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OVERVIEW

According to the latest regional economic analysis *Africa's Pulse: Charting the Road to Recovery* and driven by the economic fallout of the COVID-19 global pandemic, growth in sub-Saharan Africa is predicted to fall to -3.3% in 2020, pushing the region into its first recession in 25 years. The pandemic could also force up to 40 million people into extreme poverty in Africa, erasing at least five years of progress in alleviating poverty. The report was released on 8th October and can be found at: <https://openknowledge.worldbank.org/handle/10986/34587>

Zimbabwe Fish Producers Association

Members of the Association met to discuss issues in the industry and it was noted insignificant growth in the farmed fish sector has been characteristic of 2020, attributed to the macroeconomic conditions. Lockdown has also aggravated the situation.

The fish season has opened for 2020/2021 and the availability of feed and fingerlings is stable.

National Parks and Wildlife has recently resuscitated legislation passed in 1998 requiring ALL fish farmers buying fingerlings for raising farmed fish to secure a breeders' license at a fee of USD 500 before buying fingerlings from breeder farms. Discussions and policy advocacy efforts to convince National Parks to rollback this requirement have been undertaken by the Zimbabwe Fish Producers Association and further information will be circulated in due course.

Zimbabwe won its bid to participate in a farmed fish development project under the EU-Funded FISH4ACP Project, (Fish for Africa, Caribbean and the Pacific nations), a five-year programme implemented by the Food and Agriculture Organisation (FAO). As a precursor to actual project implementation, the LMAC has been tasked to help the FAO undertake a Fish Value Chain Analysis that will help guide interventions to improve farmed fish value chain in Zimbabwe.

National Budget 2021

Following the submission to the 2021 pre-budget 2021 consultations, LMAC met with officials from the Ministry of Finance and Economic Development to provide background and clarity to the proposals.



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

Zimbabwe Agricultural Growth Programme (ZAGP)

The 18th edition of the ZAGP Newsletter focuses on the essential role of farmers' associations within the various Projects under ZAGP, highlighting how they assist farmers in accessing improved service delivery, mobilisation of resources, and collective marketing. More critically, they also ensure their participation in the formulation and implementation of policies and agricultural development actions.

The newsletter can be found at: http://zagp.org.zw/Content/recource_center_files/04aba4d9-4790-4c75-9613-2702a1c4b4cb.pdf

Inclusive Value Chain Project

The Golden Enterprise Poultry Business Association (PBA) in Masvingo held its first Annual General Meeting on 26th September mainly for the purpose of selecting a substantive committee. All interested stakeholders ranging from government departments to local authorities participated in this important annual event. 54 registered members of the PBA attended the AGM and Mrs Fungai Chiduwa and Mr Pambai Muzondo were elected as Chairperson and Vice Chairperson, respectively.



Registration of members for the AGM of the Golden Enterprise PBA