

Conservation and breeding of indigenous cattle

## INVITATION TO PARTICIPATE

The Gauteng IDC Nguni Cattle Development Trust ("the Trust") is a development oriented partnership of the Gauteng Department of Agriculture, Rural Development and Environment (GDARDE), the Industrial Development Corporation (IDC) and the University of Pretoria (UP). The primary objective of the Trust is to re-introduce the Nguni Breed into the black farming communities in Gauteng, with the long term objective of developing an international niche market for producing Nguni cattle products by these communities.

The Trust wishes to invite interested individual farmers or farmer groups, meeting the criteria as set out below, to apply for participation in the Nguni Cattle Development Project ("the Project"). Successful applicants will each receive 30 (thirty) pregnant Nguni females and 1 (one) Nguni bull as a conditional loan from the Trust. One of the conditions will be that the loan needs to be repaid within a period of 5 (five) years. The loan shall be repaid within a period of five (5 years), by tendering a herd equivalent (in number and quality) to the initial herd received, or through payment of a sum of money equivalent to the value of a similar herd as at the date of repayment to the Trust.

Farmers selected for participation from the applications received, shall enter into a loan agreement with the Trust, which contract shall serve as an authentic legal record of rights and obligations between the Trust and the cattle recipient.

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## **Criteria for Participation in the Project**

- Applicants must be "black" as defined in the Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment Act 53 of 2003;
- Applicants must provide proof of being South African citizens residing in the Gauteng Province (certified copy of ID and proof of residence which is not older than 3 (three) months need to be submitted along with the application);
- Applicants must show a willingness to participate in the Project and must unconditionally identify with the Project objectives;
- Applicants must provide proof of having access to land suitable for cattle farming, a minimum of 500 ha (five hundred hectares) in size, with sufficient grazing as per carrying capacity of the land and the expansion of the herd;
- The aforementioned land must be improved with physical security infrastructure, and have natural resource management infrastructure, e.g. veld fire belts, etc.;
- The farm must also have physical security infrastructure and the applicant must be willing to implement prescribed animal identification and security measures like branding, daily kraaling etc.
- The applicant must have a registered brand in terms of the Animal Identification Act 6 of 2002;
- Any applicant already owning cattle, must provide a health certificate issued by the local veterinarian with particular emphasis on the bovine Tuberculosis and Brucellosis status of the existing herd.
- The aforementioned land must be improved with basic infrastructure for instance, perimeter and internal fences, suitable handling facilities, adequate water facilities, dipping facilities, feeding equipment for supplements and camps;
- Any proof of cattle management skills (animal husbandry and veld management) and entrepreneurial abilities will be an added advantage;
- Applicants must be willing to participate in capacity building/training programmes;
- Record of participation in local farmers organisations/livestock associations will be an added advantage;
- Registered legal entities must show compliance with all laws; and
- Applicants must be prepared to sign a loan agreement with the Trust.

NB: All applications must be accompanied by certified copies of Identity Documents (South African ID), proof of residence, proof of farm ownership or rights under a lease/caretakership agreement, proof of brand mark and a health certificate for those already having livestock, a short description of the farm and utilisation history and a brief profile of the applicant.

In case of applications by groups (e.g. companies, trusts, cooperatives, etc.), the relevant mandated person must complete the form and submit proof of mandate.

Applications should be submitted in allocated drop boxes to the following addresses:

GDARDE Regional Office Vereeniging	GDARDE Regional Office Germiston	GDARDE Regional Office Hammanskraal	GDARDE Head Office
36 Merriman Avenue, Vereeniging	247 President Street, Standard Bank Towers Building, Germiston	Themba Animal Clinic, Hammanskraal, Temba road	Umnotho House, 56 Eloff street, JHB central

## Closing Date: 31 May 2023, at 12h00 (mid-day)

If you have not received a response within 30 (thirty) days after the closing date, please consider your application as unsuccessful.

## Note:

The Trust reserves the right to request further particulars and to do site inspection before a final decision and award is made. The Trust also reserves the right to cancel any action it has taken towards the selection of an applicant in the event of misrepresentation or the concealment of material facts.

Only hard copies of applications will be accepted.

All applicants who responded to the previous adverts are encouraged to re-apply.

Enquiries: The Project Manager, email: <u>maliviwe.mpayipheli@gauteng.gov.za</u> Tel: 011 240 3325