

Enterprise Development Facilitation and Coordination (PRJ-0146-2017) Milk South Africa

Quarter 2 2017 (April 2017 till June 2017)

Project goals

Achievements

Questionnaires were sent to the provinces but the response was very poor. Follow up visits will be done during the remainder of the year. A meeting was also held among MilkSA, DSA and Limpopo Agriculture in connection with an established processing plant and a strategy to establish raw milk producers for the processing plant. A workshop for the province has been suggested to take place before the end of the year.

No Non-achievements / underperformance has been reported

Goal 1 - Experts address knowledge and skills gaps of 20 black dairy enterprises for improved enterprise

Achievements

No formal workshop took place during the period under review as farmers and their workers were busy making silage and harvesting maize and dry beans but farmers received advice from milking machine experts and private veterinary surgeons. Nonetheless, arrangements are being made for the 3rd quarter of 2017.

Non-achievements / underperformance

No workshops.

Reasons for nonachievements / underperformance

Farmers and their workers were busy making silage and harvesting maize and dry beans.

Goal 2 - R12.1M (including Commercialization project budget) is spent on critical needs of existing black dairy enterprises- knowledge and skills development, supply of affordable assets, etc.

Achievements

We secured the services of a private veterinarian in KZN.

Three new potential project beneficiaries were identified, assessed and are likely to join the project before the end of the year depending on them complying with project participation conditions.

About 200 heifers were secured by the livestock broker for delivery to new and existing beneficiaries during the 3rd quarter of the year.

During the period under review **13** new permanent jobs were created against a target of **35** jobs and **53** seasonal jobs were achieved against a target of 0 jobs. The target for seasonal jobs has already been achieved.

There were **497**cows in milk during the period under review against a target of **340**. Milk delivered to buyers during the period under review was **252 812** litres of milk against a target of **459 000** litres.

Three visits per farmer were made during the period under review. Furthermore, 4 Work Group meetings were held as against a target of 1.During the Work Group meetings enterprise performance was assessed, corrective measures taken and future plans developed. Lawyers were engaged to help obtain information from a project beneficiary who was not forthcoming with requested information for reporting as contained in the contract between MilkSA and the project beneficiary.

No Non-achievements / underperformance has been reported

Goal 3 - Each dairy entrepreneur's herd is assessed by a private vet at least twice per year regarding pregnancy status and general health to ensure good health, acceptable calving intervals and productivity

Achievements

The private Vet visited farmers in Harrismith / QWAQWA and conducted pregnancy diagnosis, checked fertility of bulls and advised farmers on dairy herd health in general. The services of another private Vet were secured for some farmers in KZN and service level agreement sent for a signature.

No Non-achievements / underperformance has been reported

Goal 4 - Participate in four Agricultural Marketing and Agro- Processing Forums meetings. The focus is on supporting small producers to find and market their produce profitably

Achievements

None

Non-achievements / underperformance

Could not attend forums.

Reasons for nonachievements / underperformance

The forums could not be attended during the period under review to due to a clash of meeting dates with MilkSA programme.

Planned remedies for non-achievements /

underperformance

n/a

Goal 5 - Assess black dairy development in each province at least once per year

Achievements

n/a

No Non-achievements / underperformance has been reported

Goal 6 - Conduct two seminars for project beneficiaries and other relevant stakeholders to improve their knowledge, skills and competencies

Achievements

No workshops took place during the period under review. Farmers and their assistants were busy harvesting till early July. Plans are, however, underway to conduct two workshops before the end of the year.

Non-achievements / underperformance

No workshops.

Reasons for nonachievements / underperformance

Farmers and their assistants were busy harvesting till early July

Planned remedies for nonachievements / underperformance

Plans are, however, underway to conduct two workshops before the end of the year.

Income and expenditure statement

Income and expenditure statement	No file has been uploaded
Unnecessary spending during period	No

Popular Report

No file has been uploaded

Additional documentation

No file has been uploaded

Statement

Levy funds were applied only for the purposes stated in the contract	Yes
Levy funds were applied in an appropriate and accountable manner	Yes
Sufficient management and internal control systems were in place to adequately control the project and accurately account for the project expenditure	Yes
The information provided in the report is correct	Yes