



KINGDOM OF ESWATINI

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UPDATE ON WEEK 54 OF FMD OUTBREAK RESPONSE

1. INTRODUCTION

This report highlights the FMD control activities for the week 53 (15th June 2026 to 19th June 2026) of the FMD outbreak response. The activities include FMD vaccination, awareness activities and sanitary controls in the country.

2. WEEK 53 HIGHLIGHTS/ REPORTS

The week was dominated by inspection of dip tanks since there was still no FMD vaccine. Suspect FMD cases were reported at Sifutfweni and Ntsakane dip tanks. On investigation, no lesions were found in all 7 animals except for a traumatic wound in the tongue of one animal at Sifutfweni dip tank. Suspect cases were also reported at Nkonjane dip tank at Tikhuba sub region. On investigation, there were no cases in the dip tank and the farmer who reported denied ever doing so.

The samples for FMD testing which were collected in the previous week confirmed cases at Mkhubobovu, Parrys and Mkhwakhweni dip tanks. These dip tanks will be prioritized in the next vaccination campaign.

Lumpy Skin Disease samples were collected from Bula dip tank and confirmation results are still pending in the laboratory.

3. AWARENES AND SENSITIZATION

- FMD awareness and sensitization activities continued in selected dip tanks across the country. Livestock owners were reminded of the importance of complying with disease control measures, including movement restrictions, vaccination programmes, and reporting suspected disease cases promptly.

4. CORDON FENCES

77 poles, 210 Y standards and 30 rolls of barbed wire was delivered to Shiselweni to start rehabilitation of the cordon fence from Mboloma and work on the 50 poles which had already been installed towards Ntsalitje. The remainder of the materials will be used to rehabilitate the cordon fence from Welcome towards Nhlanguano.

5. WAY FORWARD

- Vaccinate a total of **69 320 cattle** in **74 dip tanks** using the following vaccination plan;

Date	Day	Dip Tank
29.06.2026	Monday	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Hebron(613), Ensengwa(816), Mzinsangu (719)• Gege(636), Ekufikeni(869), Mpuluzi(435), Steyns(83),• Lwandle (480), Mkhwakhweni(441), Lutfombotsini(167)• Mmemo(73), Manzana (63), Mahleka (907), Mbuzi (32)• Nkonjaneni (165), Zibonele(910), Magomba (262)

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mbhonga(820), Mahaha (278),
30.06.2026	Tuesday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mfenyana(650), Mantambe(606), Gege (676), • Mahebedla(809), Dlangeni (98), Mnyokane (51) • Bulunga (513), Lubisana (20), Mbulu (62), Manzana (63), • Mehlwana (900), Engweni (871), Ntsababovu (4) • Loyiwe(367), Madadeni (383), Mahlaleneni (282) • Mkhutshana (248), Croydon (402), Mawasha (3)
1.07.2026	Wednesday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • McRace(164), Mahlabatsini(918), Ndlotane (620) Mabiya (49) • Mnisi (55), Tjebovu (892), Gangakhulu (883), Mbuzi (32) • St. Joseph's (455), Mzimpofu (456), Dinedor (424) • Lubisana (20), Mabiya (49), Mbulu (62), Vusweni (14) • Mayithukuse (459), Gananda (956), Mpoti(46), Magodzi (295) • Magwanyana (283), Madadeni (383), Mgumlangi (961) • Mhlabandlovu (598), Lokhayiza (247), Head Quarters (293),
2.07.2026	Thursday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Velephi (40), Driefontein (605), Dambuza (757) • Mbuzi (32), Nhlama (641), Ndlotane (620) • Lubuyane (864), Nkamazi (28), Ntsintsa (125) • Ntimatane (297), Mnkongoloti (915), Moyeni (134) • Mangcashiya (401), Timpisini (899), Mgobodzi (118) • Nyetane (264), Ngogo (358), Diamond C (286) • Makhondolwane (379), Mawelawela (145),

- Sensitization and awareness campaigns will continue in various dip tanks.
- TDLs around Mkhwakhweni will be inspected together with Nkonkoza, Mgobodzi, Luvuno, Ngwenyama, and Nyakeni following reports of suspect FMD cases at Mkhwakhweni dip tank.
- Relocation of Ndzingeni checkpoint to Phophonyane junction will be done on the 1st July 2026. This will be done in an effort to contain the FMD infection around the Engweni dip tank.
- Disinfection points will be installed at Buhleni in preparation for the Ludwala walk.