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OVERVIEW

The foreign exchange auction held 1st December resulted in an average weighted rate of USD 1: ZWL 81.88. 244 bids worth nearly USD30.6 million were accepted on the main auction and 46% was allocated for the import of raw materials.

Pre-planting producer prices have been announced for the 2020/21 summer cropping season as part of the Agriculture Recovery Plan. The pre-planting producer price for maize is ZWL 32,000/mt while traditional grains have been listed at ZWL 38,000/mt. The Soyabeans pre-planting price is ZWL 48,000/mt.

2021 National Budget

The Minister of Finance and Economic Development presented the 2021 National Budget on 26th November. The government projects revenues of ZWL 390.8 billion against expenditures of ZWL 421.6 billion, a fiscal deficit of 1.3%. The Ministry of Lands, Agriculture, Water and Rural Resettlement was allocated ZWL 46.3 billion and another ZWL 6.1 billion under the ZWL 18.2 billion Stimulus Package towards stimulating agricultural production.

Zimbabwe Herd Book

The Mashona Cattle Society held their Annual General Meeting recently and the Council for 2021 was elected. Office bearers will be nominated at their next Council meeting.

The Mashona is an exceptional indigenous breed, hardy, fertile and well known for its mothering and survival abilities. It is heartening to record increased interest in the Mashona. The AGM was preceded by excellent talks and practical discussions on regenerative agriculture.

The Dorper Sheep Breeders Society also recently held their Annual General Meeting and while there is only one breeder registered with Zimbabwe Herd Book as a pedigree stud, there is growing interest in sheep farming in Zimbabwe. Dorper sheep are the most common breed and training courses are held regularly for shepherds and managers alike.



LIT
Livestock Identification Trust



MPAZ
Meat Processors
Association
of Zimbabwe



PPAZ
PIG PRODUCERS' ASSOCIATION OF ZIMBABWE



SMA
Stockfeed Manufacturers Association



ZAA
Zimbabwe
Association
of
Abattoirs



ZADF
ZIMBABWE ASSOCIATION OF DAIRY FARMERS



ZFPA
Zimbabwe
Fish Producers
Association



ZIMBABWE FREE RANGE
POULTRY ASSOCIATION



ZHB
ZIMBABWE HERD BOOK



ZPA



ZQAP
Zimbabwe Quality Assured Pork