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The Government of Namibia through the Ministry of Agriculture, Water and Forestry (MAWF), in partnership with the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO), and with support from the broader UN family and private sector in Namibia is observing World Food Day on 30 October 2018.

World Food Day marks the founding of the FAO 73 years ago, with the purpose of combatting world hunger and creating awareness about global food problems.

In Namibia, World Food Day will be celebrated at Bunya village in the Kapako Constituency in Kavango West Region. The event will be held under the theme **“Our actions are our future: a Zero Hunger world by 2030 is possible”**.

The SADC committee of Ministers of Agriculture and Food Security during its meetings held in Ezulwini, Eswatini, in May 2017 approved the roll-out of the Model for the Regional World Food Day commemoration to be hosted in the countries designated as Chair of SADC. As the current chair of SADC, Namibia agreed to host and adopt the new regional approach.

As part of the regional approach, Ministers from South Africa (the immediate former chair of SADC), Tanzania (the next Chair) of SADC, the SADC Secretariat and a Delegation of the European Union (EU) to Botswana; as well as different High Commissioners and Ambassadors to Namibia have been invited to take part in the celebrations.

At the event, government ministries and agencies as well as local private sector companies will showcase their products and services in the agricultural, fisheries, forestry, food and water sectors.

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