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Agjencia për Zhvillimin e Bujqësisë / Agencija za Razvoj Poloprivrede / Agriculture Development Agency

CALL FOR APPLICATION FOR FARMERS AND AGRICULTURAL HOLDINGS AT THE REPUBLIC OF KOSOVO

FOR BENEFITING WITHIN THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE "PLAN FOR AGRICULTURE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT 2014-2020", **MEASURE 101** "INVESTMENTS IN PHYSICAL ASSETS IN AGRICULTURAL HOLDINGS" DIARY SECTOR, MEAT, EGGS AND GREENHOUSE VEGETABLES SECTOR (INCLUDING POTATOES)

Aim of the call for application

The purpose of the call for applications is to provide financial support / grants for investment in farms under Measure 101, "Investments in physical assets in agricultural holdings", based on the Plan for Agriculture and Rural Development 2014-2020, for 2016, for the dairy sector, meat, eggs and greenhouse vegetables (including potatoes).

• Eligible applicants

- Eligible applicants for this measure are physical persons and legal entities. They must be permanent residents of the Republic of Kosovo;
- If the applicant is a physical person, he must be at least 18 but not older than 65 years. In the case of legal persons, this criterion does not apply;
- A physical person must have completed at least secondary school education and must possess two
 years of experience in the field in which it applies. In the case of legal entities, the above requirements
 apply to the owner or the authorized person of the enterprise. The authorized person must be employed
 with a contract of not less than 3 years;
- Applicants who do not have two years of experience should make a written statement, which pledge to
 attend training courses at least 20 hours of instruction in the field for which they are applying, and
 which will end before the request for final payment;
- Applicants must settle their tax obligations, namely property tax for physical persons and as for legal
 entities, the tax on corporate income and other applicable taxes.

2. Geographical scope

On the entire territory of the Republic of Kosovo.

3. Diary sector

3.1 Criteria for investment in the dairy sector:

- At time of application, applicants applying for investment in milk production must possess at least 10 cows or 100 sheep or 100 goats in production assets, recorded in the Farm Registry and Registry for Identification and Registration of Animals at AFV;
- Applicants applying for building the barn, should include manure storage in their project with sufficient capacity for at least 3 months;
- In case of investments for agricultural mechanization for land cultivation, applicants must prove they
 have at least 0.5 hectares of agricultural land for each cow herd, respectively 0.05 hectares of
 agricultural land per sheep / goat herd, which is owned, inherited, or rented for at least 10 years.
 Renting contracts must be notarized.

3.2 Eligible investments in the dairy sector

- Construction / renovation / expansion of the building, auxiliary buildings (manure storages, voluminous food barns, warehouses of silage, milking rooms) and farm infrastructure (eg water supply at farm level);
- Investimet në modernizimin e mjeljes dhe pajisjeve për ftohje, si pajisjet për mjelje, ruajtje të qumështit, përfshirë dhomat e ruajtjes së qumështit, laktofrizat, etj; Investments in the modernization of equipment for milking and cooling equipment, such as milking equipment, milk storage, including milk storage rooms, lakto-refrigirators, etc;
- Investments in producing energy efficiency in farm from renewable sources;
- Investments in the modernization of the food and water supply;
- Investments in agricultural machinery and equipment for the cultivation of fodder and grain, plant protection, fertilization and harvesting;
- Investments for cleaning / removal of manure (liquid and solid and its disposal);
- Investments for the production of concentrated feed, the total capacity of which at least 50% will be used for farm use.

4. Meat sector

4.1 Criteria for investment in the meat sector

• For investments in the meat sector (fattening of calves and broilers chicken - the birds for fattening) applicants are not required to have calves / birds at the time of application, but before the request for final payment must own at least 20 calves, with ear tags of the Republic of Kosovo or the EU countries, or 5,000 chickens, and these must prove with relevant documents and their presence at the

- barn. Applicants who apply for building barn for calves, should include manure storage in their project with sufficient capacity for at least 3 months;
- At time of application, for fattening of the calves, applicants must prove they have at least 0.25 hectares of agricultural land per calf, owned, inherited or rented for at least 3 years (to ensure food base);
- In the case of investment in agricultural machinery for land cultivation, the duration of the lease must be at least 10 years.

4.2 Investments in the meat sector

- Construction / renovation / expansion of the building, auxiliary buildings (manure storages, voluminous food barns, warehouses of silage, milking rooms) and farm infrastructure (eg water supply at farm level);
- Investment in equipment for growing daily birds for fattening (heating equipment, food, water supply, etc.);
- Investments in producing energy efficiency in farm from renewable sources;
- Investments in the modernization of the food and water supply;
- Investments in agricultural machinery and equipment for the cultivation of fodder and grain, plant protection, fertilization and harvesting;
- Investments for cleaning / removal of organic manure (liquid and solid and its disposal);
- Investments for the production of concentrated feed, the total capacity of which at least 50% will be used for farm use.

5. Egg sector

5.1 Criteria for investment in eggs sector

- Applicants applying for investment in the egg sector, must prove possession of at least 5,000 chickens in active production, recorded in the Farm Registry.
- Applicants applying for the construction of farm should include manure storage eggs in their project with sufficient capacity for at least 3 months.

5.2 Investment in egg sector

- Construction / renovation / expansion of stables;
- Investments in internal infrastructure (feeding system, drinking equipment and equipment to regulate the microclimate, equipment for manure removal, grading eggs, etc.);
- Investments in cages, only based on EU standards;
- Construction and renovation of warehouses for storage of food, including food preparation equipment,
 rigging, packing and storage of eggs;
- Investment in energy efficient equipment or in farm production of energy from renewable sources;
- Investments for cleaning / removal of organic manure (liquid and solid and its disposal);

• Investments for the production of concentrated feed, the total capacity of which at least 50% will be used for farm use.

6. Vegetable and greenhouse sector (including potatoes)

6.1. Criteria for investment in the greenhouse vegetables sector (including potatoes)

- At the time of application for investment in warehouses for fruit and vegetables (including potatoes), applicants must prove they have at least 2 hectares of agricultural land be it in ownership, inheritance or leased for at least 10 years and registered in the Farm Register.
- At the time of application for investment in new permanent greenhouses, the applicant must demonstrate that there is at least 0.10 ha of arable land registered in the Farm Register.

4.1. Investment in the greenhouse vegetables sector (including potatoes)

- Investments in construction of permanent greenhouses for vegetables, fruit trees with berries or seedlings with minimum size of 0.1 hectares. A minimum area of 0.1 hectare greenhouse;
- Investments in producing energy efficiency in farm from renewable sources;
- Purchase and installation of equipment for achieving climate-controlled conditions;
- Investments in the establishment or improvement of irrigation systems in the greenhouse by efficient irrigation practices;
- Construction of facilities for post-harvest treatment (sorting, packing, labeling) production and storage,
 as well as warehouses for plant protection products and fertilizers;
- Purchase of appropriate mechanism for the cultivation of vegetables in the open or in greenhouses (planting seedlings machine, machine stretch foil, etc.).

6. Necessary documents

In order to apply for measure 101- within respective sector, necessary documents can be found within guide for applicants, at ADA website and at relevant regional offices.

7. Level of public support

Total depth of public support is 60% of acceptable investment expenses.

Additional support for:

- 5% for investments at agricultural holdings (farms) by young farmers.
- 5% for investments at agricultural holdings (farms) in mountain areas (list within guide for applicants).

8. Timeframe and form of receiving application

Date of beginning submitting the form of application is the day of publishing the call for application.

Call for application will be open from 25.02.2016 to 05.04.2016

Comment: application must contain all requested documents and be submitted within foreseen application period. Application file is submitted in two physical copies and all documents of physical file are scanned and recorded on a CD, which is submitted along with the physical copies. Applicants are advised to keep one copy of the file for their own needs.

Regional ADA offices, every working day from 08:30-16:00 hrs					
No.	Region	Addresses	Phone	e-mail	
1	Prishtinë	Industrial zone - Fushë Kosovë, opposite of Maxi-Market	029 601 160		
2	Mitrovicë	"Mbretëresha Teutë" nn.	038 601 169 028 522 501		

3	Pejë	Agricultural institute "Fidanishtja"	039 431 276
4	Gjakovë	"Marin Barleti" no. 2, floor III.	0390 320 992
5	Prizren	"Avni Rrustemi" 159	029 244 793
6	Ferizaj	"Dëshmorët e kombit" nn.	0290 324 661
7	Gjilan	"Bulevardi i Pavarësisë" str. (Ferizaj road) (solitary building, floor I)	0280326 106

Application form and attached documents need to be submitted to regional offices of the Agency for Development of Agriculture in: Prishtina, Mitrovica, Peja, Gjakova, Prizren, Ferizaj and Gjilan, every working day from 08:30-16:00 hrs.

9. Contacts and information points (places) for application

For detailed information please visit web-site www.mbpzhr-ks.net, or azhb-ks.net