

The Kariba REDD+ Project

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Members of the Chilimba Nutritional Garden in Nyaminyami are harvesting vegetables



The original PVC pipes that make up the Mapongola pipeline in Nyaminyami are being replaced with stronger galvanised pipes ahead of the rainy season

- **Gardening** project members in Nyaminyami District are **harvesting** some crops, while **planting** others (maize, cow-pea and beans)
- **CF farming** is also being implemented throughout Nyaminyami District, with **trainings conducted by community members**
- Each **rainy season** in Nyaminyami District, the **Mapongola pipeline is damaged** or washed away
- To combat this and ensure water supply to communities in Nyaminyami, the original **PVC pipes are being replaced** with strong, **galvanised pipes** that will withstand the rains

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Local football teams in Binga District are preparing for the KRP Awareness Tournament



Moringa trees are a good source of income for farmers in Hurungwe District

- In Binga District, preparations are underway for the **KRP Awareness Tournament** in December 2018
- The **tournament theme** is: *“Kick out deforestation and remember trees are the lungs of the world”*
- Land preparations for **CF farming** were also carried out in Hurungwe District and Mbire District
- **Local primary schools** Kazangarare and Masokoti in Hurungwe District are venturing into the CF method
- **Moringa trees** remain a **great cash crop** and source of income in Hurungwe District

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Tashinga garden remains semi-functional, despite water-challenges



The Pfumvudza demo plots are potholed with mulch gathered, as people wait for the rains

- Despite water challenges from borehole troubles, Hurungwe District's **Tashinga garden** is semi-functional
- **Nyamakate primary garden** in Hurungwe District faces water challenges too, but is doing well, with **king onions** almost ready to harvest
- Around **10 CF demo plots** were constructed around the project area by the champion farmers trained by Carbon Green Africa
- Most CF farmers are finished **making potholes and mulch gathering** in preparation for the wet season, as the **sky seems to be promising rain** soon

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The Hon. Deputy Minister of Environment, Water & Climate Change at Chitsungo Mission Hospital, Mbire District



The Minister promised to help prevent deforestation in the Kariba project area by cracking down on those involved in illegal deforestation, pictured above

- This month, representatives from all four districts attended a function in Mbire with Zimbabwe's **Minister of Environment, Water & Climate Change**
- At the function, the Kariba REDD+ project showcased the **Chitsungo Mission Hospital biodigester**, which now cooks food for patients
- All four **district representatives presented their reports** on project activities carried out to mitigate the effects of climate change
- The **Minister promised to further tighten laws against illegal land-clearing** with tougher punishments, to help implement the project

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Compost demonstrations during ToT training, Binga District – this preserves & improves soil fertility for better yields



Conservation Farming ToT training attendees in Hurungwe District received certificates of participation

- The Kariba Project continues to encourage **Conservation Farming** practices in communities to benefit current and future generations
- Conservation Farming was a highlight for September, and '**Training of Trainers**' (ToT) for each ward took place across all four districts
- With a predicted poor rainy season ahead, council and community members have been advised of the **importance of Conservation Farming in ensuring food security**
- For now, the **dry season continues** and communities have been advised to be aware of fires, and engage in **fire prevention** strategies before the onset of the rains

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The Chitsungu Hospital biodigester is now operational, Mbire District

- In Mbire District, the **Chitsungu Hospital biodigester** is fully operational
- This is a **big step forward for environmental conservation** in the district, achieving huge reductions in firewood usage as the **hospital is now cooking on gas**



A beekeeper constructs a hive in Kasvisva ward 8, Nyaminyami District

- **Beekeepers** in Nyaminyami District ensured their hives were in suitable sheds ahead of the forthcoming hot season
- As more beehives were constructed, **bee colonisation increased** for the month of September in the district