

DAFF awards top female entrepreneurs in agriculture, forestry and fisheries

As part of the Department of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries' (DAFF) efforts geared towards rectifying the ingrained marginalisation of women in agriculture, forestry and fisheries sectors by recognising women excelling in these sectors, Minister Senzeni Zokwana awarded top female entrepreneurs at a gala dinner in Mpumalanga.



Overall Winner of DAFF Female Entrepreneur Awards 2017, Kedidimetse Rossy Rakgoale

The role of women in society has been significantly overlooked in the last few decades. Economic growth and food security will only be strengthened and accelerated if efforts are increased in building on the women's contributions. Women are the cornerstone of rural agricultural development and their role in the sector is unsurmountable.

The Department of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries Female Entrepreneur Awards (DAFF FEA) empowerment programme will maintain its fundamental ingredients through which far-reaching contributions is driven towards economic transformation of the sector and attaining imperatives of the departmental objectives.

“It is incumbent upon us all to continue to collaborate by upholding the norms and standards of DAFF FEA programme in our prestigious efforts towards a united and transformed agriculture, forestry and fisheries sector that ensure food security for all and economic prosperity,” said Zokwana

The winners for DAFF FEA 2017 are:

Best Female Worker: Zona Moira Nzimande from Eastern Cape

Best Subsistence producer: Kobanku Elizabeth Msibi from Free State

Top Entrepreneur - Smallholder: Julia Ngwanamosa Madihlaba from Limpopo

Top Entrepreneur - Processing: Berene Damons from Western Cape

Top Entrepreneur - Commercial: Kedidimetse Rossy Rakgoale from North West

Top Entrepreneur - Export Markets: Carmelita Cleo Kelly from Western Cape

Ministerial Award - Disabled Female Entrepreneur: Busisiwe Cynthia Nyathi from Mpumalanga

Ministerial Award - Young Female Entrepreneur: Berene Damons from Western Cape

Overall Winne: Kedidimetse Rossy Rakgoale from North West

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