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# Media Advisory

## PROVINCIAL LAUNCH OF CONTROL PROGRAMME IN RESPECT OF FALL ARMY WORM (FAW) IN THE NORTH-WEST PROVINCE

**Friday, 24 February 2017**

**Brits:** The Department of Rural, Environment & Agricultural Development (READ) has today vigilantly confirmed two incidents of Fall Army Worm (FAW) infestation at Farms around Mogwase in Moses Kotane Local Municipality and Brits in Madibeng Local Municipality, within the Bojanala District.

This confirmation brings the automatic activation of the Contingency Plan developed by the Department. In line with this Plan, a FAW Control Programme has been put in place and funds set aside in this regard for the purchasing of pesticides to assist the affected Farmers. The Programme will be officially launched by the Hon. MEC: READ, Ms Manketsi Tlhape as follows:-

**Date** : **Saturday, 25 February 2017**  
**Time** : **06h00am to 11h00am**  
**Venue** : **Application Farm in Mogwase**  
**Moses Kotane Local Municipality, Bojanala District**

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Intermittently, the Press Conference will also be held to share light on the Control Programme that is implemented by READ. Meanwhile the public is reminded and advised once again to report any suspected cases to the Department.

Media members are invited to attend and cover the launch.

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