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CONSERVATION AGRICULTURE (CA) WORKSHOP

WORKSHOP THEME: “UNLOCKING THE POTENTIAL OF CONSERVATION AGRICULTURE FOR INCLUSIVE AND EQUITABLE DEVELOPMENT”.

Venue: Nampower Convention Centre

Time: 8H00

Date: 21-23 October 2015(Wednesday – Friday)

The Majority of households in Namibia rely on subsistence farming for their livelihoods. However, farming has been hit by changing climate patterns, with floods, droughts and prolonged dry spells becoming more frequent and temperatures rising steadily. Low production levels throughout crop growing regions are partly the results of erratic rainfall, increased soil and land degradation and poor farming practices. Soil erosion, loss of soil organic matter and soil structure and soil health resulting from soil tillage and exposed soil, compels Namibia to look for alternatives to reverse the process of soil degradation and decreasing productivity.

In fulfilling its mandate and to achieve the NDP 4 target on CA, the Ministry of Agriculture, Water and Forestry (MAWF), with support from partner organizations, developed and launched the Comprehensive Conservation Agriculture Programme: a framework for the coordinated implementation of CA by all stakeholders in Namibia.

The objectives of the workshop are to:

- Bring together the various identified stakeholders in order to build common understanding on CA and its national development agenda
- Serve as a platform for an open exchange of experiences and evidence-based knowledge in CA
- Develop and establish a coherent CA coordination strategy and standards for the implementation of the comprehensive CA programme in Namibia
- Develop a need based framework for domestic and external resources mobilization and allocation of identified CA interventions.