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CALL FOR APPLICATIONS EMPOWERMENT FUND

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The Department of Economic Development, Environment, Conservation & Tourism invites applications from Micro, Small, and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) with registered companies, enterprises, or cooperatives for funding to acquire production equipment and machinery.

APPLY ONLINE:

https://dedect.nwpg.gov.za/smmefunding For any enquiry, please contact: Ms. Sarah Mendle / Mr. Phenyo Duiker 018 388 5828 / 6056 For full criteria visit : https://dedect.nwpg.gov.za



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CALL FOR EMPOWERMENT FUND APPLICATIONS FOR 2024/2025 FINANCIAL YEAR: GRANT FUNDING TO MSMEs AND COOPERATIVES IN THE NORTH WEST PROVINCE FOR MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT

The Department of Economic Development, Environment, Conservation & Tourism invites Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) with duly registered companies/enterprises/cooperatives to apply for the Empowerment Fund. The objective of the Empowerment Fund is to support qualifying enterprises with machinery and equipment to reduce their cost of doing business to improve their viability and competitiveness in the market.

WHO CAN APPLY?

- Micro enterprises/businesses/cooperatives with a turnover of up to R200 000.00 (may qualify for a maximum of R200 000.00, through the provision of production equipment and machinery including VAT, transport, installation and technical training costs).
- Very Small enterprises/business/cooperatives with a turnover of up to R 3 000 000.00 (may qualify for a maximum of up to R300 000.00 through the provision of production equipment and machinery including VAT, transport, installation and technical training costs).

QUALIFYING CRITERIA

- Must be a South African citizen residing and operating business in the North West Province.
- Be incorporated and registered in South Africa in terms of the Co-operatives Act No. 14 of 2005 and Companies Act 71 of 2008 as amended.
- Adherence to relevant legislative framework as outlined in the legislative mandate.
- Preference will be given to businesses owned by historically disadvantaged individuals (women, youth and persons with disabilities)
- Enterprise innovation will be given preference and highly considered
- Must have a secured operational site that is intended for business use (written consent letter/zoning from the Local Municipality, Tribal Resolution, and Lease Agreement, proof of right to occupy the premises)
- Must have proof of Market (copy of established/service contracts, sales/cash receipts, invoices, financial statements, 12 months bank statements).
- Must enter into an agreement with the Department.
- Business must have been operational for at least 12 months or more.
- Directors/business owners must be operationally involved in the business

THE FOLLOWING DOCUMENTS MUST BE ATTACHED TO THE APPLICATION FORM:

- Covering/Application Letter;
- . Business Profile;
- Copy of the CIPC Registration Certificate (CK1/CK2/CM29/CM49);
- Copy of the SARS Tax Pin (Clearance Certificate);
- Copy of the BBBEE Certificate/Affidavit;
- Certified copies of Identity Documents for Directors;
- Quotations for Intervention (One quotation with clear specifications Supply Chain processes will be followed);
- Copy of the lease agreement/proof of ownership/written consent letter/zoning from the Local Municipality/Tribal Resolution/proof of right to occupy the premises;
- Proof of Market (copy of established service contracts/sales/cash receipts/invoices
- Financial statement(s) or minimum 12 months bank statements;
- Proof of annual return submission for Private Companies;
- Signed and approved minutes (Resolution) to apply for the Empowerment Fund from Cooperatives and Private Companies (with more than 1 Director);
- Letter of Confirmation of the Business Account:
- Copy of the Business Training Certificate;

Exclusions - Beneficiaries of similar interventions from other organs of the state; Beneficiaries that were assisted by the Department (DEDECT) within the period of 10 years will not be considered; Costs associated with tendering and tendering documentation; Procurement of liquor; Unregistered gambling businesses; Cost of acquiring buildings including renovations; Cost of building office structures, factories and fencing; Primary Agriculture (Livestock, seeds, feeds, fertilizers, etc.); Operational costs (working capital, consumables, stock, repairs); Firearms, ammunition and other related security tools; Purchasing of vehicles.

NB:

- Failure to comply with the qualifying criteria will result in automatic disgualification from funding consideration.
- Applicants are required to submit one quotation with clear specifications (Supply Chain processes will be followed).
- Previously approved applicants who did not receive their equipment are encouraged to apply.
- The Department reserves the right to conduct physical verifications, process applications on a first-come, first-served basis, and close applications due to budget constraints.
- Applicants are required to apply online at https://dedect.nwpg.gov.za/smmefunding/ (Log in to the website, click on the empowerment icon under the social media profile or under quick links).

For more information and to submit applications please visit our website: dedect.nwpg.gov.za. For enquiries please call Sarah Mendle/Phenyo Duiker, tel. (018) 388 5828/ 6056.

Closing date for all applications is: 26th February 2025 at 16h00



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