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**DROUGHT SUPPORT INTERVENTIONS 2024/2025 IMPLEMENTATION  
MODALITIES.**

**1 LIVESTOCK SUPPORT INTERVENTIONS**

This intervention is aimed at encouraging farmers to destock, prevent livestock losses during drought and enable farmers to restock after drought. The scheme targets livestock producers farming with cattle, goats and sheep.

**1.1 Livestock Marketing Incentive**

- Government will provide a maximum subsidy of N\$750.00 per Large Stock Unit (Cattle) to a maximum of 75 cattle, and N\$150.00 per Small Stock Unit (goat and sheep) to a maximum of 375 Small Stock Unit or a combination of the two. The maximum subsidy amount per farmer under the Marketing Incentive Scheme will be N\$56,250.00.
- In order to qualify, the beneficiary should meet the following requirements:

**1.1.1 Out of hand transactions documents required (North of the Veterinary Cordon Fence only)**

- Farmers who sold livestock should provide a proof of sale and proof of payment (deposit slip or bank statements for transfers) for Bank transactions OR
- Letter from the Traditional Authorities or Police Declaration confirming the transactions in case of cash transaction/and or
- A duplicate Movement Permit from DVS and;
- A duplicate of movement notice and;
- Proof of payment for slaughter service.

*All official correspondence must be addressed to the Executive Director*

**NOTE:**

- ✓ *Farmers south of the Veterinary cordon fence do not qualify as specified under 1.1.1 because they have access to markets;*
- ✓ *Farmers that are in speculation businesses do not qualify under this subsidy scheme.*

**1.1.2 Direct Export to neighbouring countries on hoof to feedlots and abattoirs.**

The following documents are required to be submitted:

- Proof of sales statement
- Livestock and Livestock Product Board Export Permit
- Customs documents
- Livestock Improvement Permit (Export)
- Movement Permit and Export Permit from DVS
- A duplicate of movement notice

**1.1.3 Abattoirs**

- Export abattoirs (A class) – Slaughter statement.
- Local abattoir (B&C class) – Slaughter statement and animal health certificate (from the Municipality/Government).
- A duplicate of cattle movement notice.
- A duplicate of movement permit from DVS.

**NOTE:**

- ✓ *If a farmer sold livestock to his/her own business (butchery) he/she does not qualify for subsidy to prevent conflict of interest.*

**1.1.4 Auctions**

- Auction/sale statement from the auctioneers.
- A duplicate of cattle movement notice.
- A duplicate of movement permit from DVS.

**NOTE:**

- ✓ *If a farmer sold livestock to his/her own business (Auctioneers and Speculators) he/she does not qualify for subsidy to prevent conflict of interest.*

**1.1.1 Permit days**

- Sale statement/Transaction documents.
- Verification document from Traditional Authorities (where applicable).
- A duplicate of cattle movement notice.
- A duplicate of movement permit from DVS.

**NOTE:**

- ✓ *If a farmer sold livestock to his/her own business (Auctioneers and Speculators) he/she does not qualify for subsidy to prevent conflict of interest.*

## **1.2 SUBSIDY ON TRANSPORT TO AND FROM GRAZING AREAS**

- A subsidy of 50% for the kilometre tariff to a maximum of N\$25.00 per/km for trucks and N\$10.00 per/km for LDV with hired or own trailer, will be paid.
- The minimum load (Trucks) must consist of at least 10 large stock units and/or 50 Small Stock Units, while the maximum travelling distance with load to be subsidized will not exceed 1 000 km (500km from farm of origin to leased grazing farm and 500km from leased grazing farm back to farm of origin).
- All farmers transporting animals to emergency grazing areas may qualify for this subsidy, provided that in the case of communal areas, animal movement permit from DVS and Cattle Movement Notice, a written permission of the Traditional Leader as the Lessor must be attached.
- For Commercial and Resettlement farming areas an animal movement permit from DVS and Cattle Movement Notice, short term lease agreement between the Lessor and Lessee to be attached to the invoices supporting the claim, as well as a lease authorization letter in case of Resettlement farming areas.
- For hired transport provide signed receipt in the name of the applicant with full description of the transaction should be attached to the transport claim.
- Only trucks and trailers registered with NATIS will qualify (attached proof).

## **1.3 SUBSIDY ON LEASE OF GRAZING**

- All farmers that leases emergency grazing may qualify for this support, provided that in the case of communal areas, animal movement permit from DVS and Cattle Movement Notice, a written permission of the Traditional Leader as the Lessor to be attached.
- For Commercial and Resettlement farming areas an animal movement permit from DVS and Cattle Movement Notice, short term lease agreement between the Lessor and Lessee to be attached to the invoices supporting the claim, as well as a lease authorization letter in case of Resettlement farming areas.
- Farmers will be subsidized for 50% of the lease fee to a maximum of N\$60.00 per head (LSU) per month for a maximum of 100 cattle.
- In the case of small stock, 50% subsidy to a maximum of N\$ 12.00 per small stock unit per month to a maximum of 500 small stock units per farmer will be paid.
- Farmers qualify for either one of the two or a combination (LSU & SSU) of both as above.
- Farmers are required to attach a lease agreement (signed in the presence of a commissioner of oath) as well as a receipt for grazing fees paid.
- Farmers who moved livestock starting from January 2023 to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2024 qualifies under the 2024'2025 Drought declaration with effect from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2024, such farmers will be required to attach Contracts/Lease agreements,

movement permit and proof of transaction for grazing fee paid, covering the period 1<sup>st</sup> April 2024 to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2025.

#### 1.4 SUBSIDY ON PURCHASE OF ANIMAL FEED (LICK AND FODDER)

- Maximum of 10 x 50 kg bags of lick supplements (licks and pellets) per month to sustain core breeding herd of 26 Large Stock Units (LSUs) or 130 Small Stock Unit (SSU).
- Licks and pellets will be subsidized at 50% per bag to a maximum of N\$200.00 per/bag, and a maximum of N\$2000.00 per month.
- Maximum of 10 x 19 kg bales of Lucerne / hay (dry grass/crop residues) per month to sustain core breeding herd of 26 LSUs or 130 SSUs.
- Lucerne bales will be subsidized at 50% to a maximum of N\$100.00 per/bale, and a maximum of N\$1000.00 per month.
- Hay (dry grass/crop residues) to be subsidized at 50% to a maximum of N\$70.00 per/bale, and a maximum of N\$700.00 per month.
- Maximum of 25kg of Molasses liquid to be subsidized at 50% to a maximum of N\$150.00 per farming household per month.
- **Supporting documents** to accompany claim includes copies of; Herd statement, certified Identity document, fan meat card, bank confirmation letter (not older than six (6) months) and original proof of transaction (with applicant name as on the ID)

##### NOTE

- ✓ *A farmer only qualifies for 10 bags of licks and 10 bales (hay) and 25 kg of molasses liquid per month.*
- ✓ *Farmers who are renting out (Lessor) grazing do not qualify for fodder.*
- ✓ *Farmers who are already renting (Lessee) grazing will not benefit from fodder.*

#### 1.5 SALE OF SUBSIDIZED FODDER TO FARMERS

- The Ministry will procure fodder and distribute to Agricultural Development Centres (ADCs) to be sold at subsidized prices.
- A farmer only qualifies for a maximum 10 x 19 kg of Lucerne bale.
- Lucerne to be sold at N\$100 per bale to a maximum N\$1000.00 for the maximum of 10 bales per farming household.
- A farmer only qualifies for a maximum of 10 x 19 kg bale of hay (grass / crop residues).
- Hay (grass / crop residues) to be sold at a subsidy of N\$70.00 to a maximum of N\$700.00 per farming household.
- A farmer only qualifies for a maximum of 25 kg of molasses liquid or 40 kg of molasses meal.
- Molasses liquid will be sold at N\$120.00 per 25 kg and N\$110.00 for 40 kg for molasses meal.

- The scheme will target livestock producers in all fourteen (14) Regions.

**NOTE:**

- ✓ *A farmer only qualifies for one intervention and should choose to benefit from either 1.4 (Subsidies on purchase of fodder) or 1.5 (Sale of subsidized fodder at the ADCs) per month.*
- ✓ *A farmer only qualifies for Lucerne or hay (grass and crop residues) bales or a combination to a maximum of 10 bales.*
- ✓ *A farming household only qualify to buy from the ADC once off.*
- ✓ *A farmer who contravenes this will be disqualified from the current and future drought interventions.*

## 2 CROP PRODUCTION INCENTIVES

### 2.1 SEEDS AND HORTICULTURE SUPPORT

The scheme will complement the existing Government programmes such as the Dryland Crop Production Programme (DCPP) and the NAMSIP.

- The Ministry will procure inputs (seeds and fertilizer) and distribute to Agricultural Development Centres (ADCs) to be sold at subsidized prices in line with the 2024/25 DCPP modalities.
- A farmer only qualifies for a maximum of 100kg of maize seeds sufficient to plant 5ha crop field.
- Maize seed will be sold at N\$125.00 per 5kg to a maximum of N\$2500.00 per 100 kg.
- A farmer only qualifies for a maximum of 20 kg of pearl millet seeds sufficient to plant 5ha crop field.
- Pearl millet seeds will be sold at N\$13.40 per 2kg to a maximum of N\$134.00 per 20 kg.
- A farmer only qualifies for a maximum of 20 kg of sorghum seeds sufficient to plant 5ha crop field.
- Sorghum seeds will be sold at N\$13.40 per 2kg to a maximum of N\$134.00 per 20 kg.
- A farmer only qualifies for a maximum of 25 kg of cowpea and or groundnut seeds sufficient for intercropping a 5ha crop field.
- Cowpea and or groundnut seeds will be sold at N\$15.00 per 2kg to a maximum of N\$150.00 per 25 kg per farming household.
- Lucerne seeds to be sold at N\$600.00 per 5kg per farming household.
- Blue buffalo grass to be sold at N\$600.00 per 5kg per farming household.
- Fertilizer will be sold as follows:
  - ✓ **NPK** (Nitrogen, Phosphorus, and Potassium) sold at N\$500.00 per 50 kg bag to a maximum of 10 x 50kg.
  - ✓ **Urea** sold at N\$300.00 per 50 kg bag to a maximum of 5 x 50kg.

- ✓ **MAP** (Monoammonium Phosphate) to be sold at N\$500.00 per 50 kg bag to a maximum of 5 x 50kg.
- ✓ **LAN** (Limestone Ammonium Nitrate) to be sold at N\$300.00 per 50 kg bag to a maximum of 5 x 50kg.

### 3 DURATION OF THE DROUGHT RELIEF SCHEME (LIVESTOCK SUPPORT PROGRAMME, SEEDS AND HORTICULTURE)

Scheme	Duration
Livestock Marketing Incentive	01 April 2024 to 31 March 2025
Subsidy for Lease of grazing	01 April 2024 to 31 March 2025
Subsidy for Transportation to and from grazing	01 April 2024 to 31 March 2025
Subsidy on purchase of animal feed	01 April 2024 to 31 March 2025
Subsidy on fodder for farmers through ADCs	01 July 2024 to 31 December 2024
Seed and Horticulture support	01 May 2024 to 31 December 2024

### 4 Estimated budget of 2024/2025 Drought Relief Support Programme

Programme	Estimated Amount
Livestock marketing, Lease of grazing, Transportation to and from lease of grazing, purchase.	N\$80 000 000.00
Subsidy on fodder for farmers through ADCs	N\$25 000 000.00
Seed and Horticulture Provision	N\$25 000 000.00

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