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UMZIKANTU RED MEAT ABATTOIR

ARE YOU A FARMER INTERESTED IN SUPPLYING UMZIKANTU ABATTOIR?

1. Cattle and Sheep

- 1.1. Copy of the suppliers' I.D.
- 1.2. Copy of the Branding Certificate
- 1.3. The animal needs to be branded or tattooed (Sheep).
- 1.4. Permit detailing the colour, sex, breed, and the brand mark.
- 1.5. Declaration of Health and Origin Certificate (obtainable from the abattoir)



2. Pigs (only white Pigs)

- 2.1. Copy of the suppliers' I.D.
- 2.2. Permit detailing the sex, breed and the tattoo.
- 2.3. Declaration of Health and Origin Certificate (obtainable from the abattoir)



3 Database Requirements

Suppliers who are individual farmers need to register on our supplier database. For any payment considerations above R30 000.00, we will need the following documents:

1. CK Document
2. Tax Clearance Certificate
3. Company Profile
4. ID Copies
5. Bank Letter/ Cancelled Cheque
6. Central Supplier Database (CSD) Report
7. B-BBEE Certificate if available



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INFORMATION SHARING DAY AT ZIXHOLOSINI LOCATION.



Mrs. Anela Ndzekeni giving clarity to Zixholosini Farmers during the information day.

On August 08, 2024, Ntinga O.R. Tambo Development Agency participated in an Agricultural Information Day organized by the Anglican Diocesan Development Council at Zixholosini Administrative Area, Chunu Village in Ngqeleni.

Explaining the purpose of the day, Reverend Canon J. Sikhuni said the council saw a need to organize the information-sharing day to encourage the Zixholosini community to engage in agricultural activities. He said this is a way of fighting poverty and unemployment, which leads to a high crime rate.

Ntinga O.R. Tambo Development Agency together with the Department of Agriculture and Rural Development (DRDAR) and other stakeholders were invited to inform local farmers and the community about their services. Ntinga was represented by Mrs. Anela Ndzekeni from Kei Fresh Produce Market and Mr. Msindiseni Sibi from Project Management Office.

Zixholosini community showed more interest in Heifer exchange, Bull loaning and Animal branding programs. Mr. Sibi told them that interested farmers need to apply to benefit from the programs. Animal branding is done for a group of farmers who already have branding certificates. For farmers to have branding certificates they need to apply for them to the Department of Agriculture Land Reform and Rural Development (DALRRD). Ntinga assists farmers to apply for branding certificates. All these programs are done through Adam Kok farms.

Mr. Sibi also encouraged Zixholosini livestock farmers to supply Umzikantu Red Meat Abattoir with cattle, sheep or pigs. He said, for their animals to be accepted by the abattoir they must be branded with an official brand mark

He concluded by inviting vegetable producers to apply for a Standard Bank soft loan. Standard Bank is in collaboration with Ntinga to help local vegetable producers grow their small businesses. The soft loan is designed for companies rather than co-operatives.

Mrs. Ndzekeni from Kei Fresh Produce Market (KFPM) called local fresh produce producers to supply the market. She told them to first call the market before sending their produce. Ndzekeni added that KFPM was established to cater for market needs of the local farmers. She further told the farmers that KFPM is a one stop shop where you can also find Kei Fresh Meat Market. This meat market was officially opened in January this year(2024). It is the retail shop of Umzikantu Red Meat Abattoir selling meat to government departments, hotels, informal traders and individuals.

MANKOSI DIPPING TANK HANDING OVER.



The new Mankosi Dipping Tank worth more than R950 000.00 from DRDAR.

The Department of Rural Development and Agrarian Reform (DRDAR) invited Ntinga O.R. Tambo Development Agency to a dipping tank handing over to the Mankosi community in Ngqeleni.

On August 7, 2024, DRDAR officially handed over a dipping tank worth over R950,000.00 to the Mankosi Administrative Area. More than four villages are beneficiaries of this initiative. Ntinga was invited to the event to educate local farmers about the importance of animal branding and its mandate from the parent municipality (O.R. Tambo District Municipality).

The head of Ntinga Trading Enterprises, Mr. Mlungiseleli Zilimbola, encouraged livestock farmers in Mankosi to apply for branding certificates. He stated that once they receive their branding certificates, they can request Ntinga's assistance in branding their animals. Mr. Zilimbola emphasized that official branding would make it easier for farmers to identify their animals if they get lost. Furthermore, he highlighted that an official brand mark would make it easier for farmers to supply the Umzikantu Red Meat Abattoir.

Mr. Zilimbola urged Mankosi farmers to consider commercializing farming as a means to combat poverty and improve the local economy. He informed them that the O.R. Tambo District has the highest number of livestock in the province according to statistics. Despite this, the district's livestock industry makes a relatively low contribution to the local economy. Zilimbola suggested that farmers could help change this by selling their cattle to Umzikantu Red Meat Abattoir.

The community of Mankosi appreciated Ntinga's presence in their area. Chief Sigcawu, the traditional leader of Mankosi A/A, pledged to support Ntinga by selling their cows to the abattoir.

MKHANKATHO VILLAGE CELEBRATED WOMEN'S DAY.

Government Communication and Information System (GCIS) organized a workshop for women in Mkhankatho Village to provide them with various skills, including agriculture.

During the workshop, Banele Mlandu from the Ntinga O.R. Tambo Development Agency informed the Mkhankatho women about the services provided by the Agency. She explained that Ntinga is an agency created by the district municipality to promote the local economic development of the district. Mlandu highlighted that the Agency operates three enterprises:

The Kei Fresh Produce Market, Umzikantu Red Meat Abattoir, and Adam Kok Farms. She encouraged the women present to take advantage of these enterprises. The Mayor of Nyandeni Local Municipality, Viwe Ndamase, encouraged women to grow and sell vegetables to the Department of Education. He also stated that the municipality is available to provide financial assistance to local farmers. During a workshop, the mayor advised attendees to utilize church land for vegetable production, highlighting the existing market for local farmers to sell their produce. Ndamase emphasized, "Through agriculture, we can overcome poverty by working together."



A group of Mkhankatho women listening attentively during women's Day celebration.

Ms. Mlandu informed workshop attendees about the collaboration between Ntinga and Standard Bank. Vegetable farmers in need of financial assistance can apply for a soft loan from Standard Bank. To apply, please visit www.ntinga.org.za and download the application form. For more information about the soft loan, interested farmers can call the Ntinga Project Management Office at 047 495 0541 and ask for the Project Management program manager, Mr. Z. Kanise.

In conclusion, Mlandu informed women farmers that they are included in the projects offered by Ntinga, such as the Heifer Exchange and Bull Loaning. These projects are managed by Adam Kok Farms, which also provides assistance with animal branding. Interested farmers can contact the Farm Manager, Ms. Nontlahla Matatshi, at 087 158 1960 / 61.

TARDI STUDENTS VISITED ADAM KOK FARMS.

About sixty (60) students from Tsolo Agricultural and Rural Development Institute (TARDI) visited Adam Kok Farms in Kokstad for their Practicals.

Ntinga O.R. Tambo Development Agency has a memorandum of understanding (MOU) with TARDI. The two Institutions have the primary responsibility of uplifting agriculture in the district. The MOU focuses on the working relations between the two Institutions.

On August 21, 2024, the first group of students visited the farms. The main aim of the visit was for students to conduct practicals on pregnancy diagnosis. The group led by Dr Brandon Murray consisted of students from the Central University of Technology (CUT) and Nelson Mandela University (NMU). The second group arrived on August 28, 2024, and the last group on September 04, 2024.



TARDI Students doing their practicals at Adam Kok Farms in Kokstad.

IEYOLUNTU IXHOBISE AMAFAMA.

IArhente eshishina ngokuthengisela amafama alengingqi yase O.R. Tambo iimveliso zawo iEyoluntu Project Market Agency ibambisene noNtinga kunye nomaspala wasithili iO.R. Tambo iququzelele umsitho wokuxhobisa amafama ngeendlela zokushishina kwanokuvelisa iziqhamo.

Lomsitho ubusingathelwe eKei Fresh Produce Market kwaye bekukho amafama asakhulayo aphuma koomaspala bobahlanu balengingqi. Ukanti indibanisela yamasebe karhulumente kunye namaqumrhu ophuhliso abeyinxalenye yalomsitho. Amasebe karhulumente abeyinxalenye lelezolimo(DRDAR) kunye nelezophuhliso loqoqosho (DEDEAT), logama amaqumrhu ajongene nophuhliso ibingu, SEDA, ECDC, TARDI, Hoba, kunye no ECRDA.

UMnu. Melinkqubo Ndobokutya we Eyoluntu Project Market uncome amafama kwakunye noosomashishini abangagunya-ziswanga (informal traders) ngentsebenziswano phakathi kwabo ne Eyoluntu Project Market Agency. Ukwakhuthaze ukuba amafama azame ukunyusa umgamngatho wemveliso zawo ukuze amelane namaxabiso kwanemigaqo yemakethe, nanjengoko abathengi bebanazo izikhalazo ngomgangatho wemveliso zawo.

UMnu. Zandisile Kanise onguManejala weeProjects zaseNtinga ucacisele amafama ngendlela abasebenzisana ngayo no STD Bank ekuphuhliseni amafama, apho aye wagxininisa khona ngemali-mboleko engenanzala (Soft Loan). Ukwavelele nombona wolwakiwo lwe Pack House ekuncediseni kwimveliso zamafama besebenzisana no ECDC. Uthethile nangentsebenziswano ka Sector Levy no Ntinga O. R. Tambo Development Agency apho bazokuncedisana namafama ekuveliseni iSoya Beans.



UMnu. Z. Kanise ethetha namafama kumcimbi wokuxhobisa amafama alengingqi obubanjelwe eKei Fresh.