



Skills and Knowledge Development in the Primary Industry

(PRJ-0307-2022)

Milk Producers' Organisation

Quarter 3 2022/2022 (July 2022 till September 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

During the 2nd quarter the MPO Training Institute submitted a proposal via the AgriSeta to the QCTO for the revision of the dairy occupational qualification. During the 3rd quarter the MPO Training Institute had to submit a new proposal as the wrong procedures and documentation were initially followed and forwarded by the AgriSeta. The QCTO approval for the revision process is still awaited. It is envisaged that the revision process will only commence in 2023.

The MPO Training Institute also applied for AgriSeta funding for the appointment of a Community Expert Practitioner to facilitate the revision process. An amount of R189 000 was approved by the AgriSeta during the 3rd quarter.

On 19 July 2022 the QCTO conducted a site visit and evaluation at the MPO Training Institute whereafter accreditation as skills development provider (SDP) was awarded on 02 Aug 2022 (07-QCTO/SDP280722-7021).

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

AGRISETA

13 July 2022. The MPO Training Institute attended an AgriSeta Roadshow at the Birchwood Hotel in Boksburg. AgriSeta addressed all stakeholders and reflected on the 2021/22 financial performance, medium to long term strategic focus, annual performance plans, changes in discretionary grants policies, as well as procedures and the discretionary grant funding application window.

01 Aug 2022. The MPO Training Institute participated in a research survey commissioned by DALRRD to determine what constitutes the priority skills and occupations in the agricultural sector. The aim of the research is to enable DALRRD to implement actions to address skill shortages.

14 Sep 2022. The MPO submitted a proposal for discretionary grant funding. The proposal involves dairy skills development workshops and short courses for dairy farm employees.

MILK SA

03 Aug 2022. The MPO and MPO Training Institute attended the Milk SA Primary Industry Skills and Knowledge Development meeting. During this meeting the MPO provided feedback on skills and knowledge development in the primary industry, funded by Milk SA.

26 Aug 2022. The MPO and MPO Training Institute attended the Milk SA Advisory committee meeting on Skills and Knowledge Development. During this meeting the MPO provided feedback on skills and knowledge development in the primary industry as well as the new project proposal for 2023.

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 July 2022. The MPO Training Institute attended the MPO KZN Central Committee meeting via Zoom. The meeting took place at Cedara, KZN.

14 July 2022. The MPO Training Institute had a meeting with another SDP who also applied for accreditation for the dairy occupational qualification. Training methodologies and possibilities of future cooperation between the MPO Training Institute and the SDP were discussed.

25 – 29 July 2022. The MPO Training Institute hosted the Dairy School in collaboration with the UP Veterinary Faculty at Onderstepoort. The event was successfully completed with 180 attendees and 18 industry professionals who presented various dairy relevant topics. This event served as an ideal opportunity to promote dairy and a dairy career to students, industry professionals, extension personnel and dairy managers.

11-12 Aug 2022. The MPO Training Institute visited the Nico Malan High School in the Eastern Cape to do a presentation on the dairy occupational qualification to students and their parents. The MPO Training Institute also visited farmers to discuss the MOU pertaining mentorship of students in practical learning and work experience of the dairy occupational qualification on supervisor level.

22 Aug 2022. The MPO Training Institute attended a MPO webinar on “Raw milk, Being a dairy ambassador and Legislation”.

24 Aug 2022. The MPO Training Institute had a meeting with Mr J.Burger from the Dairy Standard Agency (DSA) to discuss cooperation, methodology and marketing of the Code of Practice for Dairy Producers project. The project aims to involve both milk buyers and dairy producers and will be rolled out after the SLA between the MPO Training Institute and DSA is concluded.

30 Aug 2022. The MPO Training Institute attended a meeting at the UP-dairy farm to discuss upgrading and the utilization of the farm for training and research.

23 Sep 2022. The MPO Training Institute attended the MPO AGM and Milk Festival at Humansdorp, Eastern Cape.

No Non-achievements / underperformance has been reported

Income and expenditure statement

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| Income and expenditure statement | FINANCIAL REPORT 2022. Quarter 3.pdf |
| Unnecessary spending during period | No |

Popular Report

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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 |