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**SMALL SCALE FARMERS GETS BOOST THROUGH ROLL OUT OF MULTI-PLANTING SEASON IN UMZINYATHI DISTRICT**

UMzinyathi District OSS Champion and MEC for Arts, Culture, Sport and Recreation Hlengiwe Mavimbela will be rolling out the Multi-Planting Season for uMzinyathi at Ward one, Wasbank, eNdumeni Municipality.

The multi planting season programme focuses on production of summer and winter crops like maize, green maize, dry beans, soyabeans and vegetable production.

This programme led by Department of Agriculture in KZN, will target vulnerable farmers, subsistence and smallholder producers who mainly rely on produce planted during this period for staple commodities. All identified farmers will receive production inputs and mechanization to assist farmers from the district.

Over 3662 hectares will be planted in all four municipalities in uMzinyathi District to assist emerging and small scale farmers who have been badly affected by COVID-19. As part of the programme, MEC Mavimbela will also be handing over home garden production packs (garden tools and production inputs) to community farmers and small scale.

**Launch details are as follows:**

**Date: Friday, 15 October 2021**

**Time: 09h30**

**Venue: Wasbank Stadium, eNdumeni Municipality**

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