

H4: 'MAPULA MAKARA



Company:

District:

Resource Centre:

Litsoamobung Fresh produce

Maseru

**Masianokeng Resource Centre,
Koro-koro Ha Mofoka**

'Mapula Makara is the General Manager of Leeto Ventures (Pty) Ltd that is commonly known as Litsoamobung Fresh Produce; a farm that is located at Koro-koro Ha Mofoka in Maseru district.

The farm started in December 2015 and covers 8.3 hectares of land. The yearly harvest ranges around 2700-5700 boxes of tomatoes, 70000 cabbage heads depending on the climate conditions

and many other crops such as butternut, peppers, broccoli and cauliflower. The vegetables are cultivated in shade nets and grow tunnels. Some vegetables such as tomatoes and garlic are processed and packaged.

The finances that were used to start the business were from 'Mapula's pension and family contributions. They have never received any grant and once received a loan from the Bank.

The current market includes Pick

'n Pay, Shoprite, Usave, Upper Qeme, Bay Fruits, REDA, Fruits & Veg City, street vendors and individuals.

She would like to be assisted with not only the extension of the shade nets and plastic tunnels, but also, the farm equipment and machinery.

Moreover, she advises that the government subsidies should apply on hybrid seed and other farming inputs