



RING THE BELL FOR  
GENDER EQUALITY 2025

On 7th March 2025, the Malawi Stock Exchange (MSE), in partnership with CFA Society South Africa, hosted the “Accelerate Action – Ring the Bell for Gender Equality 2025” event at the MSE offices in celebration of International Women’s Day. The event promoted gender equality in leadership, especially within the financial sector.

The session opened with remarks from Mrs. Kelline Kondowe, MSE Chief Operating Officer,

followed by a powerful interview on leadership resilience with Mrs. Memory Chipembere, Head of Legal and Compliance at NICO Asset Managers. The conversation was moderated by Mrs. Kondowe and followed by a Q&A session that provided rich leadership insights.

Mrs. Allida D. Namame Mulamba, CEO & Founder of Your Image by D. Henson, captivated the audience with a presentation on personal branding for leadership.

The symbolic “Ring the Bell” ceremony reaffirmed participants’ commitment to advancing gender equality.

Media coverage was provided by Times Television & Print, MBC, Capital FM Radio and The Nation Newspaper. Positive feedback from participants underscored the event’s impact and relevance. MSE continues to champion empowerment and inclusion in Malawi’s financial ecosystem.



Global Money Week 2025

From 17th to 21st March 2025, the Malawi Stock Exchange (MSE) joined stakeholders across the country to celebrate Global Money Week (GMW) under the theme “Think Before You Follow, Wise Money Tomorrow.” This global campaign focused on equipping youth with knowledge and skills for sound financial decision-making.

A week before GMW, the MSE visited the Malawi University of Business and Applied Sciences (MUBAS) to conduct a Financial Literacy Training Session for university staff. This session focused on financial planning, investment, and retirement preparedness. Although it preceded the official GMW dates, the training was directly aligned with the spirit of the campaign—demonstrating that financial literacy is vital not only for youth but also for working professionals who play a key role in shaping financial habits in their families and communities.

During GMW itself, the MSE hosted students from St Andrews International School and the Malawi University of Science and Technology (MUST) and visited Chimwankhunda Community Day Secondary School (CDSS). These interactive sessions covered topics such as the role of capital markets, how to invest in shares and bonds, and the importance of long-term savings. Student performances in poetry and presentations on budgeting brought financial concepts to life and showcased how young people are engaging with money matters creatively.

MSE also distributed educational brochures and shared daily financial literacy content on social media. A dedicated Investor Webinar extended outreach to a wider online audience, reinforcing the message of informed financial decision-making.

Participation and engagement were high across the board, reflecting a growing national interest in financial education. Stakeholders reaffirmed their commitment to strengthening the financial capability of Malawians through inclusive and continuous learning efforts.



Think Before You Follow: Money Matters in Poetry

In celebration of Global Money Week 2025, students from various educational institutions shared their creative expressions on financial literacy through poetry. This section showcases the insightful poems received during the event, reflecting the theme “Think Before You Follow, Wise Money Tomorrow.”

These poems capture the importance of wise money choices and the youth’s understanding of financial responsibility, offering a fresh perspective on financial literacy through the power of words.



REGRETS OF A SAVER

2880 days of saving with care,  
69120 hours of stacking, with income to spare.  
70% tucked away, under my bed so tight,  
Only to find its value, a pitiful sight.  
A plastic plate’s worth, after all that strife,

A dream of wealth so grand and bright,  
But reality lacked true life and light.  
Sacrifices made, with no guiding hand  
Information missing like an unread demand,  
A vote left to slide.

Only grandma’s wisdom, lit the way,  
But inflation crept in, like a wolf in the gray.  
Huffing and puffing, at my little nest,  
Leaving my cash worthless, like the rest.

Now I grasp the truth, in Professor Khomba’s words,  
A kwacha today, will be less tomorrow, unheard.  
The value of time, lost on me, until now,  
A lesson learned, in a painful vow.

But still, I’m hopeful, for a brighter day,  
Thanks to the Malawi Stock Exchange, showing the way.  
And the Reserve Bank’s Money Literacy Week too,  
I’ll learn to handle money wisely, and make my dreams come true.

By Pex Julius  
Malawi University of Applied Science and Technology



By Chimwemwe Bauleni  
Malawi University of Applied Science and Technology

THINK BEFORE YOU FOLLOW

Money whispers, soft yet strong,  
A guiding voice, but not for long.  
It flows like rivers, swift and wide,  
Yet many drown within its tide.

Think before you chase its shine,  
Not all that glitters turns to gold.  
A single step, a thoughtful mind,  
Can shape the future, bright and bold.

Coins may dance, but they won’t stay,  
Unless you plan, unless you save.  
A wise choice made will light the way,  
Through stormy seas, be bold and brave.

So, plant today, let wisdom grow,  
And reap the fruits in years to show.  
Think before you follow fast,  
For wealth that’s built is wealth that lasts.



By Omega Msomali  
Chimwankhunda CDSS

SAVING MONEY

Money is important  
When you find it  
Spend it well  
Not as if it’s from a well  
For proper gain

Save it in the bank  
Or invest  
In so doing  
Raise Malawi’s economy

Remember that  
Money can put your life in danger  
If not used wisely  
Keep and use money wisely  
It will change your life

Nowadays the youth spend money  
On useless things  
Like buying cigarettes and beer  
Doing this is like buying madness  
With your own money

Again, don’t spend the money  
As if you picked it from a tree  
Or you are drinking tea  
Money is in control of everything  
Without money, life is nothing



First quarter performance report

The First Quarter Market Performance Report (2025) highlights remarkable growth in the Malawi Stock Exchange. The market achieved a positive return on index of 69.52%, significantly surpassing Q1 2024’s 2.96%. Total traded value soared to MK39.51 billion (US\$22.79 million), reflecting a 343.34% increase year-on-year. Similarly, share volume rose by 91.60%, with 103.34 million shares exchanged.

Market capitalization climbed to MK15.89 trillion (US\$9.16 billion), driven by gains from 13 counters, including standout performers like FMB Capital Holdings (149.46%) and FDH Bank (112.64%). Liquidity indicators improved, with turnover velocity rising to 0.99% and market capitalization as a percentage of GDP reaching 80.01%.

Despite no activity in the debt market, steady interest rates and a stable Kwacha against the US Dollar supported economic conditions. Headline inflation increased slightly to 30.70%, while yields on treasury bills remained steady across various terms.

In summary, Q1 2025 showcased robust trading activity, rising market indices, and an expanding market, signalling positive developments in Malawi’s capital markets

Highlights in second quarter



30 April 2025 – SME Seminar

A dedicated session for Small and Medium Enterprises (SMEs) to explore capital market opportunities, business growth strategies, and listing requirements



MSE Sustainability Reporting training series

Join the Malawi Stock Exchange and GCX for a 2-part practical workshop series on sustainability reporting:

**Workshop 1:** Double Materiality Assessment – May 8, 2025  
**Workshop 2:** Applying GRI Standards – May 22, 2025

Fee: MWK 350,000 per workshop | Limited slots available  
Register: Mrs. Eunice Changa – echanga@mse.co.mw

Stay ahead in sustainable business practices!



June 2025 – Investor Webinar

An online session focused on educating both novice and seasoned investors on market trends, portfolio strategies and investment tools.

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