



SMALLHOLDER IRRIGATION REVITALISATION PROGRAMME

Sebasa Irrigation Scheme

FACT SHEET

Scheme location

Ward 24 of Gwanda district, under Chief Marupi in Matabeleland South Province.

Scheme History

It was established in 1968 with government assistance. The scheme had not been fully functional for the past 17 years mainly due to lack of maintenance and effects of cyclone Eline of 2000. 2.2ha recently rehabilitated with the assistance of Dabane Trust

Size - The gross irrigable area is 65ha and net irrigable area is 56ha.

Beneficiaries

Scheme has 112 registered beneficiaries (55 males and 47 females) with an average plot holding of 0.5ha.

Climatic conditions

Agro-ecological region 5

Water Source– Source of irrigation water is Tuli river, located about 50m from the scheme.

Contractor – Chituriro Builders (Ablution facilities)

- Asphalt Products (Canals)

- China Geo (Drilling of boreholes)

Date of completion—February 2021

Contract value: Current development cost is USD\$523,858.71

Reason for rehabilitation:

- All the five pumping stations were defunct.
- Major problem which farmers faced was pumping and conveying of water to their plots.

Scope of works:

12 by double squat hole completed.

- Drilling of 8 well points in Tuli river and equipping with submersible pumps complete
- Installation of delivery and conveyance pipe line complete
- Installation of photo-voltaic system to power submersible pumps almost done, awaiting installation of inverter.
- Repair and replacement of damaged canals
- Bush clearing
- Rehabilitation of damaged barrage and in-field drainage system pending.
- perimeter fence pending

Progress to date: Project complete

Crop production in the scheme: Wheat 9.3ha, Groundnuts 9.3 ha at maturity stage, sugar beans 9.3ha and maize. Farmers are about to produce their 6th crop since the scheme was rehabilitated

Greater scheme activities

Rearing of goats under NRM Training done under SIRP

O & M, FaaB, FFS, Nutrition education, exchange visits, NRM, PHM, GAP & CSA as well as Conflict Management and Leadership

