



COVID-19 BLACK BUSINESS FUNDING SOLUTION

Funding of black SMEs for up to **R10 million** per applicant with a 12-month repayment holiday

Covid-19 Emergency Funding Intervention

As South Africa intensifies the fight against COVID-19, the global pandemic that must be defeated, the Department of Trade, Industry and Competition (dtic) in partnership with NEF call upon black businesses to come forward for funding geared at supporting the manufacture of various medical supplies and the production of food.

- **R200 million** has been set aside under the COVID-19 Black Business Fund as a blended facility for SMEs that manufacture and supply **Identified Priority Products** to access concessionary loan funding.
- **Salient Features of the Fund:**
 - Limited to R10 million per applicant for working capital, machinery and equipment;
 - Up to 12 months payment moratorium at 0% fixed rate
 - After 12 months a fixed rate of 2,5% will apply
 - Maximum term is 60 months, including moratorium;
 - First drawdown must occur within 1 month from approval date;

Funding Criteria

- Be a registered legal entity in South Africa in terms of the Companies Act, 2008 (as amended); the Close Corporations Act, 1984 or the Co-operatives Act, 2005.
- Be a taxpayer in good standing with a valid tax clearance certificate at assessment as well as before the loan is disbursed.
- Be a current and registered supplier with retailers and other institutions in good standing or have a purchase order/contract/letter of intent.
- Require working capital or funds to purchase machinery and equipment.
- The fund WILL NOT service any debt or help settle monies owed.
- Have greater than fifty percent (>50%) Black shareholding and management control. Must be directly involved in the day-to-day running of the operation and must have requisite expertise in the sector. (owned by black South Africans as defined by the Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment (B-BBEE) Act)
- In line with the NEF's transformation mandate, preference will be given to applications that demonstrate meaningful black women ownership, management and control.
- Have a project with a minimum requirement of **R500 000** in working capital, machinery and equipment.
- Must result in retaining or increasing direct jobs.
- Submission of all relevant documents for commercially viable applications.

Fund's Identified Priority Products

- MEDICAL GLOVES AND ACCREDITED MASKS



- DIAGNOSTICS AND ACCREDITED



- BULK SUPPLIES OF DISINFECTANTS, SANITIZERS (HAND AND INDUSTRIAL) AND WIPES



- NEBULISERS AND NEBULISING AGENTS



- VENTILATORS AND FILTERS



- DISPOSABLE VISORS, GOOGLES, GOWNS AND APRONS



- PACKAGING (BOTTLES, CAPS, PUMPS, SACHETS ETC.)



- BED LINEN AND HOSPITAL CLOTHING



- DRUGS PROVEN TO COMBAT THE CORONAVIRUS



- DIGITAL BODY THERMOMETER



- POWERED AIR PURIFYING RESPIRATOR (PAPR)



- SANITARY PADS, TOILET AND TISSUES PAPER



- MANUFACTURING OF HOSPITAL BEDS



- MANUFACTURING OF OXYGEN



- RELATED CHEMICALS



- MILK



- FRUITS



- VEGETABLES



- MAIZE MEAL



- FLOUR



- MEAT



- SAMP



- BEANS



- COOKING OIL



- FISH AND TIN (CANNED) FISH



Required Documentation

Constitutional documents

- Declaration on BEE status and size of business
- NEF application form ([accessible on NEF website: www.nefcorp.co.za](http://www.nefcorp.co.za))
- Summary of production in the last 3 months
- Copy of the historical financial statements (up to 3 years if available)
- Signed copy of the contract, purchase order, or letter of intent from the applicant's client/s
- Financial forecast for the duration of the contract, order, or letter of intent. The forecast should include income statement, cash flow statement and balance sheet for duration of the funding
- Additional information would be necessary to enhance the application may be requested by the NEF as when as deemed necessary.