



**AGRICULTURAL MARKETING BOARD**

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**EXPRESSION OF INTEREST**

**LOCAL SEED POTATO PRODUCTION**

The Agricultural Marketing Board (AMB), which operates under the aegis of the Ministry of Agro-Industry, Food Security, Blue Economy and Fisheries (Agro-Industry and Food Security Division) hereby invites bona fide small growers to express their interest to participate in a pilot project aimed at producing local seed potatoes.

Selected growers will be provided with essential support, including training sessions, for the production of local seed potatoes as from June 2025.

**Eligibility Criteria:**

Small growers must -

- be registered with the Small Farmers Welfare Fund; and
- have access to suitable land and resources for seed potato cultivation.

**How to Apply:**

Interested small growers are invited to -

1. **Either submit a written application** to the AMB or to the Food and Agricultural Research and Extension Institute (FAREI), detailing their interest to participate in the local seed potatoes production programme and providing information on their background as a grower;
2. **Or call** at the nearest office of the AMB or the FAREI to submit their application in person.

Applications should be submitted **by 15 30 hours on 14<sup>th</sup> February 2025 at latest.**

**Selection and Notification:**

Selected small growers will be required to follow a training session to equip them with the necessary skills and knowledge for seed potato production. They must also adhere to the guidelines provided during the project.

The AMB reserves the right not to proceed with the pilot project as a result of this Expression of Interest.

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