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NA MWANDISHI WETU

Waziri wa Mifugo na Uvuvi, Abdallah Ulega, amewataka wadau wa sekta za kilimo na uvuvi nchini kujisajili kushiriki Mkutano wa Jukwaa la Mifumo ya Chakula Afrika (AGRF 2023).

Mkutano huo mkubwa barani Afrika unatarajiwa kufanyika nchini Septemba mwaka huu.

Akizungumza jijini hapa mwishoni mwa wiki, Ulega, amesema hiyo ni fursa kwa wadau kuzitangaza biashara na kupata mitaji na masoko.

“Wizara imeshakutana na wadau zaidi ya 300 kama sehemu ya kuwaandaa, kuwahamasisha kujiandikisha na kushiriki mkutano huo unaolenga kufungua milango ya uwekezaji na kuongeza uashirikiano kibiashara,” amesema.

Amesema dhima ya mkutano wa AGRF 2023 ni kuwawezesha vijana na wanawake kushiriki kikamilifu katika mnyororo wa thamani wa mfumo wa chakula. Rais Dk. Samia Suluhu Hassan ameshaanza kutekeleza azima hiyo kwa vitendo.

Waziri amewataka wadau kujisajiri kupitia tovuti ya AGRF: www.agrf-inperson.com, ambapo timu ya wataalamu wa wizara kwa kushirikiana na kamati ya maandalizi kitaifa wamejipanga kutoa msaada wa kitalaamu.

“Nampongeza Rais Samia kwa hatua mbalimbali anazozichukua kuwaletae Watanzania maendeleo, mfano programu inayoitwa ‘Building Better Tomorrow for Livestock and Fisheries Entrepreneurs’, ambapo vijana 738 kwa awamu ya kwanza kati ya hao



Waziri wa Mifugo na Uvuvi, Abdallah Ulega.

238 kutoka sekta ya mifugo na wengine 500 kutoka sekta ya uvuvi wamekwisha kunufaika,” amesema Ulega.

Mbali ya kunufaika na mitaji, vijana hao walipewa mafunzo ya unenepeshaji mifugo, majongoo bahari na ufugaji wa samaki kibiashara sambamba na kupewa mitaji kwa ajili ya ununuzi wa ng’ombe na kuwezesha miundombinu na upatikanaji wa masoko ya uhakika. Waziri amesema AGRF 2023 ni nafasi adhimu kwa Tanzania kuiweka ramani yake kwa dunia na Afrika kwa ujumla wake kuwa ipo katika nafasi nzuri ya kuzalisha bidhaa mbalimbali zinazotokana na mifugo na uvuvi.

Mkurugenzi Mkuu wa Taasisi ya Utafiti wa Mifugo (ILRI), Profesa Appolinaire Djikeng, amesema wawekezaji wanataka kuhakikishiwa uhakika na usalama katika uwekezaji ambao wanaufanya.

“Tanzania ina mazingira mazuri ya uwekezaji na ndicho kitu ambacho wawekezaji wangependa kuona maeneo mengi barani Afrika. Tupo tayari kufanya kazi na vyombo vya habari kuitangaza AGRF,” amesema Profesa Djikeng.

'Tanzania can feed the rest of Africa'

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By Polycarp Machira, Dodoma

TANZANIA is ready to feed the rest of Africa with first class protein as it hosts the Africa's Food Systems Forum, Minister for Livestock and Fisheries, Abdallah Ulega has said.

Speaking while calling on players in livestock and fishery sectors to register and come in large numbers to the international meeting scheduled for September in Dar es Salaam, he said livestock and fisheries have a big stake in the forum.

He said the forum provides an opportunity for locals to partner with international investors, adding: "We want people to invest in Tanzania and the time is now, and these sectors have great significance as the forum is expected to bring together 3,000 stakeholders in food systems and value."

Speaking here over the weekend on how his ministry has prepared to ensure that its stakeholders

register for the summit, he said the summit among others would promote opportunities existing in the sectors.

He said those stakeholders wanting to register should visit the ministry's website and find AGRF website www.agrf-inperson.com where experts from ministry work with AGRF national preparation committee to ensure everything goes as planned.

The minister said this year's AGRF 2023 is committed to empowering youths and women to participate in food systems and value chain.

"Tanzania has made significant strides in promoting food security, sustainable agriculture and the Africa food systems summit will serve as a platform for the country to share its best practices and forge new partnerships," he explained.

He also applauded President Samia Suluhu Hassan on the recently launched youth agricultural programme dubbed 'Building Better Tomorrow for Livestock and

Fisheries Entrepreneurs' in which 738 youths in livestock and fishery sectors benefit from phase one of the project.

According to him, among the beneficiaries 238 were drawn from livestock while 500 from fishery sector where they were trained and imparted skills and knowledge before, they were given capital and exposed to markets.

The minister said meat and fish fillets exports from Tanzania have increased steadily from 1,774.20 tonnes in 2020/21 to 12,243.79 tonnes in 2022/23 bringing in 51,894,622.44 US Dollars which showed major transformation in the sector.

Tanzania will be the first country to host the AGRF Summit organised by Alliance for a Green Revolution in Africa (AGRA) since rebranded to Africa's Food Systems Forum this year to promote the ambition of transformation of Africa's food system and engagement.

The historic summit among

others will attract over 3,000 delegates among them will include top leaders, thinkers, stakeholders in food systems and value chain and implementers in African food agriculture.

Earlier, the Director General of International Livestock Research Institute (ILRI) Prof Appolinaire Djikeng said investors want assurance and security of their investments wherever they go and invest.

"Tanzania has a conducive environment for investments and this is what investors want to see when they invest in any part of Africa. We are ready to work with the media to promote AGRF," Prof Djikeng said.

ILRI has worked in Tanzania since 1994 on issues ranging from market mechanisms to food safety and livestock policy. In Tanzania, it focuses on sustainable identification of mixed crop-livestock systems through increasing productivity and value chain development.

Mkakati wa 3 wa AGRA kubadili kilimo kwa kuhakikisha masoko

Na Mwandishi Wetu

UCHUMI wa Tanzania kwa miongo miwili umekuwa ukikua. Kwa kipindi hicho umeendelea kuwa imara na utekelezaji wa awamu ya pili wa mpango wa maendeleo wa miaka mitano (FYDP II) unaonesha kuwa uchumi unakuwa kwa wastani wa asilimia 6.9 katika kipindi chote kuanzia 2016/2017 hadi 2020/2021.

Kukua kwa uchumi katika kiwango hicho ni matokeo ya uwapo wa baraka za maliasili pamoja na taifa kuwa katika eneo bora kijiografia linaloweza kufanya biashara za usafirishaji kwa nchi zipatazo nane zinazozunguka.

Pamoja na madini na rasilimali nyingine maridhawa, Tanzania imebarikiwa kuwa na ardhi kubwa yenye uwezo wa kuzalisha bidhaa mbalimbali za kilimo kuanzia chakula hadi malighafi ikiwamo mifugo.

Katika hali halisi na kitakwimu uchumi wa Tanzania unategemea sana kilimo ambacho huchangia asilimia 27 ya Pato la Taifa ikiingiza asilimia 25 ya fedha za kigeni. Sekta hii pia inachangia asilimia 65 ya ajira yote ndini na asilimia 65 ya malighafi inayotumika katika viwanda.

Pamoja na hayo wakulima wadogo ambao ni wazalishaji wakubwa ndio wanafanya asilimia 70 ya wakulima wanaoweza mifumo ya chakula na kilimo ndini. Katika kundi hilo la wakulima wadogo wanawake wanaofanya kilimo ni asilimia 69.9.

Ingawa nchi imekuwa ikipiga hatua za maendeleo katika kuimarisha sekta, taifa bado halijafikia ukuaji wa kilimo wa asilimia 6 unaotakiwa kama ilivyoelezwa katika mpango wa pili wa maendeleo wa miaka mitano na pia Mpango wa Maendeleo wa Kilimo wa Afrika (CAADP) na asilimia 10 ambayo imelengwa na Agenda 10-30, lengo likiwa ni kufikia asilimia 10 ifikapo mwaka 2030.

Pamoja na takwimu hizo, shirika linaloji-shughulisha na ukuaji endelevu wa Mifumo ya Chakula Afrika (AGRA) ambalo limekuwa likifanyakazi na Serikali ya Tanzania tangu 2006, wiki iliyopita lilizindua Mpango Mkakati wa tatu wa AGRA wenye lengo la kuchochea

masoko jumuishi na yenye ushindani katika kilimo kuleta mabadiliko kwenye mifumo ya chakula ndini na kuifanya iwe endelevu.

Katika uzinduzi huo uliofanywa na Waziri wa Mifugo na Uvuvi, Abdallah Ulega, wakiwa na Waziri Mkuu mstaafu, Mizengo Pinda ambaye pia ni Mwenyekiti wa Baraza la Rais la Chakula na Kilimo, ilielezwa kuwa mkakati huo umelenga kuwajengea uwezo vijina na wanawake wa Kitanzania katika mnyororo wa thamani wa kilimo na hivyo kukuza ajira, ukuaji wa ustawi wa jamii na uchumi.

"Kuna mambo manne katika mkakati huo," anasema Meneja wa AGRA wa Tanzania, Vianey Rweyendela akieleza yatanufaisha zaidi ya wakulima milioni tatu ndini kwa kuwapatia masoko ya mazao yao.

"Mkakati huo unajumuisha uboreshaji wa upatikanaji wa fedha na masoko na kukuza utumiaji wa teknolojia mahiri za hali ya hewa na matumizi ya pembejeo, kama vile mbeugu na mbolea," anasema Rweyendela.

Ukiusoma mkakati huo unaona umelenga kuwa na jukwaa thabiti la kuhakikisha maarifa na ubunifu na kukuza mijadala yenye maarifa kuhusu changamoto katika kilimo na biashara na kuboresha ufikaji wa afua muhimu za kifedha kwa lengo la kuwezesha matumizi makubwa ya teknolojia na sayansi katika kilimo.

Akizungumza wakati wa hafla ya kuzindua mkakati huo, Mkuu wa Kikanda wa AGRA Afrika Mashariki, Profesa Jean Jacques Muhinda anasema taasisi yake katika miaka hiyo mitano imelenga kuunga mkono juhudi za Serikali ya Tanzania kuwa na uzalishaji mkubwa wa chakula.

"Tanzania imeonesha umahiri katika kubadilisha mifumo yake ya kilimo cha chakula. Katika kipindi cha miaka mitano ilayoy, tunauia kusaidia kufungua fursa zaidi za kilimo na masoko wakati nchi inapoendelea kufanya mabadiliko chanya kwenye kilimo."

AGRA inafanya kazi na serikali na mashirika binafsi katika kuvutia uwekezaji, kusaidia mageuzi ya sera na kutoa zana za kilimo, maarifa na msaada kwa wakulima.

Aidha, AGRA imeshirikiana na sekta binafsi kupitia Tanzania Agro-Industrialization

Development Flagship, TAIDF, (mradi mkubwa wa kuwezesha maendeleo ya viwanda vya kilimo) kuhamasisha na kuratibu ubia kati ya sekta ya umma na sekta binafsi; katika mradi huo ufadhili wa Dola za Marekani milioni 300 zilipatikana na kunufaisha wakulima zaidi ya milioni moja.

Katibu Mkuu wa Wizara ya Kilimo, Gerald Mweli akizungumza katika uzinduzi anasema Tanzania imelenga kuwa ghala la chakula kwa nchi za Afrika na duniani kote na hivyo haina budi kufungua uwezo wa sekta ya kilimo na kushukuru AGRA kwa kushirikiana na serikali kufanikisha azma hiyo kwa manufaa ya wakulima wadogo na ya taifa.

Kwa mujibu wa tovu ya AGRA, shirika hilo ambalo linafanya kazi zake kuwiana na Mpango wa Kuendeleza Sekta ya Kilimo ndini Awamu ya Pili (ASDP II), unaolenga kubadilisha mifumo ya kilimo ndini sambamba na kuongeza tija na kipato kwa wakulima wadogo, baada ya kujenga misingi thabiti ya teknolojia, ubia na mifumo, iko tayari sasa kuongeza kilimo chenye ujumuishi na ushindani ndini kwa kuyafungua masoko.

Mkakati wake wa pili ulitekelezwa 2017-2021 ulilenga kuchochea na kudumisha mabadiliko ya kilimo jumuishi. Mabadiliko hayo yalilenga kuongeza mapato na kuboresha usalama wa chakula kwa kaya za wakulima wadogo milioni 1.5 kwa kuwekeza Dola za Marekani milioni 28. Kiasi hicho cha fedha kimewekezwa ambapo Dola milioni 11.3 zilisambazwa kupitia ruzuku 31 tofauti ambapo wakulima 742,865 walitunufika.

Aidha, ASDP II umenufaika na ruzuku kubwa ya Dola milioni 1.672. Zaidi ya wakulima 42,000 wamefaidika moja kwa moja na mpango huo, wakiongezwa na wakulima 34,000 waliotunufikiwa kupitia mipango mingine.

Wakati AGRA ikizindua mpango mkakati wake huo mpya, takwimu zinaonesha mauzo ya mazao chini ya mipango ya AGRA yalivutia Dola milioni 1.6 na kuwaweka wakulima katika hali bora zaidi kuliko mpango uliotangulia kwani kwa kiasi kikubwa mkakati wa pili ulileta mabadiliko na ukuaji wa sekta ya kilimo ndini.



Waziri Mkuu Mstaafu, Mizengo Pinda (wa tatu kulia) pamoja na Waziri wa Mifugo na Uvuvi, Abdallah Ulega wakizindua mkakati wa miaka mitano wa AGRA katika ukumbi wa PSSSF, Dodoma hivi karibuni. Wengine ni watendaji na wafadhili wa AGRA.

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