

**CROPPING PROGRAMME
AND HOUSEHOLD FOOD
NUTRITION SECURITY**

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**Annually DRDAR invites all interested
subsistence and smallholder farmers
of Eastern Cape Province to apply and
participate in the Crop Production
Program as stipulated in the Eastern
Cape Food Security Policy**



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APPROACH USED:

The cropping program in the Eastern Cape is implemented using three approaches, and the beneficiaries select the approach that is favourable to their condition/s



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**1. Provision of Mechanisation:
DRDAR provides mechanisation services
to farmers and farmers buy their own
production inputs**

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**2. Provision of production inputs:
DRDAR provides production inputs and
farmers contribute with mechanisation
services**

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**3. Implementing with partners:
Partners for all commodities are selected
through an open process where farmers and
industry partner engage voluntarily and the
partner apply to be in DRDAR Database of
partners**



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“
Beneficiaries are selected through a rigorous
and transparent process in order to ensure
that the process is fair and selects deserving
farmers”



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Qualifying Applicants:

- ◆ Applicants must be from previously disadvantaged group residing in the Eastern Cape Province
- ◆ Involvement of youth and women

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Qualifying Applicants:

- ◆ 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



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Qualifying Applicants:

- ◆ The entity must have a turnover of more than R20 000 in the past three (3) production seasons
- ◆ In rural communities, farmers are encouraged to apply as an association/commodity group



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Qualifying Applicants:

- ◆ Vegetable and Lucerne farmers must be irrigating for production
- ◆ The applicant has to demonstrate that the production is market led

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REQUISITE DOCUMENTS:

- ◆ Application form
- ◆ Proof of land ownership or legitimate right to occupy the land
- ◆ Short project profile



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REQUISITE DOCUMENTS:

- ◆ **Copy of Identity Documents of applicant or Executive Committee for Association**
- ◆ **Viable business plan for commodity you are driving**



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REQUISITE DOCUMENTS:

- ◆ **Proof of available money in the business/
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- ◆ **Secure market for produce**



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EXCLUDED FROM THE APPLICATION:

- ◆ Benefiting in DALRRD similar program in the same period
- ◆ Benefiting in DALRRD post settlement support in the same period



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The Cropping programme is implemented across the Province based on the resource of each district. Grain production is taking place in five districts of the province, with the exception of Sarah Baartman

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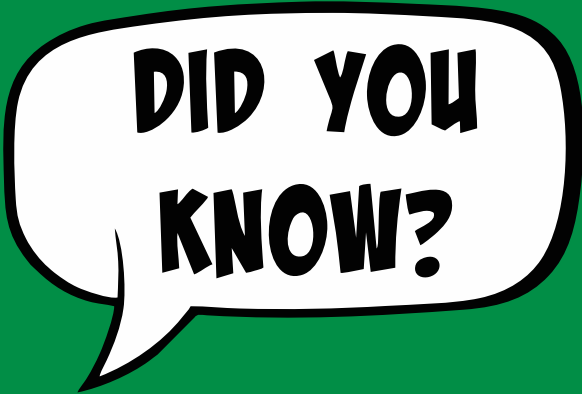
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BUDGET

Grain Production

R94.7m

Covering 28 116 Hectares



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BUDGET

Vegetable Production

R4.2m

Covering 510 Hectares



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BUDGET

Pineapples Production

R4.2m

Covering 300 Hectares



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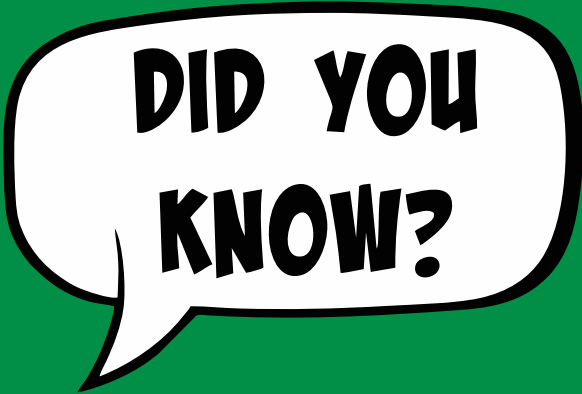
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BUDGET

Fodder Production

R3m

Covering 672 Hectares



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Women constitute a total of

50.9%



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GRAIN PRODUCTION:

Sowing normally starts in the second half of October in areas that receive their summer rainfall as early as September, while planting can vary from November to mid-December where summer rainfall is delayed.

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GRAIN PRODUCTION

Beneficiaries

17 277 farmers



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