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HAKAINDE HICHILEMA — 7TH PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF ZAMBIA

New Year Address to the Nation 2024

Date: 31 December 2023

Location: Masuku, Choma, Southern Province, Zambia

Occasion: New Year Address to the Nation

President Hichilema delivered his New Year address to the nation on the eve of 2024, celebrating the New Year alongside citizens in rural Masuku in Choma, Southern Province. The address was broadcast on ZNBC TV and radio.

In his message, the President rallied Zambians to join hands in ushering in a year of hard work, economic revival, and national progress. He emphasised the importance of individual effort in stabilising the nation economy, calling on every Zambian to actively engage in agricultural activities and productive enterprise.

"There is no other way. No magic, no luck to stabilising our individual homes and the nation without fronting hard work and production," President Hichilema said. He encouraged citizens to produce what they could with their hands and advocated for self-sufficiency in essential goods.

The President lauded the success of various developmental programmes, including the enhanced Constituency Development Fund, now standing at K30.6 million per constituency. He urged eligible citizens to register as voters in the ongoing continuous voter registration process in preparation for the 2026 general elections.

President Hichilema warned livestock thieves of severe consequences and urged citizens to take advantage of the favourable business and political environment in the country.