

DEPARTMENT of AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY & FISHERIES



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PRESENTATION OUTLINE

- **Introductions and Overview of the Department and its new mandate**
- **Re-alignment of strategic priorities**
- **Integration of Forestry and Fisheries within the Comprehensive Agricultural Support Programme (CASAP)**
- **Ensuring sustainable livelihoods and food security, within the sector**
- **Budget challenges**
- **Legislation that will be submitted or amended by the Department.**



INTRODUCTION AND OVERVIEW - PROGRAMMES



- **Production and resource management**
- **Agricultural support services**
- **Trade and economic development**
- **Food safety and Bio-Security**
- **Forestry (Commercial and Indigenous)**
- **Fisheries (Marine Aquaculture)**

PRODUCTION AND RESOURCES MANAGEMENT PURPOSE



To promote agricultural productivity and profitability through the identification of opportunities, sustainable use and protection of land, water and genetic resources and infrastructure development to ensure household food security.

- **Agricultural Production** focuses on creating an enabling environment for increased and sustainable agricultural production through appropriate policies, legislation, norms and standards, technical guidelines and other programmes and services and ensuring food security. It also administers the Plant Improvement Act of 1976, Animal Improvement Act of 1998 and Plant Breeders' Rights Act of 1976
- **Engineering and Resource Management** facilitates the development of agricultural infrastructure and the use of agricultural resources. It also audits natural resources, controlling migratory pests, rehabilitating and protecting agricultural land and runs the LandCare Programme

AGRICULTURE SUPPORT SERVICES - PURPOSE



The programme develops and facilitates the implementation of appropriate policies and targeted programmes aimed at promoting equitable access to the agricultural sector to promote shared growth and commercial viability of emerging farmers. Also manages agricultural risk and disaster management, agricultural education and training, extension and advisory services, scientific research and technology development.

•**Livelihoods and Development Support** facilitates the provision of post settlement support to emerging farmers, promotes BEE, provides for agricultural development finance, promotes farmer cooperatives and manages the transfer of funds in respect of CASP, MAFISA, AgriBEE, Ncera Farms (Pty) Ltd and agricultural disasters.

•**Sector Services and Research** directs and supports agricultural education, training, extension, research and advisory services in support of targeted groups. It also manages the transfer of funds to the Agricultural Research Council (ARC).

TRADE and ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT- PURPOSE



The programme facilitates market access for South African agricultural products nationally and internationally. The programme also provides agricultural economic and statistical services to support economic growth and development and also monitors the economic performance of the sector.

- **Trade and Marketing Development** facilitates domestic and international market access for South African agricultural products. It also manages the transfer of funds to the National Agricultural Marketing Council (NAMC).
- **Economic and Statistical Services** provides for agricultural and statistical services in support of economic growth and development and an equitable agricultural sector. It also monitors and evaluates the economic performance of the sector and generates national agricultural statistics.

FOOD SAFETY and BIOSECURITY - PURPOSE



The purpose of the programme is to manage the risk associated with animal diseases, plant pests, genetically modified organisms (GMOs), registration of products used in the agricultural field and provision of food safety to safeguard human life.

- ***Plant Health and Inspection Services*** focuses on sound plant health risk management frameworks, contributes to a compliance system for assessing potential risks associated with GMOs and regulates border and national inspection services on regulated agricultural products intended for import, export and local trade.
- ***Food and Veterinary Services*** manages animal diseases and assists with negotiating protocols for importing and exporting animals and animal products, ensures that animal products are of good quality and safe for human consumption.

NEW MANDATE



The two components with their resources are to be brought into a newly structured department of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries

- **Forestry**

- Staff complement = 3 565
- Implementation of the National Forests Act, 1998
- Implementation of the National Veld and Forest Fire Act, 1998
- Implementation of the Forest Sector Charter
- Forestry 2030 Roadmap

- **Fisheries**

- Fisheries: Marine aquaculture
 - Staff complement = 21
- DoA: Freshwater aquaculture
 - Staff complement = 6

FORESTRY REGULATION & OVERSIGHT



- Development of appropriate policy and strategy framework for sustainable forest management and forest sector development
- Promotion of the Department's sector leadership role, both nationally and internationally
- Provide support to institutions – National Forests Advisory Council, Charter Council
- Facilitation of the institutionalization of the capacity development for forestry within the department and the sector
- Ensures effective implementation of the National Forest Act (NFA) and National Veld and Forest Fire Act (NVFFA)
- Manages the overall system for forestry data, information, and knowledge
- Designs, procures and maintains forestry information systems
- Manages spatial and no-spatial forestry information
- Provides strategic forestry information to the Branch and external stakeholders (Sector and public)
- Provides technical services for natural forests, woodlands and plantations management.

FORESTRY DEVELOPMENT



- Develop and support the implementation of government's pro-poor forestry strategy
- Create an enabling environment through which forest development is used to eradicate poverty, enable economic empowerment and achieve economic and social redress
- Manage the transfer of the Department's plantations to beneficiaries through appropriate vehicles/instruments that promotes BEE and socio economic development at the local level
- Transfer the management of the Departments' natural forests to appropriate agencies in order to promote integrated sustainable forest management
- Ensure that management agencies manage relevant forest in an effective and sustainable manner
- Ensure that government 's pro-poor forestry is implemented to promote environmental, economic and social development
- Ensure integration of forestry programmes into other spheres of government (PGDS, IDPs)
- Implementation of the Arbor week & Arbor City Campaign - To raise awareness about the value and significance of trees in our lives

FORESTRY REGIONS (REGIONAL MANAGEMENT & SUPPORT)



- Forestry Regions is responsible for the implementation of all relevant National Programmes in the provinces towards the promotion of sustainable Forest management in the country
- To achieve this objective all Regions have to maintain sound stakeholder relationships through established structures at National, Provincial and local government levels and have to embrace government's commitment to eradicate poverty and unemployment in South Africa
- Regional programmes
 - Management of Plantations
 - Management of Indigenous Forests
 - Forest Enterprise Development
 - Greening
 - Support to rural livelihoods

MTSF STRATEGIC PRIORITIES



1. Speeding up growth and transforming the economy to create decent work and sustainable livelihoods
2. Social and economic infrastructure
3. Implementation of a Comprehensive Rural Development Strategy (CRDS) linked to land and agrarian reform and food security
4. Strengthening the investment in skills and human resource base
5. Improving the nation's health profile
6. Intensifying the fight against crime and corruption
7. Developing cohesive, caring and sustainable communities
8. Improving international cooperation - "creation of a better Africa and better world"
9. Implementing sustainable natural resource management and use
10. Democratic developmental state: Improvement of public service and strengthening democratic institutions

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GROWTH TRANSFORMATION, DECENT WORK & SUSTAINABLE LIVELIHOODS



- Fast track the implementation of the 4 Agricultural Commodity Strategies (Grain, Livestock, Fruit, Cotton)
- Commodity-based mentorship
 - Strengthen and monitor the implementation of signed Service Level Agreement with commodity groups. Through these agreements, about 527 projects were reached throughout the country
 - Fast track the implementation of the 4 Agricultural Commodity Strategies (Grain , Livestock, Fruit, Cotton)
- Risk sharing plans among sector partners to be facilitated
- Ensure the implementation of the 3 core strategies of the Strategic plan of Southern Africa
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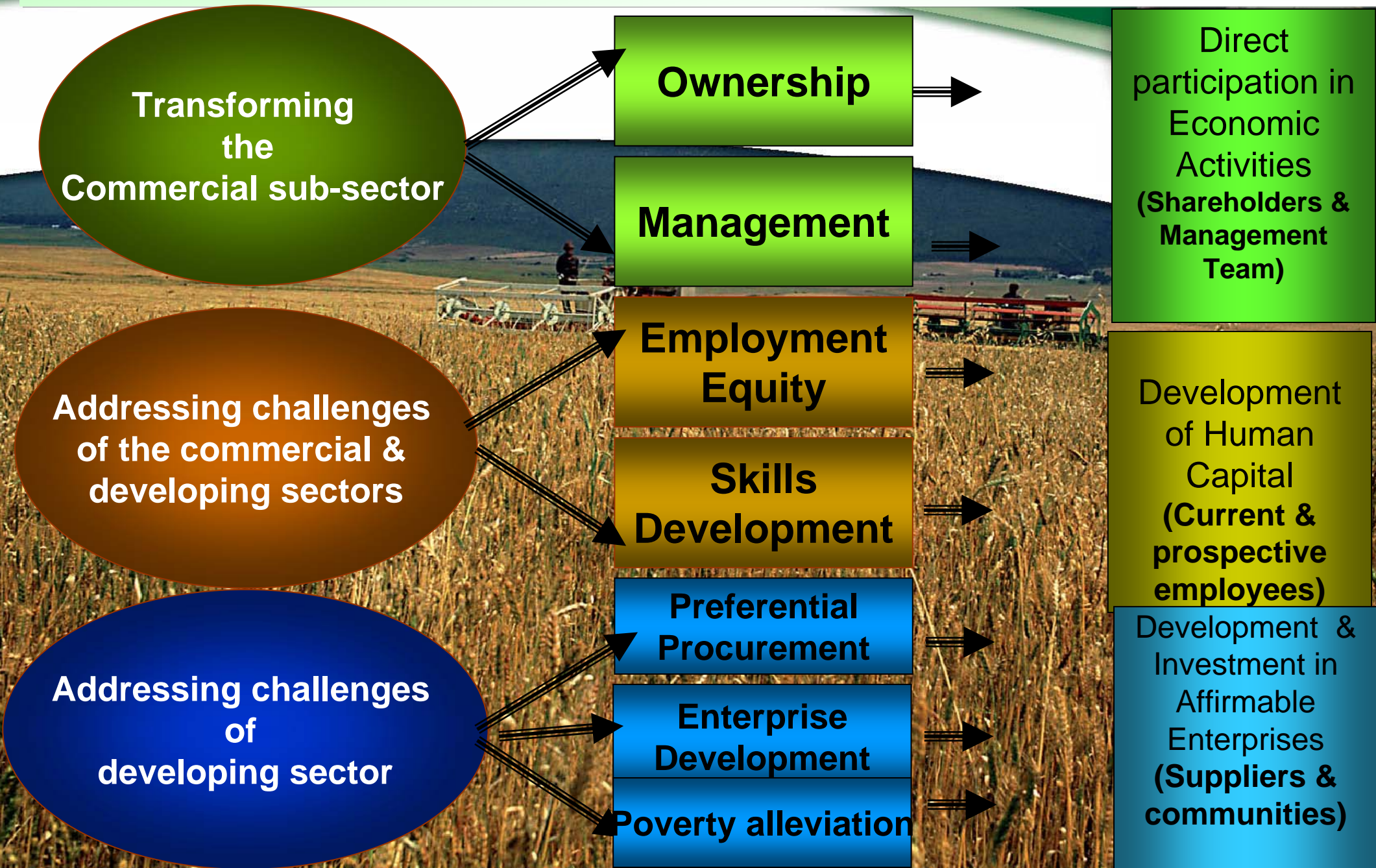


GROWTH TRANSFORMATION, DECENT WORK & SUSTAINABLE LIVELIHOODS



- AgriBEE and Forest sector Charter
 - Strengthen the implementation of AgriBEE and Forest sector Charters
 - Ensure that the established council performs an oversight role
 - An AgriBEE equity fund to the tune of R48.6 million will be made available.
- MAFISA
 - 10 institutions appointed to handle MAFISA funds
 - R250m of funds redirected to Ilima/Letsema campaign of 2008/9.
 - Production loan financing and asset financing to rural working poor/co-operatives and SHGs linked to savings mobilization
- Promote producer and trading co-operatives which will encourage bulk buying, transport and usage of storage facilities
- Work with the Department of Energy to contribute to the production of Bio-fuels and ensuring that there is a balance between Bio-fuel and food security policies - for job creation

AgriBEE & Forestry Charter - elements



GROWTH TRANSFORMATION, DECENT WORK & SUSTAINABLE LIVELIHOODS



- Finalise the amendment of the Marketing of Agricultural Products Act
- Finalise the Agricultural Marketing Policy and Strategy
- Finalise the Model for the restructuring of fresh produce markets in South Africa
- Continue to participate in the WTO Doha Round of multi-lateral negotiations; SADC-EC EPA negotiations, IPPC, OIE, Codex Alimentarius and SPS matters
- Implement SACU Agreement and SADC Trade Protocol and SACU-MERCOSUR PTA,
 - Create production hubs in local areas with farmer support for linkages between local and international markets
 - Package and provide information on financial services to small farmers

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MASSIVE PROGRAMME TO BUILD ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL INFRASTRUCTURE



- Agro logistics strategy for farming and agricultural products – promote road to rail infrastructure
- Invest in Agricultural infrastructure including:
 - Rehabilitation of irrigation schemes like (Mokolo river augmentation, the Vaalharts/Taung and Makhathini irrigation schemes)
- Invest in other agricultural infrastructure including access roads, cold storages, warehousing and fencing
- Finalise the business plans for the establishment of fresh produce collation infrastructure in the provinces,
- Look into food distribution logistics
- Modifying and repairing aging or inappropriate infrastructure
- Ensuring that agro-processing is brought closer to the production areas.

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COMPREHESIVE RURAL DEVELOPMENT STARTEGY



- DAFF will work closely with the DRDLR
 - Stimulate small scale and large scale agricultural production with a view to contributing to food security through
 - Lessening our dependency on imports
 - Expanded access to food production schemes
 - Ensuring food relief programmes to the poorest
 - Roll-out of the livestock massification programme in support of black emerging beef, cattle and poultry farmers (value chain development)
 - Roll-out Household Food Production Programme through Ilima/Letsema campaign in support of war on poverty
 - Participate in the National fencing scheme by fencing off agricultural and forestry land and grazing areas for livestock
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COMPREHESIVE RURAL DEVELOPMENT STARTEGY



- Implementation of a Comprehensive Rural Development Strategy linked to land and agrarian reform and food security

Enhance productivity through

- Land use planning and land care programmes
- Comprehensive agricultural and forestry support including mechanisation, production inputs, extension and veterinary service and technology
- Capacity building, investing in women and youth, establishing food gardens and greening projects
- Eliminate skewed participation in the sector through the provision of basic animal and plant health services.
- Conduct awareness workshops on GMOs
- Strengthen the Tuberculosis and Brucellosis schemes
- Conduct an awareness campaign on Rabies.

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COMPREHESIVE RURAL DEVELOPMENT STARTEGY



- Implementation of a Comprehensive Rural Development Strategy linked to land and agrarian reform and food security
- Increased targeted training, research and extension support programmes through distribution of R 170.7 million to the provinces to:
 - Supply farmers with green books
 - Recruit 272 personnel to support land reform and rural development
 - Register 800 officers for qualifications upgrading on a part time basis
 - Enroll 1000 officials in short courses
 - Provide ICT equipment to 327 officials
 - 6 provinces to acquire the extension online suite-Decision Support System.
- Three out of nine provinces namely Free State, KZN and North West have procured the Decision Support System commonly known as extension online.

GROWTH TRANSFORMATION, DECENT WORK & SUSTAINABLE LIVELIHOODS



- Launch one or two big project(s) with established companies partnering with communities
- Implementation of the Industrial Policy and Action Plan – Forestry, pulp & paper and Furniture industry (collaboration with DTI)
- AgriBEE
 - Strengthen the implementation of AgriBEE Charter
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- Forestry Sector Charter
 - Promote implementation of the Charter
 - Council established and functional
 - Government deliverables achieved

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COMPREHENSIVE RURAL DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY



INTEGRATION OF FORESTRY AND FISHERIES IN THE COMPREHENSIVE RURAL DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY

- Implementation of Forest Sector Transformation and Growth Charter
- Support afforestation targets as agreed in the Forest Sector Charter (10 000 ha per annum in Eastern Cape & KwaZulu-Natal)
- Implement mixed farming practices such as agro-forestry
- Provide extension support services to forestry entrepreneurs, with specific focus on rural areas
- Ensure provision of fiber and renewable energy supply – develop a fuel wood strategy to ensure sustainable supply of wood
- Promote forestry manufacturing activities, i.e. sawmilling, charcoal production, pole treatment plants
- Promote Participatory Forestry Management approaches that involve communities in forestry management
- Implement the Forestry Skills Development Strategy
- Finalise land claims affecting forestry areas – enter into lease agreements / transfer Category B & C plantations to land beneficiaries
- Implement community based fire management pilot projects – Firewise

ENSURING SUSTAINABLE LIVELIHOODS AND FOOD SECURITY



- South Africa has approximately 6million food insecure households who spend more than 60% of their income on food alone and are adversely affected by high food prices.
- South Africa is experiencing a food price crisis , not a food availability crisis. Interventions will focus on
- Expand the coverage of the integrated Food Security and Nutrition programme (IFSNP) from 70 000 to 300 000 through
 - the provision of starter packs on vegetable production, Livestock production, Milk production and Poultry production (Broilers and layers)
 - Expansion of the school feeding programme
 - Link the social grants to food production
- Establish a food safety strategy with proper systems for recall of contaminated food and hazardous substances.
- Promote the contribution of forestry in terms of providing a safety-net for the rural poor, i.e greening, non-timber forest products, medicinal plants, fuelwood

Rural development, agrarian reform & food security

This can't be the future of rural people

This is the Future we need!



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Old small houses dis-used
(500Birds/Cycle

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STRENGTHEN THE INVESTMENT IN SKILLS & HUMAN RESOURCES BASE



- Ensure that training and skills development initiatives in Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries in response to the requirements of the economy, rural development challenges and social integration
- A minimum of 200 projects is targeted this financial year R6 million will be allocated for young graduates in need of work experience and combination of postgraduate studies and industrial placement.
- Put in place plans to address shortage of critical skills

PRIORITIES i.t.o 2009/10 BUDGET



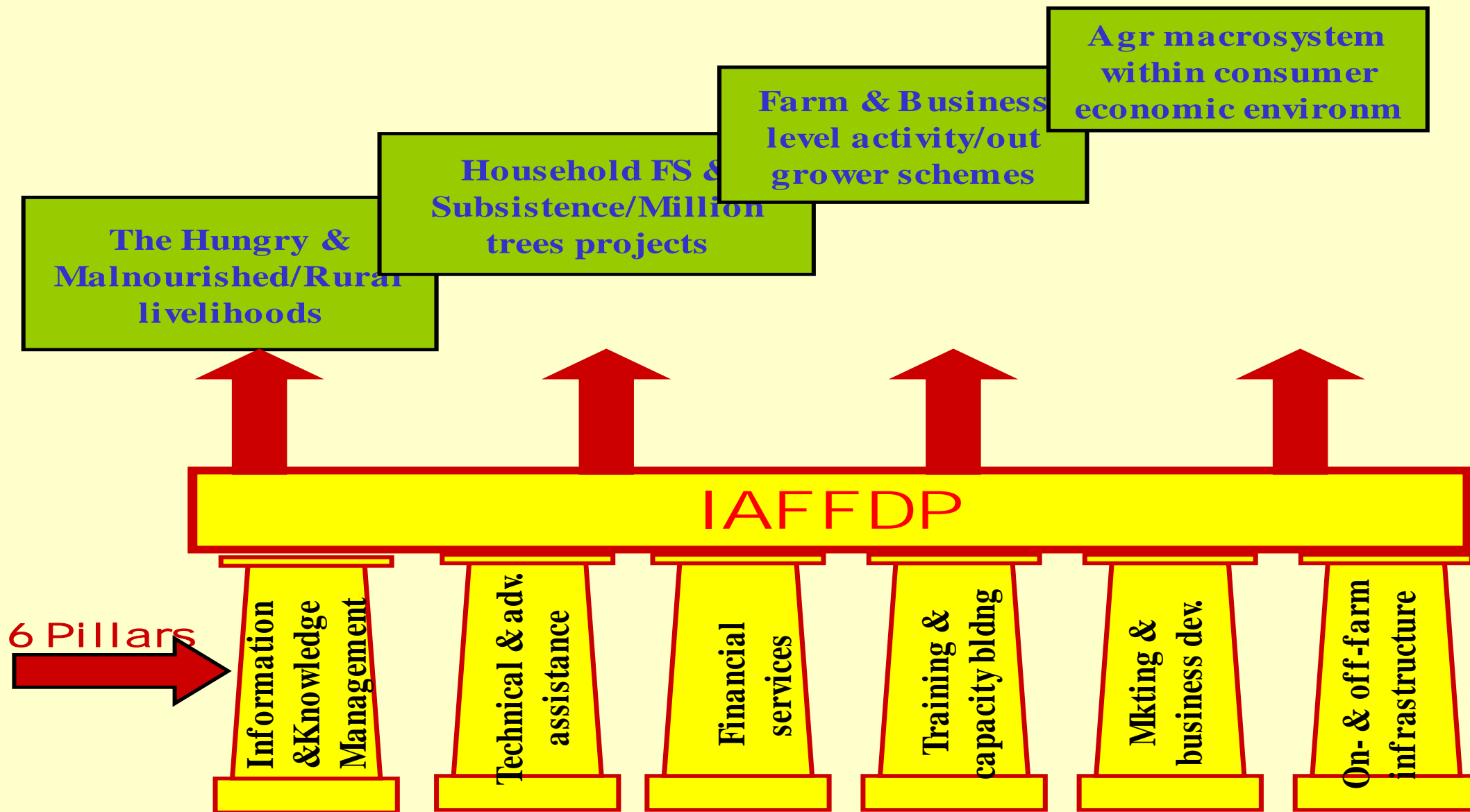
- Develop a “One Stop Shop” to consolidate the funding structure and provide financial services and entrepreneurial support
- Implement the National Funding Facility which will address all funding related needs of emerging farmers
- Forging linkages between the various financial institutions so as to strengthen the structural relationships that will ensure sustainability and efficient delivery of financial services through the crowding of all MAFISA financial intermediaries at all levels.
- Increase access and support to capacity building initiative

“ONE STOP SHOP”



- Create a facility which will consolidate
 - Micro Financial Institutions of South Africa (MAFISA)
 - Extension Recovery Plan (ERP)
 - Commodity Mentorship
 - Ilima/Letsema Grant
- Land reform grants
 - Settlement & Production Land Acquisition Grant (SPLAG)
 - Land Reform for Agriculture Development (LRAD)
 - Land Acquisition for Sustainable Settlements (LASS)
 - Restitution Settlement Support Grant (RSG)
- Fishery grants/programmes

Integrated Agricultural, Forestry & Fisheries Development Prog.

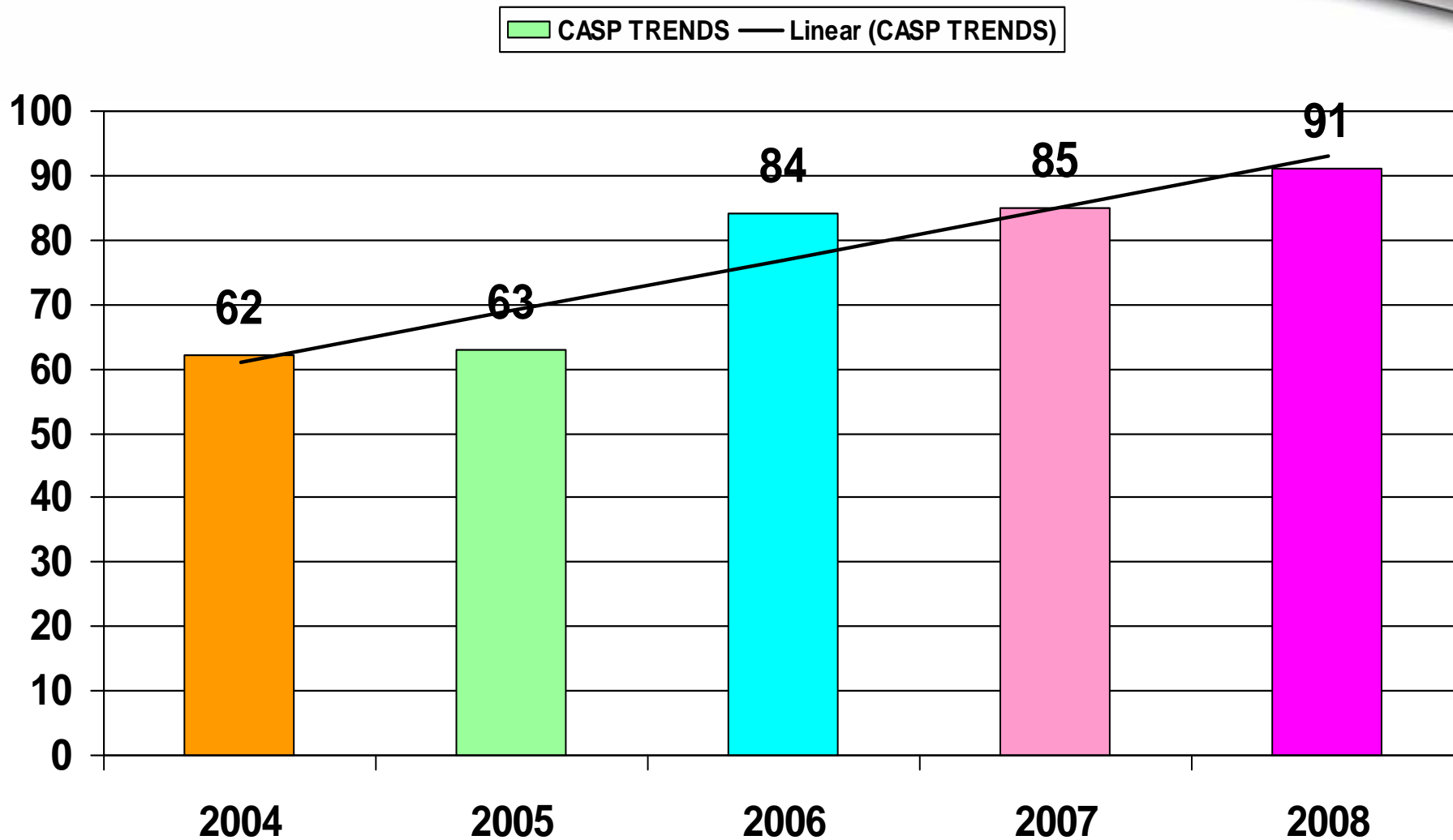


COMPREHENSIVE AGRICULTURAL SUPPORT PROGRAMME



- CASP is funded to the tune of R2.5 billion over the MTEF period 2008-2011
- Last financial year a total of R534 million including ERP was disbursed to provinces. By the end of the financial year R472 million was spent by Provinces
- Out of 1016 projects targeted for support in 2008/09, 703 projects were completed at end of the year of which 458 (65%) were land reform projects
- A total of R76 million for food security was also disbursed to provinces during 2008 mid term budget review, of which R64 million has been spent
- CASP Expenditure performance this financial year is fairly better at 91% compared to previous years. The under spending is mainly due late implementation and changes in management
- About three provinces (KZN, EC & NW) could not do well, particularly KZN
- In our view procurement plans are not finalized in time thus resulting in late implementation

EXPENDITURE TRENDS



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OVERALL CASP EXPENDITURE



Province	Allocation	Total expenditure	Not Spent	% Spent
EC	90 018	82 001	8 007	91
FS	49 089	41 726	7 363	85
GP	25 329	23 394	1 935	95
KZN	88 037	63 900	24 137	73
LP	81 103	79 343	0	98
MP	53 019	53 019	0	100
NC	36 807	30 502	5 409	83
NW	68 432	54 993	13 439	91
WC	43 084	43 840	0	100
TOTAL	534 918	472 718	60 290	91

CASP CHALLENGES



- CASP Funding (DORA) mechanism too rigid, once a year, based on preapproved business plans
- Business planning not focusing on long term sustainability
- Whenever management changes tendency is that CASP freezes
- Procurement planning is inadequate and often late, thus peaks in last quarter
- Expenditure not comprehensive (doesn't cover all CASP pillars)
- Quality of spending inadequate and often focuses on infrastructure and easily purchased items (tractors, fencing, computers)

ENSURING SUSTAINABLE RESOURCES MANAGEMENT



- Expansion of the Sedupe (sniffer dogs) project to strengthen border control
- Conducting surveys on:
 - Exotic fruit fly survey to the amount of R3 million
 - Continue with the SIT (Sterile insect Technique) research project
 - R5 million
 - Conduct Surveys on animal diseases (Classical swine fever ,Avian Influenza, FMD control, PRRS, Swine flu)
- Implement the comprehensive disaster risk management system by rolling-out the Flood Disaster Management Plan

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ESTIMATES OF NATIONAL EXPENDITURE 2009/10

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ENE ALLOCATION: 2009/10



	<u>R'000</u>	<u>R'000</u>
MTEF allocation	1 947 931	
Plus: LandCare	51 417	
CASP	<u>628 410</u>	2 627 758
Plus: NAMC	3 000	
Inflation related adjustment:		
Compensation of employees	20 970	
Inflation related adjustment:		
Payments for capital assets	1 508	
Inflation related adjustment:		
Capital transfers	2 688	
Ilima/Letsema Projects Grant	50 000	
Inflation related adjustment: CASP	86 984	
Agricultural Disaster Management		
Grant	<u>60 000</u>	225 150
Less: Adjustments to baseline		<u>60 149</u>
TOTAL APPROPRIATION		2 792 759

SUMMARY PER PROGRAMME



	2008/09	2009/10	%
	<u>R'000</u>	<u>R'000</u>	
Administration	356 094	388 582	9,1
Production and Resources Management	259 235	300 175	15,8
Agriculture Support Services	1 546 466	1 696 136	9,7
Trade and Agricultural Development	68 737	77 107	12,2
Food Safety and Bio-security	<u>304 139</u>	<u>330 759</u>	<u>8,8</u>
	2 534 671	2 792 759	10,2

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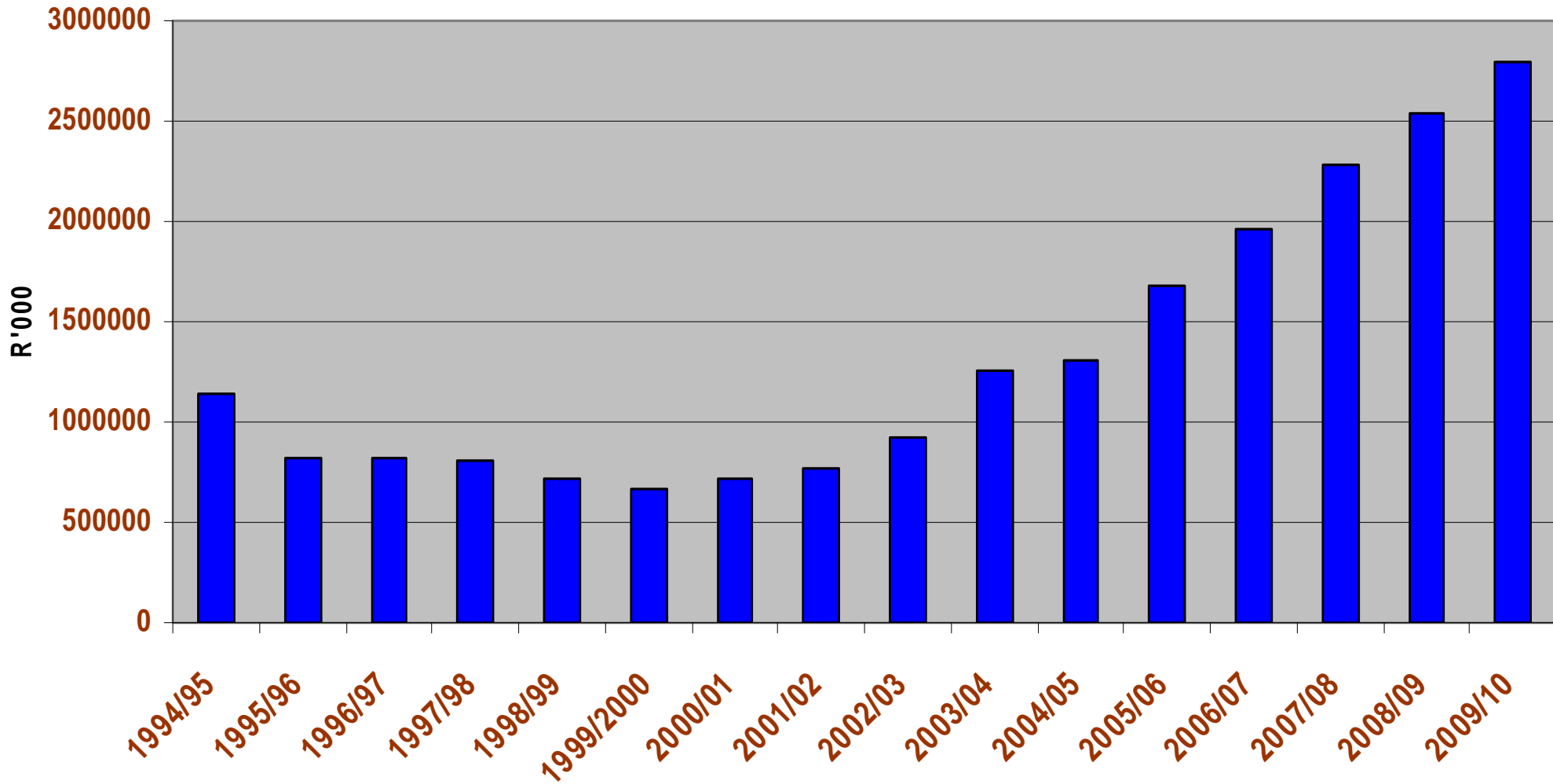
SUMMARY PER ECONOMIC CLASSIFICATION



	2008/09	2009/10	%
	<u>R'000</u>	<u>R'000</u>	
Compensation of employees	585 811	649 601	10,9
Goods and services	435 974	424 843	(2,6)
Transfers and subsidies	1 473 338	1 684 953	14,4
Payments for capital assets	<u>39 548</u>	<u>33 362</u>	<u>(15,6)</u>
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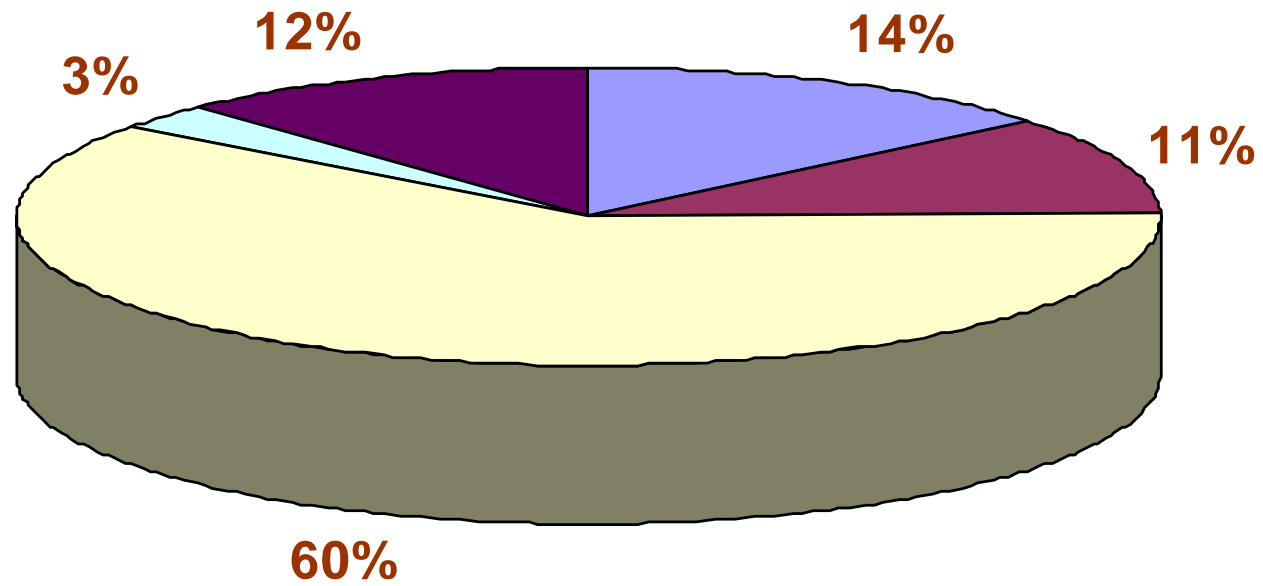
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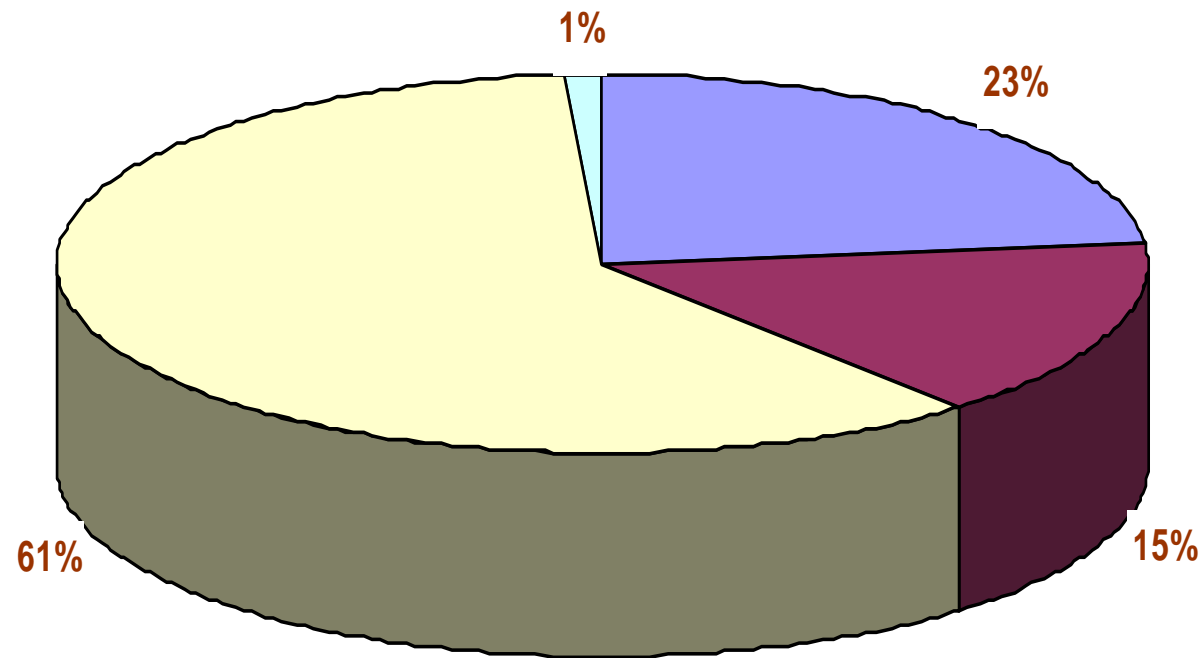


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BUDGET CHALLENGES

- Funding for Veterinary services. With increased movement of people and goods, climate change etc, South Africa has experienced a great number of outbreaks of animal diseases.
- Funding for the Integrated Agricultural, Forestry and Fisheries Programme
 - Land reform projects are experiencing several challenges,
 - Access to water, agricultural inputs, services, markets, credit, research, technology development, training and extension.
 - Funding the new mandate
- Funding for research. e.g.
 - National Infrastructure and assets and public good services
 - Improving National diagnostic and services laboratories
 - Maintaining and improving gene Banks and National reference collections
 - Investment in adaptive research capacity and applications of biotechnology
- Maintenance of our state assets. e.g.
 - The OBP plant is very old plant Its infrastructure dates back to the 1930's. The buildings do not comply with acceptable norms for Good Manufacturing Practices (GMP). The non-compliance to GMP has prevented OBP products from gaining access to European and other markets. In essence, it has made OBP non-competitive in both domestic and international markets.



PUBLIC ENTITIES and STAKEHOLDERS



- The new mandate / agenda will be conveyed to the following stakeholders as follows:
 - Industry and stakeholders
 - Minister's Advisory Council
 - CEO Forum
 - Sector Plan Steering Committee
 - National Forestry Advisory Council
 - AgriBEE & Forestry Charter Councils
 - SOEs through ITCAL and MINMEC
 - Perishable Products Export Control Board,
 - Agricultural Research Council
 - National Agricultural Marketing Council
 - Onderstepoort Biological Products (Pty) Ltd
 - SAFCOL

WAY FORWARD



- In this new administration, service delivery will be enhanced by the newly configured department with its expanded mandate which includes forestry and fisheries
- One of the key areas is remodelling financing and funding to create a facility, the National Funding Facility, to stimulate the sector
- This facility will further restructure the debt of emerging farmers
- It will also enhance shareholding of commercial farmers in enterprises of emerging farmers to ensure market access
- The facility will support the Integrated Agricultural, Forestry and Fisheries Development Programme which will drive:
 - Global competitiveness and profitability
 - Equity and participation, and
 - Sustainable resource management

Acronyms



- AgriBEE - Broad-based Agricultural Black Economic Empowerment
- CASP - Comprehensive Agricultural Support Programme
- CEO Forum - Forum for Chief Executive Officers in the agriculture sector (Companies, associations and government)
- CODEX Alimentarius- Standards organization under the United Nations Food and Agriculture Organization
- CRDP -Comprehensive Rural Development Programme
- DAFF - Department of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries
- DRLR - Department of Rural Development and Land Reform
- GMOs -Genetically Modified Organisms
- IFSNP - Integrated Food Security and Nutrition Programme
- MAFISA - Micro Agricultural Finance Institutions of South Africa
- MTEF - Medium Term Expenditure Framework
- SOEs -State-owned enterprises



THANK YOU

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