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'Working on Fire' is an Expanded Public Works Programme (EPWP) aimed at providing job opportunities to young men and women.

19 participants from eDumbe recently received certificates in the Skills Achievement Programme, which was facilitated by AGB Business and accredited by AgriSETA and the Agribusiness Development Agency.

This programme falls under and is funded by the Department of Environmental Affairs. Participants are recruited from marginalised communities and trained in fire awareness / education, fire prevention, and fire suppression skills. In addition,

they are also trained in skills such as first aid, carpentry, cooking, health & safety, and communications.

'Working on Fire' management, an AGB representative and eDumbe Deputy Mayor SJ Kunene attended the ceremony to celebrate with the graduates.

The graduates attended a two-month course and were assessed on four modules: Farming Skills, Plant Production, Agric Sales & Services, and Animal Production Skills.

eDumbe driver Elvis Shoba said, "We are grateful for the opportunity. At first, we were not sure if it was doable, but ensured that we gave it our best. We are proud of this achievement."



The group celebrates their graduation.