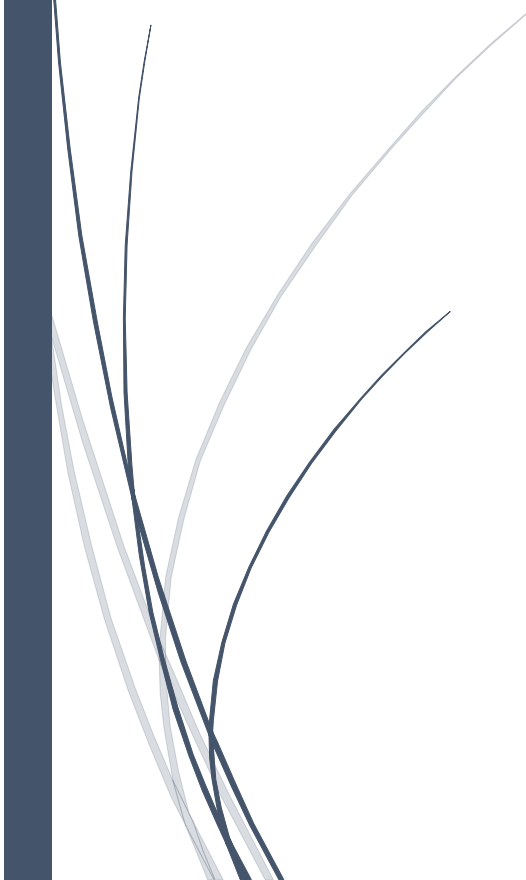


Welcome Address by Her Worship Mayor of Musina, Cllr Mihloti Muhlope during the visit to government funded projects tour at Tshipise Forever Resort on Monday 18 June 2018



The Deputy Minister of Small Business Development Mr Cassel Mathale

The Acting MEC for Agriculture and Rural Development Mr Seaparo Sekoati

Vhembe District Executive Mayor, Cllr Florence Radzilani

Fellow Councillors

Representatives from the Netherlands Embassy

The Director General of Small Business Development Ms Edith Vries

The HOD of the Department of Agriculture and Rural Development Ms Jaqueline Malisela

Invited Guests

And more importantly, all the farmers who have joined us here today

Receive my warm greetings.

Thank you programme director for giving me this opportunity to welcome everyone.

As Musina Municipality, we are happy that government continues to recognize the contributions by our local farmers in relation to the fight against hunger, poverty and unemployment. Nobody can dispute the reality that farmers from Musina are counted amongst the best globally.

The fact that they supply their quality farm products locally, nationally and globally is enough to substantiate this. The countless awards they win here at home, continentally and internationally summarises their unique distinction. We are very humbled that government has taken yet another great step to support our local farmers.

The visit to the government funded projects in the Nwanedi area this morning is a clear indication that our ANC government takes the issues of monitoring, stakeholder relations and inclusive governance very seriously.

I have no doubt that today's engagements and training demonstrations will go a long way in capacitating our local farmers to improve their production.

With these few words, you are all welcome to this important occasion.

Thank you.