





# SQISO Sustainable Quality Infrastructure for SADC programme



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### 11 COUNTRIES 175 LABORATORIES

- 35 Swaziland
- 27 Zimbabwe
- 26 Zambia
- 23 Mozambique
  - 18 Malawi
  - 17 DR Congo
  - 12 Zanzania
  - 9 Botswana
  - 5 Namibia
  - 2 Mauritius
  - 1 Seychelles



124 Testing laboratories32 Medical laboratories19 Calibration

laboratories



### APROACH

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