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INTERNATIONAL NEWS
NAMIBIA RESUMES POULTRY IMPORTS FROM BELGIUM

WINDHOEK (Reuters) - Namibia has lifted a ban on poultry from Belgium after outbreaks of the highly contagious H5N8 bird flu in the Western European country caused trade to be suspended in June, the government said on Wednesday. Namibians, who consume an estimated 2,500 tonnes of chicken each month, have only one commercial supplier able to supply between 1,800 and 1,900 tonnes and the country relies on imports to meet demand.

Namibia imports the bulk of its poultry from South Africa, but also gets some of its supply from Belgium, Argentina, Brazil and the Netherlands. The lifting of the ban comes after a report from Belgium highlighting the effectiveness of the control measures put in place following the June outbreak, Namibia’s chief veterinary officer in the Directorate of Veterinary Services Adrianatus Maseke said. “Surveillance conducted in that country has not detected any evidence of infection in poultry for at least three months as required by the World Organization for Animal Health to declare freedom,” said Maseke.

The southern African country will now resume imports and in transit movement from Belgium for products produced after September 29, 2017, Maseke said. Namibia, which had also suspended trade with South Africa in June, was forced to amend its suspension to allow some imports from its neighbor a month later after poultry shortages. Meat Board Manager Operations Willem Schutz told Reuters that South African imports were still banned. Source: www. Reuters.com

LOCAL NEWS
CHOLERA SITUATION CONTINUE TO AFFECT THE LIVEBIRD MARKET

The outbreak of Cholera in Lusaka has affected the livebird market in Lusaka. Soweto which is the biggest market for both livebird and eggs is one of the markets affected by the outbreak of Cholera. This also applies to other alternative markets in surrounding areas. The appeal from the Association is for the farmers to adhere to the health steps being channeled by the Ministry of Health so that they avoid contracting this deadly pandemic. Further, we wish to appeal to the farmers to remain calm and give chance to the authority to clean up the markets as quickly as possible.

Source: Poultry Association Zambia
ZAMBA'S KWACHA IN NEAR TERM GAIN

The kwacha remains stable against the US dollar as companies sell dollars in preparation for the payments of taxes and other month end statutory obligations. Commercial banks quoted the kwacha to be between ZMK 9.80 and ZMK 9.90 per dollar in near term. The Commercial Banks expects the kwacha to defend itself against the greenback with support from demand for the local currency as companies continue to prepare to pay the mid-month statutory obligations. It has to be noted that healthy interbank market inflows, coupled with corporate dollar conversion has placed the kwacha on firm grounds with the projection that the local currency will continue posting gains.

![Exchange Rate Graph]

Source: Bank of Zambia

AVERAGE DOC CHICK PRICES BEGINS A YEAR ON A FLAT PRICE

The average day old chick prices at the beginning of the year is still averaging ZMK 5.84. During the course of this week, the average price for the DoC broilers remained unchanged. Pullets are also trading at ZMK 8.35. The supply of DoC is very stable in all the districts sampled. The outbreak of cholera in Lusaka has not yet affected the uptake of day old chicks. The graph below shows the national average price trend for the broiler day old chicks. Please note also that the prices of day old chick may differ depending on a number of factors such as the distance and the source supplying the day old chicks.
The national average prices for the broiler chickens recoded remains unchanged from the prices recoded slightly before the festive season. The national average prices for live chickens in the open market remained relatively stable during the course of the week, with minor movements. The Live broiler bird prices are averaging ZMK35.18. Similarly, the X-layer prices are averaging at ZMK35.85 while the prices for the free range chickens averaged ZMK 55.35. It has to be notified also that the closure of Soweto market has to a larger extent destabilized the livebird chicken market.
AVERAGE WHOLE DRESSED CHICKEN PRICES REMAINS UNCHANGED

During the course of this week, the prices remained stable as producers maintain lower prices aimed at encouraging chicken consumption. The average price for the whole frozen chicken in Lusaka is still trading at about ZMK20.99 per kg. A number of processors are conducting chicken promotions in some outlets. The prices are ranging between ZMK15.99 per kg to 24.99 per kg depending on the supplier.

The chicken sizes are ranging between 1.3kg to 1.8kg in different stores. Please note that the prices are obtained from Pick n Pay, Shoprite, Zambeef, Melissa supermarket and Cheers Stores. Different outlets have different pricing models hence the figures displayed is an average price for all the sampled chainstores.

AVERAGE PRICES FOR THE POINT REMAINS STABLE

The prices for the point of lay remains unchanged from those obtained last week. The average prices have been maintained between ZMK65 to ZMK72 per bird. The minimum is now ZMK65. Different suppliers' are offering different incentives to their customers.

A 5% discounts is being offered for all PAZ members who purchases 1000 and above point of lay at Yielding Tree. Rosedale Farm in Lusaka is also offering competitive prices for the point of lay and discounts for big volumes.

For those on the Copperbelt, quantum foods have point of lay for sale at competitive prices. For the beginners who are interested in getting battery cages, cage price ranges between ZMK2700 to ZMK8000 depending on the capacity and also the sources of the cages.
**NATIONAL RETAIL AVERAGE EGG PRICES REMAINS UNCHANGED**

The retail egg prices remained stable during the course of the week averaging ZMK 26.46. The retail prices in markets that are operating within Lusaka averages between ZMK23 to ZMK24 per tray for large eggs, and medium eggs while smaller eggs are trading between ZMK18 and ZMK20 farm gate price while pullet eggs are trading between ZMK15 to ZMK18 per tray. Soweto market which is the largest market for both lives broiler and eggs remains closed as the clean-up following the cholera outbreak continues. Retail prices in some Chainstores have also been maintained, averaging between ZMK24 to ZMK36 per tray of 30 eggs depending on the supplier and packaging.

For egg trays please contact KAGAAZ Industries limited on the following numbers +260973229349 or +260955350489

**EGG PRICES - RETAIL & FARM GATE - JANUARY 2018**

Source: Poultry Association of Zambia

**AVERAGE STOCK FEED PRICES REGISTERS REMAINS UNCHANGED**

The national average prices for broiler and layer feed remained unchanged during the course of the week. Broiler starter is still trading at ZMK178.40, Grower is still trading at ZMK 175 while finisher is also still averaging ZMK 170.

In the same vain, the layer feed prices remained unchanged. Pullet starter trading at ZMK 154.50, pullet grower is now trading at ZMK140.40. Developer is still trading at ZMK 134 while Layer Mash is averaging ZMK 136 per 50kg bag.

For those compounding their own poultry feed the average prices have have also stayed flat.

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Are you an active poultry farmer and a registered member of the poultry association of Zambia? If not please visit PAZ Secretariat in the showgrounds, ZNFU Stand just by the roundabout. Registration is free and make sure you obtain a membership card, but ensure that you come with a receipt of day old chick’s purchase to be registered. So the only requirement is a receipt showing you purchased day old chicks from PAZ affiliated Hatchery

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**VECTORMUNE AND TRANSMUNE**

ROSS IS NOW OFFERING VECTORMUNE & TRANSMUNE VACCINE ON DAY 1 IN THE HATCHERY TO HELP YOU QUICKLY CUSTOMIZE IMPROVE YOUR BROODER'S PROTECTION AGAINST NEWCASTLE DISEASE (NCD) & GUMBORO DISEASE (IBD)

**TRADITIONAL VACCINES**
- Require multiple vaccinations
- Difficult to apply correctly at farm level
- Risk that the cold chain is broken
- Risk of post vaccination reaction which will affect the birds
- Health and performance

**BENEFITS OF VECTORMUNE AND TRANSMUNE**
- Applied in the hatchery where each chick is individually vaccinated
- Given by well trained staff using latest vaccination equipment
- Guaranized correct timing...
- No risk of post vaccination reaction affecting performance
- No risk of combing vaccinated vaccination required at 10 – 12 days of age, thus reducing cost to the farmer
- Healthier birds - better return

**NOTE**
- No Vaccination Program Protects when Bio-Security is Poor and Disease Challenge is High

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**GUIDELINES FOR A MINIMUM VACCINATION PROGRAM**

**APPLICATION METHOD: DRINKING WATER**

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<th>AGE IN DAYS</th>
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| 10          | GUMBORO (IBD) | INTERMEDIATE:  
E.G. 1. ABIC MB  
OR 2. AVPRO PRECISE  
OR 3. MAXIMA GLOBIAC |
| 12          | NEWCASTLE (NCD) & INFECTIOUS BRONCHITIS (IB) | OR  
E.G. 1. TABC V.H + H-120  
OR 2. HIPIARUM CLONPH 120  
OR 3. NORTUS MAX + CLONE 30 |

**NOTE**
1. No vaccination program protects if bio-security is poor and disease challenge is high
2. Use only ONE of the vaccines under GUMBORO (IBD) and ONE of the vaccines under NEWCASTLE (NCD) / INFECTIOUS BRONCHITIS (IB)
3. Seek your vet's advice if the situation requires alternative vaccines

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