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Baithuti ba iponela bokgoni jo bo tla fetolang matshelo a bona

E na le Diphatlhatiro ka fa Gare

Tla re direng mmogo go somarela metsi

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o ikuetswe gape mo maAforika Borweng gore ba somarele metsi. Boikuelo jono bo diragaditswe ke Komiti ya Ditona tsa ka fa Nageng (IMC) e e samaganeng le tlhaelo ya metsi le komelelo, mme se eteletswe pele ke Tona ya Pusotshwaraganelo le Merero ya Setso (Cogta), Pravin Gordhan.

IMC eno, e e bopilweng ke Lefapha la Metsi le Kgeleloleswe; Lefapha la Temothuo, Jalo ya Dikgwa le Bodirelatlhapi; Lefapha la Tlhabololo ya Metseselegae le Kabosešwa ya Mafatshe; Lefapha la Merero ya Tikologo mmogo le Cogta, e tsibositse gore Aforika Borwa ke naga e e tlhaelang metsi.

Go ya ka Tona Gordhan, Cogta e kwaletse bomeyara botlhe ba mo nageng go tsaya dikgato tse di farologaneng mo go tsibogeleng seemo seno.

Tsiboso e akaretsa go latela dikaelo tsa Lefapha la Metsi le Kgeleloleswe tebang le go tsenya tirisong melawanataolo ya metsi mmogo le dituelelo tsa kotlhao fa go tlhokegang gone; go potlakisa dipaakanyo tsa dipompo tse di dutlang metsi, mmogo le thotloetso ya thekenoloji ya tshomarelo ya metsi e e jaaka metongwana ya ntlwanaboithusetso e e ntshang metsi a mannye, go beeletsa metsi a pula le go nosetsa ka metsi a dirisitsweng.

"Puso e tshwenngwa ke tlhaelo ya metsi le komelelo mo ditšhabeng tsa rona, bogolosegolo mo malapeng, mo dipetleleng



Puso e ikuetso mo maAforika Borweng otlhe go nna le maikarabelo fa ba dirisa metsi.

le mo dikolong. Ke maikarabelo a rona rotlhe mo nageng go tsaatsia seemo seno," go buile jalo Tona Gordhan.

Tlhaelo ya metsi e tlhodiwa ke pula e e saneng jaaka setlwaedi, e e simolotseng kwa tshimologong ya ngwaga wa 2015 mme e bakile gore go nne le komelelo goralala le naga. Pula eno e e sa neng e bakiwa ke El Niño, e leng mofuta o o rileng wa maemo a

bosa o o dirang gore mafelo a a kwa tlase ga Sahare a se ke a nna le bongola.

Go ya ka ba Ditirelo tsa Maemo a Bosa tsa Aforika Borwa, go na le kgonagalo ya gore maemo a bosa a a omeletseng a ka tswelela jalo go fitlha ngwaga ono o konosela le go tswelela go fitlha ka Mopitlwe 2016, e leng paka eo naga go le gantsi e iponelang pula e ntsi thata ka yona.

"Re naga ya bo 30 mo lefatsheng mo dinageng tse di omileng. Tlhaelo ya metsi ke selo se se tshwenyang thata mo Aforika Borwa," go buile jalo Tona Gordhan, yo a tlaleditseng ka gore koketsego ya komelelo e na le ditlamorago tse di sa jeseng diwelang mo matlhakoreng ka bobedi e leng a loago le a ikonomi.

Komiti ya Ditona tsa fa Gae (IMC) e tlhagisitse gape le maano a mafapha a a maleba a go samagana le seemo sa jaanong.

Lefapha la Metsi le Kgeleloleswe le tsentse R352.6 milione mo diporojekeng tsa ntlha tsa twantsho ya komelelo. Mo godimo ga fao, madi a a fetang R96 milione a abilwe go ka reka ditanka tsa nakwana le go ka tsereganya kwa kgaolong ya KwaZulu-Natal.

Go santse go tlhokega matlole a mangwe go thibela komelelo ya maemo a bobedi, e e etilweng pele ke Yuniti ya Botsamaisi jwa Dikhuduego tsa Diporofense ya Cogta.

Lefapha la Tlhabololo ya Metseselegae le Kabosešwa ya Mafatshe le tsibositse gore diruiwa tseo di amilweng ke leuba leno kwa mafelong ao a amegileng thata mo diporofenseng di le tlhano di tla fudusiwa mme tsa isiwa kwa "nageng ya puso" koo di tla fulang botoka. Lefapha le ntshitse bokanaka R187 milione go ka dira dikgato tsa go ka fokotsa komelelo eno.

"Kwa Bokone Bophirima mo malobeng re abile diheketara tsa lefatshe di le 200 000. Ke solofela gore puso ya porofense e tla kgaoganya lefatshe leo jaaka KwaZulu-Natal e dirile," go buile jalo Tona ya Lefapha la Tlhabololo ya Metseselegae le Kabosešwa

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Babalesegang mo ditseleng mo matsatsing ano a khunologo

Amukelani Chauke

aaka naga e itukisetsa go keteka matsatsi a khunologo, Tona ya Lefapha la Dipalangwa Dipuo Peters o ikuetse mo bakganning ba dikoloi mmogo le mo batsamayakadinaong go itlhokomela le go fetola maitsholo a bona mo mebileng ya naga mo pakeng eno.

Matsatsi a khunologo ke yona paka eo naga e latlhegelwang ke matshelo a le diketekete ka ntlha ya dikotsi tsa mo mebileng.

"Ntlha e e utlwisang botlhoko ya gore dikotsi tsa mo mebileng di jela naga madi a a ka fetang R300 bilione ke sengwe se se sa tsamaisaneng le ponelopele ya rona ya go fedisa dikgwetlhotharo tsa naga ya rona tsa go fedisa lehuma, tlhokotekatekano le botlhokatiro. Maikarabelo ke a rona go ka busetsamorago ditshenyo tse di tlisiwang ke dikotsi tsa mo mebileng ka go baa kwa pele pabalesego ya mo mebileng mo lenaneong la dipalangwa," go buile jalo Tona Peters.

O ne a bua le baagi ba Khayelitsha mo moletlong wa baagi wa go tlotla Letsatsi la Dikgopolo

la Lefatshe mo malobeng.

"Kotsi e diragala go se ope yo a phoso. Go tswa mo dipalopalong, re itemogetse gore 95% ya dikotsi e diragala ka ntlha ya go kganna botlhaswa le ka ntlha ya fa motho a tlola melao ya ditsela.

"Batho ba ba tlhokafalelang mo mebileng ya rona ke batho bao re ba itseng... batho ba tlhokafala ba le mo dibeseng, ba bangwe ba tlhokafala ba le mo ditereneng fa ba bangwe ba tlhokafala ba itsamaela ka dinao mo mebileng. Batho bano ke ditokololo tsa malapa. Re bua ka batlhokomedi ba malapa. Re bua ka baeteledipele ba dikereke. Re bua ka bo abuti le bo ausi, ditsala le badirimmogo mmogo le ka batho batho ba ba leng botlhokwa thata mo bathong ba bangwe," o buile jalo.

Aforika Borwa e latlhegelwa ke matshelo a le 14 000 ka ngwaga ka ntlha ya dikotsi tsa mo mebileng. Mo go yone palo e, 80% ke bašwa ba ba mogare ga dingwaga di le 19 le 34.

Tona o tlhalositse gore seemo seno se tshwanetse go tokafala mme bakganni ba tshwanetse go fetola maitsholo a bona a go kganna.

"Ke kopa gore re fetole mekgwa ya rona le maitsholo a rona a go kganna gore a nne a mantle fa re dirisa mebila ya rona, bogolosegolo jang ka ntlha ya fa re atumela paka ya khunologo. Bofa lepanta! O se kganne fa o itshietse kgotsa fa o ikutlwa o lapile, o se dirise mogala wa gago wa letheka fa o kganna, fokotsa lebelo, netefatsa gore sejanaga sa gago se siametse go ka tsena mo mebileng mme ka gale o obamele melawanataolo ya tsela. Tatlhegelo ya madi le ya matshelo e kwa godimo thata mo go rona gore re seke ra akanya sešwa mokgwa yo re tsayang pabalesego ya mo mebileng ka gone jaaka re le batho."

Tona Peters o ikuetse mo baeteledipeleng o

ikutse mo baeteledipeleng ba dikereke tse di farologaneng go se rapelele fela pabalesego mo mebileng mme gape le go rera ka pabalesego mo mebileng mo dikerekeng tsa bone.

"Tla re boleleleng batho gore fa ba sa tsamaye ka lebelo, fa ba sa kganne ka botlhaswa e bile ba sa tlole melao ya tsela, fa ba sa kganne ba le mo megaleng, ba ka fokotsa dikotsi tsa mo mebileng."

> E tswelela kwa tsebeng ya 2



Tona ya Lefapha la Dipalangwa Dipuo Peters o ikuetse mo badirising ba mebila botlhe go fetola maitshwaro a bone mo mebileng.

DIKGANG TSE DI AKARETSANG

Working on Fire programme supports farmers, creates jobs

he 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 Ednah

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

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

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.

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Gape o ikuetse gore ba rotloetse batho go kganna dijanaga tse di nang le matshwanedi go ka tsaya maeto mo mebileng ya rona.

A patilwe ke Motlatsatona Sindisiwe Chikunga, Bakhuduthamaga (di-MEC) le Batlhankedikhutduthamagabagolo (di-CEO) ba ditheo tsa dipalangwa mmogo le ba bangwe ba ba nang le seabe mo dipalangweng, Tona o ne a baa dikgare go dira segopotso sa bao ba meditsweng ke mebilla. O ne a umaka maina a le mmalwa a maAforika Borwa a a itsegeng a a sa tswang go metswa ke mebila ya naga go akaretsa motshameki wa mo malobeng wa mosireletsi wa setlhopha sa Ajax Cape Town Cecil Sonwabile Lolo, yo a tlhokafetseng ka ntlha ya kotsi ya sejanaga ka la bo 25 Diphalane mo mmileng wa Spine Road kwa Khayelitsha mmogo le moopedi Lebo Mathosa, yo a tlhokafetseng ka 2006 ka sejanaga gaufi le Germiston, kwa botlhaba jwa Johannesburg.

Aforika Borwa gape e latlhegetswe ke Tona ya maloba ya Lefapha la Bodiredipuso le Tsamaiso Collins Chabane, yo a tlhokafetseng mmogo le basireletsi ba gagwe ba le babedi fa sejanaga sa gagwe se ne se sogakana mo terokong kwa ntle ga teropo ya Polokwane ka Mopitlwe mono-

Tona Peters o tlhalositse gore ka yona nako eo Tona Chabane o ne a tshware marapo nakwana jaaka Tona ya Dipalangwa mme e bile a sa tswa le go bua ka pabalesego mo mebileng kwa tirelophitlhong eo a neng a e tsenetse.

KANTORO E NTŠHWA E E LATELE-LANG BATHO E TLA TSAMAISA **DITOPOTUELO TSA DIKGOBALO MO DIKOTSING**

Tona Peters o thankgolotse gape le kantoro e e latelelang batho ya Letlole la Dikotsi tsa mo Mebileng e e tla thusang tikologo ya Khayelitsha, e leng seo se tla thusang gore badiraditopotuelo ba ba tswang kwa mafelong a a kwa kgakala ba e fitlhelele bonolo.

"Eno ke ya ntlha ya go tshwana e le esi. Ke seo re se bitsang boitlhamedi. Ono ke mokgwa wa go fitlhelela bogolosegolo batho bao re tshwenyegileng ka bona. Batho ba ba leng kwa dipolaseng, kwa diteropong tse dinnye, kwa metseselegaeng mme ba sa kgone go iponela ditirelo, Kantoro e ntšhwa e e latelelang batho e tla ba latelela," o

Go thankgololwa ga 'Kantoro e e Latelelang Batho ya RAF' go latela phenyo ya sekgele sa lenaane la phasalatso le le botlhokwa la 'RAF mo Mmileng,' e leng kgoeletso ya tsiboso ya baagi e e simolotseng ka Mopitlwe 2012.

Motlhankedimogolo wa Dipapatso tsa RAF o tlhalositse gore kantoro e e latelelang batho e thankgololwa ka nako e go lebilweng khunologo, nako eo batho ba itemogelang dikotsi di le dintsi tsa dijanaga.

O tlhalositse gore kantoro e e latelelang batho e tla nna bontlha bongwe jo bo atolositsweng jwa dikgoeletso tse di leng teng gone jaanong tsa ditemoso tsa baagi tsa 'RAF mo Mmileng.'

'RAF mo Mmileng,' ke lenaane le le dirang gore go nne le kantoro ya nakwana mo setšhabeng go ka abelana ka ditirelo ka botlalo mo ditokololong tsa setšhaba mabapi le ditopotuelo tsa dikotsi tsa

Dhlomo o tlhalositse gore mo tsibosong ya setšhaba ya mo malobeng kwa Khayelitsha, go fitlheletswe batho ba le 1 600.

Morago ga Khayelitsha, go ne ga fitlhelelwa gape ba bangwe ba le 900 kwa Kokstad.

"Monongwaga o le esi re fitlheletse batho ba le 30 000 ka ntlha ya lenaane leno."

Ditiragalo tse di farologaneng di diragadiwa gangwe le gape kwa dikerekeng, kwa mafelong a borekelo, kwa boemelong jwa dithekisi, kwa

mafelong a botshelo jwa leokwane le mo mapa-

regong a ditsela a a kopanetsweng le mafapha a

pharakano go tsibosa batho ka letlole leno.

Go bona tshedimosetso ka botlalo ka ga RAF, letsetsa Tikwatikwe ya Megala ya RAF mo go: 0860 23 556 23. Go bega

bogwenegwene letsetsa: 0800 00 5919

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ya Mafatshe Gugile Nkwinti.

Komelelo ga jaana e ama matamo a le 173 mo go a le 1 628 a a tlamelang naga ka metsi, ka go tlamela malapa a ka nna 2.7 milione e leng 18% ya palogotlhe ya baagi ba naga

Diporofense di le nne - KwaZulu-Natal, Foreisetata, Bokone Bophirima le Limpopo ba tsibositse fa go na le leuba la komelelo mme Mpumalanga e setse e le kwa pele mo dikgatong tsa go ipaakanyetsa go tsibosa fa go na le leuba la komelelo, mme di tla konosediwa mo nakong e e sa fediseng

TIRAGALO YA EL NINO

Tona ya Lefapha la Merero ya Tikologo, Edna Molewa, o buile gore puso e ntse e samagane le tiro ya go ipaakanyetsa seemo se se jaaka seno.

O tlhalositse gore diponelopele tsa maemo a bosa di diriwa gangwe le gape. Di diriwa go tsepamisitswe mo pakakhutshweng pele mme di diriwe gape go tsepamisitswe mo pakateleleng go totilwe paka ya dikgwedi di le thataro.

Tiragalo eno go na le kgonagalo ya gore e ka tswelela go fitlha setlha sa selemo, se se tla tlang mo ngwageng yo o latelang.

Tona o tsibositse gore ba Ditirelo tsa Maemo a Bosa tsa Aforika Borwa ba etse tlhoko seemo sa tiragalo va El Nino, mme ba solofela fa se tla koafala mo dikgweding tsa mariga a 2016.

Tona Molewa o tsibositse gore puso e tlhaloganya gore setlha seno se ipoeletsa morago ga dingwaga di le tharo go ya go di le tlhano mme ke karolo ya phetogoloapi.

O gateletse gore Aforika Borwa, jaaka dinaga tse dingwe, e tshwanetse go ikamanya le loapi lo lo fetofetogang.

SEABE MO BALEMIRUING

Tona ya Lefapha la Temothuo, Jalo ya Dikgwa le Bodirelatlhapi, Senzeni Zokwana, o tlhalositse gore naga le fa e itemogela phokotsego ya bupi jo bosweu bone ga bo tlhaele mme bo santse bo tla nna tswelela go nna teng go fitlha ka Moranang 2016, fa bopi jo bo serolwana bone e tla nna jo bonnye thata.

"Komelelo ya 2014/15 e amile go nneng

teng ga bupi jo bosweu, e leng sejo sa botlhokwa thata, mmogo le bupi jo bo serolwana, jo bo leng botlhokwa thata mo go fepeng diphologolo. Go ya ka Komiti ya Palotekanyetso ya Dijalo (CEC), palotekanyetso e wetse kwa tlase go tloga go ditone di le 14.2 milione ka 2013 go ya go di le 9.8 milione ka 2014, e leng tse di kwa tlase ka di le 31%.'

O buile gore lefapha le abile R66 milione go tsenya tirisong Lenaane la Tlhokomlo ya Lefatshe go ka fokotsa tatlhegelo ya boleng jwa mmu le metsi le go atisa mokgwa wa go jala.

Lefapha gape le dirisitse R9 milione mo go ka boreng metsi a a ka nwewang ke diphologolo, mo go tlhagiseng tshedimosetso go sa le gale ka ga kelotlhoko le mo go neeleng balemirui tshedimosetso e e matshwanedi.

O tlaleleditse ka gore lefapha le tla tswelapele go neela balemirui tshedimosetso e e ka ga maemo a bosa le go ba eletsa go nna kelotlhoko gore e tsoge e ba thusa kamoso fa ba jala le fa ba fokotsa

Tona Gordhan o ikueletse mo maAforika Borweng otlhe gore ba dire mmogo mo go somareleng metsi.

"Ka jalo re ikuela gore go nne le tirisano mo go somareleng le mo go tseeng dikgato tsa go samarela metsi gona jaanong mo nageng ya boroba le go ka loga maano a go ka dirisa metse a rona a a tlhaelang ka botlhale mo pakakhutshweng le mo pakateleleng jaaka re amogela gore go na le phetogoloapi," go buile jalo Tona

*Go buisa dipego tse di tseneletseng ka ga seo puso e se dirang tebang le tlhaelo ya metsi phutholola kwa go tsebe 8 le 9.

Government one step ahead in drought relief

Noluthando Mkhize

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 managing 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.

"Ilembe 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 Ilembe DM in September 2015.

"Interim tankering and second phase intervention in five district municipalities, namely Umkhanyakude, Umzinyathi, 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 Mochotlhi, 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 Hazelmere and infrastructure upgrade developments in Hazelmere, Clanwilliam and Tzaneen.

Mochotlhi 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

government

communications



Water and Sanitation Minister Nomvula Mokonyane says the department has a number of interventions in place to minimise the impact of drought.

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 1628 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

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 R226 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 die 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

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 draught 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.

