

FRIDAY BRIEF

WEEK 26, 2019

HIGHLIGHTS

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DETAILS ...

HARVEST DAY; MUMBWA CALLS

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To be graced by the President of the Republic of Zambia Mr. Edgar Chagwa Lungu, the Harvest Day is expected to attract senior government officials, Royal Highnesses, security personnel and over 500 farmers.

The Harvest Day will be held at enterprising award winning emergent farmer Mr. Wisdom Mababe's farm starting 09:00 hours.

The Harvest Day has been organised by the Zambia National Farmers' Union (ZNFU), together with Pannar/Pioneer Seed.

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Minister of Fisheries and Livestock Mrs. Kampamba Mulenga Chewe said during a press briefing on Thursday 27th June 2019 that government, with support from the African Development Bank (ADB) is developing the Aquaculture Enterprise Development Project, which aims at contributing to economic growth as well as enhancing food and nutrition security in Zambia.

She disclosed that already over 23, 000 farmers have applied for the Aquaculture Development Fund whose applications are currently being evaluated. She said government has since appointed the Citizens Economic Empowerment Commission (CEEC) to manage the seed Fund.

She said currently Zambia has an annual fish deficit of about 87, 000 metric tonnes, which should urgently be reversed and instead turn the country into a net exporter of fish.

Mrs. Mulenga-Chewe said in accordance with the Presidential directive to boost growth in fish production, her Ministry has positioned the Aquaculture Seed Fund to be the main response.

She said through increased fish production under the Aquaculture Seed Fund, government is determined to eliminate annual fish deficit within the next four years with the ultimate objective of transforming Zambia into a net exporter of fish.

CHIPATA-LUNDAZI ROAD IN DEPLORABLE STATE

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A Zambia National Farmers' Union (ZNFU) staffer recently travelled to Lundazi and sentiments among farmers and general travellers are that the road should be worked on as matter of urgency before lives are lost.

Farmers said it has become increasingly difficult to transport their produce on this road as it ~~takes longer than~~ usual to move their commodities.

Some said they are incurring huge costs to repair their vehicles as wear and tear is taking a toll on their trucks.





Lundazi has over the years become a major producer of maize, soyabeans, sunflower, tobacco, groundnuts and cotton; but transportation of the commodities has become a challenge due to the state of disrepair that the road is in.

DOWN TO 28% FULL ...

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According to information obtained from the Zambezi River Authority (ZRA), the Lake level continued receding, dropping by 10cm during the week under review, before closing at 479.48m (28% usable storage) on 27th June 2019.

The Lake levels have not peaked after the rains subsided early April. It takes about three months for waters to start collecting and building up in the Lakes and other water reservoirs that feed from rivers.

The Kariba Lake is designed to operate between levels 475.50m and 488.50m (with 0.70m freeboard) for hydropower generation. Last year on the same date, the Lake level was 486.84m

Below are water tables as obtained from the Zambezi River Authority;

From:

21 June 2019

To:

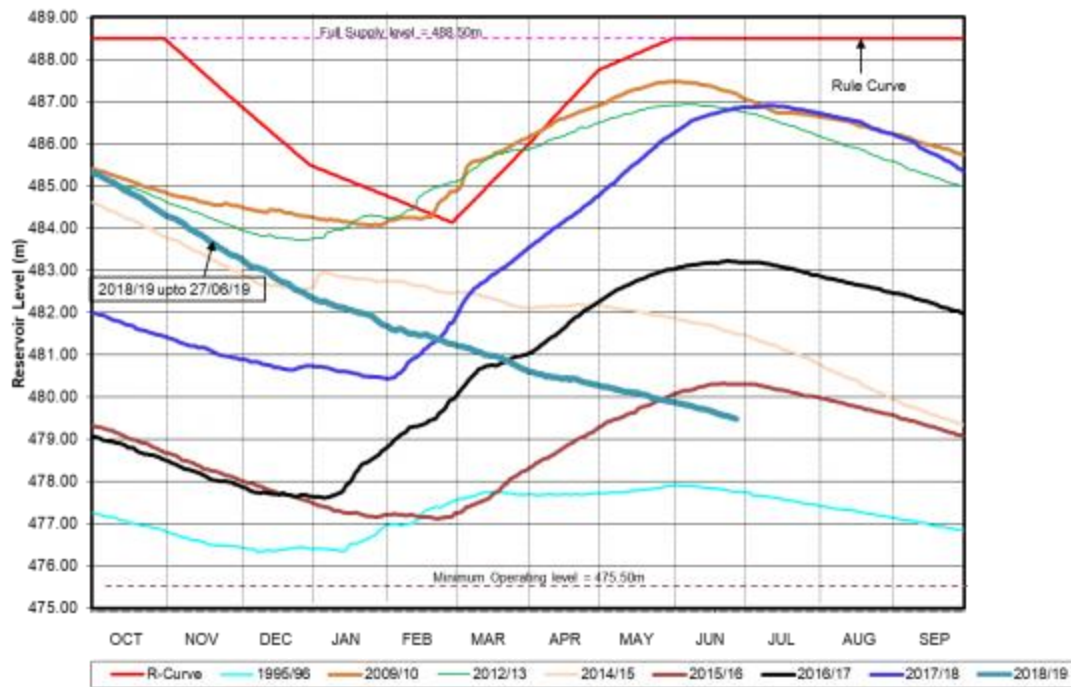
27 June 2019

Day	This Year	%Full	Last Year
21/06/2019	479.58	29	486.78
22/06/2019	479.56	29	486.79
23/06/2019	479.55	29	486.8
24/06/2019	479.54	28	486.81
25/06/2019	479.52	28	486.82
26/06/2019	479.5	28	486.84
27/06/2019	479.48	28	486.84

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KARIBA RESERVOIR
Comparison of Daily Reservoir Levels



FARMERS' HOLIDAYS

Below is the list of all the 2019 Agriculture Holidays.

January 1 (Tuesday) - **New Year's Day**

March 8 (Friday) - **International Women's Day**

April 19 (Friday) - **Good Friday**

May 1 (Wednesday) - **Labour Day**

May 25 (Saturday) - **Africa Freedom Day**

July 1 (Monday) - **Heroes Day**

July 2 (Tuesday) - **Unity Day**

August 5 (Monday) - **Farmers' Day**

October 24 (Thursday) - **Independence Day**

December 25 (Wednesday) - **Christmas Day**





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LONG TERM LAND LEASE - MUMBWA

550 Hectares of land available for long lease in Mumbwa Town; Central Province

Features;

- 39 km from Mumbwa Town to Farm Entrance
- 11 km from Farm to Blackthorn Mine (Australian Mine) along Kasempa Road
- Along frontage of Kasempa Road, easily accessible
- 5 drilled boreholes
- 1 installed water hand pump
- Highly Secure-the farm shares boundary with ZNS Camp Kalenda Area
- Farm is on clean title deed with fully paid rates
- Virgin Land
- Clearly Set Beacons

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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>

SALE! SALE! SALE! HEIFERS ...

1. In Calf Heifers
2. In Calf First Lactation Cows (Already had one calf)

All animals have been inseminated to WWS semen from a selected breeding programme. Individual cow records also available.

Anyone interested please contact the undersigned.

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Case Magnum 315, has 2450 hours, in very good condition
Year of make 2013
Also selling a Kverneland 9 tyne ripper, purchased in 2018 from BHBW. Barely used.

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WEATHER

SEVEN DAYS WEATHER FORECAST FROM 29th JUNE TO 5th JULY 2019

GENERAL SITUATION

From 29th June to 2nd July 2019, relatively moist airflow from the east will be affecting most parts of Zambia resulting into slightly windy and partly cloudy weather conditions over the eastern parts of the country, while the rest of the country will be mainly sunny.

From 3rd to the end of the forecast period relatively moist, moderate and cool airflow from the southeast will start affecting most parts of the country leading to cloudy and windy weather conditions.

DETAILED FORECAST: 29TH JUNE TO 2ND JULY 2019

Muchinga, Eastern, and eastern districts of Lusaka and Central provinces: Mainly sunny slightly windy and mild at first, becoming partly cloudy by mid-mornings, the afternoons will be warm to hot. Nights are expected to be mainly clear and mild tending to be cool by dawn. Southern, Western, Northwestern, Copperbelt, Luapula, Northern and western districts of Lusaka and Central provinces: Sunny, slightly windy and mild in the mornings, developing few clouds and warm to hot in the afternoons. It will be cool to cold in the night with clear skies.

DETAILED FORECAST: 3RD TO 5TH JULY 2019

Luapula, Northern, Muchinga, Eastern, Central and Lusaka Provinces: Partly cloudy, windy at times and cool to mild in the mornings, becoming cloudy and warm in the afternoons. The nights will be partly cloudy, windy at times and mild to cool. Southern, Western, Northwestern and Copperbelt Provinces: Mainly sunny, windy at times and cool to mild in the mornings, becoming partly cloudy and warm in the afternoons. The nights will be mainly clear, windy at times and mild to cool.

Register to get daily Weather updates by requesting through info@zmd.gov.zm

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