



## FRIDAY BRIEF

WEEK 12, 2019

### HIGHLIGHTS

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Government procured the vaccines from neighbouring Botswana and confirming the FMD strain serotype from samples sent to Botswana and the United Kingdom.

More than 2 million animals were at risk of catching the disease in Southern Province, but the actions undertaken by the Ministry of Fisheries and Livestock, through a taskforce led by the Monze District Commissioner Cyprian Hamanyanga are managing to put the disease under control.

Some of the measures that have been undertaken include the banning of movement of cloven hoofed animals and their carcasses out of Monze, all slaughter of animals in Monze and Pemba districts have been banned, movement of all cloven hoofed animals from Southern Province has been suspended until further notice, only animals slaughtered in district abattoirs other than Monze will allowed to move and transit through Monze in refrigerated tracks under the following conditions;

- i. Tracks to transit through Monze without stopping
- ii. Tracks must be sealed at the point of origin and the seal will only be removed at final destination in the presence of Veterinary Officer
- iii. Seal numbers must be indicated on the Livestock Movement Permit
- iv. The Movement Permit to be submitted to the Veterinary Officers at final destination
- v. A record kept of all movement indicating source, quantity, product, destination and date.
- vi. Ante mortem and post mortem of meat inspections should be carried out by veterinary officials in all abattoirs. Receding

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In apparent reference to an organisation calling itself Small Scale Tobacco Association, Kaoma District Farmers' Association (KDFA) says tobacco is largely grown in Western, Southern, Central and Eastern Provinces, but it is not aware of such an organisation and warns that such groupings have a hidden agenda and should not be allowed to mislead government on national issues.

KDFA chairperson Joseph Mungandi says it should be made clear that the tobacco marketing issues which government is handling with due diligence need to be addressed with national vision in mind and participation of all stakeholders is critical.

Mr. Mungandi says the ZNFU is an organisation of farmers, for farmers and run by farmers representing farmers of all clusters, that include small, emergent and large scale, but it is clear the Small Scale Tobacco Association is ignorant of the Union's mandate.

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ZNFU president Jervis Zimba says farmers are elated that tobacco marketing will soon open for them to begin selling the crop which was stuck on their farms.

He said; further, the reopening of consultations on the Statutory Instruments and review of the Tobacco legislation by government should bring together consensus among all players in the tobacco industry and with Government.

Mr. Zimba says the ZNFU's take is that at this juncture, diversification of the Zambian economy is not just an option but it is a make or break situation and is dependent upon vital sectors such as agriculture which is a springboard of many industries through value addition, suppliers of agro-services, transporters, the banks and many more. A booming agriculture sector is a source of income to its people and to the Zambian economy. Therefore, the action taken by Government is timely and gives an opportunity to all parties to invest in meaningful dialogue.

~~ZNFU has made~~ ZNFU has made a commitment to the process of dialogue unequivocally saying it will work hard to bring on board the tobacco growers of all sizes and those dealing with the



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growers to participate in the review process of the laws so that a firm foundation is in place.

Mr. Zimba says ZNFU is keen to perform this role because it is alive to the fact that when the tobacco industry collapses, farmers stand to lose out and poverty, notwithstanding the increased levels of poverty that rural communities would be subjected to, where currently it is the highest.

Mr. Zimba has called for the nurturing of the budding tobacco industry.

## LAKE KARIBA EBBS AWAY

With searing temperatures in the southern part of country and waters still to collect sources upriver, the Lake Kariba has continued to peter away.

Lake Kariba closed the week under review dropping by 10 centimetres, closing at 480.89 metres on 21<sup>st</sup> March 2019.

Last year on the same date, the Lake level was 483.05 metres

The Kariba Lake is designed to operate between levels 475.50m and 488.50m (with 0.70m freeboard) for hydropower generation.

Below are graphs obtained from Zambezi River Authority.

From:

15 March 2019

To:

21 March 2019

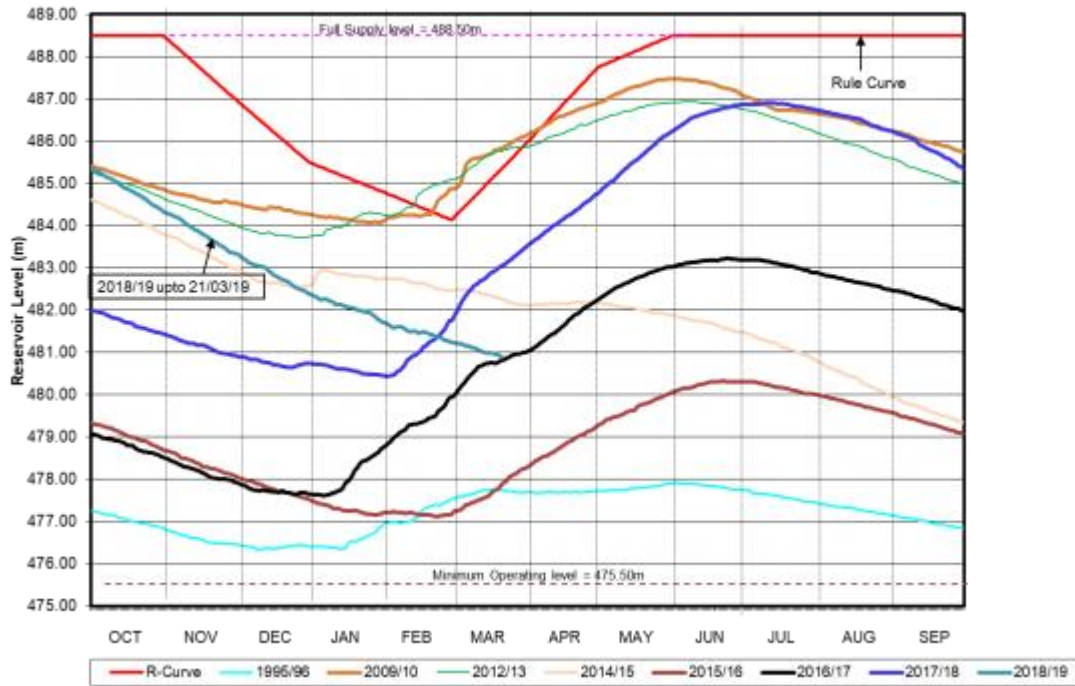
Day	This Year	%Full	Last Year
15/03/2019	480.99	39	482.82
16/03/2019	480.98	39	482.86
17/03/2019	480.98	39	482.9
18/03/2019	480.97	39	482.93
19/03/2019	480.95	39	482.98
20/03/2019	480.93	39	483.02
21/03/2019	480.89	38	483.05

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**KARIBA RESERVOIR**  
Comparison of Daily Reservoir Levels



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## AGRO WATCH

### Exchange Rates

	21/03/2019						22/03/2019					
CURRENCY	US Dollar		RAND		GB Pound		US Dollar		RAND		GB Pound	
	Buy	Sell	Buy	Sell	Buy	Sell	Buy	Sell	Buy	Sell	Buy	Sell
FNB	11.89	12.14	0.84	0.86	15.63	16.01	11.90	12.15	0.82	0.84	15.65	16.04
Barclays Bank	11.89	12.12	0.84	0.86	15.70	16.01	11.89	12.12	0.84	0.86	15.62	15.93
ZANACO	11.91	12.14	0.84	0.85	15.73	16.05	11.91	12.14	0.84	0.85	15.65	15.96
Bank of Zambia (Average rates)	12.00	12.05	0.84	0.85	15.73	15.80	11.99	12.04	0.83	0.84	15.79	15.86

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## **ALERTS! ALERTS! ALERTS! ALERTS!**

**For members that would like to access the ZAMACE Report; kindly go to the link below;**

<https://www.dropbox.com/s/bnxihcir2udtgyg/ZAMACE%20Market%20Report-Week%202004.pdf?dl=0>

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## INVITATION TO PARTICIPATE IN THE 2<sup>ND</sup> CHINA INTERNATIONAL IMPORT EXPOSITION (CIIE) SHANGHAI, CHINA– NOVEMBER 2019

The Zambia Development Agency is coordinating Zambia's participation in the 2<sup>nd</sup> China International Import Expo (CIIE), scheduled to take place in Shanghai, China in November, 2019.

The CIIE is the world's first import-themed national level exhibition and great innovation in the history of International trade. The Chinese Government has made the CIIE an annual event to give firm support to trade liberalization and globalization to actively open the Chinese Market to the world.

With the world's largest population, China is the second largest economy, second largest importer and consumer in the world. China's total imports of goods and services are expected to exceed US \$ 30 trillion and 10 trillion respectively in the next 15 (fifteen) years.

Zambia successfully participated in the first CIIE in Shanghai, China in November 2018 where six companies showcased their products and generated sales contracts worth US \$ 92 million. ZDA therefore invites export ready companies in the following sectors to participate in the 2<sup>nd</sup> China International Import Exposition:

- Trade in services
- Medical equipment and healthcare products
- Food and Agricultural Products
- Beauty and cosmetic products

Benefits of participating in the CIIE include amongst others, show casing of products, networking to a large constituent of international buyers and sellers from all over the world, partnerships and joint ventures with investors, negotiation of deals and sales contracts through business to business meetings and match making.

### BOOTH RATES

- Raw space: US \$ 300/m<sup>2</sup>
- Standard Booth: US \$ 3000/9m<sup>2</sup>
- Exhibitors that sign the participation contract and make an advance payment of not less than 50%, will enjoy a discount of 20%.
- Booking deadline is 30<sup>th</sup> April, 2019

Kindly indicate to us your willingness to participate in this Expo by calling or emailing Mr. Obby Banda on 0977455867, email: [Obby.Banda@zda.org.zm](mailto:Obby.Banda@zda.org.zm) or Mrs. Kabwe Phiri on 0977160817, email: [Kabwe.Phiri@zda.org.zm](mailto:Kabwe.Phiri@zda.org.zm). Our fax and telephone numbers are 222509 and 224790, respectively.

For further details on the CIIE visit the website on [www.ciie.org](http://www.ciie.org)





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## WEATHER

### ZAMBIA EVENING WEATHER FORECAST: FRIDAY

(22/03/2019)

#### GENERAL SITUATION

Relatively moist and stable airflow from the south-east is affecting most parts of Zambia resulting into mainly sunny and hot weather conditions. The extreme northern parts of Zambia are under the influence of winds from the north-east which are moist and unstable that will tend to give partly cloudy and hot weather conditions with a chance of localized showers and thunderstorms in the afternoons.

#### REPORTED RAINFALL IN MILLIMETRES (MM) AT 08:00HRS: FRIDAY (22/03/2019)

Msekera and Kawambwa 3, Kasama 1, Isoka, Chinsali FTC and Serenje had less than a millimetre (Trace).

#### FORECAST FOR TONIGHT: FRIDAY (22/03/2019)

**North Western, Copperbelt, Luapula, Northern, Muchinga, Eastern and the eastern districts of Central Provinces:** Partly cloudy and mild with a chance of rain.

**Western, Southern, Lusaka and the western districts of Central Provinces:** Mainly clear and mild.

#### FORECAST FOR THE WEEKEND: SATURDAY & SUNDAY (23 & 24/03/2019)

**North Western, Copperbelt, Luapula, Northern, Muchinga, northern districts of Eastern and the eastern districts of Central Provinces:** Partly cloudy and warm in the morning, becoming hot with a chance of isolated showers and thunderstorms.

**Western, Southern, Lusaka, southern districts of Eastern and the western districts of Central Provinces:** Mainly sunny and warm in the morning, becoming partly cloudy and hot to very hot in the valley areas.

#### OUTLOOK TO MONDAY: (25/03/2019)

Hot and dry weather conditions to continue over most parts of the country.

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