



## NYANGAREDZO

# Working on Fire programme supports farmers, creates jobs

The Department of Environmental Affairs' Working on Fire (WoF) programme has plans in place to support farmers who are affected by climate change.

"During El Nino farmers continuously experience veld fires on an ongoing basis. Just this year for instance, we anticipate that we will have to fight fires that are close to 3 000," said Environmental Affairs Minister Edna Molewa.

Minister Molewa indicated that there is a budget allocated to support small and commercial farmers.

"We've allocated R528 million just in this financial year alone. Working on Fire has got almost R1,3 billion allocated to assist farmers," said Minister Molewa.

The Working on Fire programme has also created a total of 13 660 jobs in the past three years.

The programme was launched in 2003 as part of government's drive to create jobs and alleviate poverty.

"This programme has the capacity to provide many more jobs, necessitating the need for a higher budget," said Environmental Affairs Minister Edna Molewa.

The total expenditure for the Working on Fire programme for the 2012/13 financial year was R404 205 524, in the 2013/14 financial year it was R405 540 125 and in the 2014/15 financial year it amounted to R508 222 000.

"There is a major need for fire management capacity from WoF for both using fire for ecosystem management and combatting wild fires," Minister Molewa said.

The programme ensures that South Africa's Biodiversity and Ecosystems are protected and contribute to socio-economic growth as well job creation.



**The Working on Fire programme has not only created jobs but it also offers relief to farmers.**

The programme is one of several departmental programmes under implementation through government's Expanded Public Works Programme (EPWP).

The EPWP has been the primary vehicle through which the Department of Environmental Affairs has delivered on its job creation mandate.

"Today more than 5 000 young men and women are employed through the programme. They are recruited from marginalised communities and trained in

fire awareness and education, prevention and fire suppression skills," said the department said.

They are trained as veld and forest fire fighters and are stationed in more than 200 teams throughout South Africa.

"Furthermore a total of 592 Black Economic Empowerment compliant suppliers have benefited from the programme between 2013 and 2015, to the value of R395 144 169.00," said the department.

swika magumoni a Lambamai 2016, ngeno tshioko tsha mavhele a taqa tshi do konda vhukuma.

"Gomelelo ja 2014/2015 lo kwama u vha hone ha mavhele matshena, ane a vha a ndeme khathihi na a taqa, ane a shumesa kha zwifubo. Uya nga Komiti ya Nyanganyelo ya Zwimela, u bveledzwa ha mavhele hu khou anganyelwa uri ho tsa ubva kha thani dza 14.2 miljoni ya 2013 uya kha 9.8 miljoni ya 2014, ine yo tsa ng 31%."

Vha ri muhasho wo qetshedza R66 miljoni ya u thoma mbekanyamushumo ya u londota mavu u itela u fhungudza u tshinyadzwa ha qaka na mavu na ndozwo ya maqdi na u engedza maitele a ndondolo ya vhulimi.

Muhasho wo dovha wa shumisa masheleni a linganaho R9 miljoni kha u vhora maqdi u itela maqdi a zwifubo, u phaqqadza mafhuno a tshihaq a u eletshedza na u qetshedza tsivhudzo yo teaho kha vhoralubasi.

Vho engedza nga uri muvhuso u doisa phanda na u qetshedza vhoralubasi ngeletshedzo na tsivhudzo dza mutsho zwine zwa do vha thusa kha u lima na u fhungudza tshioko.

Minisita Vho Gordhan vho ita khuwelelo kha vhadzulapo vha Afrika Tshipembe vha miwaha miraru uya kha miyanu na uri zwi kwama tshanduko ya kilima.

Vho ombedzela uri Afrika Tshipembe, u fana na manwe mashango li tea u di qowedza kha u shanduka ha kilima.

## [ Kha ri shumisane kha u vhulunga maqdi ] > Tsho bva kha Siafari 1



## TSHIBVELELI TSHA EL NINO

Minisita wa zwa Mupo vhane vha dovha vha vha murado wa IMC, Vho Edna Molewa, vho ri muvhuso ndi kale u tshi khou shumana na u vhona uri shango li nga pulaneli nyimele dzo raloh.

Vha ri zwa a bvumba mutsho zwi dzulela u itwa tshifhinga tshoqhe. Mathomoni dzi itwa lwa tshifhinga tshipufhi nga murahu dza itwa nga murahu ha miwedzi ya rathi. Tshibveleli tshi vha hone u swika khalwa waha ya tshilimo itshi fhele, hune ha vha nwaha u nwaha.

Minisita vho divedza uri vha Tshumelo dza Mutsho wa Afrika Tshipembe vha dzula vho sedza na u tielela tshiimo tsha tshibveleli tsha El Nino, na u tsela fhasi nga vhuria ha 2016.

Minisita Vho Molewa vho sumbedzisa uri muvhuso zwazwino u vho kona u pafesa mutevheqhandu uri u da nga murahu ha miwaha miraru uya kha miyanu na uri zwi kwama tshanduko ya kilima.

Vho ombedzela uri Afrika Tshipembe, u fana na manwe mashango li tea u di qowedza kha u shanduka ha kilima.

## ZWI KWAMA HANI VHORABULASI

Minisita wa Muhasho wa Vhulimi, Vhusimamiri na Vhufuwakhovhe, Vho Senzeni Zokwana, vho ri vhuimo ha shango kha mavhele matshena vhu khou tsela fhasi fhele huna tshioko tsho linganaho u

ya vhuqali lwa tshifhinga tsha vhukati uya kha tshifhinga tshilapfu musi ri tshi khou di qowedza tshanduko ya kilima," vho ralo Minisita Vho Gordhan.

**\*U wana muvhiso nga vhudalo kha vha sedze siafari 8 na siafari 9.**

[ Kha vha tsireledee dzibadani nga tshifhinga tsha maqduva a madakalo ]  
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badani dzashu.]

Vho dovha vha humbela uri vha tuwedze vhatuuri vha shumise goloi dzire kha tshimo tshavhudi.

Minisita vho ita tshihumbudzi tsha u humbula avho vho lovaho dzibadani,

vho fheletsedzwa nga Miraodo ya Khorotshitumbe (dziMEC) na Vhaofisiri Vhahulwane (dziCEO) vha zwiimisa zwa vhuendi na vhaive vhashumisani kha zwa vhuendi na Mufarisa Minisita Vho Sindisiwe Chikunga,

Vho vha tshihalo tsha vhaqivhalea vha Afrika Tshipembe vho ri siaho zwenezwino kha bada dza shango lashu hu tshi katelewa muthivheli wa thimu ya Ajax Cape Town Vho Cecil Sonwabile Lolo, vho lovaho nga khombo ya badani nga dza 25 Tshimedzi kha bada ya Spine ngei Khayelitsha na muimbi Lebo Mathosa, o lovaho nga 2006 nga khombo ya goloi yo iteaho tsini na Germiston, vhuvabuqva ha Johannesburg.

Afrika Tshipembe lo dovha la fhuwa nga u dzhielwa Minisita wa Tshumelo ya Tshishavha na Vhulangi Vho Collins Chabane, vhe vha lovha na vhatireledzi vhavho vhavhili musi goloi yavho itshi thulana na tiraka nnqa ha Polokwane na nawaha nga nwedi wa Thafamuhwe.

Minisita Vho Peters vho amba uri, Minisita Vho Chabane nga tshifhinga tshe vha lovha ngatsho vho vha tshi khou shuma sa Minisita o tou farelaho kha Muhasho wa Vhuendi na uri vho vha tshi khou bva u amba ngaha tsireleddo ya bida lufuni lwe vha vha vho ya khalwo.

## OFISI THENDELEKI NT-SWA DZI DO THUSA KHA UTSHIMBIDZA MBILLO DZA KHOMBO DZA BADANI

Minisita Vho Peters vho vula ofisi thendeleki ya Tshikwama tsha Khombo dza Badani, ine ya do vha i Khayelitsha, i do engedza tswikelelo kha vha iti vha mbilo vhavhuponi ha nnqa.

"Izwi zwi tou vha zwa u thoma zwa lushaka ulwu. Ndi tshanduko ya u bvelaphanda. Iyi ndi nqila ya u swikelela avho vhe ra vha ri tshi khou vhilaela ngavho. Vhathu vhare mabulasini, kha dorobo tshukhu, vhuponi ha mahayani vhane vho balelwa u swikelela tshumelo, tshumelo iyi i do vha swikelela," vho ralo.

U rwelwaqari ha 'Ofisi Thendeleki ya RAF' hu khou tevhela mbekanyamushumo ya mbambadzo yo winaho tshiphuga tsha u bvelela ha RAF 'RAF dzibadani', fulo ja u ya tshishavhoni lo thomaho nga Thafamuhwe nga 2012.

Vho Phumelela Dhlomo, Muofisiri Muhulwane wa Mbambadzo wa RAF, vho ri ofisi thendeleki yo rwelwaqari nga tshifhinga tsha maqduva a madakalo hune vhatu vha tangana na khombo dza dzigoloi.

Vho ri ofisi thendeleki i khou tou engedza kha fulo ja uya tshishavhoni ja zwino ja RAF, 'RAF dzibadani'.

'RAF dzibadani' ndi mbekanyamushumo ine ya vha na ofisi ya tshifhinga nyana tshishavhoni i tshi qetshedza tshumelo yo fehlelaho kha mirado ya tshishavha kha mbilo dza khombo dza badani.

Vho Dhlomo vha ri kha fulo ja u swikelela tshishavha ngei Khayelitsha, ho swikelela vhatu vha 1 600.

Nga murahu ha Khayelitsha, ho swikelela vhatu vha 900 Kokstad.

"Na nawaha fhedzi, ro swikelela vhatu linaganaho 30 000 nga kha mbekanyamushumo."

Thanganyelo dzo fhambanaho dzi anzela u farwa dzikerekeni, moloni, thekisi renke, na musi ho valiwa dzibada nga mihasho ya dzibada u itela u divhadza vhatu vha vha tshikwama itshi.

**U wana vhutanzu ngaha RAF kha vha lidzele Senthara ya Lutingo kha: 0860 23 556 23. U vhiga vhukhurukhu kha vha lidzele: 0800 00 5919**

# Government one step ahead in drought relief

Noluthando Mkhize

**G**overnment is working hard to ensure that South Africans continue to have access to water even during the current drought that the country is facing.

The Department of Water and Sanitation is rolling out comprehensive interventions to minimise the impact of drought.

So far, the department has deployed water tankers to provide water to areas that are hardest hit by the drought.

These areas include KwaZulu-Natal, Free State, and Limpopo, which have been declared disaster areas.

Water and Sanitation Minister Nomvula Mokonyane said her department has committed R352.6 million to the initial drought intervention projects and a further R96.620 million to the provisional tankering and additional interventions.

She added that to address and mitigate the potential impact of the drought immediate, short, medium and long-term measures were being put in place.

The Minister said the measures included strict implementation of drought operating rules at all dams, including restrictions.

"The department will implement water conservation and demand management programmes which includes the War on Leaks and drop the block interventions."

This also includes emergency interventions by tankering and climate research as well as hydrological and geo-hydrological monitoring.

## BUYING OF WATER TANKERS

Minister Mokonyane said the Department of Water and Sanitation, through its National Water Resource Infrastructure Unit, is manag-

ing the procurement of 45, 18 000 litre water tankers.

A total of 682 water tanks with stands will be distributed to municipalities in KwaZulu-Natal such as the Ugu District Municipality (DM), Umkhanyakude (DM), Illembe DM and Harry Gwala DM.

"Illembe DM in KwaZulu-Natal has completed their tank stand installation. Umgeni Water has completed the 30 tanks in Harry Gwala DM in KwaZulu-Natal, along with 81 tanks that have been installed in Umkhanyakude DM. The budget limitation of R2 million allowed for 81 tanks not the 500 they had requested," said Minister Mokonyane.

"Additional sites are being identified in order to utilise the savings on the budget. Umgeni Water has completed 20 of the 144 Ugu DM tanks. Uthukela DM is beginning the procurement process for the installation of their tanks."

## BOREHOLE INTERVENTIONS

She added that approval was granted to appoint a key service provider to buy siting, drilling and hydrogeological services to implement borehole interventions where the DM did not already have contracts in place.

Work started at the Umkhanyakude and Illembe DM in September 2015.

"Interim tankering and second phase intervention in five district municipalities, namely Umkhanyakude, Umgonyathi, Ugu, Amajuba, and Uthungulu, have been approved for the total amount of R96 620 552.00."

The department's Deputy Director-General for Planning and Transformation, Deborah Mocholhi, said that the re-use and desalination, eradication of illegal water use, drilling of boreholes in suitable areas and rainwater harvesting were short term

interventions.

She added that there are transfers of schemes from the Lesotho Highlands Water Project Phase 2, emergency transfer Tugela to Goedetrouw, Othongathi River transfer to Hazelmore and infrastructure upgrade developments in Hazelmore, Clanwilliam and Tzaneen.

Mocholhi said was appealing to every individual to use water sparingly and adhere to water restrictions as well as efficient water use practices including not filling swimming pools, or watering their gardens during the day.

## PROVINCIAL DAM LEVELS

Minister Mokonyane said in selected drought areas, such as KwaZulu

Natal, the average dam storage of the large schemes is 69 per cent with three of 18 schemes below 50 per cent of full supply capacity.

"An estimated 6 500 stand-alone rural communities are currently experiencing water shortages. These are mostly situated in KwaZulu-Natal, Mpumalanga, Limpopo, and North West provinces. This number could increase to over 11 000 rural communities as the dry period extends and local water resources get depleted."

She said in drought stricken areas such as the



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northern parts of KwaZulu-Natal, southern parts of Mpumalanga, and selected areas in Limpopo, North West and Northern Cape, about 50 per cent of local water storage was facing challenges and needed to be managed properly.

The drought currently affects 173 of the 1 628 water supply schemes nationally, serving approximately 2.7 million households or 18 per cent of the national population.

In Gauteng the municipalities are experiencing strains on the supply systems due to high demand and current high temperatures.

# Government provides support to farmers



Rural Development and Land Reform Minister Gugile Nkwinti.

Albert Pule

**G**overnment has allocated more than R260 million to farmers across the country to deal with the impact of drought.

The total set aside for drought relief efforts country-wide amounts to R524 million.

Minister of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries Senzeni Zokwana said the funds would be distributed to farmers in consultation with the provincial departments of agriculture.

The department also spent R9 million on drilling boreholes for livestock water, disseminating early warning information and providing appropriate advice to farmers.

"There will be a provision of R36.5 million by provincial Departments of Agriculture to relieve small scale and subsistence farmers in affected provinces," said Minister Zokwana.

His department will also provide R22 million to smallholder farmers to both maintain production animals and "encourage the herd reduction through the market".

## Other measures by department will include:

- Drilling and equipping affected areas for additional boreholes for livestock.

- Facilitating and supporting the revolution of credit facilities due to crop failure.
- Monitoring food prices through the Food Price Monitoring committee to inform appropriate measures are taken to ensure food security.
- Coordinating interdepartmental food nutrition security interventions to mitigate the effects of drought on farmworkers and rural communities.

The Department of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries is considering reprioritising conditional grants to make funds available to help farmers in get animal feed and additional water supply for their animals.

The Minister added that the department would continue providing farmers with weather advisories and warnings to guide future crop plantation and reduction of stock.

Meanwhile the Department of Rural Development and Land Reform will relocate livestock from the worst affected regions in the five regions to state-owned land where there is still better grazing land. The department is allocating almost R187 million for this drought relief intervention.

These include the provision of water for livestock in areas where boreholes can be drilled and construction of water troughs through RADP funding support and the Animal and Veld Management programme.

According Minister Gugile Nkwinti, the department has engaged some of the commodity organisations such as the sugar industry, Grain SA who will be in partnership with the Department, and the provincial Departments of Agriculture to implement the identified short term, medium and long term drought relief interventions.

"In the North West we have recently allocated 200 000 hectares of land. I am expecting the provincial government to disaggregate the land in the same way that KwaZulu-Natal did," said Minister Nkwinti.

## NDILA DZA U VHULUNGA MADI

### Nga nnqja na nga ngomu nquni / kha mabindu

- Kha vha vale phaphi vhukati ha musi vha tshi khou jamba tshifhafuwo, u hwaya mago khathini na u diphvhulva.
- U fheda minete mitjana shawarani nga dluvha vhudzuloni ha u shumisa bavu, vha shumisa tshararu tsha madi ane a nga shumisiwa kha bavu ja u tamela, zwa vhulunga madi a swikalo jithara dza 400 nga vnege.
- U tamela nga shawara zwi nga shumisa madi a linganaho jithara dza 20 dza madi nga minete.
- Arali vha tshi takalela bavu, vha songo tou li qadza.
- U tamela bavuni huuwe na huuwe vha nga shumisa jithara dza re vhukati ha 80 na 150 .
- Kha vha shumise thoho dza phaphi dza shawara dza bvisado mago zwitku, sisiteme ya u gwedza i vhulungaho mago na mitsini ya u kuvha i vhulungaho mago.
- Gedela a dzo ngo tea u glazwina u swika nglu mulomo, kha vha shele fhedzi eneo mago o linganaho. Izwi na zwone zwi do fhungudza mbabelo dza muqagasi.
- Vha songo gada zifwaro sa bodo dza u bika, sa izwi zwi tshi do shumisa muqagasi munzhi kha u vhlisa mago.
- U fhungudza u shuluwesa ha mago fhedzi vha tshi gwedza bungani zwi nga vhulunga phesenthe dza 20 dza tshumiso ya mago. Hezwi zwi nga itwa u shumisa gumbukumbu ja nyamunaithi ja jithara mbili jo dladzaho nga mago na muvahfa u si munzhi u itela ur i vhe na shileme ngomu ha mukumbu.
- Kha vha lugise bunga ji bvudisalo mago, zwa sa ralo li jga tambisa madi a linganaho jithara dza 100 000 nga nwaha muthini.
- Kha vha tutshele zwilwaza bungani zwi nga vhlisa bungani zwi songo tea. U latwa ha thishu, zwilwaza honono na marwe malatya zwi latwe zikolo u fhrisa bungani. Tshifhinga tsothe musi vha tshi janzwa goloi yavho. Arali vha tshi do tea u shumisa phaphi khulwane, kha vha shumise sipure i shine tsha nga kona u valiwa vhukati ha musi vha tshi janzwa goloi yavho.
- U shumisa phaphi khulwane ya ngadene zwi nga shumisa vhlisa madi a linganaho jithara dza 30 nga minete.
- Vha songo shela pennde na mihiwemba moshonga kha zwiko zwa madi kana migero. Vhalimi vha tea u vha na vhluzani ha ur i vha vhluzela mishonga ya zwilwaza kule ha zwiko zwa madi kana migero.
- Mamaga a tea u thogomela nqila ine wa laja ngayo mechuri na dziriwe tsimbi dsi lemelaho madini o tshikafahalaho.
- Vhathu vha dzulalo vhuponi ha mayahani vha tea u vha na vhlundu kha u sashumisa mulambo kana khunzikhunzi dza mulambo sa bunga.

### Ngadene

- Vha dzulele u sheledeza zwilwaza zwilwaza vha zwa musi hu tshe nga matsheloni kana nga tshikovhelelo, musi muftiso wo dzika. Vhukati ha awara ya 10:00 na ya 15:00 muthu a nga lozwa mago a linganaho phesenthe dza 90% nga muthiso.
- Tshifhinga tsothe musi vha tshi vhlisa kumba, kha vha vhulunga madi o frodiziwaho kha zwilwaza zwilwaza zwa nquni. Zwi jo wanu pfusi dsi vho kha tshikwangwa tsha kumba.
- Vha shumise miri yapo na ine a i swonzwesi madi i hvaho kha vhlwhe vhufo (fhedzi hu si miri i disaho tshinyalelo).
- Kha vha vhekanye miri nga nqila ine wa toja madi ngayo na u i tsireledza u mona nayo.
- Kha vha sheledeza ngade lu si lunzhi, fhedzi vha i sheledeza vha vhulundo. U shumisa phaphi khulwane ya ngadene zwi nga shumisa vhlisa madi a linganaho jithara dza 30 nga minete.
- Kha vha tupule miri ya tshene muqini wavho.
- Magi a mvula na one a nga vhulunga mathanjeni, u itela u a shumisa u sheledeza ngadene.
- Kha vha shumise madi o no shumiswaho - madi o shumiswaho kha u tambla, a bvaho kha mutshini wa u kuvha na zwilwaza zwiko zwa tsireledza - kha u sheledeza ngade yavho.