ministry: Information Communication & Technology

ESCCOM reported as follows for the quarter,

Operational Review

- The Commission compiled data and computed ICT market indicators which are used for the compilation of quarterly macroeconomic statistics and annual forecasts by the Central Bank of Eswatini, Ministry of Economic Planning and Development as well as the Central Statistics Office.
- As this quarter fell on the National Cybersecurity Awareness month, the Commission undertook a workshop for IT professionals and phishing simulation to gauge cyber awareness amongst internet users. The theme of the awareness for this year was "*Tiphephise, Be cyber smart*".

- ESCCOM represented the country in the project to optimize the GE84 plan for the African Region and the activities for the project this quarter were the technical analysis of the interfering stations and coordination with the Republic of Mozambique and the Republic of South Africa.
- There were five renewal licence applications that were processed and issued to the respective licensees. A total of 38 equipment type approval were completed and certificates of same issued.
- The Commission conducted a quality of service measurements nation-wide drive test and NMS measurements for mobile services and a report was issued.
- The feasibility study on the National Addressing and Postcode Project was conducted. A final report which will inform the implementation and action plan of the project is expected next quarter.
- Subsequent to the Postal and Courier Licensing Guidelines 2021 coming into effect in September 2021, the Commission conducted a workshop to inform stakeholders on the developments and further appraise them on the steps to follow especially the application of licences.
- The Commission and Eswatini TV signed a contract where the Commission is assisting the Television financially, to enhance the Eswatini TV app which facilitates the viewing of live Eswatini TV programs anywhere in the world, including training of television content producers and television script writers.
- ESCCOM, through the Universal Access and Service Fund assisted the Ministry of Tinkhundla by procuring computers and printers for the Services Centres in order to be able to offer Births, Marriages and Death (BMDs) Certificates registration, IDs, passports and revenue services. Currently, the Ministry was on the process of setting up the equipment at the selected Tinkhundla centres.

Financial Situation

- Total revenue was E2.53m compared to E4.31m last quarter.
- Total expenditure incurred was E16.72m compared to E15.50 last quarter.

Outlook

- Regulatory inspections for Eswatini Mobile, licensing of postal and courier services, phase 2 of the household survey – data gathering and field work, implementation of UAS projects, expansion of 15 GSM Network, commencement of letter writing 2022 and broadcasting management system installation.

Financial Statements

	2021	2021	2021	2021
Income Statement	Dec. 31	Sep. 30	Jun. 30	Mar. 31
Revenue	2,533,096	4,309,217	2,769,333	122,605,424
Expenditure	16,720,960	15,495,061	15,099,300	29,158,353
Profit/Loss	-14,187,865	-11,185,845	-12,329,967	93,447,071

Balance Sheet

Fixed Assets	79,775,307	81,942,328	83,374,012	84,925,984
Investments	194,294,638	205,512,722	208,653,079	141,912,798
Current Assets	110,129,941	118,097,134	129,644,736	224,932,286
Current Liabilities	31,303,564	38,467,996	41,595,169	57,874,570
Net Current Assets/Liabilities	78,826,377	79,629,138	88,049,567	167,057,716
Employment of Capital	352,896,323	367,084,188	380,076,658	393,896,498
Share Capital				
Accumulated Funds	145,993,331	145,993,331	106,439,356	56,560,230
Deferred Grant	45,609	45,609	45,609	60,812
Profit/Loss for the year	-37,703,677	-23,515,812	-12,329,967	51,353,797
Designated Funds	244,561,060	244,561,060	285,921,659	285,921,659
Total Capital Employed	352,896,322	367,084,188	380,076,657	393,896,498

PEU Comments

The Commission is commended for procuring ICT equipment for the Tinkhundla Services Centres which will enable these Services Centres to offer BMDs registration, IDs, passports and revenue services. Such services will assist Emaswati not to travel long distances when they need to register for any of the mentioned documents.

As the world enters the Fourth Industrial Revolution it is imminent that the broadcasting services of the country brace themselves for such changes. The Commission is applauded for assisting Eswatini TV financially, to enhance the Eswatini TV app, which facilitates the viewing of live Eswatini programs anywhere in the world.

The Commission incurred a deficit amounting to E14.19m this quarter compared to a deficit of E11.19m last quarter. The increase in deficit was as a result of the decline in revenue as well as the increase in expenditure.

45. ESWATINI PUBLIC PROCUREMENT REGULATORY AUTHORITY (ESPPRA)

Parent Ministry: Finance

ESPPRA reported as follows for the quarter,

Operational review

- The Agency's Independent Review Committee (IRC) adjudicated and finalised one matter, received 56 deviation applications, approved 45, and declined 11.

- ESPPRA finalised 5 and initiated another 4 procurement audits. The Agency had 7 cases being investigated for possible violations of the Procurement Act and procedures.
- The Agency approved for a period of 3 months, Interim Tender Boards for 3 Public Entities.
- A total of 14 trainings were provided to 11 Public Entities, covering 292 participants on Public Procurement Legislation and Processes, roles and responsibilities of Entity Tender Boards, and Effective Tendering methods and evaluation processes.
- The Agency attended to 69 (77 last quarter) technical enquiries from Public Entities and Private Sector Companies through its advisory function within the Capacity Building and Advisory Department.

Financial Situation

- Subvention was E2.99m and other income was E1.22m.
- Total expenditure was E3.50m compared to E2.95m last quarter.

Financial Statements

	2021 Dec. 31	2021 Sep. 30	2021 Jun. 30	2021 Mar. 31
Income Statement				
Subvention	2,990,000	3,250,000	3,250,000	2,469,999
Deferred grant adjustment		0	0	0
Other income	1,216,416	1,009,834	537,477	909,844
Total Income	4,206,416	4,259,834	3,787,477	3,379,843
Expenditure	3,503,351	2,946,844	3,152,603	2,351,565
Surplus/Deficit	703,065	1,312,990	634,874	1,028,278

Balance Sheet

Fixed Assets	553,108	632,976	684,763	714,399
Current Assets	2,486,879	4,328,530	3,871,263	3,220,367
Current Liabilities	6,446,046	6,023,516	6,117,354	5,977,618
Net Current Assets	(3,959,167)	1,694,986	(2,246,090)	(2,757,251)
Total Employment of Capital	(3,406,059)	(1,062,010)	(1,561,327)	(2,042,852)
Retained Income	(416,059)	(1,062,010)	(1,561,327)	(2,042,852)
Deferred Grant Income	(2,990,000)	0	0	0
Long Term Liabilities		0	0	0
Total Capital Employed	(3,406,059)	(1,062,010)	(1,561,327)	(2,042,852)

PEU comments

ESPPRA realised a surplus of E0.70m compared to a surplus of E1.31m last quarter, attributable mainly to the Agency incurring more expenditure than the last quarter.

The Agency has reported that it has managed to develop tools for the Workload and Capacity Assessment (WCA) for Entity Tender Boards. We urge the Agency urgently embark on this exercise as planned, in order to improve efficiencies in Public Procurement.

46. ESWATINI NATIONAL PETROLEUM COMPANY (ENPC)

Parent Ministry: Natural Resources & Energy

ENPC reported as follows for the quarter,

Operational Review

- ENPC received the first draft report from the consultant for Land Use Planning/Zoning of the Phuzumoya Strategic Oil Reserve facility site. The Consultant is expected to complete the exercise next quarter.
- The Company was finalizing a Bills of Quantities and an engineer's costing for the Strategic Oil Reserve Project. Technical evaluations were completed this quarter.
- The consultant appointed to carry out the Filling Station Network Survey and GIS mapping of all existing stations submitted the final report which included a Land Assessment, traffic surveys and a financial analysis report.

Outlook

- Completion of Land Planning/Zoning, marketing/branding strategy, development of Company policy framework, salary grading structure.
- Complete recruitment for key executive positions and finalize development of Company Policies and salary grading structure.

Financial Situation

- ENPC received E29.25m fuel levy, E0.75m subvention, E0.94m interest earned and other income from tender fees of E2 000.00.
- Total operational expenditure amounted to E3.80m, and designated funds transferred amounted to E25.07m.
- The Company made a profit of E2.07m.

PEU Comments

The Company collected E29.25m fuel levy compared to E29.03m last quarter, following the promulgation of the Petroleum Act of 2020. The recruitment processes of key personnel has been finalised and the Chief Financial Officer (CFO) has been approved by SCOPE. We hope these appointments are made soonest in order to fully operationalise the Company and give it strategic direction.

47. ROYAL SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY PARK (RSTP)

Parent ministry: ministry of ICT

RSTP reported as follows for the quarter,

Operational review

- The Royal Science and Technology Park (RSTP) continued with the capital projects on both the Biotechnology Park and innovation Park sites. A loan from EXIM Bank of India for the construction of the Disaster Recovery Site (DRS) has been finalised and an Environmental Impact Assessment has been completed. The National Data Centre (NDC) received ISO 27001 certification.
- The Business Incubator increased its incubated start-ups to 45 across the four sectors, which are bio-technology, ICT, agriculture and food, climate change and environmental management. Some of the start-ups secured export contracts.
- RSTP continued with its awareness program on the Special Economic Zone (SEZ) in its role as Zone Developer, as per the SEZ Act, 2018. The Park facilitated a Bilateral Cooperation Agreement (MOU) with Hsinchu Science Park of Taiwan, aimed at promoting and encouraging beneficial business and investment relations.
- The Advanced School of IT (ASIT) trained a number of students in Coding Language, through a webinar during the Africa Code Week (ACW). The School also held a Cybersecurity for Information Technology Professionals and a Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics

(STEM) Careers and Skills for the Future webinar.

Outlook

- To continue managing the construction of the Biotechnology and Innovation Parks, continue with construction plan for Disaster Recovery Site.
- Acquire the National Biometric System to be consumed by all Government Ministries that will deliver services through the national biometric system, continue with webinar series focusing on biotechnology related topics, initiate plans for the construction of experimental laboratories.
- Pursue finalisation of Foreign Exchange Control and International Financial Services Model, seek financial resources for the Business Incubator, workshop key stakeholders on the SEZ Programme and pursue amendments to the SEZ Act.

Financial situation

- The Park received E14.98m subvention.
- Other income of E1.91m comprised of income from business units and interest.
- Expenditure incurred amounted to E24.69m compared to E19.46m last quarter.

Financial Statements

	2021	2021	2021	2021
Income Statement	Dec. 31	Sep. 30	Jun. 30	Mar. 31
Government subvention	14,982,108	11,356,250	11,356,250	12,500,000
Other income	1,913,678	1,449,611	1,026,968	1,042,575
Expenditure	24,685,589	19,461,228	14,185,394	19,287,819
Surplus/Deficit	(7,789,803)	(6,447,455)	(1,802,176)	(5,745,244)
Balance Sheet				
Fixed Assets	1,190,164,612	1,151,711,209	1,137,125,123	1,180,705,485
Current Assets	134,234,911	172,292,506	225,565,375	231,484,454
Current Liabilities	11,929,094	3,274,028	35,000,908	18,942,279
Net Current Assets	122,305,817	169,018,478	190,564,467	212,542,175
Total Employment of Capital	1,312,470,429	1,320,729,687	1,327,689,590	1,393,247,660
Retained income	(295,736,101)	(287,946,842)	(280,516,940)	(212,087,370)
Long Term Liabilities	1,608,206,529	1,608,206,529	1,608,206,529	1,605,335,029
Total Capital Employed	1,312,470,428	1,320,259,687	1,327,689,590	1,393,247,660

PEU Comments

RSTP incurred a deficit of E7.79m compared to a deficit of E6.45m last quarter attributable mainly to more expenditure incurred compared to last quarter.

The Park held a STEM Careers and Skills for the Future Webinar. The Park has lined up a series of such Webinars since STEM Education is very important for the economy and STEM jobs are the catalyst for the attainment of Sustainable Development Goals.

APPENDIX 1 - TABLE OF REPORTING COMPLIANCE

	2021	2021	2021	2021
PUBLIC ENTERPRISE	Dec. 31	Sep. 30	Jun. 30	Mar. 31
1. Eswatini Dairy Board	X	X	X	X
2. National Maize Corporation	X	X	X	X
3. Eswatini Cotton Board	X	X	X	X
4. National Agricultural Marketing Board	X		X	X
5. Eswatini Water and Agricultural Development Enterprise	X		X	X
6. Royal Eswatini National Airways Corporation.	X		X	X
7. Eswatini Railway	X		X	X
8. Central Transport Organization				
9. Eswatini National Provident Fund	X	X	X	X
10. Eswatini Development & Savings Bank	X	X	X	X
11. Eswatini Electricity Company	X	X	X	X
12. Eswatini Posts & Telecommunications Corporation	X	X	X	X
13. Eswatini Water Services Corporation	X	X	X	X
14. Eswatini National Industrial Development Corporation	X	X	X	X
15. Small Enterprises Development Company	X	X	X	X
16. Commercial Board*				
17. Eswatini Development Finance Corporation	X	X	X	X
18. University of Eswatini	X			
19. Sebenta National Institute	X	X	X	X
20. Piggs Peak Hotel & Casino	X	X	X	X
21. Eswatini Television Authority		X	X	X
22. Eswatini National Housing Board	X	X	X	X
23. Eswatini National Trust Commission	X	X	X	X
24. Eswatini Tourism Authority	X	X	X	
25. Eswatini Tourism Development Company*				
26. Eswatini Investment Promotion Authority	X	X	X	X
27. Sincephetelo Motor Vehicle Accident Fund	X	X	X	X
28. Conciliation, Mediation & Arbitration Commission	X	X	X	X
29. National Emergency Response Council on HIV/AIDS	X	X	X	X
30. Eswatini Environment Authority	X	X	X	X
31. Eswatini Standards Authority	X	X	X	X
32. Eswatini Revenue Services	X	X	X	X
33. Eswatini Competition Commission	X	X	X	X
34. Eswatini Nazarene Health Institutions	X	X	X	X
35. Good Shepherd Hospital	X	X	X	X
36. Eswatini Civil Aviation Authority	X	X	X	X
37. Eswatini Sports & Recreational Council	X	X	X	X
38. Eswatini National Youth Council	X	X	X	X
39. Eswatini Youth Enterprise Revolving Fund	X	X	X	X
40. Eswatini Council of Arts and Culture	X	X	X	X
41. Eswatini Energy Regulatory Authority	X	X	X	X
42. Eswatini Public Procurement Agency	X	X	X	X
43. Baphalali Red Cross Society	X	X	X	X
44. National Disaster Management Agency	X	X	X	X
45. Southern Africa Nazarene University	X	X	X	
46. Eswatini Communications Commission	X	X	X	X
47. Royal Science & Technology Park	X	X	X	X
48. Financial Services Regulatory Authority	X	X	X	X

49. Public Service Pension Fund	X	X	X	X
50. Eswatini Medical Christian University	X	X	X	X
51. Eswatini Higher Education Council				
52. Eswatini National Petroleum Company	X	X	X	X

X – Submitted * - Dormant

CONTRIBUTIONS REPORT FOR THE QUARTER ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2021

THE PUBLIC ENTERPRISE LOAN GUARANTEE (LGF) SCHEME QUARTERLY REPORT FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2021

- The Fund’s contributions for the quarter amounted to E10.47m from 4 Public Enterprises (PEs) compared to E2.52m collected last quarter.
- The Technical Rebate Fund had a share of E E0.21m, which was 20% of the total contributions made by the PEs over the quarter.
- An interest of E21.34m (E10.4m last period) was received from funds invested in various Banks (Eswatini Building Society, NedBank, Eswatini Bank, Standard Bank and CBE).
- The Eswatini Cotton Board Guarantee remained the only guarantee under the books of the Fund and there has been no changes in the E1.63m currently on issue.

CONTRIBUTIONS REPORT FOR THE QUARTER ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2021

Company Name	Amount (E)
1. Good Shepherd Hospital	50,000
2. Eswatini Post & Telecoms	3,973,989
3. Financial Services Regulatory Authority	856,757
4. NERCHA	241,299
5. SEDCO	46,126
6. Eswatini Cotton Board	38,736

7. NAMBOARD	226,854
8. EEC	3,031,861
9. ESWADE	98,883
10. ESPPRA	33,104
11. ENHB	700,000
12. Youth Enterprise Fund	37,731
13. PPHC	41,234
14. EWSC	1,710,665
Total	10,466,042

Income Statement

	2021 Dec.31	2021 Sep.30	2021 Jun. 30	2021 Mar.31
Contributions	10,466,042	2,518,317	3,163,018	8,503,216
FINCORP Repayment	4,602,718	4,602,718	-	4,324,316
Interest on call Account	506,632	424,815	856,506	689,843
Fixed Deposit(Standard Bank)	952,000	1,043,687	-	-
Interest(Other Banks)	20,389,056	9,406,697	2,692,601	4,533,561
Matured Bond	-	-	-	50,000,000
Gross Income	32,313,731	17,996,235	56,712,129	68,050,936
Expenses:				
Management Fees	90,000	90,000	90,000	90,000
Bank Charges	6,495	4,295	1,993	2,640
Reversed Interest Fee	-	-	-	-
Payments	88,000	136,491	-	75,900
Guarantee Comm.	-	-	15,437	-
Total Expenses	184,495	230,786	107,430	168,540
Surplus/Deficit	32,129,236	17,765,448	56,604,698	67,882,396

Balance Sheet

Non-Current Assets

Investments	445,000,000	465,000,000	425,000,000	260,000,000
FINCORP Loan	-	-	4,440,312	4,440,312

Current Assets

Standard Bank Call Account	161,183,855	118,966,139	121,730,258	156,249,670
Standard Bank Current Account	12,534,159	12,622,639	12,097,071	3,090,892
Total Assets	618,718,015	596,588,778	563,267,642	491,662,942

Equity and Liabilities

Equity	5,000,000	5,000,000	5,000,000	5,000,000
Accumulated Funds	581,588,778	573,823,329	501,662,944	418,780,545
Surplus for the Quarter	32,129,236	17,765,448	56,604,698	67,882,397
Bank Balance(Current Account)	-	-	-	-
Total Equity & Liability	618,718,015	596,588,778	563,267,642	491,662,942