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## Cabbages Farming Delight

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Cactus Farming for cattle feed

Global Impact:

From Monavale to Global  
ZBIN's Impact

Lima Beans Farming Progress



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Greetings and we meet for the second time in the month of May 2026. Did you know of opportunities from Hibiscus? Yes that plant that is easily available in most parts is money. Not just money but big money. Not another Zvihuta or Jatropha plant.

All you need to do is to conduct own researches on value addition and Youtube can be your best teacher. In Nigeria the Zobo Drink is amongst the popular drinks. However in Southern Africa—this is just another shrub.

We distributed cuttings at the Visibility Sprint and hope Zbinites will take them seriously. We are proud to bring to you another edition of our newsletter and it is loaded with content.

And most of the content coming from our members. Entrepreneurs sharing experiences thanks to our solid infrastructure and culture. The good news is the growth in number of views on our website [www.zbinworld.com](http://www.zbinworld.com). We recorded our highest visitors this week which is good for our subscribed members.

We also welcomed a Zambian national to the forum—Mr Thomas Chemo. Welcome to our brother from across The Mighty Zambezi River.

## 1. Business growth Bottlenecks

### Zvii zvingatadzise kukura kwe business?

#### Sima Blac Zw

1 Business operating systems

- Lack of clarity on experiences, profit stock value etc
- Not formulating business daily routines such that every employee knows what to do at what circumstances.
- No business framework, no business's general idea such that you will know how and when to expand ie no clarity on what kind of business are you and what else can be incorporated into it. Eg if you're selling cement you can add tiles and tile adhesive

2. Poor financial literacy

- Some people can't manage large sums of money they'll start spending like no body's business instead of opening other avenues. Or even increase their stock value.
- Some don't even know if they have enough to open other shops or invest in your business infrastructure and they struggle daily to maintain their stock value.

3. Self employment

Some businesses are solely self employment they don't have any thoughts or plans for growth ✓

Some unknowingly possess such mentality and their habits prohibit any form of growth.

**Tatenda Mrtbenza:** 1 man band

**Va Gadani:** Kunyenga Mari. I mean kuita zvepabonde nema clients

**Ruvimbo Phiri :** 1.Kukweretesa 2. Not separating business and personal finances, 3. Not tracking your numbers/ growth. 4. Poor pricing

**Paddington Katsande:** Hiring the wrong employees

**Maronga Evans Snr:** Not separating business finance and personal finance.

**Brilliant Mbidzo:** Entertaining bad clients vanochema chema everytime.

**Brain Dumira:** Hama dzemukadzi

**Praiseworthy Karonga Chikukwa:** Kuita rely on business kuty ndiro rinocover mabills Ako ese kubva kurent kusvika kufood haaaa unoitakore uri on one place

**Sebastian Takunda Madziwanzira:** Kusaomera.

Business rinoda kuomera

**Admire Mushonga**

Lack of records:

You can't court an investor/credit lines

You can't appreciate your returning customers/debtors appropriately

You can't track your progress YoY

You can't bargain with suppliers

You can't tell if it's a going concern or not.

For products you can't track your fast movers/ track GP/obsolescence

**Jess Mai Claire:** Kukweretesa

**Tawanda Washington Makoni:** Relatives and Chipfambi

**Hartz Nkosi:** Zinofobiya

**Obert Chikomo:** Poor mindset  
**GREMS Panelbeaters and Spraypainters:** Poor marketing skills  
**Midlands Foundry:** Failure to plan I would say, nhai admin what happened to your admin ainzi Chenjerai  
**Blessed Chikwanda:** Kudya stock  
**Fadzai Matimba:** Dying market, Lack of innovation  
 Misleading market research findings  
 Limited product or service range, Rigidity  
 Poor management of resources  
 Inability to divorce ownership from control  
 Policy volatility etc  
**Christopher Shungu:** Kuomera mari yeku booster pano pa Facebook  
**Norman Mukandagumbo:** Absence of vision

## 2. Street Profit Calculations



**Funlesly Kambeva :** Dzimwe nguva hamusi kucalculator guys ukakwanisa kutengesa 60 loaves per day x 7 cent per loaf i 4.2 per day tobva tati 4.2 x 30 days tinoona 126 usd. Touya ppaairtime ukatengesa 60 pa day times 9 cents unoona 5.4usd time 30 days 162 us paairtime nechingwa 126 plus 162 i 288 profit pachingwa neairtime chete. Saka tikuti kna uchikwanisa kuona 288 pa bread and airtime only mukuti grasary harina mari seiko?

**Tendai Greg Makoni :** It's becoming increasingly clear that many of you are either failing to grasp the concept being presented, or deliberately choosing to trivialize it. This gentleman is using straightforward analogies to clearly explain the dynamics of power, planning, and positioning. Yet instead of engaging at that level, the conversation keeps being dragged down to basic hustles — selling bread and airtime — completely missing the strategic depth being laid out.

**Munyaradzi Robert:** lwee! vanhu 60 iwavo kasi unenge uchitengesa nemushonga kani. Even cable yephone unohodha 0.50c ukatengesa \$1for 1 & wotengesa 30 per day its \$15 per day. And \$465 per month but unotengesera ani bro how

**Douglas Katinhu:** I was against tuckshop pamba. But my wife won over me on that. Now she counts a profit of over 20 dollars every evening.

**Hope Joy:** Nzwimbo inotengesa 60 loaves unoiwana kupi. Its either it has high rates or unoswera uchimanyisana ne city council

**Tsembani Dhliwayo:** It's not that constant one day you might sell 10 loaves

**Tarisai Masawi:** Zvinenge zvatengwa nani zvinhu izvozvo

**Privy Chizeya:** Says someone who isn't in that business

Pamwe pachoswerera kana \$30 chaio

**Kabaira Luke:** Most people varikufira pride especially yekuda kunzi ndiri employed. Vanhu vazhinji vanoshanda vanogona kutotambiriswa nemunhu aneChingoro chePepsi mutown. Tisingatauri wemumaBoutique nemashop vema \$80 ne\$100

**Brighton Sangoya:** Rent ye shop, salary yemushandi, Mari yekujusa magetsi ipapo, food yemushandi, Mari ye transport inotakura ma orders, mitero ye shop yacho. Kana pasiri busy haibude maths yacho

**Kabaira Luke:** Most people are missing the point. OK let's say you will sell half of the things zvataurwa nemunyorori. Obviously hapana pauchaita tuckshop year yeAirtime nechingwa chete. Add profit from other staff you will sell and try to come up with an average profit per month. The reason why most people become employees for the rest of their lives, it's because people are afraid to start businesses simply because they told themselves kuti hazviite. 60 loaves it's a very realist target especially kuGhetto (that is 12 crates only)

**Akurait Kulele Maulana:** 60 and above loaves dzirikutengeseka kugheto 70macards arikutengeseka

**Victor Kango:** Kupedza 60 loaves ne 60 airtime ndiko kune nyaya

**Marere Tapiwa:** Munhu anemari kana achiudza vasina zvinoita kunge nyore kuzviita or kuti zviitike. Its not as easy as the way you calculate. Vanhu 60 ivavo vauri kutaura havako manje Kwese kwese, saka math's dzako ndizvo asi hadzishande kumunhu wese or to every vendor in the streets. Saka varikusimbisa netwuchirungu twenyu miswai henyu. Hapana chokwadi apa. Munhu ndaaweke ne 1 loaf a day, at least haushaye anotenga kkkkkkk. Airtime vamwe tinotenga data re month Smart4U ine 200 minutes plus 140 sms, saka vanhu 60 per day havawanike zvekumhanya, kana ndichigona kutenga data randinofonesa via app plus ma minutes n sms. Murikuverengera vanhu mbeva nemiswe yadzo pakadhiri kenyu. Miswai.

**Tinashe Chingoma:** 60 loaves unenge uchitengesa pari busy zvekutodaro. Munhu anotengesa 60 loaves anocasher \$700 and above. hazvina kuchipa.

**Tinashe Tiny Tin Chikanga:** Mazuwano kune mbambaira baba unonyura, uchidya wega chingwa chako 🤪🤪🤪

**Tongai Murwira:** Problem ndeyekuti vanhu vakawanda vakuita same thing in a small space saka anotengera mumwe ndiani?

**Antony Maveta Bond:** I deliver bread on a daily basis, 70% of my clients sell a minimum of 40lvs per day. The tuckshop shld be at a busy place, put a trusted person as a cashier eg a family member Dzimwe are located padzimba dzevanhu mumaGhetto where rent is less than 50usd per month. Us as suppliers tinosvika pavari bcz they pay cash vachihodha any time yawasvika, so the minimize costs. They dnt hv operating pprs, kutonyora kana team rauya maybe 5usd per week. Etc .. zvikaita 2 zvimaTuckshop plus chiHonda fit chinoita school run locally mapinda.

**Bridget Nyatsvimbo:** Airtyme neZIG yakazvivharisa wena

**Peter Jonhera:** I am a freelance car service technician.

If I charge \$20 per oil change that means at least \$400 per month, servicing one car per day working 5 days per week.

The challenge most aspiring entrepreneurs consider before starting a business is the 5th P of marketing—People. You can produce, price, place and promote and still lack the most essential ingredient of any business; PEOPLE. By 'people' I don't mean that they aren't there, I mean their choices. They have several options, getting them to

choose you consistently is the challenge of business. Not everyone is built for that. There are risks, pressures and stresses not everyone is prepared to handle. Everyone ought to choose what they can manage.

**Memo Chiruka:** Ukazoisa ne fodya ma cigarettes, ma rizzla, mints, Ma drinks unosvitsa 500us. Depending nekwauri. These small profits combined zvinoshandika

**Joe Joseph Sam Wilson:** Mentality yatinayo vazhinji tinofa tichishanda tisina chatinach iko kutotanga kufunga kuti unotengesera ani 60 loaves dzacho ndiko kutozvidzosera kumashure ikoko tengesa ushaye anotenga then wozobvunza kuti unotengesera ani rimwe dambudziko tinoda ma 100% profit ndosaka tichizoshaya anotitengera

**Charlie Richiez:** We see ma tuckshops achitenga 2 creates isu 🙄

**Gerald Mushore:** Ini ndapanzwa, pane minimum number yema products and services you will have to sell ari diversified ekuti ukaita consistent sales unoto rowa profit(after all costs and expenses) pamwedzi, trick is to be on the lookout with this mindset and look for ways to capture repeat sales. So this to me is like a pre cursor to an algorithm, which you can then build and plug in in into one of the ais, and I tell you pattern(s) will come out aribho zvekuti. Also remember azviti kufungira mubox 🤖, uno simudzwa urimubox imomo nemaexcuse.

**Kuda Dee Sbanda:** Problem vanhu vanoda Hustle rinoisika paStatus ❤️

**Tryfine Madhaure:** Ndazvinzwa,asi handic ndoga nemawandiro atakaita,hapana patinga tengesa zvinhu izvi every day,unless iri holiday,kana kuti mabig shop like Pink n Pay.

### 3. Buyer Requests

**Without Buyers, no business. Buyers mukutsvakei?**

**Cathrine N Manema:** Looking for mascots

**Nomathemba Phiri:** Cement at wholesale price

**Bright Kairos:** Extension Ladder 9meters up

**Lawrence Makotamo:** Looking for a preloved ingco baby grinder

**Richard Nsingo:** Am looking for VW Polo suitable for resell.

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### 4. Cactus Farming for Cattle Feeding

#### Lackson Mudare

Did you know that, we are now Growing these cactus plants for livestock feed (2in1 , feed and water), good especially in those dry periods and dry places. It has good protein content.



**Rachel Moyo:** Where are the seeds

**Simpler Chinake:** Ukachidya unorova gwekuyenda

**Everjoyce Chiwa:** Mudhorofiya ka yu

**Tan Dinhidza:** Where do we get the seed.

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## 5. Starlink Performance Review

### Kwozoti Starlink Review Zvirisei?

**Potifala Milly:** Haaa takazvirega ndeyemhanga mhanga, irikutatarika

.We moved to TelOne at home and Netone mobile 🤔

**Ernest Kedrick Chitiyo:** For Harare switch to business priority package.

**Clarence Nyamuze:** Rural area we ain't complaining,, superb

**All-tun Nj:** How much is the subscription for mini kit?

**Mai Ryan:** Cruising well but network yacho haiende kure zvayo

**Angeline Kalisa Musungwa:** Starlink kuseri, hatina kana zvichemo nayo tigere tatata isu. Maybe ma big cities ndokwairi kunetsa, very sorii. Isu tiri grateful, thankful.

**Thandiwe Vurayi Demo:** Inoshanda zvakanaka. Kana muchizivawo kut munoda kuzoshandisa makawandisa chiregai kutenga the cheapest bundle nhaika. Starlink makeke

**Camellah Chifamba:** Starlink huchi baba

**Moyo Tawanda:** Umm iku baka baka iyi

**Admire Mushonga:** In Harare service was ruined by Global Roaming no longer reaching anywhere near the initial 300Mbps will not get any better but rather worse with every new roaming kit activated. That'll affect every tier package going forward.

**Mlungisi Nyathi :** Overrated

**Zweli Ngubani:** Starlink huchiii baba. Ndine 2 mastarlink mini 1kuruzevha...hakuna road network dzekufona unotoenda mugomo kuti ibate. Asi now nestarlink baba ndikutorova mawhatsapp kol ndirimumunda or muhozi. Imwe iripaden n chinhozi cant complain huchi

**Esther Hadassah Mavhondo:** Gweru we good

**Soshea Siwawa:** Hatina kuisa password hedu even ma neighbours vanenge vari pa fence kana shungu

**Christine Made:** So far so good.we ain't complaining in Chivhu

**Solomon Tapiwa Sigwenese:** I junk chaiyo

**Tafadzwa Makada:** Using business priority, bho zvekuti and takawandawo.



## Global risks ranked by severity



Please estimate the likely impact (severity) of the following risks over a 2-year and 10-year period.



Source: World Economic Forum Global Risks Perception Survey 2025-2026.

## 6. Choosing Polytechnic vs University



By Theo Chirapa | The Cambridge English Teacher

Choosing between a university and a polytechnic in Zimbabwe involves navigating a shift in the global economy where practical skills are increasingly rivalling traditional degrees.

### Comparing University and Polytechnic Paths

Historically, Zimbabwean parents viewed university degrees as the primary route to success, while vocational training was seen as a secondary option. However, each institution serves distinct purposes in the modern economy:

**Universities:** Focus on theory, research, and professional careers like law, medicine, or teaching. They are essential for developing critical thinking, leadership, and advanced scientific or engineering skills.

**Polytechnics:** Emphasize practical, hands-on technical skills designed to solve real-world problems. They often adapt more quickly to industrial needs and technological changes.

**Key Considerations for Families**

Parents are encouraged to look beyond prestige and consider the practicalities of the current job market:

**Employment & Entrepreneurship:** While some university graduates struggle in overcrowded fields like business studies or sociology, polytechnic graduates in fields like plumbing, mechanics, or electrical installation often find work faster or start their own businesses. Financial Factors: Polytechnic programs are typically shorter and more affordable, allowing students to enter the workforce and begin earning an income sooner.

**Impact of Technology:** The Fourth Industrial Revolution is creating a demand for workers who can operate modern machinery and manage digital systems, areas where polytechnic training excels.

Flexibility: Education pathways are no longer rigid; students can start at a polytechnic and move to a university later, or vice versa.

**Conclusion**

Success in Zimbabwe's changing economy now requires adaptability and practical competence rather than just a certificate. Parents should choose a path based on a child's specific talents and interests, recognizing that a person with technical skills may be just as prepared for the future as one with a university degree.

**7. Hanging out places for entrepreneurs**

**BOSS KIM**  
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ZIM VIRAL

With \$450 you can buy a snooker table

Then you charge \$1 per game multiplied by 4 games per hour= \$4 / hour

\$4 /hour x14 hours a day = \$56  
\$56 x365 days that will be \$20440 annually

Risk low Profitability Moderate

**Tafadzwa Mugwambi**

1. Tisati taenda kure matoken is \$1 for 2 games.
2. Math's idzi hadzina ku siyana nemaths dzaunoita uchizvisimbisa kutenga kombi ..lkazadza vanhu 18 na 6am yopinda tonaz 6:30 yoita U-turn nevanhu 18. That's \$36 per hour x12 kkk

**Ba Imarnie:** Maths dze mu bhawa, hwava mumusoro wakutaura nechirungu haa zvotoita chete.

**Bright Kairos:** Unoona uchibuda bhobho pese.

**Donemore Majonga:** Kkkkk plan ye muromo Haina defeat ka ipapo pfungwa dze loss hadzikubate I plan yerovha hanzi ndikawana basa ndichitambira 1000 kupera kwegore ndinenge ndane 12thaza kkkkkk but uchidyei, uchigara pai ne kupfeka chii.

**Vincent Mkosi:** Problem inongozotanga kana zvavepo zvese but Mari pasina wave kuona kuti wakapinda deal uchiudziwa nhema dzega dzega

**Carlkum Homeimprovements:** Vanhu vanoita 4hrs vachitamba ma token e \$1. Saka pazuwa ukatoenda ne \$3 kana \$4 bho

**Yohane Tennyson:** Plant 1000 melons. Go to the market. Sell them all at 3\$ each and boom, you have \$3000.

**Naison Junior:** Tisati taenda kure pool table svinu \$800-\$950

**Gladys Sophia Mundanga:** Reality vs Dreams

**Bunny Banda:** What we dream of and the way life teaches us on how to handle it.

**Stalone Mahachi:** Snooker table does not cost \$450 the price is between \$950- \$1000 and it deepends with the place you are putting

**Isaac Mazonde:** Snooker inoita \$1 per game inotambwa kupi zviya  
**Blessng Ransom Smango:** Zvamunotiona tiri pano kudai maths idzi takatodziita zvikaramba kubuda,

**Munyaradzi Mugwenhi:** Itai saOroro asingagaire maSinhi mkuzonyanya kumagaira for sure

**Durai Mimana:** Until you are on the ground then you awaken.

**Markcharli Chirenje:** Isu tinawo but tikuwana less than 10 bucks

**Anslem Mberengwa:** So in chemistry there are things that we call ideas gas and real gases. This math is ideal math but in reality people dont pay pool that much.

**Nelson Gumbodete:** Haaaa business riri easy kufunga, ipapoa maku adder neku multiplier ndopanofira tsoro yese.

**Bothwell King Botha Nyenje:** Tokens \$1 for 2 or 3 and location determines revenue.

**Tinashe Chingoma:** Chekutanga snooker yeprice iyoyo chikanga Saka hapana anoitamba, chechitwo matoken anoita dollar 4 four chechitatu muridzi we snooker nemuridzi replace you share 50/50

**Blessed Chikwanda:** Vanoigwejenura vakomana mabhora anenge akuvhomorwa for free

**Kennedy Mandiringa:** Whatever business idea you hear or get in the public always take the worst case scenario. In this case divide those profits by 2 then subtract 50% for unforeseen mishaps

**Prosper Ngwenya:** And here you are sharing it with the Tax Man 🤪

**Abraham Nyama:** Regerai vakomana

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## 9. Diego Chikombeka Feature



### 1) Business name & my background\*

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My name is **Diego Chikombeka**, and I'm a serial small business entrepreneur.

I currently serve as CEO of **OKbho** — formerly **\_Fresh Raw\_**. I'm also CEO of **\*Fresh Script Holdings\***, the holding company under which OKbho operates. While we trade publicly as OKbho, Fresh Script Holdings is our formal, investor-registered entity.

### How it started

OKbho began as **\_Fresh Raw\_** during my college years. It started as a fresh produce business focused on beekeeping, poultry, and a few other small agricultural ventures. I co-founded it with a college mate.

Eventually, we parted ways due to differences in vision and contribution — whether it was me or him is beside the point. After the split, I retained the **\_Fresh Raw\_** name, formally registered the company, and began using early footage and results to attract investors outside Zimbabwe.

That approach worked. I secured investors. But it later became a surprise to them that I had shifted focus from fresh produce to where we are today: **\*OKbho\*** — a digital commerce and community ecosystem.

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## 10. Cabbage Farming Premium Chat



My name is Tinashe Chingoma member of the esteemed ZBIN for over five years now

Professionally I am an accountant/auditor, however I have been into groceries for over a decade and farming for the past three years but have been on the ground full time for the past six months. The reason why I went to the farm on fulltime basis whilst I do part-time on groceries is I realized that farming can only grow kana uri paground.

### Today we will delve into cabbages;

For cabbages I will add another bonus for red cabbages and cauliflower and broccoli.

With my experience cabbage is the easiest crop to grow, however it's also a crop inogona kukurarisa nebhutsu if you mistimed. Can members please confirm, do all members understand Shona or I stick to English only? Waiting for any non Shona speaking member before I proceed,just one minute window!!

For cabbages I would recommend these varieties.

- 1-kilimo
- 2-3301,10,11, Stake ayres
- 3-Lunaria

Fabiola for me handina kuridira size of the head, mumusika raizvimbira. You would end up wakudollar for 5/6 plus makoronyera vanokuwisira pasi yet radya same feeding nemahybrids ayo. Cabbages are heavy feeders who require both fertilisers nemanyowa. I did both experiments and I realized kuti asina manyowa their performance can't match ane manyowa. So during off season august ikoko uko tsvagai manyowa as much as possible kumatanga uko.

**Prices:** Cabbage pick up prices usually from mid November up to latest of June thereabout. Generally hector we deal with 30k plants however I recommend an extra 20% to cater for asingakure,anotsemuka, anofa etc. Also stagger them coz ukamati zhuu kaone anozvimbira iwe muridzi.

**Fertilizers:** I usually put between cup 22-30 for compound C, high C Manyowa just my palm, ruoko one pagomba usina kurivhara is enough

These requirements apply to brascias family yandatauta pamusoro apo ie, red cabbage, green ramajaira, cauliflower, nebroccoli. For cauliflower please stick to twister iyoyo inovhara, macustomers haadi yakasviba

Then for Top dresser we use AN 15g per plant however spread over three times ie day 7, 14, 28. musapfuure day 35 musina kupedza kuisa AN kana muri musummer then musapfuure day 35 muwintar matapinda umu.

### Best Period

Kana uchirima cabbage please never ever over expect profits. Kuti usage neBP work just with 100% return. Matimes 4/5 you will be disappointed. This crop is a compounding crop meaning consistency carries you through. Good margins momawana December up to April-May. Then November, June and sometimes July are survival months. My current Kilimo yakasviba ne60 days, yes just two months ranga rasvika.

These crops dzooda mumunda makachena, plus rinoda mvura, every third day engine inenge ichiridza.

So with my experience ndoburitsa cabbage every second month for nine months

Kutenga mbeu yakabuda kudhara kune disadvantage yemaextra costs yekuti kana zvarema unozochema coz you can't adjust your prices.

For Stake Ayres maseeds totora kucharger seeds however for those vanoenda, SA, Zambia, Tanzania, you can get them at a fraction. Kagama ke12500 seeds kanoita \$48 kucharger seeds. Seedlings akabuda kudhara anoita between \$25-\$30 per thousand Saka mukatenga 4 zvigaba zviya you are guaranteed to get good seedling dze40k plants at less than a dollar (Sorry neless than \$200)

### Profit Calculations

Manje mukatenga akabuda kudhara makubata \$1,200 same thing chandashandisa maybe \$250. Cost cutting kufarming carries you through fellow members. Saka let's do the maths tese;

- \$250 for seeds
- Compound C\*16 bags \*\$36 \$576
- AN 11bags\*\$39 =\$429
- Mishonga \$100 is enough if you buy in bulk mukatenga one one vanodhura
- So we have \$250+\$576+\$429=\$1255.

Remember tiri kushandisa ndina ye36,000 plants, this is just over a hecter but we treat it as a hecter to accommodate for the losses I highlighted earlier. Kurima zvosiyana nenzvimbo. Kusakura haridi sora. Sorry to say this handina kufarira randakashandisira maherbicides harina kunditira zvakanaka. Also I realized kuti mulching kutimbira kuuya the performance is different from asingatimbirwe. Mvura cabbage rinoda chaizvo but not too much.

**Any questions before we proceed?**

Sorry to say this akasakurwa perfoms far much better than ashandisira maherbicides

Vekusakura vacho ngavaite kakutimbira even culvate achirimadiki So pandinoisa cabbage ndoisa futi some red cabbage, cauliflower nebroccoli at the same time. These input them in batches of just a thousand to 1500 each per batch.

Red cabbage pamunda they take ne\$ for 2/3

Cauliflower nebroccoli the same maximum \$ for 4

So pavanotora cabbage they then take maybe 200 broccoli, 200 cauliflower then 100-200 red cabbage. Another experience as long as the batches are good and the sizes are good please vakomana vemabare, chikwanha, Bulawayo nemutare ngavauye vatore vega. iwe verengerwa Mari yako zvekuti kumarket zviri kuita marii siyana nazvo.

Fresh produce just scan the market then price in a way yekuti you attract the correct people. Mutare market, those guys take them to Mozambique, big ones vanga vachitipa ma\$ for 3 then the rest 4 and 5. So if you manage your crop well, 60% will be big ones, ie 18000 marova mu\$6k. Balance 12k or so mowana even \$2000 bho zvokuti. Inini personally ndotsvaga anything above \$6000 ratorwa pamunda. That way I am guaranteed 100% profit every 3 months. If the market is good you can get as much as \$10k but those figure dzobuda kana uchiri nemasmall portions kana akawanda work with \$6k-\$8k

### Questions & Answers

Dorcas Ori flame: How is the spacing done?

**Tinashe:** For those hybrids please isai ma50cm-60 interrow then 60-8cm kuitira pakudiridza. Mukanyanya kumabatanidza anotambidza pakudiridza moshaya pekutsika

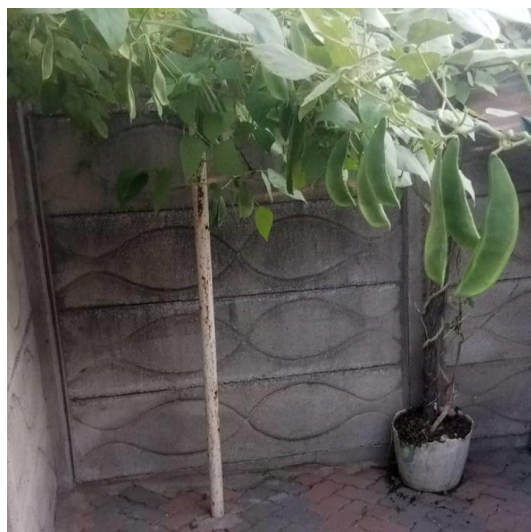
**Lenience:** Do you have a spraying program for pests?

**Tinashe:** Right every 3-4 days. Muchichinjanisa mishonga. Please check chemical groups kuti akasiyana here

Dorcas: So pakudiridza you only skip one day then water again?

Tinashe: No twice a week especially kana kuchipisa. For those who use big pumps I recommend rain pipes.

## 11. Lima Beans Farming Progress



It started with 3 plants vigorously growing in the backyard in November 2023. The 3 plants produced more than 50kgs of harvest in 12 months. This led us to distribute seeds to Zbinites in 2024 with those interested getting 5 seeds each.

Exceptional backyard performances in 2024 through 2026.

However the intention was not just backyard—but extending to commercial farming once enough seeds were harvested.

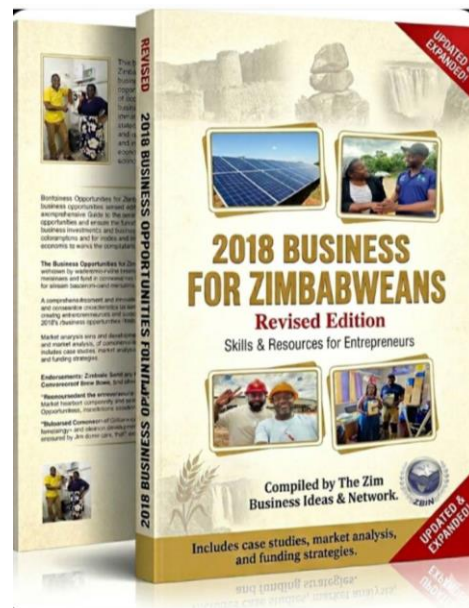
How is progress?



Our members have been doing extremely well and we can now certify Backyard Garden Farming a success. We are looking forward to commercial farming with the first results coming in 2027.



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Anyway we return with a revised version adding a few articles and also analysing how prophetic we were in 2018. We were not too far off the mark. Do watch out for the copy to be released this week.