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POVERTY ERADICATION

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Government poverty eradication initiatives are engrained in nation's long term strategy, Vision 2036 and other National Development Plans, which outlines poverty eradication as one of the key policy deliverables. In 2011 government revamped its effort and commitment to addressing poverty and came out with up with Poverty Eradication Programme to economically empower and capacitate current and prospective beneficiaries to lead a dignified life. PEP is meant to assist individuals and or group to graduate from extreme poverty or abject poverty through

- sustainable income generation and employment initiatives
- capacity building and skills development
- organized individuals or groups and provide funds in order to promote micro and small scale entrepreneurship

This is coordinated from Office of the President through Poverty Eradication Coordination Unit (PECU). PECU was established to accelerate programme uptake particularly those in abject poverty whose dignity has restored as matter urgency, and at the same time coordinating efforts of other stakeholders.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

Eligible persons are identified through assessment by the Ministry of Local Government and Rural Development, through Social and Community Development Officers. For people to qualify, they should possess a combination or all the attributes hereunder. They should be,

- Botswana citizen aged 18 years and above
- Able to undertake the project they select
- Earning or living on a monthly income not more than P300.00 (USD 1.25/day)
- Earning seasonal , occasional or temporary income such under lpelegeng programme
- Having spouses not earning monthly

income in excess of P300. 00, unless such income is seasonal, occasional or temporary

- Having livestock units not exceeding six (6) cows/ or fifteen small stock.
- Beneficiaries of the Poverty Eradication Programme or other government programme who have suffered severe loss of assets or livestock due to disease or other natural disaster as verified by the ministry responsible for related project

SPECIAL CONSIDERATION

Where a client is found to:

- Be unable to undertake any project owing to ill health, old age, severe disability or other form of impairment, she/he should be referred for social project under the Destitute Programme
- Have selected a project costing in excess of P15000, he or she should be advise to form a group of other beneficiaries to carry out a group project
- Be part of a household whose members are similarly in need of assistance , they should be formed into groups to undertake a project as a household or family
- Have more than five (5) dependents ,she/ he maybe assisted under the poverty Eradication Programme provided that his/ her monthly earnings do not exceed P1500

PERSON WISHING TO BE ASSISTED SHOULD:

- Register their interest with the District Commissioner (DC) office, social Welfare or Community Development Officer in their localities
- Will then be assessed for eligibility and choice of project
- Recommended for approval or rejection by the committee responsible for poverty eradication in each district or sub district
- Trained and subsequently packaged

AVAILABLE	PACKAGES/MODELS
BACKYARD GARDENING (Tshingwana ya ko segotlong)	SMALL SCALE INTEGRATED FISH FARM
(FARM IN A BOX FIAB MODEL)	
HOME BASED LAUNDRY (INDIVIDUAL MODEL)	FIREBEATERS /BRUSHES (Ditima molelo)
HOME BASED LAUNDRY (GROUP OF 2-3 PEOPLE)	BEAD WORK MODEL (Dibaga)
LEATHER WORKS (REVISED) Go suga matlalo	BASKETRY (Go loga ditlatlana)
JAM AND VEGETABLE PICKLES	HANDMADE POTTERY (Tsa letsopa)
PACKAGING OF FOOD GRAINS	GRASS HAVERSTING (Go kgetha bojang)
BAKERY Kapei ya marotho	RABBITS PRODUCTION (thuo ya mebutla)
SEWING PROJECT (GROUP OF THREE (3) PEOPLE)	FODDER PRODUCTION – DOLICHOS LABLAB
FOOD CATERING (REVISED)	BEEKEEPING ENTERPRISE: SALE OF COLONIES
TENT MODEL (REVISED FOR A GROUP OF 3 PEOPLE)	WELDING
LANDSCAPING	CHILDREN'S ENTERTAINMENT (JUMPING CASTLE)
BACKYARD TREE NURSERY	HOT DOG (SANDWICHES)
HAIR SALON	TYRE SERVICES
BEAUTY PALOUR	THREE LEGGED POTS – HIRING SERVICES
CONSERVATION FARMING	RECYCLING
GLASS RECYCLING (DEFERRED)	CLEANING SERVICES

