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Media Advisory

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Att: Editors All media houses

MEC DESBO MOHONO TO HAND OVER MULTI-MILLION RAND AGRI-PROJECTS TO ENHANCE FOOD SECURITY IN THE PROVINCE

North West MEC for Rural, Environment and Agricultural Development Desbo Mohono will on Tuesday, 19 February hand over R5, 5 million worth of food security projects to two hundred (200) indigent families from the four districts of the province.

This multi-million rand projects are part of departmental food security programme geared at reducing poverty, enhancing agricultural productivity, creating job opportunities, enhancing household income and advancement of rural communities.

Through the food security programme, the provincial Department of Rural, Environment and Agricultural Development realises its constitutional mandate concerning the right to food and the freedom charter clause which advocates for food to be plentiful for all.

Identified families, consisting of unemployed youth, women, the poor and the vulnerable from the four districts will amongst others receive agricultural inputs, indigenous chickens, fruit trees and small stock as well as feed so they can seriously engage in agricultural activities and contribute to poverty reduction at household and national level. The department will further assist to provide infrastructure for all projects. Each project will be allocated an extension officer to offer continuous extension and advisory services to ensure growth and sustainability.

Members of the media are therefore invited to cover this massive food security initiative which is scheduled to take place as follows:

Date	:	Tuesday, 19 February 2019
Venue	:	Robega Community Sports Ground, (Near Rustenburg town)
Time	:	09H00

Transport is available on request for Monday, 18 February 2019 for community media. *Please RSVP to Ms Tsholofelo Dintwe at: tsholofelod@nwpg.gov.za by Friday, 15 February 2019 or call 018 389 5768 / 083 5767655 by 14:00.

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