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SAFDA Celebrates 5 years of existence

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The South African Farmers Development Association (SAFDA), the hope and voice of thousands of small-scale farmers, recently commemorated its 5th anniversary.

SAFDA's AGM on 25 November 2020 was divided into two sessions, the first part being the formal part that deals with the organisation's governance matters

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– this session was only attended by SAFDA's delegates that were chosen from all regions that SAFDA operates in. The second part was an open session where the organisation held its 5th-anniversary celebration with invited guests.

SAFDA was formed in 2015 through a watershed moment which was brought about by a group of growers that had had enough of the inequalities within the sugar industry. Driven by passion for real transformation, they then decided to form their own organisation that was going to focus mainly on assisting small-scale growers and land reform growers who were previously

neglected and overlooked in their operations and in getting assistance from the organisation that they were affiliated with.

SAFDA's anniversary did not only focus on the number of years since its establishment in 2015 but it focused beyond the number, the AGM/anniversary zoomed in on the organisation's milestones... the Industry interventions that SAFDA fought so hard for, the fertilizer assistance that growers received from the Department of Rural Development and Land reform which assisted growers to produce an increase in their output (tons of sugarcane), to name a few.

SAFDA has become a household name for many sugarcane growers' families and in the agricultural sector, hence it was befitting that it celebrates its milestone in the manner that it did. Among guests that graced the momentous occasion was the MEC for Finance, Economic Development and Tourism in Mpumalanga, Honourable Pat Ngomane, Inkosi Ngomane from Nkomazi, Ms. Joanmariae Fubbs, SASA Vice Chairperson, and many other key industry role players who are our stakeholders including National Assembly MPs. Speaking at the gathering, MEC Ngomane commended SAFDA for the work that it has done for farmers in the sugarcane space and reiterated that an organisation like SAFDA was a much-needed relief that growers had been



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longing for. "SAFDA has done what government has been failing to do for growers, particularly the small-scale ones. SAFDA came at a right time when the government is working so hard to make sure that the economy is back to people through Agriculture. "umnotfo usemhlabatsini" which is loosely translated as 'the economy is in agriculture'," said Ngomane. Ngomane was standing in for the MEC for Agriculture, Honourable Vusi Shongwe, who had other prior government commitments.

SAFDA's Executive Chairman Dr Siyabonga Madlala, who could not contain his happiness and joy in seeing the organisation reaching this milestone, said it was a miracle and grace that SAFDA had reached five years since it was formed. "I often do not believe it when I look at the work that has been done by SAFDA in a short space of time since it was established. There are organisations that have been existence for more than 100 years but have only achieved so little when you compare to what SAFDA has done." He added: "What surprises me the most is that in most cases organisations do not even last two years, there will be squabbles, divisions, breakaways which often lead to the demise of these organisations, but we have overcome all these obstacles by grace." Although SAFDA has had its fair share of problems, this did not stop the fast-moving ship from fulfilling its purpose and mandate for its people, he concluded.



SAFDA implements the Mkhuze rail siding project for Makhathini farmers

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Recently, the South African Farmers Development Association (SAFDA) handed over the much-needed spiller to Makhathini sugarcane farmers at an event held at the Port of Durban.

The spiller is a result of a plea that was made by the farmers to the Department of Agriculture, Land Reform and Rural Development (DALRRD) after their local mill informed them it would no longer be able to continue with the road transport subsidy for the Makhathini small-scale farmers. The DALRRD agreed to fund the operationalization of Mkhuze siding to a tune of R30 Million to support the small-scale farmers for the transport of their cane by rail to the Felixton mill, hence also increasing cane throughput to the sugar mill. This Mkhuze rail siding project will assist about 1900 Makhathini small-scale farmers who have been struggling for some time now. Speaking at the launch, SAFDA Executive Chairman Dr Siyabonga Madlala, said this was the beginning of many great things to come for Makhathini farmers. "This spiller will bring the much-needed relief to our small-scale growers, the reduction of costs will definitely expand their operations with the savings that they will be making through the operation of this rail," added Madlala.

Jobs will be created during construction and operations of this project. Construction jobs will also be created as the project moves forward with civil works over the next 2 to 3 months. Once construction is completed, operational jobs will be created for spiller operators, road weigh bridge clerks, spiller and weigh bridge

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cleaners, wagon cleaners, mobile cane loading machine operators, rail tractor operators, security, and site supervisor. A minimal of 20 operational jobs is expected to be created at the Mkhuze rail offloading facility. Local businesses will benefit from civil, structural, mechanical, and electrical procurement such as in building materials and steel work, machinery, and equipment (tractors, generator, excavators, bell

loader, weigh bridge and office building materials) and lighting and electrical installation.

Bosch Holdings has been appointed as the consulting design engineers to the project, and the design has been completed. Timing of this project is critical to the livelihoods of the Makhathini small-scale farmers, as the farmers need to shift from road to rail at the start of the 2021 sugar season, so that their cane is not left stranded in Makhathini. This project would support a reduction in the volume of trucks on the road especially on the N2 north of Richards Bay to the Jozini off-ramp which is single lane each direction.

Mazwi Simelane, Chairman of Makhathini Farmers, said they had really struggled in the past years, with the expensive costs of transporting sugarcane to the mills. "The excessive costs that we used to incur for transporting sugarcane to the mills is the reason today we see a decline in farmers who grow sugarcane in Makhathini area, the costs are beyond what we can afford, having this rail will make huge savings for most of us," said Simelane.



The Makhathini sugarcane farmers are currently transporting their cane by road to the Felixton sugar mill and are currently paying R170 per ton with the rest of the costs covered by the mill subsidy. With the new transloading station, their total costs will reduce to R112 per ton. At approximately 117 000 tons of sugarcane from Makhathini currently per year, this equates to a total saving of R6.8 million per year for these small-scale farmers. Over time as the cane production potential increases for the Makhathini farmers delivering 350 000 tons using the new transloading facility would save the Makhathini small-scale farmers R16 million per year.

SAFDA subsidiary to conduct monitoring and evaluation over food security programme for government

Ray Ninela: Senior Project Manager-
Farm Management Services



The Department of Agriculture and Rural Development (DARD) in KwaZulu-Natal has appointed SAFDA Farm Management Services (Pty) Ltd as a commodity organisation for 36 months to conduct the monitoring and evaluation of the multi-season planting programme to plant 20 938 hectares throughout the province for the following financial years: 2020/21, 2021/22 and 2022/23.

According to the Agricultural Policy Action Plan (2014-2019), food security remains a challenge for the country, especially at local household levels. The most vulnerable sector of our society is our rural communities who are the most impoverished citizens, yet there is so much land at their disposal, with a lack of resources to make use of the arable land surrounding them. In response to the plight of the rural communities, the department has introduced the Multi-Season Planting Programme to focus mainly on summer crops that are staple food such as maize, beans, and vegetables, any surplus of these produce should be linked to Radical Agrarian

Socio-Economic Transformation (RASET) programme.

The department had to intervene with an aggressive and a holistic programme to address food security in the province, especially for the marginalised farmers, for food security and to participate in the mainstream agricultural economy. The provincial government launched this programme led by Premier Sihle Zikalala. The event took place in October 2020 in the uMzimkhulu Municipality area, which falls under Harry Gwala District. The aim of the launch was to create awareness for the farmers involved in the programme and for local markets to recognise this programme. The scope of the project is to review the planting season programme documents including data collection templates, portfolio of evidence documents set indicators to measure performance. Focus on strengthening the M&E System, building capacity of extension officers, and producing credible data and quality M&E systems.

Table showing planned hectares per commodity per district for 2020/21 season:

DISTRICT:	APP: TARGETS HA	COMMODITIES PLANNED FOR PRODUCTION 2020/21 (HA)		
		MAIZE	BEANS	VEGETABLES & OTHERS
Amajuba	1500	1142	270	88
Harry Gwala	4000	3610	370	20
King Cetshwayo	1200	300	800	100
uGu	2000	900	400	700
uMgungundlovu	1000	350	614	36
uMkhanyakude	2238	239	1228	771
uMzinyathi	3050	1920	880	250
uThukela	1700	1000	560	140
Zululand	3500	2660	755	85
eThekweni	250	98	112	40
iLembe	500	258	160	82
TOTALS	20938	12477	6149	2312
		60%	29%	11%

2020/2021 SEASON – Road to recovery for the Sugar Industry

Thuledu Biyela and Aubrey Gabriel



The sustainability of the sugar industry had been under threat in previous years due to the ineffective tariff protection, which led to erosion of value, as large quantities of imported sugar flooded the market and exposed local sugar production to the 'dumped' world market at prices below the cost of production. More recently the introduction of the Health Promotion Levy (HPL) has had a devastating impact on sugar demand, particularly from industrial users in the beverage sector. The HPL is estimated to have shrunk local market demand for sugar by about 20%, which contributed to a marked reduction in industry-related jobs, with many small-scale farmers exiting the industry due to the significant reduction in revenue. Industry revenue in the 2019/2020 season declined by R2.2 billion following implementation of the HPL.

Government response to the crisis facing the sugar industry was the formulation of the Sugar Industry Value Chain Masterplan 2030 (Masterplan), which seeks to ensure stability, growth, and long-term sustainability for the sugar industry. Short-term objectives of the Masterplan aim to restore local market demand for sugar in the first year of implementation by at least 150 000 tons and by 300 000 tons by year

three. Industrial users and retailers have committed to a 'buy local campaign', which requires users to source at least 80% of their requirements from local sugar production. This commitment to purchase South African sugar increases to 95% by year three. In return sugar industry stakeholders have committed to restraining notional and producer price increases to within consumer price inflation for a period of three years, thereby ensuring that future price increases are competitive and sustainable for customers. Government has also committed to promote the use of local sugar by all government departments and state-owned entities. It is extremely encouraging for small-scale farmers to note that one of the strategic objectives of the Masterplan is to ensure that "Small-scale farmers are foundational to the long-term future of

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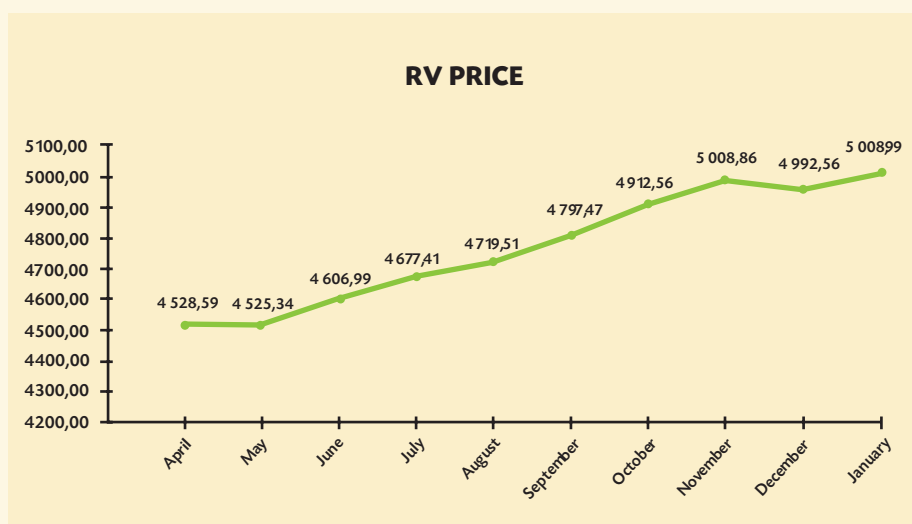
the sugarcane-based value chain"

The Masterplan was approved in principle by all major stakeholders in April 2020 but due to the delay caused by Covid 19 pandemic, it was officially launched in November 2020. Although the official launch was in November 2020, all stakeholders appear to have honoured their commitments from the outset, when the Masterplan was adopted in April 2020. This has been evidenced by a substantial increase of the Local Market Demand Estimate (LMDE) which has grown by 211 000 tons; from a level of 1 249 476 tons at the start of the 2020/2021 season to the current LMDE of 1 460 308 tons. It is apparent that the Masterplan has exceeded the achievement of its year one objective (150 000 tons) and this has boosted -industry local market proceeds by R2.2 billion and thereby impacted very favourably on the 2020/2021 RV price.

It was initially expected that Covid 19 would curb sugar demand and this assumption was used in determining the conservative LMDE levels at the start of the 2020/2021 season. However, it turned out that the positive food demand impacts of Government interventions were grossly underestimated. Government interventions such as the additional R500 on the social grant allowance, R350 monthly stipend for the unemployed individuals and distribution of food parcels had a positive effect on food consumption and the sugar industry has benefited greatly from these interventions.

We now have few weeks left before the end of the 2020/2021 sugar season and the evidence thus far suggests that the implementation of the Masterplan has contributed significantly towards setting the sugar industry off on the road to recovery and transformation. Local market sugar demand has exceeded year 1 aspirations of the Masterplan. Overperformance of the estimate by local market sales has prevailed for the entire season and we anticipate a similar upward trend for the remainder of the season. The increase in local market sugar demand has reduced exposure to the loss-making world market. Compared with the previous season (2019/2020) the export sugar availability has decreased by 392 889 tons (574 690 tons vs 967 579 tons).

This has contributed to higher average realised prices for the industry and improved grower revenue.



The positive impact on the 2020/2021 RV price can be seen in the graph below.

The above graph illustrates the monthly RV price trend from the beginning of the season up to January 2021. The latest provisional RV price paid to the

sugarcane growers at the end of January 2021 was declared at R5 008,99 per ton of RV. This represents an increase of R788,41 per ton (18,7%) compared

with the final RV price for the previous season (2019/2020). Considering the impending inflationary notional price increase effective from 3 March 2021, it is estimated that the final 2020/2021 RV price could improve to above the R5050 mark. The adoption of the Masterplan has been very positive for the South African sugar industry based on the evident substantial growth in local market demand seen thus far. This is a very positive development for the sugar industry particularly small-scale growers because it will promote greater transformation, development, and sustainability in the industry. We look forward to the next two seasons of the Masterplan which is aimed at further restoration of local market demand and industry value. There are still challenges to be addressed namely, the increasing volume of sugar imports from Eswatini, which contributes significantly to the erosion of value.

SAFDA led bulk water project underway in Mpumalanga

-Shapo Mavimbela- Agricultural Manager: Mpumalanga

The Mpumalanga team, led by the Grower Support Division's Head Sifiso Mnguni, has embarked on a journey to look for other ways to further reduce production costs for small-scale growers in the Nkomazi irrigated region.

An analysis of all costs involved in producing one hectare of sugarcane was conducted, and it was identified that electricity, haulage, and irrigation represented close to 75% of overall cost of production. The team tasked with the implementation of this project then realized that irrigation

is done on a service provider basis, which did not have any competition in this case. In the entire sugarcane region, two mill areas of Mpumalanga, it was discovered that there was a monopolistic practice with regards to the provision of service and this had an adverse impact on some growers.

As a matter of background, SAFDA Farm Management Services (Pty) Ltd, was given an opportunity by Walda Project to manage their irrigation infrastructure from June 2020, hence the birth of SAFDA Bulk Water Supply. This was in response to the strategic pillar of SAFDA to provide transformation for the growers in the industry. The response was also to provide a cost-effective model, that will contribute towards reducing the costs of production for all small-scale growers in the region, thus participating in the value chain backed by the fifth pillar of the organization.

Presentations to share the vision of a cost recovery model of a SAFDA



Bulk Water Supply (BWS) irrigation scheme were done on two small-scale projects (Sibange and Walda Farmers' Associations) that had ended their contracts with the only service provider in the region. Both projects were interested in the idea, and Sibange did not hesitate to sign a



five-year contract with SAFDA BWS, which is scheduled to commence in the 2021 season. There were challenges to get a contractor that would start immediately in July on the huge small-scale grower project with approximately 800 hectares of area under cane in Walda project.

No matter how exciting and well-structured the SAFDA BWS model had promised the growers at the project, the differences in affiliation to an industry grower association among the growers in the project got in the way. Those that were not affiliated, politicised the introduction of the SAFDA BWS as a model meant for SAFDA-affiliated growers. The matter was eventually settled through a democratic process and SAFDA BWS was voted in to render the service starting from July 2020.

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was officially implemented at a cost recovery rate on a per hectare basis at Walda project. Mr Nhlanhla Ngomane was seconded by the Mpumalanga team to manage the operations of the project, with technicians from Minatlou Trading (Pty) Ltd appointed as the technicians on the ground for all related breakdowns from the pump houses, to the mainline, to the sub-

mainline and up to infield pipes.

To date, the scheme has had its challenges, and opportunities. The challenges ranged from political and mill area interferences, financial constraints, management structure, and natural disasters. However, the newly appointed Operations manager of the Mpumalanga team, Florence Mavimbela, has brought hope in assisting the team with the challenges faced. The executive support from SAFDA Head office also ensured the survival of the project. The SAFDA Bulk Water Supply irrigation scheme will indeed continue to exist in the region, with future opportunities because more projects have shown interest to join in the 2021 season going forward. With a hope to have a cost saving model that provides the required quality of service.

Importance Of Socio-economic Survey

Phive Jiba



Sugarcane is one of the most important unique industrial commodities because of its immense contribution to Gross Domestic Product, it is also a major employer for most households. Sugarcane is one of the commodities that is used daily almost by everyone around the world. It is mainly produced in two provinces in this country namely, KwaZulu Natal and Mpumalanga Province. South African Farmers Development Association is currently working on research that will be based on a socio-economic survey of our small-scale farmers and it will be conducted on these two provinces using structured questionnaires. All ethical issues and covid-19 regulations

will be adhered to when conducting this social research. The socio-economic survey aims to determine the list of key socioeconomic areas of concern in the site context and for ongoing database purposes. We will be using local language which is IsiZulu in the interpretation of questions. The questions will be asked in IsiZulu as the preferred language, as some respondents are illiterate and unable to understand the English language.

As more data will be collected in respect of the goals of the research program assessing the socio-economic demographic profile of small-scale farmer

irrigated and non-irrigated agriculture, it becomes clearer that the focus should be more on why the households are resisting the incentives on offer. It continues to be a source of deep concern that, since 1994 the promises of land reform to integrate the smallholder black farmers into the agricultural economy of the country, little progress has been made. It is impossible to deny the fact that a lot of political will has been deployed into the question of the transformation of the agricultural sector. Thus far, the response has not been encouraging, and in many situations downright disappointing.

Therefore, the socio-economic survey is vital mostly for statistical data on the household budget and other geographic information characteristics of the area and their living conditions. In addition, the data is mostly generated to understand the economic sphere of smallholder farmers in both provinces. However, the area of policy planning and implementation is generally in the sphere of politicians as the ultimate decision-makers due to the system of our government. But in doing such responsibilities, politicians need to use advisory such as economic advisory, finances, etc which is not an area of competence to them for most. At the same time, the socio-economic survey will also examine the situation of the smallholder farmers concerning crop diversification not only limited to sugarcane and whether there are existing gaps that called for policy shifts to improve the workings of the system.

SAFDA launches bookkeeping service for growers

Siphokazi Madlala-Bookkeeping Team Leader



SAFDA is proud to announce that we have partnered with DNKA Inc, a registered accounting and audit firm, to provide a monthly bookkeeping and compliance service for our growers. SAFDA's mission, amongst others, is the transformation, development, and sustainability of all farmers, and in realizing this we have created a service to assist growers to be compliant in terms of SARS, CIPC and the Department of Labour.

We have built this service with the needs of the growers at its core and by doing so we have been able to develop an innovative bookkeeping service that is high quality and low cost. This is achieved through our use of industry expertise, new technology, and innovation. This new package allows bookkeepers and accountants who understand the sugarcane industry to assist growers with a specialised service. Ensuring you are compliant may assist you in gaining additional funding, financing and avoid unnecessary penalties and interest.

The initial offering is a monthly bookkeeping and VAT submission service which starts from R1000.00 per month. Additional services such as Provisional Tax and Income Tax Submissions, Annual Financial Statements, CIPC Returns and COIDA submissions are also available.

If you would like more information or to get the registration pack- please email bookkeepingservices@sa-fda.org.za or call Siphokazi Madlala on 071 780 5449.

SAFDA rewards growers for farming excellence

Sifiso Mnguni-Grower Affairs Head

For the first time since its formation and in an exciting development, the South African Farmers Development Association (SAFDA) will this year (2021) host its inaugural Annual Farmers Awards Ceremony.

The awards ceremony, which was initially planned to be held in Durban earlier in the year, will now be held on a date yet to be announced. Awards are based on the work performed by participating farmers during the 2020-2021 season.

The objective of the initiative is:

- To reward good farming, thereby encouraging farmers to keep up the good work
- To use the event to appreciate partners and stakeholders for their assistance and contribution to SAFDA's work of supporting the development of farmers

While the initiative will be sustained as an annual event, which will eventually include all commodities, for the 2020-21 farming season, the focus is on the sugar commodity, black small-scale and land reform farmers across the two

sugar producing provinces of KwaZulu-Natal and Mpumalanga. Candidates' nominations process which started in September 2020 and culminated with the profiling of nominees conducted in December last year. The event is set to honour a range of stakeholders who are currently involved in sugarcane farming and in support of the business of farmers. Awards will be given in the following categories:

Grower Leadership

Award in this category will be given to one farmer considered to have best performed in demonstrating leadership in the farmers' association, SAFDA.

Supporting employee

Award in this category will be given to one employee voted by majority of farmers to be the best supporting SAFDA employee across KZN and Mpumalanga.

Project

This best project award will be given to a team of employees who led the implementation of a project voted by majority of farmers to have had the most effect in improving farmers' business.



Contractor

The farming contractor award will be given to one contractor considered to have been the most performing and efficient service provider to farmers in various aspects of cane contracting.

Contributing Commercial Farmer

This one award will be given to one established commercial farmer considered to have demonstrated selfless effort to assist small-scale farmers in dealing with one or more of their challenges.

Contributing Partners

This one award will be given to one or more partners and grant makers or donors who have supported the work of farmers through partnering with the association, SAFDA.

Mill Area Committee (MAC)

Mill area committees are sugar mills-based farmer committees established to handle and process farmer issues from ground to higher levels of the industry.

This award is given to a considered to be the best in performance for the season.

Restitution Award

Restitution award is given to the best performing Communal Property Association (CPA) or Community Trusts in respect of best handling and managing pre and post settlement aspects of their community's restitution claim.

Chairman's Award

The Chairman of SAFDA awards this award to an individual or organisation chosen by the chairman of SAFDA as a special contributor, among others. Farmers will be awarded according to

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scale of farming, i.e. small-scale, land reform (medium) and large scale. Special categories of women and youth have been created to acknowledge and encourage women and youth

participation in agriculture. In this category, awards will include Best new farmer; Best small-scale farmer; Best Land Reform farmer; Best Large-scale farmer; Best female farmer; Best young farmer; Best supporting commercial farmer; and the SAFDA Farmer of the Year (overall).

As part of candidates' eligibility criteria, participants must be part of or stakeholders or supporters in the sugar production business. Farmers must be participating in at least one or more of SAFDA coordinated farming activities or projects.

ORBITUARIES

The South African Farmers Development Association would like to pay tribute to all its members that lost their loved ones due to the COVID-19 pandemic. May you find strength as you begin a difficult journey in your lives of having to live without them





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Inhlangano ye-South African Farmers Development Association (SAFDA) ibungaze iminyaka emihlanu yasungulwa eMpumalanga ngomhlaka 25 November 2020. Umhlangano we-AGM weSAFDA uhlukaniswe kabili, owokuqala ubugxile

I-SAFDA yasungulwa ngo 2015 iqembu labalimi abase bekhathale ukungabi khona kobulungiswa nokulingana embonini kashukela, elakhetha ukuziqalela inhlangano yalo ezogxila ekusizeni abalimi abancane

ezindabeni ezibalulekile zokuphathwa kwenhlangano, lomhlangano ubuthanyelwe amanxusa akwa-SAFDA kuphela abekhethe kuzo zonke izifunda okusebenzela kuzo iSAFDA. Ingxenywe yesibili yalomhlangano ibivulelekile lapho inhlangano ibungaze ukuhlanganisa iminyaka emihlanu yasungulwa, nalapho kwamukelwe khona izimenywa. I-SAFDA yasungulwa ngo 2015 iqembu labalimi abase bekhathale ukungabi khona kobulungiswa nokulingana embonini kashukela, elakhetha ukuziqalela inhlangano yalo ezogxila ekusizeni abalimi abancane nabalimi abangaphansi kohlelo Lokubuyiselwa Umhlaba abebengabhekelelwa futhi

bengalutholi usizo phambilini enhlanganweni ababe ngaphansi kwayo. Umgubho we-SAFDA ubungagxilile nje eminyakeni lenhlangano enayo kusukela yasungulwa kodwa kubhekwe okungaphezulu kwalokho, okubalwa kukho: Ushintsho olulwelwe futhi lalethwa i-SAFDA embonini, usizo lomanyolo olunikezwa abalimi i-Department of Rural Development and Land reform okusize abalimi bakwazi ukukhiqiza amathani angcono, ukubala nje okumbalwa.

I-SAFDA isiphenduke igama eliyisikhondlakhondla emndenini eminingi yabalimi bomoba kanye nase mkhakheni wezolimo, okwenze kwaba into efanelekile ukuthi lomgubho ubesezingeni obukulo. Phakathi kwezimenywa ezithamele lomgubho wenhlangano bekubalwa umhlonishwa u-MEC for Finance, Economic Development and Tourism eMpumalanga uPat Ngomane, Inkosi uNgomane yaseNkomazi, UNksz Joanmariae Fubbs ongu Sekela Sihlalo we-SASA, nabanye abaningi abadlala indima emqoka kulemboni esisebenzisana nabo, okubalwa kubo ongqongqoshe abahlukene be-National Assembly. Ekhuluma kulomcimbi uNgqongqoshe uNgomane uncome iSAFDA ngomsebenzi esiwenzele abalimi embonini kashukela futhi wagcizelela ukuthi inhlangano efana ne-SAFDA ithule omkhulu



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umthwalo obhekene nabalimi futhi nosizo akade beludinga "I-SAFDA isiyenzele abalimi lokhu okuhlule uhulumeni, ikakhulukazi abalimi abancane, I-SAFDA ifike ngesikhathi esihle lapho uhulumeni esebenza kanzima ukuze aqinisekise ukuthi umnotho ubuyiselwa emuva kubantu ngomkhakha weZolimo. 'Uminothe usemhlathini,' kusho uNgomane. UNgomane ubemele UNgqongqoshe weZolimo uVusi Shongwe obenza omunye umsebenzi kahulumeni.

Usihlalo we-SAFDA uDkt. Siyabonga Madlala akakwazanga ukubamba injabulo yakhe lapho ebona inhlangothi ihlanganisa leminyaka, uMadlala uthe kuyisimangaliso futhi isibusiso ukuthi iSAFDA isifike eminyakeni emihlanu yasungulwa. "Isikhathi esiningi ngihlale ngingakhohlwa uma ngibona umsebenzi osuwenziwe iSAFDA kulesikhathi esincane yasungulwa, ngoba kukhona izinhlangano ezineminyaka edlule kweyikhulu kodwa zisazuze okuncane kakhulu uma kuqhathaniswa nalokhu osekwenziwe iSAFDA. Okungithusa kakhulu ukuthi isikhathi esiningi izinhlangano aziqedi ngisho iminyaka emibili zisakhona, kuba nokuxabana, uqhekeko ngokuhlukana okwenza zishabalale izinhlangano, kodwa thina sikwazile ukuzinqoba lezihibe ngomusa kaNkulunkulu," kusho uDkt. Madlala. I-SAFDA ibe nazo izinkinga zayo kodwa lokhu akuwuvimbanga osheshayo ukuthi uqhubeke nokufezisa izinhloso zawo nokuthembise abantu.



Iphrojekthi kajantshi wezitimela yaseMkhuze

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I-SAFDA iqala iphrojekthi yomgwaqo waseMkhuze obheke kujantshi ngokumela abalimi abancane abangu 1900 bakwa Makhathini. Lokhu kulandela isicelo sabalimi abasibhekise kwi-Department of Agriculture, Land Reform and Rural Development (DALRRD) ngemuva kokuthi I-Tonga Sugar (THS) izeve ukuthi angeke isakwazi ukuqhubeka nesibonelelo sokuthutha ngomgwaqo ebesinikezwa abalimi abancane bakwa Makhathini. I-DALRRD ivumele ukuxhasa ngezimali zokwenza umsebenzi we-Mkhuze siding ukuze kusizwe abalimi abancane bakwazi ukuthumela umoba wabo ngojantshi emshinini wase-Felixton, okuzokhulisa nomkhinqo womoba ongena kulomshini ogaya umoba. I-Botch Holdings ibekwe njengenkampani yonjiniyela abazokongamela lephrojekthi, futhi sekuphuthuliwe ukubhalwa ngezinhlelo zalephrojekthi. I-SAFDA isiqedile ukuthenga i-Spiller esivela eBrazil. Ukuthengwa kwezinsiza-kusebenza zobunjiniyela nakho sekuse sigabeni sokuphuthulwa, kwisayithi yaseMkhuze.

Isikhathi okuhlongozwe ngaso lephrojekthi simqoka kwimizamo yokuziphilisa kwabalimi abancane, njengoba abalimi kufanele bashintshe ekusebenziseni umgwaqo basebenzise ujjantshi uma kuqala i-season kamoba ka 2021, ukuze umoba wabo ungasali dengwane kwa Makhathini. Okunye, umnikazi we-siding yakwa-Transnet Freight Rail (TFR) baveze

ukuzinikela kwabo kulephrojekthi futhi usebenzisana nethimba elenza nabalimi ukuze kuhanjise umoba kwi-siding yaseMkhuze iyiswa emshinini.

Umthelela

Lephrojekthi izoba nomthelela omkhulu ekuziphiliseni kwabantu abahlala ezindaweni zasemakhaya ezifundeni ezihlwempu zakwaZulu-Natali. Abalimi bomoba bakwa Makhathini abadlule ku 1900 njengamanje bathumela umoba

Abalimi bomoba bakwa Makhathini abadlule ku 1900 njengamanje bathumela umoba ngomgwaqo emshinini eFelixton futhi bakhokha uR170 ithani ngalinye mese kuthi ezinye izindleko zinakekelwe isibonelelo se-THS.

ngomgwaqo emshinini eFelixton futhi bakhokha uR170 ithani ngalinye mese kuthi ezinye izindleko zinakekelwe isibonelelo se-THS. Ngesiteshi esisha sokulayisha, izindleko sezizonke zizonciphisa ngo R112 ngethani ngalinye. Kumathani abalelwa ku 117 000 omoba avela kwa Makhathini ngonyaka, lokhu kulinganiselwa kwinani eliku R6.8 million ngonyaka elizokongiwa ilabalimi abancane.

Ngokuhamba kwesikhathi uma umkhiqizo kamoba Ukhuphula ufika kumathani angu 350 000 akhishwayo besebenzisa indawo yokulayisha entsha, abalimi abancane bakwa Makhathini bazokwazi ukonga uR16 million ngonyaka. Ngaphezulu komthelela omuhle ngokwezimali nezingqalasizinda okulethwa ilephrojekthi, ukuyeka ukusebenzisa umgwaqo kuyiwe kujantshi kuzonciphisa ukungcoliswa komoya ngokuhambisana nemithetho kahulumeni nemigomo ye-Kyoto. Okunye ukuthi lephrojekthi izoxhasa imizamo yokunciphisa umthamo wamaloli ahamba ku N2 kusukela eRichards Bay kuya kwi-off ramp yase-Jozini, enomzila onohlangothi olulodwa emigwaqeni yomibili.

Imisebenzi namathuba kumabhizinisi endawo

Amathuba emisebenzi ayavela njengoba kwakhiwa futhi kusetshenzwa kulephrojekthi. Ukulingiselela isayithi abe-TFR sebeqashe amathimba ahlukeni azokhuculula izihlahla nokhula ukulungiselela ukwakhiwa kwalesayithi. Kuzokwakhiwa imisebenzi yokwakha uma sekuqhutshekwa nokwakhiwa ezinyangeni ezimbili noma ezintathu ezizayo. Uma sekuqedwe ukwakhiwa, kuzobe nemisebenzi yama-operator e-spiller,



omabhalane bakuma-weighbridge, abahlanza bama-weighbridge, abahlanza bezinqola, ama-operator azoshayela imishini yokuthutha umoba nabazolayisha, abashayeli bogandaganda, onogada kanye nezinduna zesayithi. Okungenani imisebenzi engu-20 okubhekwe ukuthi yakheke kulesakhiwo sojantshi waseMkhuze. Amabhizinisi endawo nawo azohlomula ngokuthengwa kwezinsiza zokwakha, imishini nezinto zikagesi okubalwa kukho impahla yokwakha, izinsimbi, imishini (ogandaganda, ama-generator, ama-excavators, ama-bell loader, nezimpahla ze-weigh bridge nezasemahhovisi) kanye nokufakwa kukagesi.

I-SAFDA-FMS iqokwe i-DARD ukuthi yongamele uhlelo lokutshala

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I-Department of Agriculture and Rural Development (DARD) KwaZulu-Natali iqoke i-SAFDA Farm Management Services (Pty) Ltd njengenhlangano ezobhekelela uhlelo lokutshala ezikhathini ezahlukeni, lapho kuzotshalwa khona ama-hectare angu-20938 kulesifundazwe izinyanga ezingu-36. Lama-hectare kubhekwe ukuthi atshalwe kuleminyaka yezimali elandelayo: 2020/21, 2021/22 no-2022/23.

Ngokomqulu "Wenqubomgomo Yezolimo (2014-2019), ukutholakala kokudla kusayingqinamba ezweni lethu, ikakhulukazi emiphakathiniyabantu". Abantu abalimazeka

kakhulu imiphakathi yasemakhaya okuyiyona ehlwempu kakhulu, kodwa kube kukhona umhlaba omkhulu kulezindawo, okushoda kuzo izinsiza-kusebenza ukuze bakwazi ukusebenzisa umhlaba abanawo. Ukulwa nalenkinga ebhekene nemiphakathi yasemakhaya, lomnyango usuthule uhlelo olwaziwa nge-Multi-Season Planting programme, oluzogxila ezitshalweni zasahlolobho eziletha ukudla okubalulekile njengombila, ubhontshisi, izitshalo, zonke lezitshalo kufanele zihlanganiswe ohlelweni lwe-Radical Agrarian Socio-Economic Transformation (RASET) programme.

Itafula elingezansi liveza izinhlelo ezikhona zama-hectare okudla okuzotshalwa isifunda ngasinye ngesikhathi sokutshala sonyaka ka 2020/21:

DISTRICT:	APP: TARGETS HA	COMMODITIES PLANNED FOR PRODUCTION 2020/21 (HA)		
		MAIZE	BEANS	VEGETABLES & OTHERS
Amajuba	1500	1142	270	88
Harry Gwala	4000	3610	370	20
King Cetshwayo	1200	300	800	100
uGu	2000	900	400	700
uMgungundlovu	1000	350	614	36
uMkhanyakude	2238	239	1228	771
uMzinyathi	3050	1920	880	250
uThukela	1700	1000	560	140
Zululand	3500	2660	755	85
eThekweni	250	98	112	40
iLembe	500	258	160	82
TOTALS	20938	12477	6149	2312
		60%	29%	11%

Ukulwa nezingqinamba ezibaliwe ngaphezulu, umnyango bekufanele ungenelele nohlelo olunamandla lwe-Multi-Seasonal Planting Programme ukuze kulungiswe indaba yokudla kulesifundazwe, ikakhulukazi kubhekwa abalimi abakhishwa inyumbazane ukuze nabo bakwazi ukudlala indima ebalulekile ekukhuliseni umthamo wokudla nomnotho wezolimo.

Uhulumeni wesifundazwe uthule loluhlelo ngokuholwa umhlonishwa uNdunankulu waKwaZulu-Natali uSihle Zikalala ngo Okthoba 2020 kuMasipala waseMzimkhulu ongaphansi kwe-Harry Gwala District.

Inhloso yokwethulwa kwaloluhlelo bewukudlulisa ulwazi kubalimi abayingxenyeloluhlelo nokuthi izimakethe zendawo zilwazi futhi zilwamukele loluhlelo. Umsebenzi walephrojekthi ukubuyikezwa amabhuku aqukethe izinhlelo zokutshala, okubalwa kuwo ama-template anemininingwane, umqulu wobufakazi okufanele uveze umsebenzi owenziwe. Leprojekthi izophinde igxile ekuthuthukiseni uhlelo lwe-M&E System, ukuze kukhule umsebenzi wama-extension officer, futhi ikwazi ukukhipha imininingwane ye-M&E system eqotho nesezingeni eliphezulu.

2020/2021 SEASON – Indlela ebheke ekululameni kwemboni KaShukela

By Thuledu Biyela and Aubrey Gabriel



Inqubekela phambili yemboni kashukela ibilokhu isengcupheni eminyakeni edlule ngenxa yokungavikeleki kahle ngama-tariff, okudale ukuthi kwehle inani lemikhiqizo, njengoba ushukela omuningi ezimakethe ubuvela emazweni angaphandle, okwenze ukuthi umkhiqizo kashukela wakuleli 'ulahlwe' ezimakethe zomhlaba ngamanani aphantsi kakhulu adlula izindleko zokuwukhiqiza. Kamuva nje, ukwethulwa kwe-Health Promotion Levy (HPL) kushiye imboni kashukela ishayekile kakhulu, ikakhulukazi kulabo abakwimikhakha ewusebenzisela ukukhiqiza iziphuzo. I-HPL kubalwa ukuthi ishwabanise ukuthengwa kwashukela ngo-20% okube nomthelela ekuncipheni kwemisebenzi kulomkhakha, nabalimi abancane baphuma kulomkhakha ngenxa yokungangenisi imali. Imali engeniswe ilemboni ngo 2019/2020 inciphe ngo 2.2 billion ngemuva kokwethulwa kwe-HPL.

Ukuphendula kukahulumeni kwinhlekelele ebhekene nemboni kashukela kube ukuqalwa kwe-Sugar Industry value Chain Masterplan 2030 (Masterplan), ebheke ukuqinisekisa ukuthi lemboni iyazinja, iyakhula futhi kunenqubekela phambili embonini kashukela. Izinhlelo zesikhathi esifushane ze-Masterplan ukuthi kubuyiswa izinga lokuthengwa kwashukela kulelizwe onyakeni wokuqala waloluhlelo okungenani kube ngamathani angu 150 000, mese kuba ngamathani angu 300 000 eminyakeni emithathu ezayo. Izimboni

ezisebenzisa ushukela sezizinikele ekutheni "umkhiqizo wasekhaya"; okudinga laba abasebenzisa umoba bathenge okungenani u-80% womoba okhiqizwa kulelizwe. Lokhu kuzinikela kwalezimboni ukuthi zizothenga umoba okhiqizwa eNingizimu Afrika kuzonyuka ngo 95% ngonyaka wesithathu.

Ababambiqhaza embonini kashukela sebezinikele ukuthi bahoxise ukwenyuswa kwamanani ukuze ahambisane nezinga lokunyuka kwemali engena kubathengi kuleminyaka emithathu ezayo, lokhu okuzoqinisekisa ukuthi ukuncintisana kwamanani kuhle futhi nabathengi bayakwamukela. Uhulumeni usezibophezele ukukhangisa nokutusa ukusetshenziswa koshukela wakuleli kuyo yonke iminyango kahulumeni nasezinkampanini ezizimele. Kuyakhuthaza kakhulu kubalimi abancane ukubona ukuthi enye yezinhloso ezikhona kwi-Masterplan ukuqinisekisa ukuthi "Abalimi abancane bayisisekelo futhi babalulekile esikhathini

*Ukuthengwa kwashukela
ezimakethe zalapha ekhaya
kudlule izifiso ebezilindelekile
ngonyaka wokuqala we-
Masterplan.*

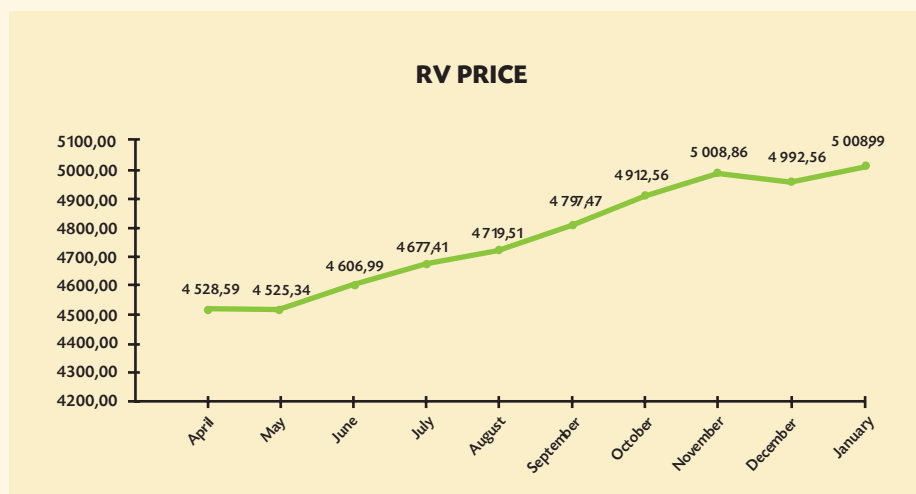
esizayo emnothweni womoba"

I-Masterplan yagunyazwa ngokuvumelana kwabo bonke ababambiqhaza ngo April 2020 kodwa ngenxa kokubambezileka okudalwe ubhubhane lwe-Covid 19, yethulwe ngokusemthethweni ngo November 2020. Noma ukwethulwa kwayo kube ngo November 2020, kodwa bonke ababambiqhaza bakhombise ukuzinikela kusukela kuqala isivumelwano ngo April 2020. Lokhu kufakazelwa ukukhula kakhulu kwe-Local Market Demand Estimate (LMDE) okuchaza ukuthi umkhiqizo kamoba ubusuthengwa kakhulu kuleli, okukhule ngamathani angu 211 000, njengoba abeku 1 249 476 amathani ekuqaleni kuka 2020/2021 kodwa manje i-LMDE isiku 1 460 308 wamathani. Kuyabonakala ukuthi i-Masterplan ishaye yadlula kulokhu obekulindeleke kuyo ngonyaka wayo wokuqala (obekungamathani angu 150 000) futhi ikwazile ukuthuthukisa izimakethe zalapha ekhaya kulemboni ngemali engu R2.2 billion okube nomthelela omuhle kwinani le-RV lonyaka ka 2020/2021.

Bekulindelekile ekuqaleni ukuthi i-Covid 19 izokwehlisa izinga lokuthengwa kwashukela, futhi lomcabango usetshenziselwe ukubeka i-LMDE ephantsi ekuqaleni konyaka ka 2020/2021. Kodwa ukuthengwa kokudla kakhulu ngenxa yemizamo kahulumeni ukusiza abantu bekungabhekisiseki kakhulu. Ukungenelela kuka hulumeni okufana nokunyusa imali yesibonelelo ngo R500, no-R350 onikezwe abantu abangasebenzi njalo ngenyanga kanye ngokunikezela ngamaphasela okudla kube nomthelela omuhle ekuthengweni kokudla nasembonini kashukela.

Kusele amasonto ambalwa ngaphambi kokuthi kuphele i-season ka 2020/2021 kashukela kanti ubufakazi obutholakele buveza ukuthi ukusungulwa kwe-Masterplan kube nomthelela omuhle kakhulu ekutakuleni nasekushintsheni imboni kashukela. Ukuthengwa kwashukela ezimakethe zalapha ekhaya kudlule izifiso ebezilindelekile ngonyaka wokuqala we-Masterplan. Ukwenza kahle kwezimakethe zalapha ekhaya sekusindise i-season yonke futhi sibheke ukuthi lokhu kuqhubeke kuze kuphele i-season yonke. Ukuthengwa kakhulu kwashukela ezimakethe zalapha ekhaya sekunciphise amathaba okuba ingxenye yezimakethe zomhlaba ezihambi kahle. Uma kuqhathaniswa ne-season edlule ka 2019/2020 ukudayiswa kwashukela emazweni angaphandle kwehle ngamathani angu 392 889 (amathani angu 574 690 eqhathaniswa nangu 967 579).

Lokhu kube nomthelela ekunyukeni kwamanani embonini futhi kwakhulisa nemali eyenziwa abalimi.



Umthelela omuhle we-RV ka 2020/2021 RV uyabonakala kwi-graph engezansi

Le-graph engaphezulu iveza obekwenza kwi-RV kusukela kuqala i-season kuze kufike ku-January 2021. Inani le-RV lokugcina elikhokhelwe abalimi bomoba

ekupheleni kuka January 2021 libekwe ku R5 008,99 ngethani ngalinye le-RV. Lokhu kusho ukunyuka ngemali engu R788,41 ithani ngalinye (18,7%) uma kuqhathaniswa nenani le-RV lokugcina

nge-season edlule ka 2019/2020. Uma kubhekwa amanani okubhekwe ukuthi anyuke kusukela ngo 3 March 2021, kuhlangezwa ukuthi inani le-RV lokugcina lika 2020/2021 lingase lifinyelele ku R5050. Ukwamukelwa nokusetshenziswa kwe-Masterplan eNingizimu Afrika kube kakhulu embonini kashukela uma kubhekwa ukukhula kokuthengwa kwashukela ezimakethe zalapha ekhaya kuze kube imanje. Lokhu kuhle kwemboni kashukela ikakhulukazi kubalimi abancane ngoba lokhu kuzoletha ushintsho olukhulu, intuthuko futhi kuthuthukise amabhizinisi abo esikhathini esizayo kulemboni. Sesibheke ngabomvu ukufika kuma-season amabili alandelayo eMasterplan okuhloswe ngayo ukuzinzisa izimakethe zalapha ekhaya nokuthuthukisa imboni. Zisekhona izingqinamba okumele zibhekiswe okubalwa kuzo ukunyuswa komthamo kashukela othengwa eSwatini, odlala indima enkulu emnothweni walemboni.

I-SAFDA BULK WATER SUPPLY Izolekelela abalimi baseMpumalanga ngamanzi

-Shapo Mavimbela- Agricultural Manager: Mpumalanga

Ithimba laseMpumalanga eliholwa uSfiso Mnguni oyiNhlolo ye-Grower Support Division liqale uhambo lokubheka ezinye izindlela zokunciphisa izindleko zokwenza umkhiqizo ezibhekene nabalimi abancane endaweni yaseNkomazi. Kwenziwe ucwaningo lwazo zonke izindleko zokukhiqiza i-hectare elilodwa lomoba, lolucwaningo luveze ukuthi ugesi, ukudonsa umoba kanye nokumba umhlaba kuba ingxenywe ewu 75% wezindleko sezisonke. Lelithimba elinikezwe umsebenzi wokuqala Lephrojekthi



libone ukuthi ukumbiwa komhlaba kwenziwa usonkontileka oqashelwa isikhathi esithile, osuke enganaye umuntu oncintisana naye uma kubhekwa lendawo. Isifundazwe saseMpumalanga sinemishini emibili kuso sonke isifunda esibhekelele umoba, ucwaningo olwenziwa kwatholakala ukuthi lomsebenzi wenziwa inkampani eyodwa ebingalenzi iqiniso kubalimi uma kukhulunywa ngamanani nangezinga lomsebenzi.

Abe-South African Farmers Development Association (SAFDA), ngaphansi kwenkampani yabo i-SAFDA farm management Services (Pty) Ltd, banikezwe ithuba i-Walda project ukuba bongamele izakhiwo zokwanisela kusukela ngo Juni 2020, lapho okwasungulwa khona uhlelo lwe-SAFDA Bulk Water Supply. Lokhu kwenziwe ngemuva kwezinhlelo ze-SAFDA zokuletha ushintsho oluhlose ukusiza abalimi kulemboni. Lokhu kwenzelwe ukunikezela nge-model engalimazi iphakethe futhi ezonciphisa izindleko zabalimi abancane zokwenza umkhiqizo kulesifunda,



okuzokwenza ukuthi bakwazi ukuba ingxenywe yokukhuliswa komnotho kulomkhakha.

Izethulo zezibonakaliso ze-model yokubuyisela izindleko ezingaphansi kwe-SAFDA Bulk Water Supply (BWS) zenziwa kumaphrojekthi amabili amancane (iSibange ne-Walda Farmers Associations) abeseqede

isivumelwano sawo nobewenzela umsebenzi kulesifunda. Omabili lamaphrojekthi abekuthakasela ukuba yingxenywe yalombono futhi iSibange ayizange ipholise maseko yasayina inkontileka yeminyaka emihlanu ne-SAFDA BWS, ezoqala nge-season ka 2021.

Noma ingajabulisa kangakanani futhi ihlelwe kahle kanjani i-model ye-SAFDA BWS, kodwa ukungafani kwezimfuno zezinhloko zabalimi kuvimbele ukuthi kungene abanye abalimi kulephrojekthi. Labo abangasebenzisani ne-SAFDA, bakubandakanyise nepolitiki ukwethulwa kwe-model ye-SAFDA BWS benza sengathi kwenzelwe abalimi be-SAFDA kuphela. Lokhu kwenze isinqumo sabalimi abangekho ngaphansi kwa-SAFDA sabanzima, intando yeningi bekumele yenziwe ukuze kuhlomule bonke abalimi futhi yonke into

Uhlelo lokuqala ngqa lokunisela (SAFDA BWS) oluthulwe i-SAFDA FMSC luqalwe ngenani lezindleko eziphansi lapho kubhekwe khona i-rate ye-hectare ngalinye kwiphrojekthi ye-Walda.

ibesobala, nalapho kunqobe khona isiphakamiso se-SAFDA BWS. Uhlelo lokuqala ngqa lokunisela (SAFDA BWS) oluthulwe i-SAFDA FMSC luqalwe ngenani lezindleko eziphansi lapho kubhekwe khona i-rate ye-hectare ngalinye kwiphrojekthi ye-Walda. Kuze kube imanje loluhlelo lube

nezinselelo kanye namathuba amahle. Izinselelo besizuka ezindabeni zokungenelela kwabezepolitiki, izindawo zemishini, izinkinga zezimali, ukwakhiwa kwethimba labaphathi kanye nezinhlekele zemvelo. Kodwa, i-Operations manager esanda kuqashwa yethimba laseMpumalanga uFlorence Mavimbela ubuyise ithemba lokusiza lelithimba ezinkingeni ebelibhekene nazo. Uxhaso oluvele emahhovisi amakhulu e-SAFDA kuphinde kwaqinisa ithemba lokuthi lephrojekthi izozinza eMpumalanga. Uhlelo lokunisela lwe-SAFDA Bulk Water Supply irrigation luzoqhubeka eMpumalanga, lapho kuzovuleka amathuba amaningi kubalimi, ngethemba lokuthi le-model ezonciphisa izindleko izokwenza umsebenzi ngendlela.

Ukubaluleka kwenhlobo yesimo somnotho

Phiwe Jiba



Umkhqiqizo womoba ungomunye wehlukile futhi ebalulekile ezimbonini zezimpahla ngenxa yendima oyidlalayo kwimali engeniswa imikhqiqizo eyenziwa kulelizwe (Gross Domestic Product), futhi lena imboni eqasha abantu abaningi. Umoba ungomunye wemikhqiqizo esetshenziswa kakhulu ngosuku ngabantu emhlabeni wonke. Umoba ukhizwa ezifundazweni ezimbili kulelizwe, okuyi KwaZulu Natali neMpumalanga. Inhlango ye-South African Farmers Development Association njengamanje yenza ucwaningo oluzogxila kwinhlobo ebheka isimo somnotho esibhekane nabalimi abancane, ezokwenziwa kulesifundazwe zombili kusetshenziswa imibuzo ehleliwe. Konke okuphathelele

nendlela yokuziphatha nemigomo ye-Covid-19 izolandelwa uma sekwenziwa lolucwaningo. Lenhlobo egxile kwinhlobo nezomnotho ihlose ukuveza izingqinamba ezidlangile ezindaweni ezahlukeneyo futhi nomkhakha isizindawazi ezizosetshenziswa esikhathini esizayo. Sizobe sisebenzisa ulimi lwendawo lwesiZulu ukutolika imibuzo. Imibuzo izobuzwa ngesiZulu okuwulimi olwaziwa kangcono, njengoba abantu abazoba ingxenywe yalolucwaningo abafundile futhi abalwazi ulimi lwesiNgesi.

Ngesikhathi kutholakala ulwazi neminingwane eminingi ehambisana nezinhloso zalolucwaningo zokuhlola izimo zomnotho nenhlalo yabalimi

abancane abalimi ngaphansi kwezimo ezimanzi nabalimi abasebenza ezindaweni ezomile, kuzocaca ukuthi kufanele kugxilwe kwizizathu ezenza imindeni inqabe imivuzo ebekwe etafuleni. Kuyaqhubeka kuyasikhathaza kakhulu ukuthi kusukela ngo 1994 izithembiso zohlelo lokubuyiswa komhlaba zokubandakanya abalimi abancane emnothweni azakenzeki ngendlela efanele. Angeke uphike ukuthi miningi imibuzo evela emkhakheni wezepolitiki mayelana noshintsho emkhakheni wezolimo. Kuze kube imanje, izimpendulo ezivelayo azikhuthazi, futhi izimo eziningi ziyadumaza.

Ngakho-ke, inhlobo yenhlobo-nomnotho ibalulekile kakhulu ukuze kutholakale iminingwane eze ulwabiwo-mali lomndeni ngamunye neminye iminingwane eze ulwazi ngendawo nezimo zokuhlala ezikhona. Ngaphezu kwalokho, ulwazi oluzotholakala luzosiza ekutheni kuqondiswe isimo somnotho sabalimi abancane ezifundazweni zombili. Kodwa ukuhlolwa kwenqubomgomo nokwethulwa kwezinhlelo kulele ezandleni zosopolitiki njengabantu abenza izinqumo ngokwezinhlelo zikahulumeni wethu. Kodwa ukuba nomthwalo waloluhlobo, osopolitiki kufanele basebenzise abaluleki abafana nabaluleki bezomnotho, abezimali njll njengoba kungasiyona imikhakha yabo. Ngokunjalo, lenhlobo yenhlobo-nomnotho izophinde ihlole izimo ezivimbela abalimi abancane ukuthi benze eminye imisebenzi kulomkhakha nokuthi ingabe kukhona igebe okumele livaleke kwimigomo ebekiwe ukuze kuthuthukiswe izinhlelo ezizokwenza abalimi abancane benze eminye imisebenzi.

I-SAFDA iqale umsebenzi wokugcinwa kwamabhuku abalimi

Siphokazi Madlala-Bookkeeping Team Leader

ISAFDA iyakuthokozela ukumemezela ukuthi isizosebenzisana ne-DNKA Inc, inkampani ebhalisiwe ebhekelele necwaninga amabhuku ezimali, ezokwenza umsebenzi wokubheka amabhuku abalimi nokubheka ukuthi abalimi basalandela imithetho zinyanga zonke. Isimiso ze-SAFDA, esihambisana nezinye, sithi inhlango ihlose ukushintsha, ithuthukise futhi yakhe ikusasa elihle kubo bonke abalimi, ingakho sekuqalwe ukwenziwa lomsebenzi wokusiza abalimi ukuthi balandele imithetho okubalwa kuyo owe-SARS, CIPC neyoMnyango Wabasebenzi.

Sihlele lomsebenzi ngendlela ezobhekelela izidingo zabalimi futhi senza izinhlelo zokuqhamuka nohlelo lokugcinwa kwamabhuku abalimi ngendlela engeke ishaye iphakethe labalimi kodwa esezingeni eliphezulu. Lokhu kwenziwe ngokusebenzisa ubuchule bongoti bakulomkhakha, ubuchwepheshe obusha kanye namasu amasha. Lephakheji izovumela abacwaningi bamabhuku nosozimali abayaziyo imboni yomaba ukuthi basize abalimi ngendlela efanele ehambisana nezidingo zalemboni. Okuzoqinisekisa ukuthi wena uhambisana nayo yonke imithetho futhi bakusize uthole uxhaso lwezimali futhi ugweme ukungena ezidlekweni ezengeziwe nemali-nzalo ephezulu. Imali yokuthola Lephakheji yenyanga yokugcinwa kwamabhuku nokuhanjiswa kwentela iqala ku R1000.00 ngenyanga. Ikhona neminye imisebenzi efana nokuhanjiswa kwe-Provisional Tax ne-Income Tax, Izitatimende Zemali zonyaka, ama-CIPC Returns kanye nokuthunyelwa kwe-COIDA.

Uma ungathanda ukuthola imininingwane engeziwe noma ukuthola iphasela lokubhalisa – sicela uthumele imeyili ku bookkeepingservices@sa-fda.org.za noma uthinte ngocingo uSiphokazi Madlala ku 071 780 5449.



I-SAFDA izoklommelisa abalimi ngomsebenzi wezolimo osezingeni eliphezulu

Sifiso Mnguni-Grower Affairs Head

Ngonyaka ka 2021, i-SAFDA izohlela futhi isingathe umcimbi wayo wokuqala wokuklommelisa abalimi owaziwa phecelezi ngama-Annual Farmers Awards Ceremony ozokwenziwa minyaka yonke. Lemiklomelo izobe igxile kwimisebenzi eyenziwe abalimi abayingxenywe yalenhlango nge-season ka 2020-21. Inhlalo enkulu yalemiklomelo iyalandela:

- Ukunikeza imivuzo kulabo abalima ngezindlela ezizezingeni elihle, okuzokwenza abalimi bakukhathalele ukuqhubeka nokwenza kahle ngokomsebenzi.
- Ukusebenzisa lomcimbi ukubungaza ophathina nalabo okusetshenziswana nabo ngosizo lwabo nendima abayidlalile ku-SAFDA ngesikhathi iqhubeka yenza umsebenzi wokuthuthukisa abalimi.

Noma lomcimbi wemiklomelo uzokwenziwa minyaka yonke futhi ufake yonke imikhakha, kodwa ku-season yokulima ka 2020-21, kuzogxilwa kumkhqizo kashukela, kubalimi abancane abamnyama nalabo abangaphansi kohlelo lokubuyiselwa komhlaba ezifundazweni zombili zikashukela okuyi KwaZulu-Natali neMpumalanga. Uhlelo lokukhethwa kwabantu kuqale ngo September 2020

nokucutshungulwa kwabakhethiwe kwenziwa ngo-December. Lomcimbi kubhekeke ukuthi ubungaze abantu abaningi abambe iqhaza embonini kashukela nalabo abasiza abalimi kumabhezini abo. Imiklomelo izonikezwa ngalezigaba ezilandelayo:

Ubuholi babalimi

Umklomelo kulesigaba uzonikezwa umlimi oyedwa obalwa njengo hambe phambili ekukhombiseni ubuholi obuqotho kuSoseshini wabalimi we-SAFDA.

Umsebenzi osizayo

Umklomelo kulesigaba uzonikezwa umsebenzi oyedwa ozovotelwa iningi labalimi njengomsebenzi osizayo we-SAFDA kuhlangukane i-KZN ne-Mpumalanga.

I-Phrojekthi

Umklomelo wephrojekthi ehambe phambili izonikezwa ithimba labasebenzi abahlele ukuqalwa kwe-phrojekthi evotelwe iningi labalimi njengephrojekthi ebenomthelela omkhulu ekuthuthukisweni kwamabhezini abalimi.

Usonkontileka

Umklomelo wosonkontileka uzonikezwa usonkontileka ohambe phambili



ngomsebenzi futhi ubenzela abalimi umsebenzi osezingeni uma kukhulunywa ngomoba.

Indima yomlimi ophezulu

Lomklomelo uzonikezwa umlimi oyedwa osemkatshubomvu lapho kuzobhekwa imizamo yakhe yokusiza abalimi abancane ukuthi babhekane nezinsalelo ezithile ngokomsebenzi.

Ophathina abadlala indima

Lomklomelo owodwa uzonikezwa kuphathina oyedwa noma abangaphezulu koyedwa nabantu abenza iminikelo esiza abalimi ukuze benze umsebenzi wabo kahle ngokubambisana noSoseshini we-SAFDA.

Ama-Mill Area Committee (MAC)

Ama-Mill area committee amakomidi abalimi bomoba abathumela umkhqizo emshinini asungulwe ngenhlalo yokubheka izinkinga ezithinta abalimi kusukela emazingeni aphansi kuya kwaphezulu kulemboni. Lomklomelo unikezwa kwikomidi elihambe phambili ngokomsebenzi kwi-season yomoba.

I-Restitution Award

I-Restitution award inikezwa isoseshini phecelezi i-Communal Property Association (CPA) noma i-Trust yomphakathi ehambe phambili uma kubhekwa ukuphathwa nokongamelwa ngezinto eziphathelele nayo.

Umklokelo ka Sihlalo

Imiklokelo ka Sihlalo we-SAFDA inikezwa umuntu noma inhlangothi ekhethwe usihlalo we-SAFDA njengabantu abadlale indima enkulu futhi ekhethekile uma kuqhathaniswa nabanye.

Abalimi

Abalimi bazoklonyeliswa ngokuhambisana ngokwezinga lokulima abakulona, isib.

Kuzoba khona nezigaba zekhethele zabesifazane nentsha ezizobungaza futhi zikhuthaze abesifazane nentsha ukuthi bangene emkhakheni wezolimo.

Abalimi abancane, abalimi abangaphansi kohlelo lokubuyiselwa komhlaba (Abaphakathi nendawo) nabalimi abanamafamu amakhulu. Kuzoba khona nezigaba zekhethele zabesifazane nentsha ezizobungaza futhi zikhuthaze abesifazane

nentsha ukuthi bangene emkhakheni wezolimo. Kulesigaba, kwimiklokelo kuzobe kukhona Umlimi omusha Ohamba phambili, Umlimi omncane Ohamba phambili, Umlimi wohlelo lokubuyiselwa komhlaba Ohamba phambili, Umlimi Omkhulu Ohamba phambili, Umlimi Wesifazane Ohamba phambili, Umlimi omncane ngeminyaka Ohamba phambili, Umlimi osekela kwezokuhwebelana Ohamba phambili; kanye nomlimi we-SAFDA Wonyaka (sekuhlunganiwe). Ukuze abalimi bangenele lomncintiswano, kufanele babe ingxenye noma babambe iqhaza ebhizinisini elikhiqiza ushukela noma iliwasekelayo. Abalimi kufanele kube ngabasebenzisana ne-SAFDA kumaphrojekthi ezolimo ndlela-thize.

ABASHONILE

Inhlangothi ye-South African Farmers Development Association ithanda Ukuhlonipha kuwo wonke amalunga ayo alahlekelwe izihlobo nabathandiweyo ngenxa yobhubhane lwe-COVID-19. Sengathi ningathola amandla njengoba niquhubeka nempilo ngaphandlekwabathandiweyo benu abangasekho emhlabeni.

