



Skills and Knowledge Development in the Primary Industry

(PRJ-0307-2022)

Milk Producers' Organisation

Quarter 2 2022/2022 (April 2022 till June 2022)

Project goals

Goal 1 - Interactions in respect of acts, regulations, policies, procedures as well as skills and knowledge development needs in the dairy industry, with authoritative bodies in the public sector and representatives of other industries.

Achievements

AGRISETA

12 May 2022. The MPO Training Institute had a meeting with AgriSeta to discuss the presentation of the dairy curriculum at secondary schools. Agricultural Schools can engage in dairy training as the occupational curriculum forms part of further education and training (FET), which can be implemented from Grade 10 – 12. The MPO can therefore conclude MOUs for the presentation of the dairy curriculum at Agricultural high schools.

As Agricultural colleges resort under the Department of Higher Education, the AgriSeta committed to ensure that the MPO is included in the department's visits to the colleges to introduce the dairy occupational qualification. The AgriSeta was formerly responsible for liaison with the agricultural colleges.

Further discussions included training initiatives and skills development facilitation that are not within the scope of the Milk SA project.

27 June 2022. The MPO Training Institute had a meeting with AgriSeta to discuss outstanding issues subject to specified actions and target dates.

MILK SA

06 April 2022. The MPO and MPO Training Institute attended and reported on activities at the MSA Primary Industry Skills and Knowledge Development meeting.

25 April 2022. The MPO and MPO Training Institute attended the Milk SA Advisory committee meeting on Skills and Knowledge Development.

No Non-achievements / underperformance has been reported

Goal 2 - Continuous evaluation of the current dairy occupational curriculum to determine whether amendment is necessary to the curriculum design, learning materials, assessment tools or quality

management system. Amendment depends on technology development, production procedures and requirements set by relevant bodies in the public and private sector.

Achievements

The MPO Training Institute launched the new online training platform for the various modules of the dairy occupational qualification in the first quarter. The platform provides an opportunity for individual self-study or employee group training, facilitated by the farmer/manager. The online training provides access to learning material, formative and summative assessments, re-assessments, practical and work experience logbooks as well as PowerPoint presentations. Students can access the learning platform via an application which also makes provision for off-line use. The administration of participants will be done through the MPO Training Institute.

During the second term, the MPO Training Institute developed additional re-assessments that have been uploaded onto the system.

AGRISETA

27 June 2022. The MPO Training Institute had a meeting with AgriSeta to again discuss the revision of the dairy occupational qualification. A revision proposal was concluded and AgriSeta submitted it to the QCTO on 28 June 2022. The revision will include the adjustment of credit allocation, inclusion of additional modules to the dairy manager qualification and adjustment of the quality assessment standard (QAS) documentation.

The QCTO confirmed receipt of the revision approval. The application is subject to approval by the QCTO Internal Occupational Qualifications Committee before implementing the conditions of the review.

QCTO

The MPO Training Institute received feedback from the QCTO that a site visit for the approval of the skills development provider (SDP) status will be concluded in July 2022. The MPO Training Institute can present the dairy occupational qualification as a national trade qualification once its SDP status has been awarded.

No Non-achievements / underperformance has been reported

Goal 3 - Promotion of skills and knowledge development in the dairy industry and guidance in respect of it to members of the dairy industry.

Achievements

01 Apr 2022. Attended an Agbiz webinar on Private Public Partnerships.

16 and 17 May 2022. The MPO Training Institute visited two Agricultural secondary schools in the Eastern Cape to explain the methodology and components of the Dairy Curriculum.

5-6 June 2022. The MPO Training Institute attended the Large Herds Conference in KZN, which provided a good opportunity for networking with industry stakeholders.

23 June 2022. The MPO Training Institute concluded an online meeting with an agricultural school to discuss the practical and work experience scope, timeframe and methodology of the MPO dairy curriculum.

The MPO Training Institute has been implementing AgriSeta commodity discretionary grants programs which include farmers' days, training programmes and mentoring of previously disadvantaged individuals in the Agricultural sector, during the 2nd quarter.

The MPO Training Institute uses the MPO Milk Bulletin, MPO social media and the Dairy Mail to

promote skills and knowledge development in the primary sector.

No Non-achievements / underperformance has been reported

Income and expenditure statement

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| Income and expenditure statement | FINANCIAL REPORT 2022. Quarter 2.pdf |
| Unnecessary spending during period | No |

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Additional documentation

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Statement

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| 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 |