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Department:  
Rural Development & Agrarian Reform  
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# Call for applications to participate in the Eastern Cape Livestock Production Improvement Scheme (EC-LPIS) (2021/22)

The Department of Rural Development and Agrarian Reform invites all interested emerging livestock farmers of Eastern Cape Province to apply for participating in the Livestock Production Improvement Scheme 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 and women farmers with farms that are stocked at 30% and above of their capacity.

## Qualifying Applicants

- Applicants must be from previously disadvantaged group residing in the Eastern Cape Province.
- Applicants must be registered on the Producer Farmer Register database.
- Youth and women are encouraged to apply.
- Applicants must have medium to long-term legitimate rights to use the land /lease agreement for a minimum of 10 years.
- Applicants must already be in the livestock farming business, e.g. owning cattle apply for cattle.
- Applicants must demonstrate financial capacity to look after the number of livestock units applying through a business/association/cooperative account:
  - R3000/bull
  - R800/ram
- In rural communities, farmers are encouraged to apply as an association/commodity group.
- All applicants must comply with Animal Identification Act 6 (2002).

## **Requisite Documents**

- Completed 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;
- Proof of availability of funds in the business/association/cooperative bank account
- Copy of Registered Branding Certificates for all members

## **What Can You Apply For:**

- All cattle breeds (bulls & heifers)
- All sheep breeds (rams & ewes)
- All goat breed (bucks and does)

## **Excluded from the application**

- Beneficiaries of DALRRD and DRDAR similar program in the past 6 years
- Beneficiaries of DALRRD post settlement support in the same period
- Non-disclosure of other government support will lead to immediate elimination
- Non-Compliance with Act 6 (2002);
- Government employees need not to apply
- Applicants who have received livestock support within five years

**NB! Application forms are available in all DRDAR Offices and DRDAR Website ([www.drdar.gov.za](http://www.drdar.gov.za)).**

**Please note that if you have not received a response within 90 days after the closing date of applications, consider your application as unsuccessful.**

**Enquiries can be directed to the following Officials:**

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**The deadline for application forms is 31 August 2021.**