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EARLY WARNING | EARLY ACTION**NEWS LETTER****FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK**

Food Security Highlights - bringing you timely agriculture news, advisories, and wellness updates every Friday.

THIS WEEK we are remindend that preparation – not panic – is the key to climate resilience in Zimbabwe's agriculture sector.

**ZIMBABWE TOBACCO UPDATE**

Output Surges
Toward Vision
2030 Target

Minister, Hon.
Dr. A.J. Masuka

Zimbabwe's tobacco sector is on a remarkable growth trajectory. Speaking at the International Tobacco Growers Association Africa Regional Meeting in Harare, **Minister of Agriculture Hon. Dr. Anxious Jongwe Masuka** announced that tobacco production has grown by approximately 90%, reaching a record 355 million kg in 2025. Projections for 2026 stand at 380–400 million kg, advancing steadily toward the Vision 2030 target of 500 million kg set under His Excellency President E.D. Mnangagwa.

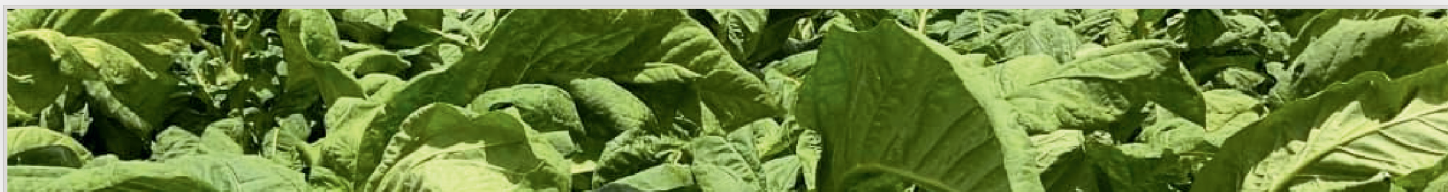
EL NIÑO IS COMING, BUT HERE'S HOW ZIMBABWE'S AGRICULTURE IS GETTING READY!

Global weather models show a 90% probability of an El Niño event in the 2026–27 summer growing season. The Ministry of Agriculture is already acting – and wants every farmer to do the same.

Speaking to farmers and the public, **Permanent Secretary Prof. Dr. Obert Jiri** urged calm and confidence: "*These weather patterns, they come and go. Even when there is a prediction of an El Niño, it doesn't mean it will happen exactly as predicted.*"

Zimbabwe has faced El Niño before and came through better than the region. In 1996–97, in 2015–16, and even during the severe 2024 regional drought, described as the worst in 43 years- Zimbabwe's losses were comparatively limited. The SADC Meteorological Focus Meetings in August 2026 will provide a more precise regional outlook, after which the Ministry will share a detailed action plan...(to pge. 4)





TOBACCO SECTOR SUPPORTS OVER 135,000 FARMERS — 85% OF THEM SMALLHOLDERS

... and these farmers earn an average of US\$10,000 annually, making tobacco a critical driver of rural transformation. **The Minister** noted that Zimbabwe is Africa's leading tobacco producer, with growing investment in value addition, learning from models such as India's.

Speaking during the the International Tobacco Growers Association Africa Regional Meeting in Harare this week, the ITGA CEO Ms. Mercedes Vasquez praised Zimbabwean tobacco as among the world's highest quality, crediting experienced farmers and robust production systems. She noted that future competitiveness will depend on sustainability, traceability, environmental compliance, and adapting to tightening global market standards.

#ZimbabweTobacco
#Vision2030
#RuralTransformation
#AgricultureGrowth



"OUR JOB IS TO ENSURE FOODSECURITY, EVERYWHERE, EVERYDAY"!

WINTER WHEAT SEASON 2026: INPUTS SECURED. POWER GUARANTEED. PESTS CONTROLLED. —

Zimbabwe's wheat farmers have every reason for confidence this season. In a detailed briefing, **Permanent Secretary Prof. Dr. Obert Jiri** confirmed that all critical inputs, seed, fertiliser, water, and electricity, are in place and performing well.

Inputs & Power: All Systems Go: Seed availability was never a constraint entering the wheat planting season.

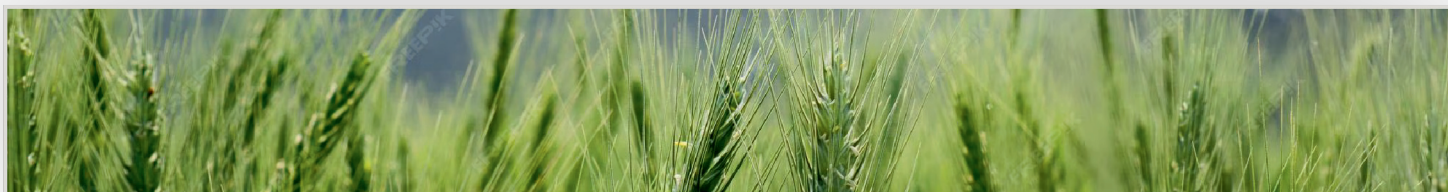
Fertiliser supplies were secured ahead of the season, despite some global market tightening. **Water for irrigation-fed wheat has not been a challenge.**

ZESA has ring-fenced 150 megawatts exclusively for wheat irrigation, and not a single power cut has disrupted farming this season... (to pge. 3)



Permanent Secretary,
Prof. Dr. Obert Jiri





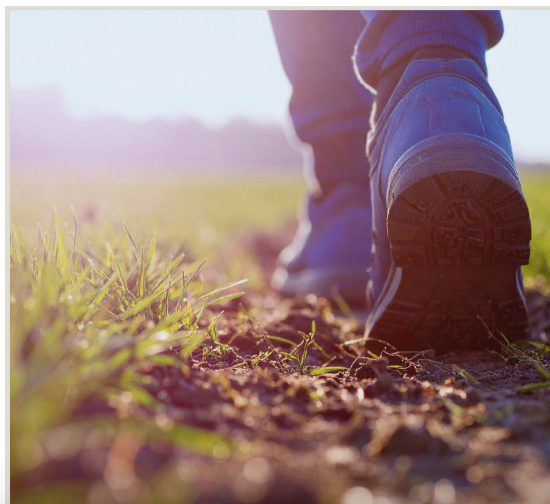
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The **Ministry holds bi-weekly meetings** with ZESA and ZETDC to monitor supply. Wheat farmers are organised into clusters, each with a dedicated ZESA WhatsApp group for rapid fault-reporting and resolution.

"We are assuring our farmers that there is no challenge as far as power is concerned for their yield." said, **PS Prof. Dr. Obert Jiri**

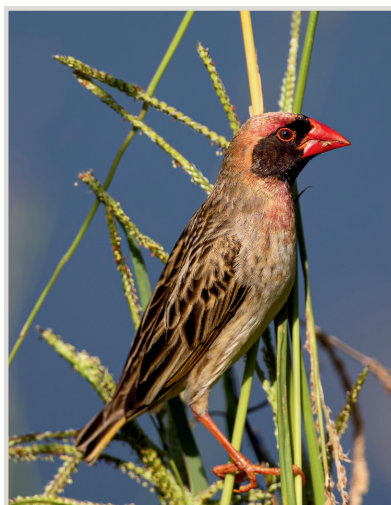
The Next Target: 30% Yield Growth!

With hectare targets on track, the **Ministry has shifted focus to maximising productivity – targeting a 30% increase in yield.** Irrigation scheduling, fertiliser management, and pest control are the priorities for the remainder of the season.



Pest Control

DRONES, CHEMICALS, AND A RAPID-RESPONSE HOTLINE!



WATCH OUT FOR RED-BILLED & RED-HEADED QUELEA BIRD

The **main pest threat is the quelea bird** (red-billed and red-headed), which targets wheat at grain-filling stage. Pre-positioned chemicals and nine operational drones, one per province plus a roving unit, are deployed to track and control roosting sites. Helicopter support is on standby.

A grasshopper and locust outbreak in Mashonaland Central was quickly contained. **The Ministry has adequate chemicals and a dedicated migratory pest response department.**

A **rapid-response hotline and WhatsApp network** linking provincial focal persons, Ministry officials, and the public ensures any outbreak is reported and actioned without delay.

"Farmers from all 10 provinces, 35,000 villages – don't worry. The Ministry's got you covered." – PS Prof. Dr. Obert Jiri

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Ministry of Agriculture, Mechanisation and Water Resources Development

FARMER ADVISORY

Quelea Birds Alert!

The Quelea bird breeding season has ended and now all farmers should be on the alert of any Quelea flocks seen in their Districts and Provinces.

EARLY IDENTIFICATION
Early identification of Quelea roosting sites will prompt early control before wheat reaches the soft dough stage that is critical in wheat growth.

IDENTIFY ROOSTING SITES
Roosting sites can be identified by the presence of white to cream coloured heavy droppings of the birds. Quelea birds generally roost in Bulrush, Reeds and Acacia bushes among other roosts.

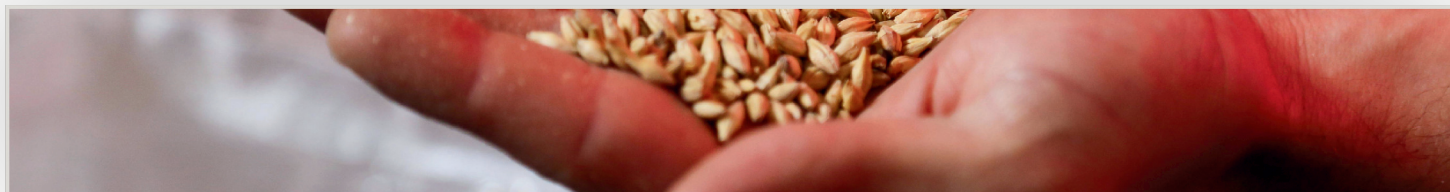
ROOSTING BEHAVIOUR
Roosts can be identified by an overnight noise made by birds in a roost versus resting noise they stay for a short time during the day.

Birds usually roost near a watering hole in direction to their roosting sites and farmers should note and report to an extension officer in their area or contact:

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EL NIÑO IS COMING, BUT HERE'S HOW ZIMBABWE'S AGRICULTURE IS GETTING READY!

... (from pge.1)

What Farmers Should Know:

The season may start well before turning drier, some areas could still receive good rainfall.

Southern regions such as Masvingo and Matabeleland, normally drier, actually had above-normal rains in the past two seasons.

Large-scale forecasts do not predict local outcomes. Your zone matters;

Crop Production

Select shorter-season, drought-tolerant crop varieties suited to your agroecological zone. Seed houses have been directed to stock climate-smart seed options.

Livestock Production

Begin stockpiling hay and supplementary feed now, before demand rises. Diversify feeding strategies to protect herds during dry spells.

Production Enablers

22 key areas are being actively tracked, including agricultural insurance, cloud seeding, input supply chains, water infrastructure, and market linkages. Agricultural insurance is essential even in wet years – hailstorms can destroy any crop... (to pge.5)

YAMBIRO KUVARIMI

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EARLYACTIONADVISORY
FROM OUR PARTNERS

Vanoongorora nezvemariro ekunze vanoti mwaka wekurima wa2026/27 unogona kunaya mvura yakashomeka.

Naizvozvo TIMB inokurudzira varimi vefodya kuti varime mhando dzembeu dzinoshingirira zuva uye dzinopa goho rakanaka kuine mvura shoma.

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**MEET US AT 116th
ZIM Agricultural Show!**
24–29 August | 2026 | HRE Show Grounds



This year's Zimbabwe Agricultural Show (ZAS) carries special urgency..

With a **90% probability of El Niño in the 2026–27 growing season**, ZAS 2026 becomes a **critical moment to move from forecast to action**. The Ministry's stand will serve as a live **#EarlyWarningEarly Action hub**, where farmers can get hands-on guidance on drought-tolerant seed selection, livestock preparedness, climate-smart practices, and the tools available to protect their livelihoods before the season begins. **Don't wait for the rains to decide**. Come prepared. Leave ready.

Ministry of Agriculture, Mechanisation and Water Resources Development will co-exhibit with the **Ministry of Lands and Rural Development**

The **116th Zimbabwe Agricultural Show (ZAS 2026)**, running under the theme *"Powering Growth: Where Agriculture, Technology and Commerce Converge,"* brings together exhibitors, farmers, micro-enterprises, and the general public.

At our joint stand, you will have the opportunity to explore the latest agricultural technologies, innovations, and government programmes driving Zimbabwe's food security agenda. Whether you are a farmer, entrepreneur, investor, student, or simply a curious citizen, there is something for you.

Visit OUR ZAS Stand this AUGUST. Talk to Our Experts. Ask questions. Get face to face help. **Your food security is our business.**

#EarlyWarningEarlyAction is not just a campaign — it is a conversation. Come start yours at the Ministry stand

Join us at the
ZAS Livestock Conference
Building Resilient Livestock Systems Towards \$15.8 billion Agricultural economy by 2030: Addressing the Production and Marketing Challenges

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Andy Miller Conference Centre, Samora Machel Ave West, Harare, ZW
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Key Focus Areas

- Disease Outbreak Response
- Farm-level Survival Strategies
- Financing & Herd Recovery
- Markets & Value Chains

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Livestock Farmer Advisory

KNOW YOUR LIVESTOCK WEIGHT, Protect your price...



Zimbabwe's communal cattle farmers often lose income, not because their animals lack value, but because prices are set by eye rather than evidence. **During El Niño droughts**, cattle lose body condition rapidly. Without knowing live weight, farmers are at a disadvantage in markets, often accepting underpriced offers or making distress sales at the worst possible time.

The Solution Costs Under US\$16

A livestock weighing belt estimates live weight using a single heart-girth measurement, no electricity,

no crush pen, no scale needed. **Training takes less than 15 minutes.**

What Needs to Happen:

Integrate weighing belts into national extension programmes (ADAS/DVS).

Train extension officers, auctioneers, and farmers at scale.

Accept belt records as supporting documentation for livestock credit, insurance, and drought-response schemes.

Launch a National Livestock Weighing Belt Blitz: 50,000 belts, 50,000 farmers trained.



SUCCESS STORY...

"Pilots in Matabeleland South and Mashonaland East have recorded price gains of US\$40–70 per animal. Scaled to 100,000 cattle annually, that represents US\$4–7 million in additional rural household income every year."—said **Mr. Andrew Chamisa**, DRESS Livestock Research Director.

Drought preparedness does not always require expensive infrastructure ...

Sometimes it starts with a tape measure and the knowledge to use it.

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#LivestockFarming
#ClimateResilience

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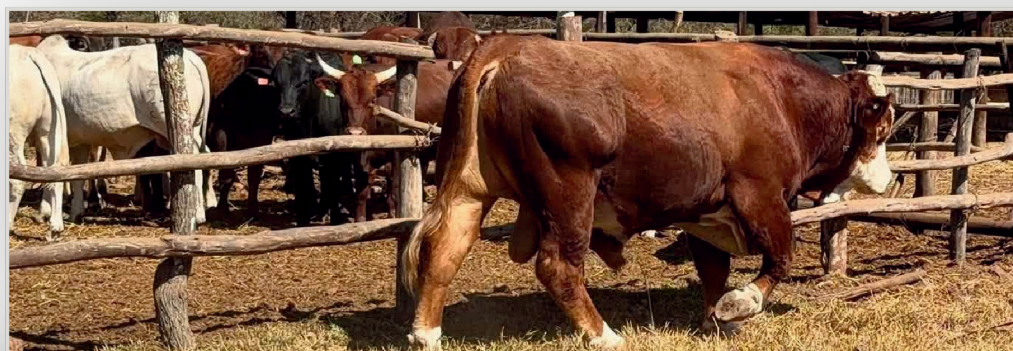


Zvikomborero Farm Celebrates National Livestock Excellence.

Zvikomborero Farm in Chivhu, Mashonaland East, has **been honoured with the Zimbabwe Agricultural Society (ZAS) National Livestock Award**, one of the country's highest accolades in livestock production. The farm's champion **Simbra stud bull** was crowned the **overall winner in the beef category at the 2025 Zimbabwe Agricultural Show**, sponsored by leading animal health company **COOPERS**.



THE AWARD was presented during a **National Victory Field Day** attended by **Minister** of Agriculture, Mechanisation and Water Resources Development, **Hon. Dr. Anxious Jongwe Masuka**, government officials, livestock breeders, agricultural experts, development partners, and farmers from across Zimbabwe. The Minister congratulated farm founder Dr. Divine Simbi-Ndlhukula and described the achievement as a national benchmark in stud breeding, genetic excellence, and commercial livestock innovation. He challenged farmers across Zimbabwe to emulate this standard.



WINTER WHEAT VERIFICATION & CROP PERFORMANCE ASSESSMENT TOUR!

With the **national winter wheat planting target of 125 000 hectares surpassed**, Government has pivoted to the next critical phase: yield maximisation. Permanent Secretary Prof. Dr. Obert Jiri led field verification at Ceres Farm in Shamva District, Mashonaland Central, where a thriving 110-hectare crop is on track to deliver seven tonnes per hectare, against a national output target of 662 500 metric tonnes.

"Now that we have surpassed our hectare target, our focus is on productivity."

"We want every hectare planted to deliver maximum yields," said Prof. Jiri, noting that teams have been deployed across all provinces to monitor crop development and adherence to best agronomic practices. Farmers have been organised into clusters with dedicated hotlines and WhatsApp channels for rapid quelea bird reporting, a proactive safeguard as the crop enters its critical growth stages.

**OUR FOCUS NOW
SHIFTS TO YIELD
MAXIMISATION!**





MINISTRY PARTNERS WITH DUTCH FIRM TO RESTORE LAKE CHIVERO!



Zimbabwe's Agriculture has entered a landmark five-year partnership with Dutch water technology company LG Sonic B.V. to restore Lake Chivero, Harare's primary source of potable water.

The initiative combines cutting-edge ultrasonic algae control technology with continuous technical training to ensure sustainable, locally managed water quality improvements beyond the project's lifespan.



THE PARTNERSHIP was launched at a high-level stakeholder engagement in Harare this week, bringing together key government ministries and agencies. Speaking on behalf of Permanent Secretary Prof. Dr. Obert Jiri, Dr. Dumisani Kutwayo described the initiative as a strategic intervention aligned with Zimbabwe's Vision 2030 and National Development Strategy 2. LG Sonic CTO Lisa Maria Brand confirmed a field assessment of the lake will guide priority interventions for project implementation.

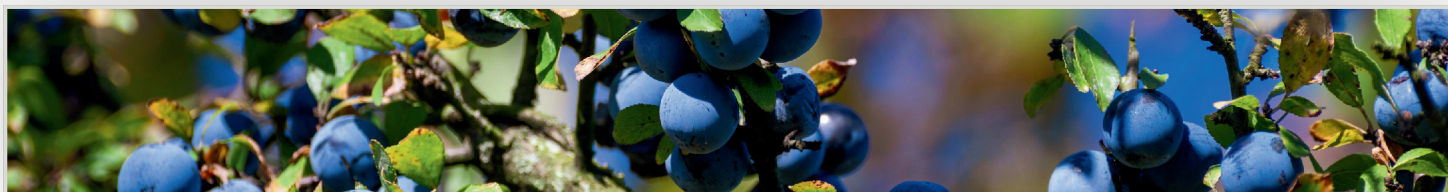
#LakeChivero
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#Vision2030
#EnvironmentalSustainability



CHIEF DIRECTOR - DRESS
Dr. Dumisani Kutwayo

"Our Goal in infrastructure and sanitation is to upgrade utility networks for both water and electricity is an overarching priority. We aim to address chronic water shortages and ensure access to clean water and proper sanitation in both urban and rural areas."





CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR ZIMBABWEAN **BLUEBERRY** FARMERS



Zimbabwean blueberries have arrived on the Chinese market, a historic first in agricultural trade between the two countries and a landmark moment for the country's horticultural sector.

The achievement signals that Zimbabwe's fresh produce can meet the stringent quality, phytosanitary, and logistics standards required to access one of the world's largest and most demanding consumer markets. It is a tribute to the dedication, resilience, and sheer hard work of the farmers who have quietly built export-ready operations over years of careful investment in quality and consistency.

This milestone is a beginning, not an endpoint. *"China has opened the door. We must now make sure we have enough product to walk through it,"* **CALL TO ACTION** for the entire value chain; from input suppliers and extension officers to logistics providers and financiers, *"Let's rally behind blueberry producers as they scale up to meet this extraordinary opportunity".*

For Zimbabwe's horticultural sector, the Chinese market entry opens an exciting new chapter, and the country intends to write it boldly.

Congratulations to Zimbabwe's blueberry farming community, your hard work has made history. 🍷



CLIMATE CHANGE & RESILIENCE BUILDING

PS' TALK ON MONDAY
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THE FORECAST CAN WARN OF A DRY SEASON—BUT YOUR FARM'S STORY IS STILL UNWRITTEN. PREPARE FOR UNCERTAINTY AND FARM WITH RESILIENCE.

"You may know that a woman is expecting a child, but you cannot predict every characteristic before birth. Similarly, climate models can indicate a drier season, but they cannot tell us exactly where dry spells will occur, how long they will last or which communities will be affected most," **Prof Jiri, 2026.**

PERMANENT SECRETARY
Prof. Dr. Obert Jiri

LIVESTOCK DROUGHT MITIGATION

GOVERNMENT ACTIVATES Livestock Drought Shield Ahead of ELNINO Season!

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Zimbabwe's Livestock Drought Response Strategy is already in motion, and the country has proof it works. During the last El Niño season, Government interventions saved more than two million cattle through a combination of 15 000 metric tonnes of maize silage, wheat straw distribution, and targeted water provision in the worst-affected wards. **With El Niño returning, the same framework is being activated earlier and at greater scale.**

The strategy rests on four pillars: supplementary feeding programmes, water supply initiatives, veterinary services, and capacity building through 1,620 Ward Drought Mitigation Centres identified in rural wards across the country. Each centre follows the Standard Village Business Unit Model, a one-hectare horticultural garden, two fishponds, a solarised borehole, drinking and watering troughs, a spray race, and a combined holding and sale pen, creating permanent drought resilience infrastructure at community level.

On the ground, hay baling is already underway in all provinces, with Government-provided tractors and hay balers available for hire through Provincial Directors of Agriculture, putting feed security tools directly in farmers' hands before the dry season bites.

Adding further supply, the Ministry has declared wheat stover a registered stockfeed under Statutory Instrument 159 of 2024, meaning the wheat straw harvested from the current winter crop will be channelled directly into the drought response, targeting the most critical wards. The message is unambiguous: this season, no herd should be lost to a drought that was forecast months in advance.

Hay balers are available for hire now. Contact your Provincial Director of Agriculture before demand peaks.



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AGRIC. TIPS FOR LIVESTOCK FARMERS

The dry season often leads to seasonal under-nutrition as natural pastures become fibrous and low in protein, resulting in weight loss, poor conception rates, and weakened animals. Do not wait until your animals lose weight. Start supplementary feeding early with wheat straw, maize stover, hay, silage, or cotton seed cake. **Farmers are encouraged to** use urea treatment of stover to improve nutritional value. Training in fodder production and animal health is available at 1,620 Ward Drought Mitigation Centers. Government-provided tractors and hay balers are available for hire through Provincial Directors of Agriculture to help you secure winter feed.

REMEMBER: a well-fed cow conceives better, produces more milk, and survives drought stronger. Think of feeding as insurance for your herd. Sell non-essential or older animals early through Aggregation Centers to avoid panic sales and get fair prices. This reduces pressure on feed and water while keeping your foundation herd strong.



DEPUTY MINISTER |
HON. DAVIS MARAPIRA

EARLY ACTION means you protect your animals, your income, and your household. To build a more resilient herd, farmers should consider Artificial Insemination (AI) for their stock. Utilizing AI allows you to introduce genetics that are better adapted to heat and local environmental stressors, ensuring that the next generation of your livestock is more robust and productive even under challenging conditions.

By taking these early actions, you are not just surviving the drought—you are building a sustainable future.

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LIVESTOCK DROUGHT MITIGATION CENTRES

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AGRIC-Tips for FISH Farmers

DROUGHT & Winter Management

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Protect your fish stocks by managing water quality and conserving water resources.

Cold weather and reduced rainfall can be harsh on fish, but with careful management one can safeguard your ponds.

Shallow ponds cool and dry quickly, exposing fish to stress and risking losses. In contrast, deeper ponds conserve both heat and water, creating a more stable environment.

Keep pond water levels high:

A deeper water column slows cooling and reduces evaporation, giving your fish a safer, more stable environment.

Reduce water exchange:

Limit water changes to preserve scarce water supplies.

Use shade nets: Reduce evaporation and help stabilize pond conditions.



Repair leaks: Inspect liners, inlets, and outlets; seal seepage immediately to conserve water.

De-stock or partially harvest:

Harvest market-size fish early to reduce biomass, oxygen demand, and water use.

Consolidate stock: Move fish from multiple small ponds into fewer, deeper ponds to conserve water and improve management.

Work closely with your Agricultural Business Advisory Officer on drought management to safeguard your stock. By **acting early** and following these steps, you protect your investment today while building a stronger, more resilient aquaculture system for tomorrow.





Revival of Cotton Industry Starts with SEED!

The **Cotton Research Institute of Zimbabwe** used its 101st Field Day at Chitekete, Gokwe signaling that the revival of the country's cotton industry is rooted in seed. Director Mr. Mubvekeri told attendees that trial lines are already producing 30 to 35 bales per hectare, and more, compared to current commercial varieties, with each bale weighing 200 kilograms. The gains, clearly visible in boll numbers and plant architecture, draw on Zimbabwe's wide genetic base and the continued introduction of breeding material from Asia and the Americas. Improvements span yield, lint quality, bale weight, and bolls per plant, and Mubvekeri was direct:



"When combined with good management, these advances show farmers can still grow cotton profitably" – placing research at the centre of government efforts to revitalise the industry.

The varieties on display are open-pollinated, bred and developed in Zimbabwe for wide adaptability, characteristics Mubvekeri said give them the potential to pull the industry out of its current slump.

Translating research gains into farmers' hands, however, takes time: the formal seed multiplication process begins with nuclear seed at near-100% purity, moves through breeder seed to pre-basic, foundation, and certified seed bulked by commercial seed houses. Several companies are already bulking the recently released CRIMS 3 through CRIMS 8 varieties, which will reach farmers in due course – a structured pipeline that makes the revival both credible and sustainable.





Building Climate Resilience & Food Security from Zimbabwe's Own Genetic Resources...

As climate change continues to challenge agricultural production across Zimbabwe, renewed attention is being directed towards one of the country's greatest but often underappreciated assets—its indigenous livestock breeds.

Government officials, livestock specialists, researchers and ranch managers recently reaffirmed that **indigenous cattle such as the Mashona, Nguni, Tuli and Nkone breeds are central to strengthening food security and building resilience against increasingly frequent droughts, disease outbreaks and changing weather patterns.**

Speaking during a visit to Shangani Holistic Range in Matabeleland South, **Deputy Minister of Agriculture, Mechanisation and Water Resources Development Hon. Davis Marapira** stressed that climate adaptation requires farmers to embrace livestock that are naturally suited to Zimbabwe's production environment. *"We have been having droughts from as early as 1900, but our indigenous breeds managed to survive within the drought situations,"* said Deputy Minister Marapira.

He encouraged farmers to view indigenous breeds not as second-best alternatives but as strategic investments for the future of livestock production.

"Let's go indigenous; that will reduce pressure even on our health, and we will live better than if we focus on exotic breeds and feeds," he said.

Livestock production plays a vital role in household incomes, nutrition and national food security. As rainfall patterns become increasingly unpredictable, strengthening climate-smart production systems has become a national priority.

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Everywhere, Everyday!



FARMER ADVISORY

THE DUAL-STRATEGY FRAMEWORK FOR ENSO RISK MANAGEMENT...

... is a new framework for building resilience against El Niño and La Niña events, including drought, flooding, and heat stress.

Proactive Response:

Pre-season planning and early warning systems to guide decisions before shocks arrive. Climate-smart agriculture practices tailored to agroecological zones.

Reactive Response:

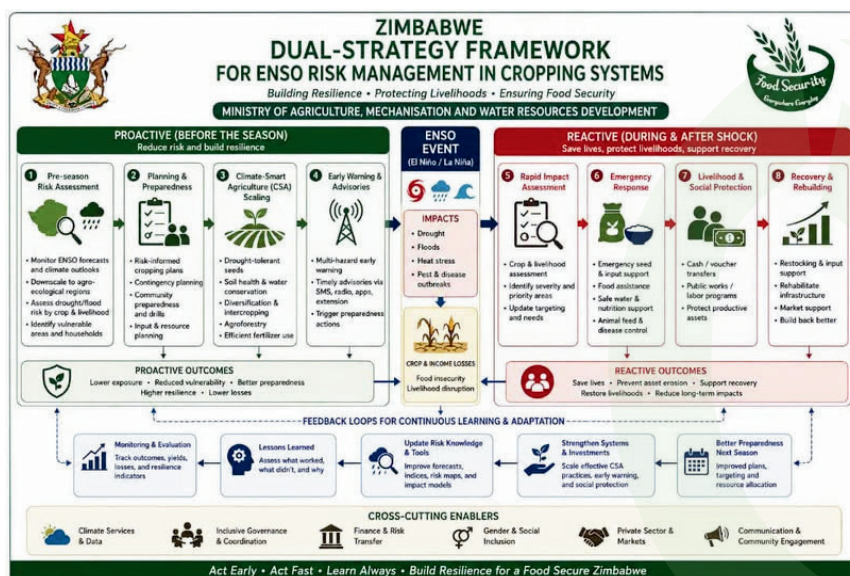
Rapid impact assessments following adverse weather events. Emergency food aid, cash transfers, and recovery support for affected households.

Always Learning:

Continuous feedback loops to improve forecasts, tools, and preparedness with each season.

Act Early | Act Fast | Learn Always • Build Resilience for a Food Secure Zimbabwe

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#FoodSecurity



"The Dual-Strategy Framework for ENSO Risk Management ensures that every farming family has the tools to withstand climate uncertainty."

Health & Wellness

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ADAS Men Celebrate Health and Wellness Day,

ABOUT 30 men from the Ministry's Agricultural Development Advisory Services (ADAS), gathered at Hellenics Sports Club in Harare this week, to mark...

... Men's Health and Wellness Day, reaffirming their commitment to preventive healthcare and holistic well-being.

Facilitated by wellness coach Mr. Jacob Miles, the interactive programme combined communication.

Medical practitioner Dr. Friday urged participants to embrace routine screening for blood pressure, blood sugar, cholesterol, testosterone levels, and prostate cancer for early detection and timely intervention.





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#FLASHBACK

#Leadership, the team FOODSECURITY proudly participated in the nationwide Clean-Up Friday initiative at our Ngungunyana Building Head Office.

Observed on the first Friday of every month as declared for national environmental action, the clean-up reaffirmed our commitment to a healthier workplace and environment.

A **clean environment is the foundation of food security, public health, and national pride.** Together, we build a cleaner, healthier Zimbabwe, one Friday at a time.

#CleanUpFriday
#FoodSecurity
#HealthyZimbabwe
#EnvironmentMatters



ZIMBABWE BEYOND BORDERS

CULTURE AND TOURISM COOPERATION

The Seminar on Culture and Tourism Development concluded in Beijing, China, this Wednesday, with Zimbabwe and China reaffirming their commitment to deepen cooperation in culture, tourism and other key sectors. The engagement is expected to continue strengthening bilateral relations and creating new opportunities for cultural exchange, tourism growth and economic collaboration between the two countries.

#Zimbabwe #China #Culture #Tourism
#BilateralRelations #Beijing #ZBCNews

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ZIMBABWE was represented at the Seminar on Protocol and Etiquette for Gvt. Officials from Developing Countries, held at the prestigious Beijing International Chinese College.

GOVERNMENT's Protocol Role Re-Imagined | #Foodsecurity



Mrs. R.F. Mativenga, MAMWRD Protocol Head (front row, 2nd from right) participated.

The three-week programme brought together officials from across the developing world to deepen their understanding of diplomatic protocol, international etiquette, and the standards that define government representation on the global stage. Zimbabwe's participation signals a deliberate commitment to elevating the professionalism and global readiness of its public service, a recognition that how a nation carries itself beyond its borders shapes how the world receives it.

Strong diplomatic protocol is a food security tool - Zimbabwe's ability to negotiate agricultural trade agreements, attract investment in food systems, and mobilise international support during climate shocks depends on the confidence and credibility of its representatives on the world stage.

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"We extend our utmost **gratitude** to the **national media** for being the unwavering external voice of our food-security mission. Your constant support in aiding our advocacy and publicity activities is the bridge that connects our efforts to the nation, ensuring that the story of Zimbabwe's food security is told, heard, and felt by all." –**MAMWRD-Communications and Advocacy Department**

"If it's not said, it never happened"



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