



Zimbabwe: Citrus project is success story for Beitbridge farming

The large citrus farming project at Shashe Irrigation Scheme in Beitbridge, Matabeleland South Province, has created an oasis of hope for 186 small holder farmers in the semi-arid district. Beitbridge is mostly a dry area, characterized by low rainfall and recurrent drought. But despite its geographical location, farmers have managed to turn their dreams of becoming successful citrus farmers into reality.

They have transformed 66 hectares of land, previously lying idle, into a flourishing citrus plantation, which has also generated employment for the local community.

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Through their efforts, farmers are defining their success farming story, contributing significantly to food security for the nation in line with the Agriculture and Food System Transformation Strategy (2020-2025) whose thrust is to see Zimbabwe achieving a US\$8,2 billion agriculture economy by 2025.

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