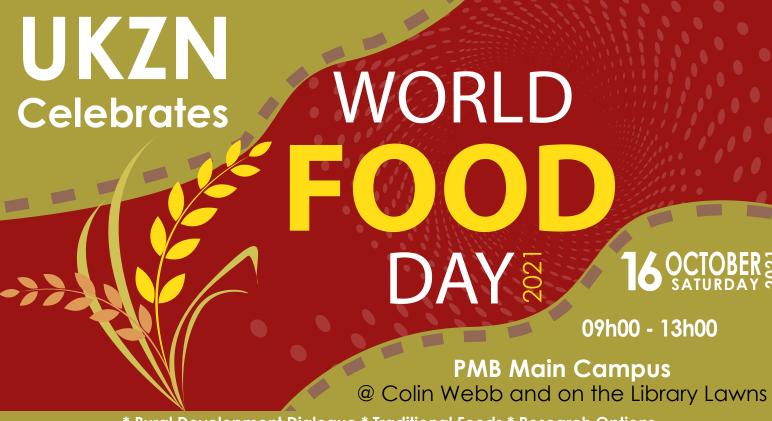


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## **About World Food Day**

orld Food Day is commemorated annually around the world on 16 October in remembrance of the founding of the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) of the United Nations in 1945 as an organisation that deals with global food and agricultural issues.

World Food Day provides an occasion to highlight the plight of some one billion million undernourished people in the world. Most of them live in rural areas where their main source of income is agriculture. Global warming and the biofuel boom are now threatening to push the number of hungry even higher.

### World Food Day aims:

- to inform South Africans about the National Policy on Food and Nutrition Security;
- to heighten public awareness on issues such as food scarcity and to strengthen solidarity in the struggle against hunger, malnutrition and poverty;
- to promote food production and to stimulate national, bi-lateral, trans-national and non-governmental initiatives;
- to encourage research and technology development for the development of symbiotic ecological food production systems to ensure sustainable food production;
- to enhance the participation of rural people, particularly women and the under-privileged, in decisions and events impacting their living conditions;
- to heighten public awareness on the government programmes aimed at halving hunger in South Africa.
- to raise awareness of the public regarding the contribution of indigenous forests to food security and nutrition.
- UKZN aims to initiate the establishment of KwaSA the KwaZulu-Natal Small-scale Agriculture Association in collaboration with the Provincial Government.

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