

Ministry of Industrial Development, SMEs and Cooperatives (SMEs Division) ORNAMENTAL FISH FARMING

The Ministry of Industrial Development, SMEs and Cooperatives (SMEs Division) is inviting Applications from existing and potential Small and Medium Enterprises (SMEs)/Cooperative Societies willing to engage in ornamental fish farming.

- 2. The objective is to encourage SMEs and Cooperative Societies to embark in decorative fish farming for commercial purposes.
- 3. A financial grant of 80 percent of the project cost (up to a maximum of Rs 50, 000) will be provided to some eighteen successful applicants on a first-come first-serve basis. The remaining 20 percent is to be met by the applicant.
- 4. Existing SMEs/Cooperative Societies, not yet registered with the SME Registration Unit, may apply. They will have to, however, also register themselves with the SME Registration Unit, before any award is made, if selected.
- 5. Interested SMEs/Cooperative Societies are invited to submit their 'Applications' as per the set up Guidelines in a sealed envelope and marked 'Ornamental Fish Farming' on the left-hand corner to the Senior Chief Executive of the Ministry of Industrial Development, SMEs and Cooperatives (SMEs Division) and should be deposited in the Registry at 16th floor, Newton Tower, Sir William Newton Street, Port Louis, at latest by 13.00 hrs on Tuesday 09 May 2023.
- 6. The Guidelines for the submission of Application for Grant as well as the Prescribed Format can be downloaded from the website of the Ministry of Industrial Development, SMEs and Cooperatives (SMEs Division) at https://enterbusiness.govmu.org/
- 7. A meeting regarding any additional information/queries for interested SMEs/Cooperative Societies will be held on **Wednesday 03 May 2023 at 10.00 hrs** in the Conference Room of the Ministry of Industrial Development, SMEs and Cooperatives (SMEs Division).

Applications received after the closing date will <u>not</u> be considered.

Applicants who have already benefitted from the grant sheme should not re-apply.

The Ministry of Industrial Development, SMEs and Cooperatives (SMEs Division) reserves the right NOT to proceed with this Expression of Interest without showing any cause thereof.

25 April 2023