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agricultural process stating that “we need to have a rational discussion around cannabis, we need to remove the emotions and face practicality.

Just by closing your eyes and locking out those things because of the stigma around cannabis and the negative attributes doesn't change the positive attributes of it,

we could become a world leader in terms of medical usage of cannabis and the growing thereof...” stated John Steenhu isen.



As the nation of South Africa reels itself out of the political pages of the Local Government Elections which witnessed political A-listers trailing the country with promises of a better ride for the masses on this plain. The Cannabis Xpress weeditor sat down with the Federal Leader of the Democratic Alliance (DA) John Henry Steenhuisen talking politics and in there we had to talk cannabis, it is about people is it not?

John was speaking on the green energy vision presented by the Democratic Alliance in their manifesto towards working municipalities when our weeditor motioned him to clarify the position of the political party on cannabis. In the absence of a hiccup and diving into the politically murky waters that is marijuana, the DA Federal Leader smoothly opens up with a disclaimer calling for rationality and the removal of emotion in the roll out of practicality. John in the same breath indicates that a face-off with the cannabis plant hands to the nation a huge potential that the cannabis plant embodies in the medical, industrial and

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WELCOME

As November walks into the light, a new ray peaks through the windows of Cannabis Junction in the form of the 7Leaf cannaXpress newspaper. We hear at 7Leaf love to tell cannabis stories and with Viv Brown we continue the mandate of relaying everyday cannabis expressions and the morphing of the cannabis industry into the beast that it is becoming and as such we make room to Xpress the Cannabis community happenings as the cannabis community on all fronts.

I have become fond of letters with greetings to masses I speak to in various points of their consciousness as they tap into print in black and white. This note is one such tale that I relay to you the reader as I welcome you to the

7Leaf cannaXpress. As the world of cannabis continues to emerge from the closets and from behind the veil of prohibition and propaganda the tales and the tells have become one and many and as such the emergence of this publication coincides with the cannabis industry that is taking shape in Africa and the world in a dynamism similar to the species it stands on, the reforms across nations are many and dissimilar, the models and motions from the masses are formulating a future of a cannabis industry framework at grassroots level in a spark. We as a publication are playing catch up, we are on the tail ends of a plant that is re-emerging in a changing world, with a hint of the

promise carried by the Ganja plant in sparking the minds to bring the change or to sidestep mankind and be the change to the challenges of the world. We embark as your weekly cannabis tale platform for news, views, Q's and A's, A-listings and A-listers as long as its cannabis, its 420 friendly and its candid we will echo it. We look forward to the journey and sharing the (I)Nsangu eXpressions we have termed "bissions", the business of relaying cannabis stories. With the immense reach of the cannabis plant we are know that it warms the hearts of the masses on so many fronts, and so as I spark up this joint for take zero of the Cannabis eXPRESSIONS may Mbanje (Cannabis Shona) enlighten your life. Love and Light.

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THE CANNABIS EXPO IS BACK

Viv Brown

In the name of cannabis events the African headline remains as *The Cannabis Expo*, we are on the edges of one of those highlight offerings that offers once again a glimpse at old expo life with the inevitable presence of face masks and sanitizing stations. The Sandton Expo dates are from the 18th to the 21st of this month at the Sandton Convention Centre in Johannesburg, South Africa. This offering like its global sibling in the Cannabis Expo Mexico is headline hosted by the international Cannabis Crowd-growing Platform, *JuicyFields*.

Silas Howarth the Director of the Cannabis Expo spoke to CannaXpress about the Cannabis Expo indicating that "what is really exciting about this cannabis expo is that it has so many different facets to it and so many different elements to the actual expo itself". Silas continued the discussion on the dynamic aspects at this Cannabis Expo stating that "there is the festival, which is quite a big thing that we are introducing now for the first time at this expo, it's an outdoor space connected to the cannabis expo and the convention expo, one ticket for all access."

The cannabis EXPO is not only the biggest Cannabis Expo in South Africa but also in the continent and together

with Juicy Fields, the Cannabis Expo team aim at cracking open the potential in Southern Africa's cannabis industry through facilitation and gathering of global minds of marijuana for interaction.

On the Expo side the event promises well over 100 exhibitors comprised of numerous cannabis proprietors, the latest cannabis innovations, from growing aids to watering systems, nutrients to seeds and clones. What is a cannabis Expo without the promo gifts and freebies to take home as souvenirs and a miniature representation of the value of the booming industry in ones hands. These events are a must attend for those seeking to envision the potential rumoured to be housed on the cannabis plant.

Alex Mpande the Sales and Marketing Director at Meme Cosmetics and Pharmaceuticals stated that their products will have a sole stand at the Sandton offering of the Cannabis Expo "for us as Meme the sole participation at the Cannabis Expo means growth for us, our products and range has grown over the past few years and we have recently added our own CBD range of vape liquid with CBD gummies".

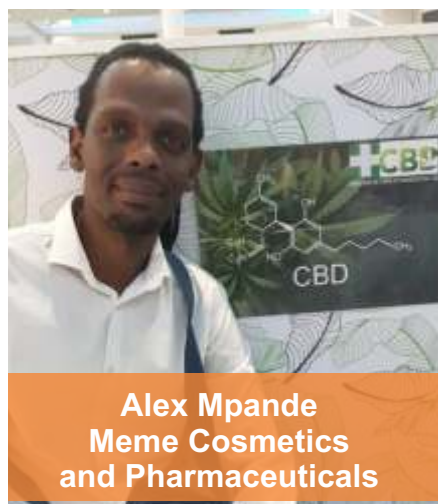
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South Africa is pioneering the unfolding of the global cannabis industry in Africa and with the business stability that the land of the rand proposes coupled with good bud growing weather, there is an ever increasing reach from the global cannabis players seeking to drop seed in the heart of the motherland. Cannabis as a plant has over centuries managed to be a powerhouse economic plant, greening and splitting nations with the prowess of its economic muscle and speaking to the monetary aspect which in all instances sticks out like a sore finger. The DA Federal Leader stated that "**I think that we need to be looking far more cleverly and clearly at it (cannabiss)**" it lands itself

in a large number of our provinces to grow and to be able to be used effectively in industrial processes and many other things; so I am fully in support of opening up and exploring the cannabis industry and I think that the stigma attached to it has suppressed us from really unlocking that green gold that we could be using to employ people and to get small and large scale farms going..."

The cannabis plant has been a victim of false perceptions and unfounded notions and as also indicated by John Steenhuisen indicates in the lines above, now more than ever we arrive at a window of opportunity to formulate new and actual perspectives on the cannabis plant as it speaks on its own terms in reviving economies, restoring health and working with the rest of creation.



Alex Mpande
Meme Cosmetics
and Pharmaceuticals



Minister Didiza opens applications for hemp permits

The Minister in the Department of Agriculture, Land Reform and Rural Development (DALRRD), Ms. Thoko Didiza has announced the opening of the application process for hemp permits in South Africa.

The process which came into effect on Friday, 29 October, will allow farmers including importers and exporters of hem in the country to apply for licenses. This comes after hemp was declared an agricultural crop under the Plant Improvement Act, no.53 of 1976. The same Act which provides for import and export control of certain plants and propagating material, maintaining the quality of such plants and propagating material, and ensuring the usefulness of the products thereof for agricultural and industrial purposes.

"It is important to indicate that both hemp and dagga are plants of the same genus, namely Cannabis. However, commercial use of dagga remains prohibited in terms of Drugs & Drug Trafficking Act 140 of 1992," Minister Didiza said in a statement.

"The declaration of hemp as an agricultural crop now allows importation, exportation, cultivation, sale and research of hemp in South Africa.

This is a step towards the development of the Cannabis Master Plan which aims to provide a broad framework for the development and growth of the South African Cannabis industry in order to contribute to economic development, job creation, inclusive participation, rural development and poverty alleviation.

Conservative estimates indicate that 25 000 jobs could be created across the various value chains."

"We appreciate the fact that various rural communities and farmers across South Africa have been planting hemp for many years. These farmers and traders will be prioritized to ensure that the commercialization of hemp contribute to their socio-economic upliftment. We are working with the provincial departments and national departments to ensure that adequate support is provided to producers including value addition," she added.

Previously it was illegal to cultivate hemp in South Africa as a permit would not be granted because hemp is classified under the cannabis species.

Small scale farmer, Andre Van Wyk viewed announcement by Didiza as a breakthrough. "It is a step in the right direction because it will now allow many farmers of hemp to trade legally and that will have positive impact on the economy."

A call is thus made to all interested growers, researchers, processors and manufacturers to apply for hemp permits. Application forms, guidelines, requirements and guidelines are accessible on the department's website, www.dalrrd.gov.za. Follow the Plant Production link.



DRDLR Minister: Thoko Didiza

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Here at southern magnetism, we grow the sinsemilla flower and our grow comes purely from clones of genetics that are hunted, sifted and handpicked by our team. We take pride in the trajectory of our budding as growers as reflected by some tasty connoisseur grade flower we are gifted with.

Any deep web cannabis enthusiasts will validate that the paramount aspect of any grow is the strain specification, which alone plays the primal defining role in settling in on growing cannabis.

At Southern Magnetism we work at sourcing some of the best genetics from top world class banks as such as Dinafem and Ethos Humboldt Greenhouse. When we revert to seed germination we follow a germination process that we will share with you. The cannabis seeds are germinated in a warm dark place to ensure the best seed to sprout ratio, maintaining of the ideal conditions that favour sprouting of the seed is key.

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Disparity A Norm in Cannabis Arrests

Lucky Look

To change this world we need more than education, no schemes just real talk, picture our world in its essence, everything has reformed in a revolutionary manner serve for education this stale bread that positions us here with molds on our laurels literally or rather academically. We are changing policies but not policing the foundations that formulate the basis of these policies. The same dilemma that constitutional courts in formulating legislation and then responding to the sore points that eek out in facilitation or frustration have birthed in the smoky legislative framework.

This positions the guardians of the legal framework on all fronts to skate on thin ice, it's either sail through or sink but mostly it's down into the old ways of fishing for the enforcers. The panda dives into the ice forgetting how far ashore the land is and that a new melody echoes in the world of dagga waters in South Africa. We have an unending cry from the cannabis community heard or silenced in that: the administration of enforcement procedures has left more question

marks than answers. This is not a state unique to cannabis but over reaching across different aspects and gatherings of the human community, the laser attention on cannabis has birthed a "stop the cops" campaign by Fields of Green For All in South Africa.

It is this disparity that lands us at a time where whilst numerous, the calls still remain to be answered, in that there stands at the door of marijuana business a plea from the plant for there to be an intentional drive to enlighten the enforcement officials and facilitate an informed drive in servicing the emerging rush to cannabis on both the recreational, industrial and the medicinal front.



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Live performances are expected at the festival area for all visitors and exhibitors to play in the Cannabis sphere. There's food and drinks with Cannabis; extracted, infused and vapourised, and spirits are sure to lift. It's fitting since art and music link the cannabis culture where we always enjoyed cannabis in the prohibition of my growing up.

But the convention side is where the real dank will be with speakers and influencers sharing on discussion panels and taking on uncommon conversations. While there is plenty of information and examples of successful cannabis models, we still pursue after a home grown model. Silas Howarth spoke on availing a platform for different global players to exchange with local cannabis entities indicating that "we have different exhibitors coming in from different global cannabis powerhouses, we seek to exchange on the lessons and models from different nations and to facilitate learning for our local cannabis community from global cannabis industry movers".

It is by design that such gatherings

that seem to raise the uncommon questions in, Will cannabis fall into the pockets of big medical marijuana, with corporates pivoting with all their power to grow Cannabis for money? Or will legacy communities hold their economies in house? This event stands forth as the facilitation for these same questions to be digested in the hope that as encapsulative as cannabis is, we may find a home in perceptions, people and products we collide with at the 2021 Sandton Cannabis Expo in Sandton.



Disparity a norm in Cannabis Arrests.

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Supy Malinga as he continues to say "It seems some members of the South African Police Service are not well trained when it comes to the new legislation of cannabis. I am currently seeking legal advice on how to initiate a lawsuit against the state for that unlawful arrest," Malinga said to CannaXpress. These here are two everyday scenarios in which the law enforcement officers on the front roll out the cannabis protocol modus operandi in the old wine skin approach to two magnifically varying degrees of possession with the same shepherd staff. At a time of infused drinks and walk in CBD acquisition realities in mainstream markets, the stigma remains at the roots of a belief system that incriminates the plant in its appearance and the everyday user in ignorance hidden under the banner of intolerance. The highs and lows is a reality in our everyday life as cannabis enthusiasts regardless of the side of the fence on which we access the plant from. We are hyped in celebration of decriminalization and yet on the next encounter we are hiding in evasion of incarceration or a hiding.

A few months back we encountered the tale of a scenario where a 44 year old man was "nabbed" by the South African Police Service (SAPS) in September in Nelspruit, South Africa, this after he was found in possession of dagga weighing about 168 kg in the Mpumalanga province.

According to the SAPS the 110 bags of compressed dagga had an estimated street value of about R252 000.

Roll back a few months to July and we reunite with another arrest encounter, enter Supy Malinga from Lydenburg within the same province of Mpumalanga in South Africa. Supy recalls a time when he was detained by law enforcement officers after they discovered a small amount of dagga for his personal use on him. This occurred as they checked through a routine roadblock on the N4 road in July this year.

"I was arrested and charged for possession of dagga only to find that the arrest was unlawful, this after my lawyer intervened," states

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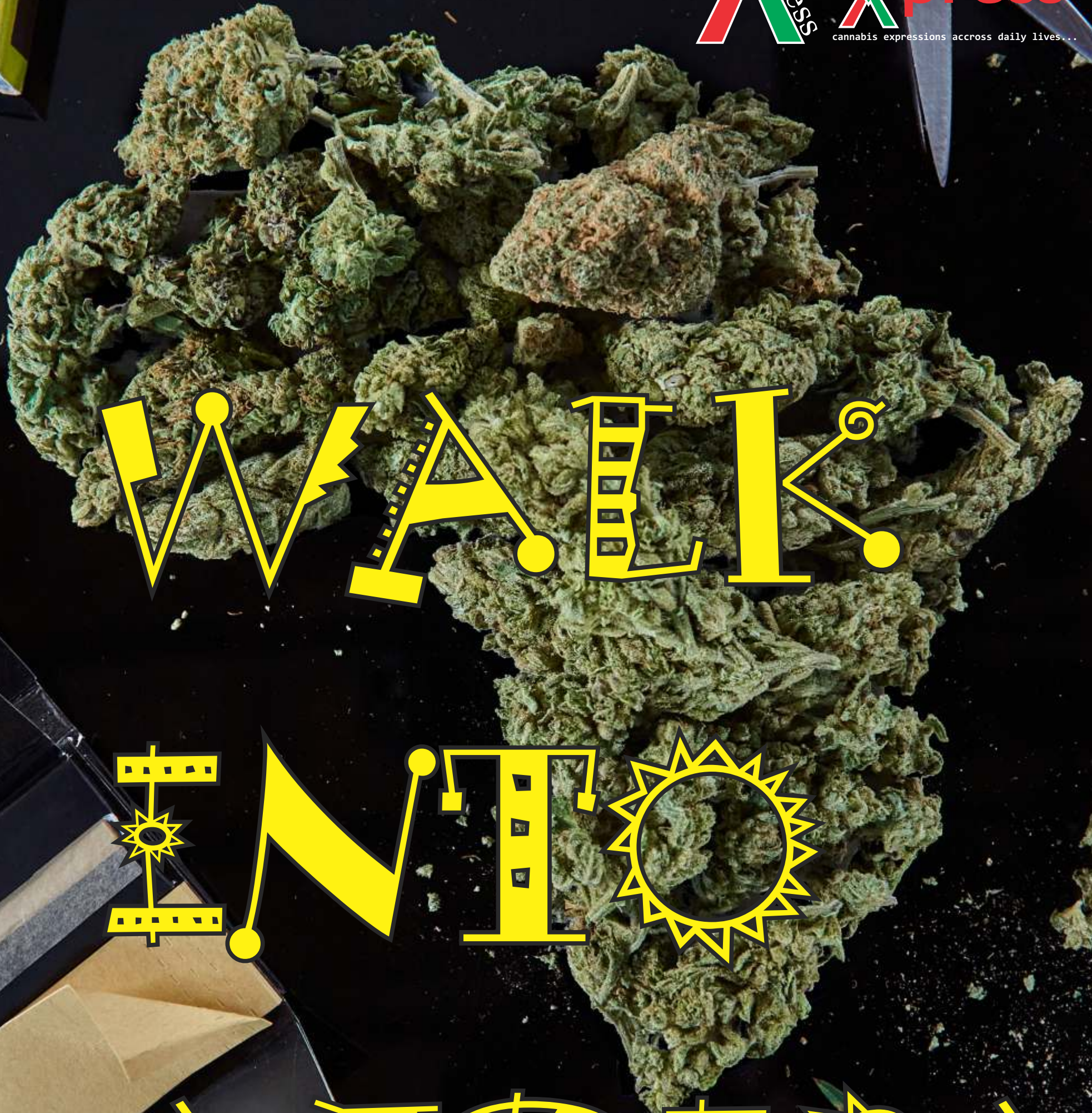
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Cannabis industry worth billions Opens up to investors in Africa

On the ground in Zambia and Malawi ■ Thulani Ngwenya

As conversations surrounding medical and recreational cannabis, its production, distribution and use has enabled African leaders to rethink laws surrounding the plant. The cannabis plant is promising a profitable industry with promises of exponential growth across lines of environmental reforms and economic transformation.

In the new normal of regulated travel and increased restriction in reach and interaction there emerges an African Continental Free Trade Area (AfCFTA) policy facilitating easier trade movement across the board; quite an oxymoron. That aside the legal cannabis investment opportunities would increase immensely in the facilitation of such a distribution network as legality across different nations could foster intertrade across the nations.

In Zambia, Malawi, South Africa and Lesotho, the sector is opening up to allow for production and trade. The legal marijuana industry could be worth more than \$7.1 billion by 2023. By 2024, the continent's legal marijuana market is expected to exceed \$20 billion. Research estimates the global market to be worth \$70 billion by 2028.

Zambia has one of the fastest growing investment opportunities for cannabis production. **The country now allows for the cultivation of cannabis for medical purposes** as enshrined in Part II of the Dangerous Drugs Act of 1967, Cap 95 of the Laws of Zambia. On 2 March 2017. The Minister of Home Affairs, Steven Kampyongo, informed the House that the law provides for the cultivation of cannabis for medicinal use.

While speaking to CannaXpress a Zambian cannabis farmer who chose to be identified as Mr. Hamusokwe for security reasons said that, "Cultivation and use of cannabis and other related substances in Zambia is mainly regulated by The Narcotics and Psychotropic Substances Act of 1993; The Dangerous Drugs Act of 1967; and The Medicines and Allied Substances Act of 2013."

He went on to point out that, "The Dangerous Drugs Act enables people to get licenses, import, export, produce, possess, sale, distribute and use cannabis or marijuana and its derivatives thereof, intended for medicinal and scientific use, whether in humans or animals.

Section 3 of the same Act states that: "drugs to which this part applies are cannabis, cannabis resin, all preparations of which cannabis resin forms the base, raw opium, coca leaves and poopy-straw."

Hamusokwe concluded revealing that, "Sections 4 and 5 of the Act requires that persons seeking to import or export products of drugs mentioned in th section must have a license issued by the

Minister of Health as delegated to the Zambia Medicines Regulatory Authority (ZAMRA)".

When on the ground and deciding to grow cannabis in Zambia there is also section 8 of the Act that disallows the cultivation of cannabis, unless with permission from the Minister of Health. As such, a person may apply for a license or authorization to the minister through ZAMRA to cultivate cannabis for medical or scientific purposes. The license or authorization may be granted with or without conditions attached to.

Zambia's political opposition Green Party leader Peter Sinkamba, who has been advocating the export of cannabis since 2013, states that cannabis could earn Zambia up to \$36 billion annually. "This could just change the face of Zambia's economy. This could be a blessing or a curse, like diamonds and gold, depending on the policy direction," Sinkamba stated.

In Malawi, the Cannabis Regulatory Authority has also relaxed laws on cannabis and now allows for commercial production and processing for medicinal and industrial use. **Malawi is famous internationally for its recreational cannabis strain Malawi Gold.**

Boniface Kadzamira, the former Member of Parliament who tabled the topic on cannabis in 2015 has said that, "It is my strong view that cannabis will in the long run replace tobacco to become our major cash crop that will contribute hugely to the GDP."

The Minister of Agriculture Lobin Lowe on the 30th of October in Mchinji Malawi where he was launching cannabis training by United States Cannabis Association called for Farmers in the country to acquire knowledge before deciding on growing Cannabis in different parts of the country.

Lowe indicated that the time had come for farmers to start growing cannabis legally and government is geared to support those who are ready to grow Cannabis. This he stated indicating that onvestment opportunities exist to cultivate and process cannabis for medicines and hemp fibre used in industry in Malawi.

"Cannabis is not any type of crop like Soya beans where one wakes up to say that I wants to grow it. Farmers should know that it needs proper training, do not grow Cannabis without being trained because you will yield nothing which will be a total loss," he said.

Precious Sandati, a Zimbabwean farmer living in Malawi spoke with

publication saying that, "The medical, health and hemp oil which is an organic alternative form of medical treatment and health care has the potential to change individual or country that invests in cannabis."

Grace Chimwemwe, a young farmer and cannabis enthusiast said that, "License fees will range from \$100 to \$10,000 a year for the cultivation, selling, storage, distribution of either class of industrial and medicinal hemp. Public hospitals pay an estimate of \$100 and private hospitals \$200 as license fees to dispense cannabis medicines."

She went on to point out that, "Hemp, a strain of the cannabis plant that contains little or no tetrahydrocannabinol, or THC, the substance that makes people high has the potential to surpass earnings from tobacco, touted as Malawi's main export crop." An official from the Malawi department of agriculture said that, **"The hemp industry can supplement and surpass export revenues from tobacco."**

But it will not immediately replace tobacco."

Malawi, Zambia and South Africa's cannabis production authorisation is only for the CBD end of production, there is little in dancing with THC at levels beneath 0.3% no fire in there to reignite the rounds at CannaXpress, Life and Light up our Africa with Cannabis.



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Welcome to our shout out platform on the CannaXpress, in this primal offering of shout out we zoom in on a cannabis cause that is embarking on uniting the cannabis community of South Africa. At a time where invisible but audible swords are drawn Mlungu South Africa as an entity that stands for bringing cannabis brands together has taken to the podium and is in the process of puffing out a One Shirt - One

Community T-shirt. Facetimed by Tim Crofts the Mlungu South Africa crew are the heart beat behind the Ultimate Smoking Championship (USC) an initiative that in its installment has witnessed the recreational cannabis community coming together to blaze in one speedy puff. "When we held the USC tournament different people from varying 420 brands came together and it was

beautiful, I was looking for a way to trap such an encounter. So when I saw **Walter aka Aaptwak's fridge** it gave me the concept of symbolizing the cannabis unity in representation on a shirt".

The first drafts of what would be a unisex crew neck T-shirt designed to pictorate the unity of the cannabis community in South Africa look spanking for us at CannaXpress and we are ready to represent in the gear.

Tim Croft further states that, "it's all about unity and the response has been wonderful" this with an indication that whilst in the advanced stages of laying out and modulating on T-shirt designs, there still remains room for inclusion on the shirt from a staple R99.00. It is a unity project after all. For more information please do check out @mlungu420 on Instagram now that's a shirt out. Love and Light.



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SEED Germination & gene HACKING

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The germination is the process in which a seed sprouts and begins to grow into a new plant, referred to as the "popping". There are three variables that one needs to pay close attention in the humidity in the container, the air circulation and water availability to the plant. Along our grow journey as Southern Magnetism we have roped in a seed hacking culture and hacked the germination instruction and grow manual per say, with a seed customisation technique we practice. It is stated that the seed of the cannabis plant will grow according to what the growers DNA needs are in the area in which the cannabis plant can facilitate.

In gene hacking of the cannabis seed one gently cracks the stem of the seed in with teeth to expose the inside of the seed to saliva. This encounter between seed and saliva will facilitate a point of exchange where the underdeveloped tap roots in the

seed casing will absorb the saliva and thereafter like all life on Earth, on nature's terms it then grows to match the plea coded in the DNA. Once sprouts begin to show we select the strongest of each strain thereafter nurture and grow the selected plant to be the mother plant to future clones. This is what is known as a mothering, a technique used by most growers to preserve the pureness of a genetic over many years. To mother the cannabis plant one keeps it in a constant vegetative state an artificial weather state achieved by using a photosynthetic assisted light cycle. When the seedling vegetates to the size of a potential mother the cloning process commences. Each clone then goes into a humidity chamber for two weeks as it develops roots and morphs with the full plant anatomy. At this stage the clones are ready to be spread to the indoor, greenhouse or outdoor grows. Most cannabis plant variations grow average for an average ninety to one hundred and ten days due to the light cycle we at Southern Magnetism implement. It is at this point that we arrive at a time when our cannabis plants flower and have developed to a desired outcome. Its time to harvest restart the cycle as the next clones are being planted.