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RE-ADVERTISEMENT: THREE MINISTERIAL REPRESENTATIVES (3) TO SERVE ON THE BOARD OF CITRUS INDUSTRY TRUST

The National Agricultural Marketing Council’s (NAMC) Agricultural Industry Trusts unit plays a key role in facilitating effective communication between the Agricultural Industry Trusts and the Minister of Agriculture. One of its primary responsibilities is overseeing the process for appointing Ministerial Representatives to various Agricultural Industry Trusts, ensuring proper governance and alignment with sectoral transformation goals. This announcement specifically pertains to the Citrus Industry Trust and is intended to initiate and guide the appointment process for a Ministerial Representative within the Trust.

OBJECTIVES OF THE CITRUS INDUSTRY TRUST:

- a. To finance basic and applied research relating to the production and marketing of citrus;
- b. To promote and finance training programmes that facilitate learning new skills with respect to citrus industry participants, with particular regard to making the industry representative of the South African society;
- c. To grant bursaries or financial aid to persons in the furtherance of their studies relating to the citrus industry;
- d. To finance the collection and dissemination of marketing and other information relevant to the citrus industry;
- e. To finance and nurture marketing skills in the citrus industry;
- f. To finance the promotion of the citrus industry in a national context, and especially overseas;
- g. To finance mechanisms for the social development and welfare of all directly affected groups in the citrus industry, including labour;
- h. To finance any organisation or institution that has as its aims one or more of the above objectives; and
- i. In general, to promote the aims of the citrus industry by providing financial aid

QUALIFYING CRITERIA TO SERVE AS A MINISTERIAL TRUSTEE:

- a. Be a citizen of the Republic of South Africa.
- b. Possess the ability to analyse and interpret financial statements and investments.
- c. Have a minimum of five years’ experience in the fields of agriculture, land reform, and rural development.
- d. Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of the government’s transformation policies.
- e. Show a strong desire to advocate for and advance the interests of smallholder farmers in the Citrus Industry.
- f. Not be an immediate family member of, nor have any business affiliations with, members of the National Agricultural Marketing Council (NAMC).
- g. Possess excellent teamwork and leadership skills, with the ability to work effectively as a member of a team.



TERMS OF MINISTERIAL REPRESENTATIVE:

The term of the Ministerial Trustees is three (3) years. Ministerial Trustees may serve a maximum of two consecutive terms, and the reappointment is subject to their performance and commitment in the first term. Ministerial Trustees who have served for two consecutive terms will not be eligible for reappointment.

- h. Be willing to accept the duties and responsibilities of a ministerial representative.
- i. Understand agricultural Trusts, statutory levies, and their objectives.
- j. Understanding of the Marketing of Agricultural Products Act and Trust Property Control Act

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;
- c. Report to the NAMC regarding activities of the Citrus Industry Trust on a continuous basis;
- d. Ensure that Agricultural Industry Trust funds are utilised in a manner that is consistent with objectives of the Trusts deed and the Marketing of Agricultural Products ACT and that transformation projects are undertaken in accordance with the transformation charters for Agriculture, Land Reform and Rural Development.

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

Interested candidates are invited to submit their Curriculum Vitae (CV) along with a one-page motivation letter and copies of qualifications in a zipped folder:
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Closing date: 10 September 2025

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

