

THE SORGHUM TRUST

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BACKGROUND TO TRUST

- CLOSURE OF CONTROL BOARDS IN MID 1990'S
- AGREEMENT BETWEEN SORGHUM INDUSTRY & GOVERNMENT
- TRUST FORMED – CONSENSUS ON DEED, OBJECTIVES AND COMPOSITION OF TRUSTEES
- SORGHUM BOARD ASSETS TRANSFERRED TO AND UTILISED BY TRUST FOR BENEFIT OF INDUSTRY
- STATUTORY LEVY ON SORGHUM ADMINISTERED BY TRUST



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THREE OBJECTIVES:

1. PRODUCTION AND MARKET RESEARCH
2. MARKET INFORMATION –
COLLECTION/DISSEMINATION
3. TRANSFORMATION AND MARKET ACCESS

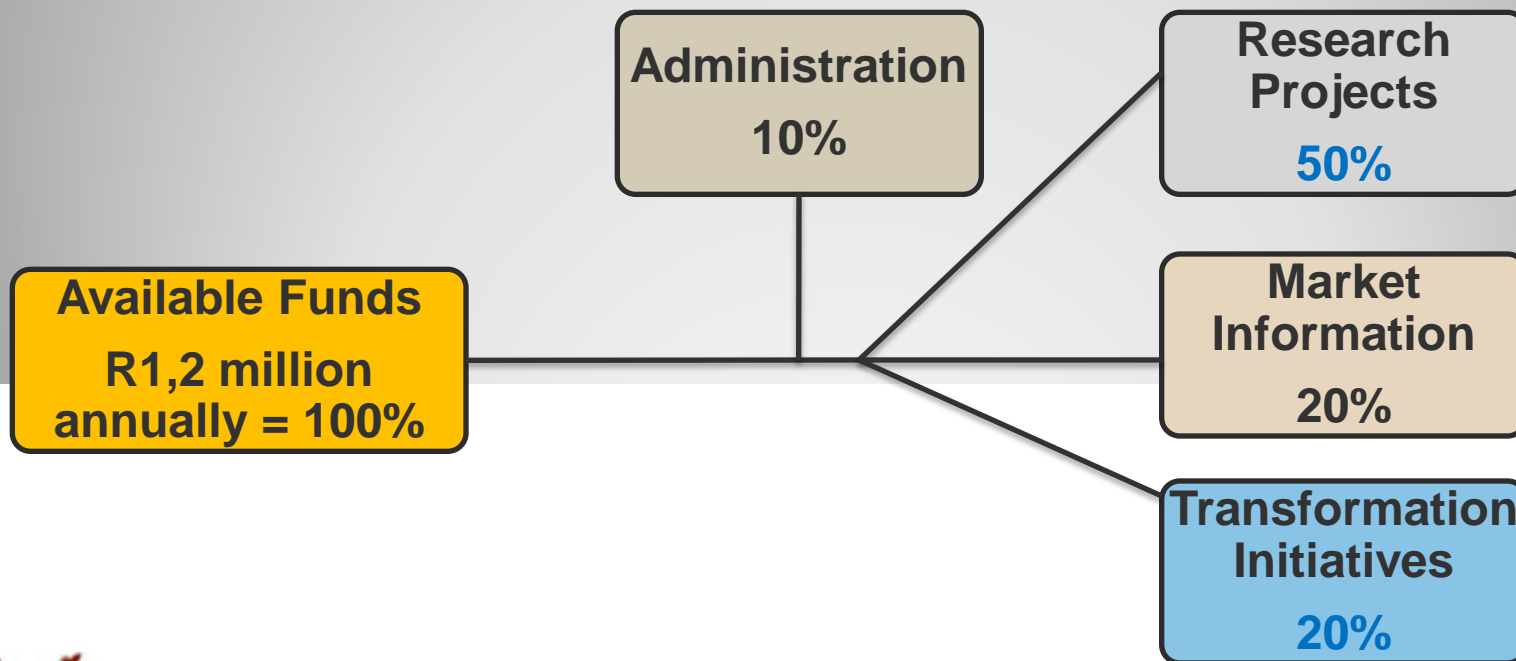


DECLINE IN INDUSTRY

- **STRONG DECLINE IN SORGHUM PRODUCTION RECENTLY**
- **YIELD, MARKET AND ECONOMIC FACTORS THE REASONS**
- **LOWER LEVY INCOME AND DECLINE IN FUNDING**
- **ADVERSITY UNDER FARMERS TO PRODUCE**
- **PRESSURE ON TRUST TO FUND INDUSTRY REQUIREMENTS**
- **RESEARCH TO BECOME A HIGH PRIORITY**



FUNDING BY TRUST



TRANSFORMATION

- TRAINING
- TRIAL PLOTS
- STUDY GROUPS
- COMMUNICATION/INFORMATION TRANSFER
- GRAIN FARMER DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION
(DIFFICULTY IN GETTING NEW PROJECTS ON TRANSFORMATION)



**QUESTIONS?
THANK YOU
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