

Farmers advised to use silage as pig feed

With rising prices of maize bran, farmers have been advised to adopt silage as a livestock feed.

Charles Ssewanyana, the chairperson, Greater Masaka Pig Multi-Stakeholders Association gave these tips during a meeting of pig farmers in Masaka earlier this week.

"Farmers are discouraged because of the high cost of feeds which raise the costs of production," he said, adding that they should rear a number of pigs which they can manage to feed rather than just having many pigs on the farm which are less productive.

In his remarks, Sam Ssekyondwa, the Masaka Pig Union Chairperson revealed a plan to build a pig abattoir worth Shs870m in Kijjabwemi. This will provide farmers with a ready market for their pigs.

Masaka Municipality mayor Godfrey Kayemba, who was the chief guest, applauded the initiatives of building an abattoir and the silage making.

-Brian Mugenyi

17,000 metric ton—worth \$5.6m—of seed potato production annually reduced due to limited capabilities of the seed potato supply.

The second dimension of constraints to seed potato supply chain relates to varieties the seed potato produces.

Not enough seed

During the main session of the Kachwekano Agricultural Research



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