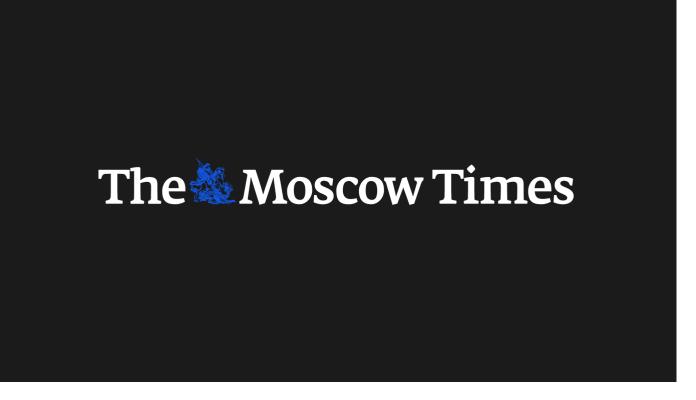


Black Earth Yield Down

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Grain yields from Black Earth Farming's fields in the Lipetsk and Tambov regions are expected to be 30 percent lower than an earlier forecast, the company's Agroinvest unit said Friday.

A thick layer of snow, combined with a lack of frost, resulted in diseases in winter crops in Tambov. A lack of rainfall in May and June affected spring crops in Lipetsk and Tambov, the company said in a statement, without providing figures for the expected yield.

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