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WOMEN & GIRLS

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GENDER
EQUALITY



After being capacitated by a GEF financed project RVCC implemented by UNDP & Government of Lesotho on climate change risks and adaptations, Maitumeleng Mabaleka smiles as she harvests crops from her family garden



As its objective is to assist local communities countrywide and in Mohale's Hoek in particular, to adapt to prevailing climate change risks, UNDP in partnership with the Government of Lesotho, through the GEF financed project on Reducing Vulnerability to Climate Change and the Small Grants Programme, capacitates women and youth in beekeeping



Farmers in Berea district, at Mapoteng, Sebitia sub centre, at Ha Thabo village dig basins for planting their crops using climate smart agriculture. They organized themselves to work in groups (Matsema) so that they can plant a larger area for crop production



Lesotho, like many Southern African countries, has a highly embedded patriarchal society, which normalizes gender inequality, increasing the prevalence of gender-based and sexual violence, and heightening women's risk to HIV