

## **SWAZILAND WINS INTER ROADS GAMES 2016**

The Ministry of Public Works and Transport's Roads department staff on the 5<sup>th</sup> May 2016 welcomed their counterparts from Lesotho & Botswana for their annual Inter Roads Games 2016. Swaziland being the host country for this year's event, which its sole mandate is to strengthen relations between the BOLESWA (Botswana, Lesotho and Swaziland) countries' roads, infrastructure departments.

### **Tour**

The Ministry's roads department on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> May 2016, involved their visitors on a tour of the Ministry's on-going capital projects which includes the following; Probase Project at Nkoyoyo – Mpolonjeni and Construction of MR13: Nhlanguano – Sicunusa roads respectively. The Botswana and Lesotho delegation was so inspired by the probase project, in such a way that they even recorded videos of the project and requested more information about probase from Probase Swaziland Director. "Probase is relatively affordable, and has a long maintenance period which is 15 years," the Director said.



*The Director of Probases Swaziland flanked by the Ministry of Public Works Engineers Linda Magagula and Mlungisi Mhlongo, while explaining a point to Lesotho and Botswana delegates during the tour of the probase project at Mpolonjeni.*

## Games

Swaziland has been victorious on a number of occasions and has won the Annual Inter-Roads Games Soccer & Netball categories for two years in a row. The Swaziland soccer team exercises every Wednesdays for physical fitness and in readiness for the next inter- roads games next year in Lesotho. The overall performance for the Swaziland's team was

exquisite and showed great composure and discipline in the field of play and they well deserved both victories against Lesotho and Botswana respectively.

The results of the Games were as follows;

### SOCCER

#### FINAL SCORES

Swaziland vs. Lesotho 4-2

Swaziland vs. Botswana 2-1

Botswana vs. Lesotho 7-4

#### LOG STANDINGS

	PLAYED	WON	GOAL FOR	GOAL A.	GOAL DIFF.	POINTS
<b>SWAZILAND</b>	2	2	6	3	+3	6
<b>BOTSWANA</b>	2	1	8	6	+2	3
<b>LESOTHO</b>	2	0	6	9	-3	0

### NETBALL

#### FINAL SCORES

Swaziland vs. Lesotho 38-12

Swaziland vs. Botswana 28-12



*The Ministry of Public Works Soccer Team posing for a team photo before their match against Lesotho during the Annual Inter Roads Games 2016 held at Mavuso Stadium.*

Lesotho vs. Botswana 11-16

### LOG STANDIGS

	PLAYED	WON	GOAL FOR	GOAL A.	GOAL DIFF	POINTS
<b>SWAZILAND</b>	2	2	66	24	+42	4
BOTSWANA	2	1	28	39	-11	2
LESOTHO	2	0	23	49	-26	0

### VOLLEYBALL

#### FINAL SCORES

Swaziland vs. Botswana 3-0

Swaziland vs. Lesotho 3-0

Lesotho vs. Botswana **ABANDONED**

### LOG STANDINGS

	PLAYED	WON	GOAL FOR	GOAL AGAINST	GOAL DIFFERENCE	POINTS
<b>SWAZILAND</b>	2	2	6	0	+6	6
LESOTHO	1	0	0	-3	-3	0
BOTSWANA	1	0	0	-3	-3	0

### POOL

#### FINAL SCORES

*Lesotho 5 frames*

*Swaziland 3 Frames*

*Botswana 3 Frames*

*Lesotho Won the Challenge with 5 Frames*



*The Ministry's Netball Team celebrating after clinching the trophy of the Inter Roads Games in the Netball Category, during the prize presentation at Esibaveni Lodge.*

### DARTS

Botswana reported for the game, while the other inter roads countries never reported; including Swaziland and Lesotho, and thus Botswana won the Darts Challenge by default.  
*Botswana Won the Darts Challenge*

### **Dinner / Prize Presentation**

Swaziland lifted the inaugural trophy on Saturday evening 7<sup>th</sup> May 2016 prize presentation held at Esibayeni Lodge, whereby the Chief Roads Engineer Vincent Dlamini presented the prizes to the winners of the different categories; Soccer, Netball, Volleyball, Darts & Pool. In his speech he articulated that the Ministry is well on course to achieving the African Union (AU) 20163 Programme through the development of the country's road network. Dlamini further revealed that the Ministry's goal is to ensure that Swaziland is a provider of public infrastructure and transport systems by the year 2022 and beyond. He explained that the African Union in 2013 adopted a 50 year programme called "The AU 2063 Programme" and it relies heavily on good road network, and he urged delegates to be mindful of the future aims of Africa.



*The Ministry's Chief Roads Engineer giving away one of the gifts to Lesotho delegate as a form of appreciation for gracing the Annual Inter Roads Games 2016.*



*The Ministry's soccer team celebrating after lifting the most coveted trophy in the soccer category for yet another year, during the prize presentation of the Annual Inter Roads Games 2016 at Esibayeni Lodge.*



**RIGHT:** *A Lesotho pool representative celebrates after lifting being pronounced the winner of the Pool Category during the prize presentation at Esibayeni Lodge.*