



Drought update

Dear Valuable DAFF Stakeholder

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The Department of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries is committed to engaging you, our valued stakeholder on issues that matters to you.

It is against this background that the department is taking the initiative of disseminating information on drought relief interventions. The department will send frequent communiques that will keep you abreast of new developments with regards to drought intervention.

Given the severity of the drought, the National Disaster Management Centre has established a National Joint Drought Coordination Committee (NJDCC) to coordinate response and relief measures within government. The committee meets weekly to deliberate on the progress of response measures.

Additionally, the Minister of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries, Honourable Senzeni Zokwana (MP) and the Deputy Minister of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries, General Bheki Cele have embarked on a programme to visit provinces that have been impacted by drought.

The primary purpose of the visit is to assess the severity and impact of the drought in affected provinces. Furthermore, it is to assess if the affected farmers have benefitted from the drought relief intervention support programme.

Sincerely,

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