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1. Introduction

This SDIP has been developed in line with Part 111 (c) of the Public service Regulations, 2000 and the White Paper on Transformation of Public Service Delivery, 1997. It seeks to address the challnges of the department when delivering the Extension Services to rural communities.

2. Vision

Vibrant, equitable, sustainable rural communities and food security for all

3. Mission

Promote, support and coordinate rural development and agrarian reform interventions to reduce poverty and underdevelopment through job creation, integrated food security programme and equitable participation in development by all rural communities.

4. Values

- **Innovation**: Commitment to keep abreast of new developments in relevant fields of expertise and be innovative in carrying out the mandate of the Department.
- **Excellence:** We are committed to exceed our customer's expectations for quality, responsiveness, efficiency and service excellence
- "Bambisanani": We believe that the sum of our collective efforts will be greater than the total of our individual efforts
- Mutual respect: We value each other's contribution as we seek to realise the vision and goals of the Department.
- Honesty & Integrity: Commitment to be transparent with all stakeholders
- **Inclusiveness:** "Bonke abantu esisebenza nabo, siya kusebenzisana nabo ngokufanelekileyo nangokulinganayo".

5. Legal Mandate:

- 5.1 The Agriculture Development Act, 1999 (Act No. 67 of 1999)
- 5.2 Conservation of Agricultural Resources Act, 1983 (Act No. 43 of 1983)
- 5.3 T The Eastern Cape Rural Development Agency Act, 2012 (Act No. 1 of 2012)
- 5.4 V Veterinary and Para-Veterinary Professions Act,1982 (Act No. 19 of 1982)
- 5.5 T The Animal Health Act, 2002 (Act No. 7 of 2002)
- 5.6 The Animal Identification Act, 2002 (Act No. 6 of 2002)
- 5.7 The Meat Safety Act, 2000 (Act No. 40 of 2000)

- 5.8 Animal Disease Act, 1984 (Act No. 35 of 1984)
- 5.9 Animal Improvement Act, 1998 (Act No. 62 of 1998)
- 5.10 Animal Protection Act, 1962 (Act No. 71 of 1962)
- 5.11 Livestock Improvement Act, 1997 (Act No. 25 of 1997)
- 5.12 Agricultural Pests Act, 1983 (*Act No. 36 of 1983*)
- 5.13 Fertilizers, Farm Feeds, Agricultural Remedies and Stock Remedies Act, 1947 (Act No. 36 of 1947)
- 5.14 Agricultural Research Amendment Act, 2001 (Act No. 27 of 2001)
- 5.15 Marketing of Agricultural Products Act, 1996 (Act No. 47 of 1996)
- 5.16 Fencing Act, 1963 (Act No. 31 of 1963)
- 5.17 Land Tenure Rights Act, 1991 (Act No. 112 of 1991)
- 5.18 Intergovernmental Relations Framework Act, 2005 (Act No. 13 of 2005)

6 Listed Services:

- 6.1 Extension Functions
- 6.2 Veterinary Services
- 6.3 Regulatory Services
- 6.4 Agricultural Infrastructure Development Support
- 6.5 Land Care
- 6.6 Agricultural Research
- 6.7 Marketing and Economic Research
- 6.8 Engineering Servises
- 6.9 Facilitation and Coordination of Rural Development activities

7 The identified key service(s)

Provision of effective extension services and rural development

7.1 Problem identified within key service

 Extension services are in need of technological capacitation in agriculture and rural development.

7.2 Situational Analysis

Extension services officials are trained to transfer agriculture technology to farmers with a view to improve their production capacity as well as facilitating development in general . Due to technology involved in agriculture involved in agriculture production and rural development, extension officers need additional capacitation.

7.3 Process Mapping and Unit Costing

Step 1

Business case will be reviewed.

Step 2. Planning

- 1. Undertake business process mapping in order to improve workflow.
- 2. Re-orientation of extension officials in rural development function
- 3. Identify and provide additional technical staff needed.
- 4. Conduct change management sessions in order to improve teamwork amongst all relevant units.

Step 3 Priorities

- 1. Undertake business process mapping in order to improve workflow.
- 2. Re- orientation of extension officials in rural development function
- 3. Identify and provide additional technical staff needed.
- 4. Conduct change management sessions in order to improve teamwork amongst all relevant units.

Step 4

Budget allocation: R 500 000.

Step 5

Implementation

- 1. Undertake business process mapping in order to improve workflow.
- Identify all key stakeholders who are participants in the process to consult for inputs
- Areas of good practise will be noted and recorded
- Areas of gap/ needing to be improved will be mapped out
- Recommendation will be made on the final business processes map to be adopted.
- 2. Re- orientation of extension officials in rendering services using technology support provided for agricultural and rural development function
- Develop re-orientation plan based on the outcomes of the business process mapping.
- Communicate to and train extension services officers on Spatial orientation of development initiatives
- Conduct training/ workshops of extension officers technologies provided.
- 3. Conduct change management sessions in order to improve teamwork amongst all relevant units.
- Develop change management plan based on the outcomes of the business process mapping.
- Implement change management and monitor the outcomes

Step 6 Monitoring

- 1. Monthly Reports output analysis
- 2. Quarterly consultation sessions with focus groups
- 3. Ad hock surveys with sampled relevant stakeholders

KEY SERVICE	SERVICE BENEFICIARY	Current Service Standard(s) The extension officer will provide a professional and appropriate technical advice to the farmers' requests within five(5) working days. 01/04/2013 - 31/03/2014			ill provide professional an pordinate rural developmer	
Provision of effective	Rural communities and other	Quantity:	70% of farmer request	75% of beneficiaries requests in a ward	80% of beneficiaries requests in a ward	90% of beneficiaries requests in a ward
extension services	government entities operating in the rural space	Quality:	Professional and appropriate technical advice on farming activities as guided by Norms & Standards of Extension and Advisory Services	Professional and appropriate technical advice on rural development activities as guided by Norms & Standards of Extension and Advisory Services and Rural Development Strategy	Professional and appropriate technical advice on rural development activities as guided by Norms & Standards of Extension and Advisory Services and Rural Development Strategy	Professional and appropriate technical advice on rural development activities as guided by Norms & Standards of Extension and Advisory Services and Rural Development Strategy
		Consultation	Social mobilisation by Extension officers. Farmers are consulted on services rendered through Farmer's Union.	Social mobilisation by Extension officers. Rural communities are consulted on services rendered through ward council committees, traditional council, farmers, unions and sector departments.	Social mobilisation by Extension officers. Rural communities are consulted on services rendered through ward council committees, traditional council, farmers, unions and sector departments.	Social mobilisation by Extension officers. Rural communities are consulted on services rendered through ward council committees, traditional council, farmers, unions and sector departments.

KEY SERVICE	SERVICE BENEFICIARY	Current Service Standard(s) The extension officer will provide a		Desired Service Standard(s) The extension officer will provide professional and appropriate technical			
			professional and appropriate technical		advice, facilitate and coordinate rural development activities and respond		
		advice to the farmers' requests within five(5) working days. 01/04/2013 - 31/03/2014		to requests within three (3) working days.			
				01/04/2014-31/032015	01/04/2015 - 31/03/2016	01/04/2016 - 31/03/2017	
		Access	Through Extension Officers in the wards. Access to specialized services is available in the Districts Acknowledgement of receipt of request for technical advice within	Through Extension Officers in the wards. Access to specialized services is available in the Local Municipalities and Districts Solicit feedback from 30% of the serviced communities	Through Extension Officers in collaboration with Community Development Workers in the wards. Access to specialized services is available in the Local Municipalities and Districts Solicit feedback from 40% of the serviced communities	Through Extension Officers in collaboration with Community Development Workers in the wards. Access to specialized services is available in the Local Municipalities and Districts Solicit feedback from 50% of the serviced communities	
		Openness &	two working days Extension Service is	Open information days	Open information days	Open information days on	
		Transparency	open and transparent about extension procedures and methodologies.	on procedures and systems, with the relevant stakeholders down to local level	on procedures and systems, with the relevant stakeholders down to local level twice	procedures and systems, with the relevant stakeholders down to local level twice a year	
		Information	Farmers are informed about developments in	once a year Rural communities will be informed about rural	a year Rural communities will be informed about rural	Rural communities will be informed about rural	

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	BENEFICIARY	The extension	officer will provide a	The extension officer will provide professional and appropriate technical		
	professional and appropriate technica		advice, facilitate and coordinate rural development activities and respond			
				to requests within three (3) working days.		
	five(5)		g days.			
			1/03/2014	01/04/2014-31/032015	01/04/2015 - 31/03/2016	01/04/2016 - 31/03/2017
			agricultural	development	development	development
			technologies through,	initiatives/programs	initiatives/programs	initiatives/programs
			media, information	through technologies,	through technologies,	through technologies,
			sharing sessions.	media and information	media and information	media and information
				sharing sessions	sharing sessions	sharing sessions
		Redress	Extension Officer	Extension Officer	Extension Officer	Extension Officer
			provides explanation to	provides explanation to	provides explanation to	provides explanation to
			the farmer within three	all affected	all affected beneficiaries	all affected beneficiaries
			days when unable to	beneficiaries within 7	within 6 days when	within 5 days when
			provide technical	days when unable to	unable to provide	unable to provide
			support.	provide technical	technical support.	technical support.
				support.		
		Value for	Extension Service	Extend the use of the	Extend the use of the	Extend the use of the
		Money	provide technical	smart pen to cover rural	smart pen to cover rural	smart pen to cover rural
			support on farming	development activities	development activities	development activities for
			practices relevant to	for reporting purposes	for reporting purposes	reporting purposes
			the target group.			
		Time:	Within five working	Within 3 working days	Within 3 working days of	Within 3 working days of
			days of request.	of request	request	request
		Cost:	R500 000	R550 000	R600 000	R650 000

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	BENEFICIARY	The extension officer will provide a professional and appropriate technical advice to the farmers' requests within five(5) working days.		The extension officer will provide professional and appropriate technical advice, facilitate and coordinate rural development activities and respond to requests within three (3) working days.		
		01/04/2013 - 31/03/2014		01/04/2014-31/032015	01/04/2015 - 31/03/2016	01/04/2016 - 31/03/2017
		Human	744 Extension	744 Extension	744 Extension Personnel	744 Extension Personnel
		Resources:	Personnel	Personnel	15 Scientists,	15 Scientists,
			15 Scientists,	15 Scientists,	35 Technicians,	35 Technicians,
			35 Technicians,	35 Technicians,	44 Economists	44 Economists
			44 Economists	44 Economists	5 Land Use Planners	5 Land Use Planners
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