

# National World Food Day 2013



Minister with project beneficiaries planting seedlings

The National World Food Day event was held on 16 October 2013 at Mahikeng stadium in Mmambatho (North West Province). In attendance were non-government organisations and the Department of Social Development and the Provincial Department of Agriculture

and Rural Development. The purpose of the event was to encourage a sustainable food system for food security and nutrition. The Minister of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries, Ms Tina Joemat-Pettersson, said that people must go back to the land and produce food

in order to alleviate poverty. If there is hunger, people start fighting with one another and use drugs, especially the young people (youth). All the government organisations were asked to help the young people with programmes that are in place. She also indicated that charity begins at home and more food should be produced so that other countries can buy food from us. Food gardens must be established at schools, churches and community centres to build sustainable communities. She also mentioned that the food parcels assist people who are hungry. The Minister of Social Development said that we should work together to help people with food parcels.



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