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Akwa Ibom State Government through the Ministry of Agriculture distributed rice seeds and other relevant farm inputs to farmers across the State.

This is in line with the determination of State Governor Udom Emmanuel to take advantage of the 2021 planting season to ensure food security and sufficiency.

The event took place at the Idongesit Nkanga Secretariat, Uyo, on Monday, 31 May.

It had in attendance, the Permanent Secretary of the Ministry, Directors of the Ministry, Programme Manager of AKADEP, farming groups, royal fathers, and other Agric stakeholders, drawn from the 31 Local Government Areas of the State.



Dr. Glory Edet

In her address, the Honourable Commissioner for Agriculture, Dr. Glory Edet appreciated God for a fertile soil in Akwa Ibom State.





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While congratulating the Governor on his six years of superlative performance, she described him as dynamic, passionate and practical in bringing out results in the agricultural sector of the State, adding that the seeds and other inputs distributed are free-of-charge and courtesy of Governor Udom Emmanuel.

The Agriculture boss noted that the event is in line with the food sufficiency drive of the Governor which is aimed at making Akwa Ibom the food basket of the Nation.

Dr. Edet added that it was very necessary for Akwa Ibom to take farming seriously and as a major source of income, having been blessed with a fertile soil and a good leader who believes in Agriculture.

She enjoined the participants to take advantage of the inputs given to them and stressed that it is not to be sold.



Highpoint of the day was the distribution of rice seeds and other farm inputs as well as financial support to farmers.

Earlier in her remarks, the Permanent Secretary in the Ministry of Agriculture, Mrs Mary Ukoette appreciated the Governor for his massive achievements in the Agriculture sector.

She expressed thanks to the Honourable Commissioner for her passion in translating the ideologies of the Governor which is aimed at making food sufficient in the State.

Mrs Ukoette advised the beneficiaries to make good use of the inputs given to them.

In a commendation message, the State Chairman, All Farmers Association of Nigeria (AFAN), Akwa Ibom State Chapter, Prince Bassey Inwang lauded the visionary leadership of Governor Udom in the Agricultural sector.

He described the event as a dream come true and appreciated Dr. Edet for always carrying farmers in the State along with life-touching projects.

People who also spoke at the event include, the representative of rice farmers, Uruan LGA, Mr Effiong Ubaha, representative of Ini rice farmers and village head of Ikpe Ikot Nkon, Chief Ndueso Bassey and the representative of Nsit Ibom rice farmers, Mr. Nkana all expressed joy for the support given to farmers in the State by the government. They promised to maximise the inputs given to them while also praying for a bounty harvest.

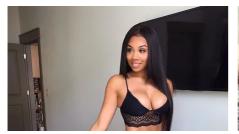
In a vote of thanks, the Director of Agriculture, Mr. Emmanuel Akpan appreciated the Governor for his massive impact in the Agriculture sector of the State.

He lauded the Hon. Commissioner for her ideas in running the Ministry of Agriculture and prayed for journey mercies for the participants.

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