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Mpumalanga IDC / UL Nguni Cattle **Development Project 2013/14**

INVITATION

The Industrial Development Corporation (IDC) in partnership with the Department of Agriculture, Rural Development and Land Administration (DARDLA) as well as the University of Limpopo (UL) invite emerging farmers in the Mpumalanga Province to apply to become Nguni cattle commercial farmers.

The project known as the Mpumalanga IDC/UL Nguni Cattle Development Trust, aims among other things, to reintroduce the Nguni breed to the rural farming communities and to increase black entrepreneurs in the agribusiness industry.

Successful applicants will be loaned 1 Nguni bull and 30 pregnant heifers-over a five-year period. Beneficiaries will be expected to repay the loan in kind by returning 30 heifers and 1 bull, equivalent to the number given to them over a period of five years.

Requirements

- Cooperatives will be given first preference
- Farmers / co-operatives having land adjacent to each other. amounting to the required hectares are encouraged to apply.
- Applicants must be from the previously disadvantaged group residing in Mpumalanga Province
- Must have a farm with minimum hector size of 600+
- Farm must have rudimentary infrastructure such as fencing, water troughs, handling facility, loading zone,
- The farm must have a title deed or lease agreement with a five year's contract
- Owner's livestock must be certifies free of any notifiable diseases
- Government officials are not allowed to apply

Applications should be accompanied by certified copies of ID, application form, proof of farm ownership and short description of the farm and utilization history.

The selection process will include short-listing of potential beneficiaries, farm assessment, physical interviews and on site visit by the Project Technical committee for verification of information provided by applicants.

Farmers must register with the breeders associations.

EXCLUSION CRITERIA

Government officials / public office bearers are excluded from participating in the program

Application forms may be accessed from all the Agricultural Municipal Offices in each municipality and/or District Offices of DARDLA through the Agricultural Advisors.

NB: The completed application form/s together with project profiles should be returned / submitted to the local DARDLA Agricultural Municipal Offices to be signed off by the Agricultural Municipal Manager.

Closing Date: 30 August 2013

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

Enquiries can be directed to: The project Manager: JM Sambo Tel: 013 759 4000

