

Eastern Cape Livestock Production Improvement Scheme (EC-LPIS) (2024/25)

The Department of Rural Development and Agrarian Reform invites all interested emerging livestock farmers as stipulated in the Agriculture Development Act 1999 (Act No 8 of 1999). The program's main objective is to improve genetic makeup of herds and flocks of subsistence and smallholder farmers. This is done through provision of pure bred bulls and rams. The heifers and ewes are earmarked for youth, women and people living with disabilities that have farms that are not stocked below 30% of their capacity.

- Applicants must be from previously disadvantaged group residing in the Eastern Cape Province.
- Applicants to be registered on Producer/Farmer Register database
- Involvement of youth and women
- Applicants must have medium to long term legitimate right to use the land is applying on
- Applicant/s must be already in the livestock farming i.e. already have livestock is applying for
- Applicants must demonstrate capacity to be able to look after the number of animals is applying through a business/association/cooperative account:
 - R3000/bull (Heifers)
 - R800/ram or buck (Ewes)
- In rural communities, farmers are encouraged to apply as an association/commodity group.
- All applicants must comply with Animal Identification Act 6(2002)
- All applicants must be registered in the Producer/Farmer Register of the Department



- Completely filled application form,
- Proof of land ownership or legitimate right to occupy the land
- Short project profile
- Copy of Identity Documents of all applicants
- Viable business plan for commodity you are running
- Proof of available money in the business/association/cooperative bank account
- Copy of Registered Branding Certificates of all members

What Can You Apply For:

- Heifers, does & ewes preference will be given to youth and women majority owned enterprises in farms
- All cattle breeds (bulls & heifers)
- All sheep breeds (rams & ewes)
- All goat breed (bucks& does)

Exclusion Criteria

- Beneficiaries of DALRRD and DRDAR similar program in the past 6 years
- Beneficiaries of DALRRD post settlement support in the same period
- Non-registration in the PFR database will lead to immediate elimination
- Non-disclosure of other government support will lead to immediate elimination
- Non-Compliance with Act 6 (2002);

NB! Application forms are available in all DRDAR Offices and DRDAR Website (www.drdar.gov.za).



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The deadline for application forms is 20 September 2023



Eastern Cape Crop Production Program 2024/25

The Department of Rural Development and Agrarian Reform invites all interested subsistence and smallholder farmers of Eastern Cape Province to apply for participating in the Crop Production Program as stipulated in the Eastern Cape Food Security Policy. The program's aim is to increase crop productivity among subsistence farmers and smallholders within the Eastern Cape Province in order to improve food security and reduce poverty. The departmental approach to farmer support is also to encourage the participation of people living with disabilities, youth and women in agriculture. Therefore, a minimum of 40% of all beneficiaries must come from this group of farmers.

- Applicants must be from previously disadvantaged group residing in the Eastern Cape Province
- Must be registered on the Producer/Farmer Register database
- The applicant must have short to long term legitimate right to use the land is applying on;
 The farmer must demonstrate capacity to be able to top-up departmental subsidy to achieve optimal yield through a business/association/cooperative account;
- In rural communities, farmers are encouraged to apply as an association/commodity group;
- Vegetable and Lucerne farmers must be irrigating for production. Vegetable can also be produced under environmental controlled systems (Tunnels);



- Application form
- Proof of land ownership or legitimate right to occupy the land
- Short project profile
- Copy of Identity Documents of applicant or Executive Committee for Association
- Feasibility study that confirms the suitability of the land for the intended crop
- Proof of availability of funds in the business/association/cooperative bank account

What Can You Apply For:

- Production inputs for grains, vegetable and fodder production.
- Mechanisation support under the grain production programme.

Exclusion Criteria

- Beneficiaries of similar program from DALRRD in the same period
- Beneficiaries of the DALRRD post settlement support in the same period

Terms and Condition of Application

- Commitment to ensure effective and productive usage of all equipment and inputs (assets may be removed if not used productively/misused).
- Give the Department access to financial, production and sales records of the business
- Commitment to allow the Department access to the farm for Extension services and monitoring purposes.
- Commitment to participate in the capacity building and training programmes facilitated by the Department and its commodity partners.

NBI Application forms are available in all DRDAR Offices and DRDAR Website:
http://www.drdar.gov.za/wpcontent/uploads/2023/08/APPLICATION-FORM-FORFARMER-SUPPORT-07-AUGUST-2023.pdf

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Eastern Cape Agriculture Production Infrastructure Support Program 2025/26

The Department of Rural Development and Agrarian Reform invites all interested subsistence, smallholder farmers and black commercial farmers of Eastern Cape Province to apply for infrastructure development program of the Department. The program's aim is to support: enterprises with potential to stimulate economic growth and create jobs; improve natural resource managementand assist producers towards SA & Global GAP compliances; beneficiaries of land reform's restitutionand redistribution; black producers who have acquired land through private means and are engaged in value-adding enterprises domestically or involved in exports; Wards that have been prioritized under the Comprehensive Rural Development Programme and District Corridors. The departmental approach to farmer support is also to encourage the participation of people living with disabilities, youth and women in agriculture it is therefore a minimum of 40% of all beneficiaries must come from this profile of farmers. Unemployed graduates that meet the criteria below are also encouraged to apply.

- Applicants must be from previously disadvantaged groups residing in the Eastern Cape Province.
- Involvement of youth and women
- Applicants must provide proof of tenure and are required to attach copies of their title deeds certificates, lease contracts, PTOs, or any proof of tenure.
- Applicants on viable units under the communal tenure system are encouraged to apply as an association/commodity group.
- Applicants must have access to basic services (Electricity added advantage)
- There must be proven status of farm Governance Systems
- The applicants must demonstrate that the entity will contribute to job creation
- The applicants must provide proof of their own contribution towards the intended infrastructuredevelopment.
- For irrigation infrastructure, the applicant must have water rights for the land.
- For an enterprise that requires environmental authorization; only funding for such environmentalauthorization may be considered, infrastructure development may be considered once authorization is obtained.
- All applications for market and post-harvest infrastructure must be accompanied by proof of
 production for the past three years together with the details on institutional arrangements.
 Applications for support with no track record of production, market, and institutional arrangements
 will not be considered.

- The application must contribute towards the transformation of the sector and participation in the formal market.
- The applicant must have proof of Access to markets.
- All smallholder farmers/enterprises must be registered in the Farmer Producer Register (FPR)

- Application form
- Signed List of Beneficiaries
- Proof of land ownership / Long term lease agreement aligned to the nature of the commodity (10 to 30 years depending on commodity) / Permission to Occupy
- Short project profile
- Copy of Identity Documents of the applicant or Executive Committee for Association
- Viable business plan for the commodity you are driving
- Proof of Operations and Maintenance budget and plan
- Community resolution for projects under the communal land tenure system
- Institutional Arrangements for market/post-harvest and agro-processing infrastructure

What Can You Apply For:

- Livestock production infrastructure
- Crop production infrastructure
- Value adding and processing infrastructure

Exclusion Criteria

- Beneficiaries employed in the public Service
- Beneficiaries of a similar program from DALRRD in the same period
 - Beneficiaries of the DALRRD post-settlement support in the same period
 - Non-registration in the FPR database will lead to immediate elimination
 - Non-disclosure of previous government support towards the enterprise
 - Non-disclosure of relatives in the public service

Terms and Conditions of Application

- Commitment to ensure effective and productive usage of all equipment and inputs (assets may be removed if not used productively/misused).
- Give the Department access to financial, production and sales records of the business through participation in the Financial Record Keeping Programme (FRK).
- Commitment to allow the Department access to the farm for extension services and monitoring purposes.
- Commitment to participate in the capacity building and training programmes facilitated by the

- Department and its commodity partners.
- Farmers will be required to sign an agreement with the department committing on operation and maintenance prior to provision of infrastructure.

NB! Applicants who had applied in the last three (3) years for infrastructure support need not to re-apply but rather update information if needs be. DRDAR is currently dealing with the infrastructure backlog. Applications will be factored into the database, this does not guarantee immediate support for 2025/26.

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Vulnerable Household Food Production Program 2024/25

The Department of Rural Development and Agrarian Reform invites all interested vulnerable households registered in the indigent household register of the Municipality or Department of Social Development/Department of Health programs. This program aims to support indigent and vulnerable households of the Eastern Cape to have access to nutritious food.

- Applicants must be in the indigent register of the Municipality or Social Development.
- Applicants with referral letter from Councillor, Traditional Authority, SocialWorker and Local
 Clinic for the household are also eligible for this support.
- The applicant must have access to land for food production.



- Application form
- Proof of land ownership or legitimate right to occupy the land
- Copy of Identity Documents of applicant

What Can You Apply For:

- Food production inputs
- Gardening equipment

Exclusion Criteria

- Beneficiaries already supported in the crop production program
- Beneficiaries already supported in the smallholder poultry and piggery programs
- Applicants who are not in full employment or in government payroll system
- Beneficiaries already supported by Local Municipality/DALRRD

Terms and Condition of Application

- The beneficiary must ensure effective and productive usage of all equipment and inputs (assets may be removed if not used productively/misused.
- The beneficiary will allow the Department to have access to the farm for Extension services and monitoring purposes.
- The beneficiary will commit to participate in the capacity building and training programmes facilitated by the Department and its commodity partners.

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Important to note the following:

- 1. Applicants who had applied in the last three (3) years for infrastructure support need not to re-apply but rather update information if needs be. DRDAR is currently dealing with the infrastructure backlog. New applications will be factored into the database, this does not guarantee immediate support in 2025/26.
- 2. Applicants who had applied last year in August 2022 for Food Security support need not to re-apply but rather update information if needs be. DRDAR is currently dealing with the Food Security backlog. New applications will be factored into the database, this does not guarantee immediate support in 2024/25.
- 3. Applicants who had applied last year in August 2022 for Livestock support need not to re-apply but rather update information if needs be. DRDAR is currently dealing with the Livestock backlog. New applications will be factored into the database, this does not guarantee immediate support in 2024/25.
- 4. If you do not get feedback from the Department in sixty (60) days after submitting your application, consider your request unsuccessful.



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