

Digital revolution drives farming as 6,000 cooperatives go online

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ance of agricultural permits.

She said the platform provides accurate data that helps the government plan, monitor and manage agricultural activities more effectively.

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agement System, which has digitised the operations of cooperative societies across the country.

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also developed the Fertilizer Information System (FIS) in collaboration with the Tanzania Fertilizer Regulatory Authority (TFRA) to monitor fertilizer manufacturers, importers and distributors while overseeing compliance with indicative prices.

According to her, the system enables the government to monitor fertilizer markets in real time and ensure farmers access agricultural inputs at regulated and affordable prices.

Ms Kaswaga further said agricultural institutions are benefiting from other government digital platforms, including the Government Mailing System (GMS) and the e-Office system, which have strengthened official communication and electronic document management.

She urged visitors to the Nanenane exhibition to visit the eGA pavilion to learn more about the digital systems supporting agriculture and other public services.

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