

The National Agricultural Marketing Council's division dealing with Agricultural Industry Trusts has a mandate to facilitate the communication process between the agricultural Trusts and the Minister of Department of Agriculture, Land Reform and Rural Development (DALRRD). Among other things, Agricultural Industry Trusts division is expected to facilitate the process of the appointment of Ministerial Trustees. This release is aimed at fulfilling that activity regarding the Citrus Industry Trust.

OBJECTIVES OF THE CITRUS INDUSTRY TRUST

The primary objective of the Citrus Industry Trust is to enhance the viability of the South African citrus industry and specifically to:

- (a) Finance basic and applied research relating to the production and marketing of citrus;
- (b) Grant bursaries or financial aid to persons in the furtherance of their studies relating to the citrus industry;
- (c) Finance the collection and dissemination of marketing and other information relevant to the citrus industry;
- (d) Finance and nurture marketing skills in the citrus industry;
- (e) Finance the promotion of the citrus industry in a national context and especially overseas;
- (f) Finance mechanisms for the social development and welfare of all directly affected groups in the citrus industry including labour;
- (g) Finance any organisation or institution that has as its aims one or more of the above objectives; and
- (h) Promote the aims of the citrus industry by providing financial aid.

QUALIFYING CRITERIA TO SERVE AS A MINISTERIAL TRUSTEE:

- (a) Be a South African citizen;
- (b) Understand and/or be able to analyse & interpret the financial statements and investments;
- (c) At least 5 years' experience in agriculture, forestry and fisheries;
- (d) Should have knowledge and understanding of transformation policies of the government;
- (e) Possess a desire to advocate and advance the needs of smallholder farmers in the Citrus Industry;
- (f) Not be an immediate family member nor be involved in a business venture with NAMC members;
- (g) Be influential and able to work effectively as a member of a team;
- (h) Willingness to accept Trustee duties and responsibilities; and
- (i) Understand agricultural Trusts, statutory levies and their objectives.

RESPONSIBILITIES OF MINISTERIAL TRUSTEES:

- (a) Ministerial Trustees have a legal obligation to take shared responsibility for the Agricultural Industry Trusts in which they represent the Minister on, and must ensure that;
 - i. The Trust pursues its objectives or purposes as set out in the Trust deed;
 - ii. The assets of the Trust are protected and used exclusively to pursue its purposes; and
 - iii. The Trust complies with the law and its governing documents.
- (b) The Ministerial Trustees should be available for the meetings and report to the NAMC regarding the key issues discussed and decisions taken during the meeting; and
- (c) Report to the NAMC regarding activities of Citrus Industry Trust on a continuous basis.

KNOWLEDGE AND EXPERIENCE:

- (a) Research;
- (b) Agriculture and awareness of emerging farmer issues;
- (c) Serving the public interests;
- (d) Governance;
- (e) Diversity;
- (f) Financial management;
- (g) Political/ Local, Provincial and National government knowledge; and
- (h) Legal knowledge

TERMS OF MINISTERIAL TRUSTEES:

The terms of the Ministerial Trustees differ from one Trust to another and are guided by the Trust Deed of each Trust. Ministerial Trustees may serve only two consecutive terms and the reappointment is subject to the performance and commitment of the Trustee in the first term. The Trustee who has served for two consecutive terms will normally not stand for reappointment.

Please forward your Curriculum Vitae (CV) to:

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Closing date:

26 November 2021

If you have not been contacted within three months of the closing date, please note that your application was unsuccessful.

