



Mentoring at Elim
(PRJ-0065-2015)
Milk Producers Organisation

Quarter 1 2015/2015 (January 2015 till March 2015)

Project goals

Goal 1 - Monthly visits by Mentor to Elim

Achievements *Please report on the monthly findings of the Mentor*

Mentor paid two visits in January and the following issues were discussed:

- Pasture planning: Rye grass to be planted.
- Possible implementation and quotations for a pivot system.
- Availability of additional water is being investigated.

Mentor paid three visits during February and the following issues were discussed:

- Possibility of funds from Department of Agriculture and formulation of application.
- Attendance of Board of Director's meeting.
- Final preparation for planting of irrigated pasture.

Mentor paid two visits during March and the following issues were discussed:

- Two students from Elsenburg are currently deployed at Elim for practical work experience.
- Approximately 80% of irrigated pasture has been planted (rye grass).
- Herd manager on sick leave after heart operation.
- Pregnancy of cows was a matter of concern as cows were too long in milk. Artificial insemination during Jan and Feb was not successful. As a consequence a sweeper bull was introduced with the result that most of the cows became pregnant.
- Fodder flow programme.
- Order of 30 ton lucerne.
- Planting of dryland pastures and tenders for the establishment thereof.
- Cleaning of dryland and repair of wired fences.

See Appendix for Herd Composition and Management Information

No Non-achievements / underperformance has been reported

Goal 2 - Two visits by Master Mentor to Elim: April - June and October - December

Achievements *Please report on the findings of the Master Mentor*

Master mentor to visit Elim in May 2015.

No Non-achievements / underperformance has been reported

Goal 3 - Articles in The Dairy Mail (x2)

Achievements

Dairy Mail article will only be published after master mentor's visit.

No Non-achievements / underperformance has been reported

Income and expenditure statement

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

Popular Report

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Additional documentation

[ELIM.QUARTER 1.docx](#)

[ELIM.STATS INFO.docx](#)

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