



Malawi Financial Market Update

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Market Developments

What happened this week

- The Agricultural Development and Marketing Corporation (ADMARC) has announced plans to import 200,000 metric tons of maize to ensure stable supply and mitigate price increases during the upcoming lean season. The initiative responds to rising local prices that have strained households, particularly in rural and low-income urban areas. While continuing to support local farmers, the imports aim to ease pressure on domestic stocks and maintain affordable access. (ADMARC, 2 September 2025)
- 2. The Electricity Generation Company (EGENCO) has raised concern over delays on the Salima Solar Power Project, urging the contractor to speed up the USD12 million (MK21 billion), 10MW plant. The absence of the commissioning engineer has stalled progress, although authorities have stated that visa processes have been facilitated. The contractor cited logistical hurdles but expects key consignments shortly. The project is designed for future expansion to 50MW, supporting diversification away from hydropower. With demand far outstripping current capacity, timely delivery is critical to closing Malawi's power supply gap. (*The Nation, 1 September 2025*)
- 3. Mkango Resources has announced that its subsidiary, Lancaster Exploration, has entered a business combination with Crown PropTech Acquisitions, creating Mkango Rare Earth Limited. The new entity aims to supply rare earth oxides to the US, EU, and Asian markets, with proceeds supporting the Songwe Hill and Pulawy projects. The firm is pursuing a Nasdaq listing to expand its financing base, while Malawi retains a 10% stake in Songwe Hill, as per a 2024 mining development agreement. Authorities welcomed the move but encouraged dual listing locally to allow Malawians to participate. The project is positioned as a key step in developing Malawi's mining sector and integrating into global supply chains. (*The Nation, 4 September 2025*)
- 4. The reference rate for September is 25.3% effective 3 September 2025. This is a decrease from 25.4% recorded in August 2025. (*National Bank of Malawi, 3 September 2025*)
- 5. As of 4 September 2025, a cumulative USD520.8 million (approximately MK911.4b) has been raised from tobacco sales. This amount corresponds to a total of 207.3 million kilograms (kgs) of tobacco sold at an average price of USD2.51/kg. As of 4 September 2024, a cumulative USD396.9 million (approximately MK694.6b) had been raised from the sale of 133.4 million kgs of tobacco at an average price of USD2.98/kg. (Auction Holdings Limited, 4 September 2025)

- 6. The Non-Governmental Organisations Regulatory Authority (NGORA) has highlighted ongoing challenges in forex tracking and coordination, despite improvements under the recently gazetted Exchange Control Regulations. NGOs expressed concern that the mandatory 80% forex conversion requirement could disrupt operations, but authorities emphasized that the framework was developed in consultation with stakeholders and is anticipated to bolster domestic liquidity. NGORA is finalising an MoU with the Reserve Bank of Malawi to strengthen monitoring, while also urging a shift towards domestic resource mobilisation and institutional capacity building to address donor funding cuts. (The Nation, 31 August 2025)
- 7. NICO Holdings Plc has declared a first interim dividend of MK6.26 billion (MK6.00 per share) for the year ending December 2025. The dividend will be paid on 22 September 2025 to shareholders registered by 19 September 2025. (*NICO Holdings Plc*, 2 September 2025)
- 8. National Investment Trust Plc (NITL) has issued a revised trading statement for the six months ended 30th June 2025, projecting profit after tax between MK84.0 billion and MK84.5 billion, up from MK4.32 billion in the same period of 2024. This represents an increase of 1,846%–1,858%, driven by stronger performance of certain stock market counters. The full financial statements will be published by 30 September 2025. (National Investment Trust Plc. 3 September 2025)
- 9. National Bank of Malawi Plc has declared a first interim dividend of MK16.64 billion (MK35.64 per share) for the 2025 financial year. The dividend will be paid on 2 October 2025 to shareholders registered by 12 September 2025. (*National Bank of Malawi Plc*, 3 September 2025)
- 10. Press Corporation Plc has declared an interim dividend of MK2.50 billion (MK20.79 per share) for the 2025 financial year, up from MK1.35 billion in 2024. The dividend will be paid on 26 September 2025 to shareholders registered by 12 September 2025. (*Press Corporation Plc*, 3 September 2025)
- 11. Telekom Networks Malawi Plc (TNM) has declared a first interim dividend of MK2.30 billion (MK0.20 per share) for the 2025 financial year. The dividend will be paid on 26 September 2025 to shareholders registered by 12 September 2025. (*Telekom Networks Malawi Plc, 2 September 2025*)

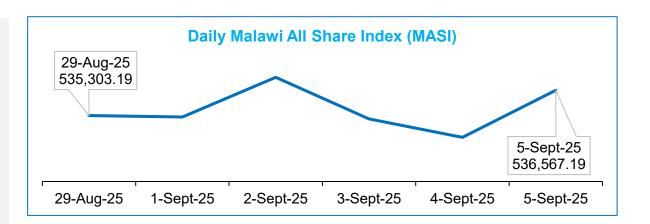


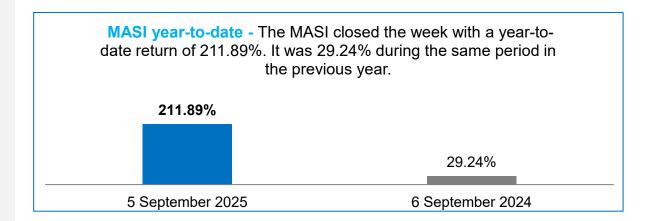
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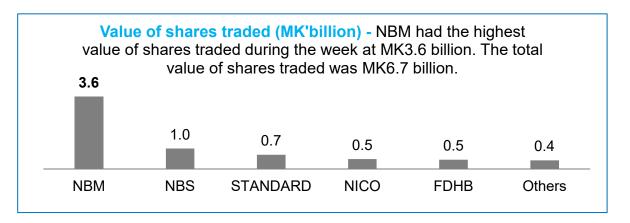
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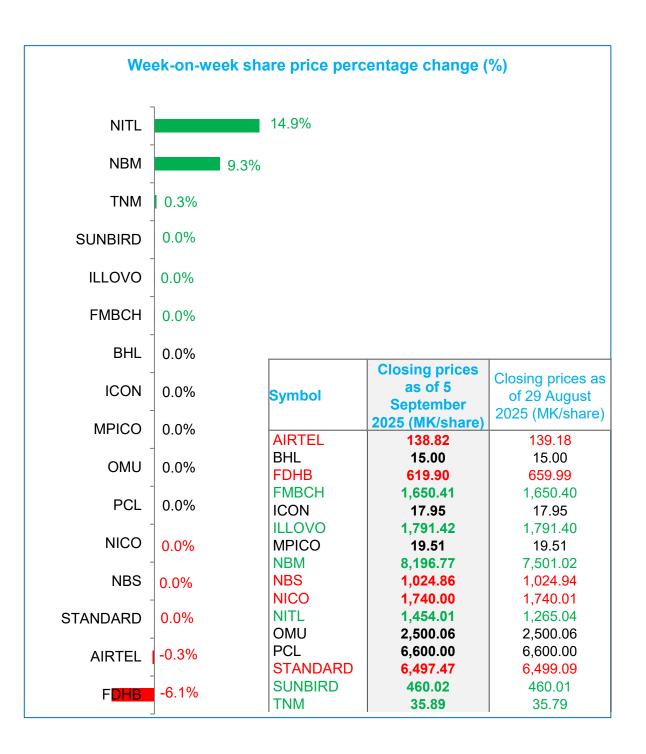
Stock market (Source: MSE)

The stock market was bullish, with the Malawi All Share Index (MASI) closing the week ending 5 September 2025 at 536,567.19 points from 535,303.19 points on 29 August 2025. The share price gains in NITL and NBM offset the share price loss in FDH, driving the index upward.











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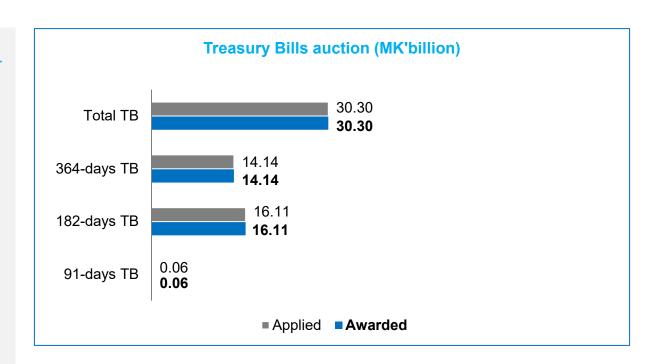
Government Securities (Source: RBM)

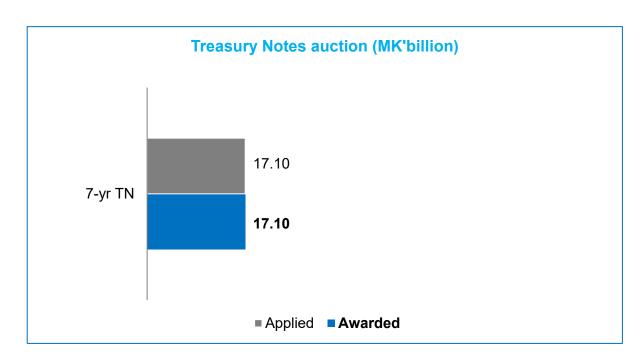
The Reserve Bank of Malawi held auctions for all tenors of Treasury Bills (TBs) and the 7-yr Treasury Note (TN) during the period under review. A total of MK47.4 billion was raised from the auctions.

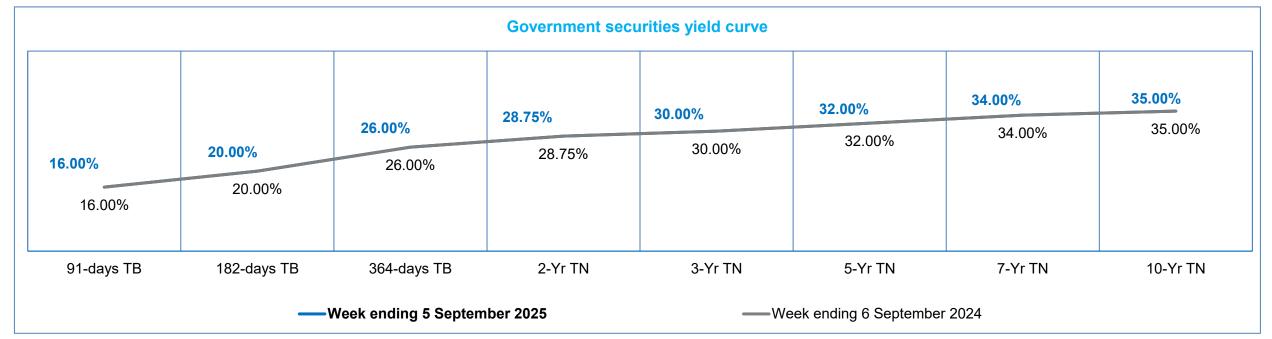
The total amount raised from the TBs auction was MK30.3 billion, primarily driven by the 182-days TB.

The total amount raised from the TN auction was MK17.1 billion.

The average yields for Treasury Bills and Treasury Notes remained at 20.67% and 31.95%, respectively, during the period under review.







TB: Treasury Bill TN: Treasury Note



Appendix 1: Historical Economic Indicators



	Aug-24	Sep-24	Oct-24	Nov-24	Dec-24	Jan-25	Feb-25	Mar-25	April-25	May-25	Jun-25	Jul-25	Aug-25	5-Sep-25
Exchange Rates (middle rates)														
MK/USD	1,750.31	1,750.37	1,749.95	1,750.11	1,749.93	1,750.35	1,749.65	1,750.25	1,750.51	1,750.67	1,750.48	1,750.58	1,734.01	1,734.01
MK/GBP	2,368.68	2,411.29	2,338.28	2,290.94	2,250.25	2,233.84	2,268.53	2,329.61	2,412.28	2,415.65	2,473.04	2,408.88	2,410.07	2,404.89
MK/EUR	1,994.06	2,003.14	1,953.49	1,904.40	1,861.87	1,866.83	1,873.26	1,945.36	2,052.11	2,045.98	2,112.10	2,082.69	2,083.05	2,084.48
MK/ZAR	101.09	105.69	101.15	99.29	95.82	97.11	97.04	98.15	96.28	100.76	100.57	100.34	100.78	100.84
Foreign Exchange Reserves														
Total Reserves (USD'mn)	549.85	560.3	519.0	516.9	530.9	570.60	569.5	536.0	530.0	521.0	555.9	N/A	N/A	N/A
Inflation														
Headline	33.9%	34.3%	32.4%	27.0%	28.1%	28.5%	30.7%	30.5%	29.2%	27.7%	27.1%	27.3%	N/A	N/A
Food	42.0%	43.5%	40.3%	33.7%	35.6%	36.0%	38.5%	37.7%	35.8%	32.7%	31.6%	32.4%	N/A	N/A
Non-food	22.7%	21.8%	21.2%	17.2%	16.8%	16.9%	18.5%	19.2%	19.4%	20.0%	20.1%	19.3%	N/A	N/A
Interest Rates														
Monetary Policy Rate	26.00%	26.00%	26.00%	26.00%	26.00%	26.00%	26.00%	26.00%	26.00%	26.00%	26.00%	26.00%	26.00%	26.00%
Average Interbank Rate (Overnight)	24.37%	24.20%	24.20%	23.23%	23.22%	23.19%	23.18%	23.19%	23.18%	23.82%	23.99%	23.98%	23.98%	23.98%
Lombard Rate	26.20%	26.20%	26.20%	26.20%	26.20%	26.20%	26.20%	26.20%	26.20%	26.20%	26.20%	26.20%	26.20%	26.20%
Commercial Bank Reference Rate	25.40%	25.40%	25.40%	25.50%	25.30%	25.20%	25.10%	25.10%	25.10%	25.20%	25.10%	25.30%	25.40%	25.40%
Government Securities Yields														
91-days Treasury Bill	16.00%	16.00%	16.00%	16.00%	16.00%	16.00%	16.00%	16.00%	16.00%	16.00%	16.00%	16.00%	16.00%	16.00%
182-days Treasury Bill	20.00%	20.00%	20.00%	20.00%	20.00%	20.00%	20.00%	20.00%	20.00%	20.00%	20.00%	20.00%	20.00%	20.00%
364-days Treasury Bill	26.00%	26.00%	26.00%	26.00%	26.00%	26.00%	26.00%	26.00%	26.00%	26.00%	26.00%	26.00%	26.00%	26.00%
2-year Treasury Note	28.75%	28.75%	28.75%	28.75%	28.75%	28.75%	28.75%	28.75%	28.75%	28.75%	28.75%	28.75%	28.75%	28.75%
3-year Treasury Note	30.00%	30.00%	30.00%	30.00%	30.00%	30.00%	30.00%	30.00%	30.00%	30.00%	30.00%	30.00%	30.00%	30.00%
5-year Treasury Note	32.00%	32.00%	32.00%	32.00%	32.00%	32.00%	32.00%	32.00%	32.00%	32.00%	32.00%	32.00%	32.00%	32.00%
7-year Treasury Note	34.00%	34.00%	34.00%	34.00%	34.00%	34.00%	34.00%	34.00%	34.00%	34.00%	34.00%	34.00%	34.00%	34.00%
10-year Treasury Note	35.00%	35.00%	35.00%	35.00%	35.00%	35.00%	35.00%	35.00%	35.00%	35.00%	35.00%	35.00%	35.00%	35.00%
Year-to-date Return														
MASI	27.33%	28.60%	32.69%	47.08%	55.06%	29.90%	64.92%	69.52%	68.39%	64.58%	91.77%	124.53%	211.15%	211.89%
DSI	27.45%	28.90%	33.57%	47.71%	52.11%	32.35%	50.42%	56.52%	62.53%	62.41%	89.34%	120.03%	214.05%	214.92%
FSI	26.48%	26.54%	26.51%	42.71%	75.65%	15.08%	152.62%	148.16%	103.82%	77.74%	106.49%	150.94%	195.28%	195.28%
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