



REPUBLIC OF ZAMBIA

MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND LIVESTOCK

**MINISTERIAL STATEMENT ON THE POINT OF ORDER RAISED BY
HON. JONAS SHAKAFUSWA MP, AND ON THE STATUS OF THE
INPUT DISTRIBUTION UNDER THE FARMER INPUT SUPPORT**

PRGROMME (FISP)

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MR SPEAKER,

LET ME START BY THANKING YOU FOR GIVING ME THIS OPPORTUNITY TO RESPOND TO THE POINT OF ORDER RAISED BY HON. JONAS SHAKAFUSWA YESTERDAY.

MR SPEAKER,

FROM THE ONSET, LET ME STATE THAT IT IS NOT TRUE THAT MY MINISTRY, THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND LIVESTOCK, HAS STOPPED RECEIVING PAYMENTS FROM FARMERS FOR INPUTS. ON THE CONTRARY, THE MINISTRY IS RECEIVING PAYMENTS FROM FARMERS AND FARMERS ARE COLLECTING THEIR INPUTS.

MR SPEAKER,

LET ME, TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO INFORM THE HOUSE ON THE STATUS OF INPUT DISTRIBUTION UNDER THE FARMER INPUT SUPPORT PROGRAMME (FISP) FOR THE 2014/15 AGRICULTURAL SEASON.