

REVISED ANNUAL PERFORMANCE PLAN 2023/24



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ABBREVIATIONS AND ACRONYMS

4IR	Fourth Industrial Revolution
AfCFTA	African Continental Free Trade Agreement
АРР	Annual Performance Plan
BER	Bureau for Economic Research
BRICS	Brazil, Russia, India, China, and South Africa
CBDA	Cooperatives Bank Development Agency
DDM	District Development Model
DEF	District Ecosystem Facilitation
DSBD	Department of Small Business Development
EDD	Enterprise Development Division
ERRP	Economic Reconstruction and Recovery Plan
ESD	Enterprise and Supplier Development
EU	European Union
G7	Group of Seven (Countries)
GDP	Gross Domestic Product
GEP	Gauteng Enterprise Propeller
HR	Human Resources
ICT	Information and Communication Technology
IMF	International Monetary Fund
LED	Local Economic Development
LEDA	Limpopo Economic Development Agency
MEGA	Mpumalanga Economic Growth Agency
MTEF	Medium-Term Expenditure Framework
MTSF	Medium-Term Strategic Framework
NDP	National Development Plan
NECI	National Entrepreneurship Context Index
NES	National Expert Survey
NISED	National Integrated Small Enterprise Development Masterplan
NYDA	National Youth Development Agency
QLFS	Quarterly Labour Force Survey

Research and Development
Small Business Development
Small Enterprise Development Agency
Small Enterprise Finance Agency
Sector Education and Training Authority
Seda Game Changer
Small, Medium, and Micro Enterprise
Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics
Seda Technology Programme
Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities, and Threats
Township and Rural
Technological Transfer Assistance
Township and Rural Entrepreneurship Programme
United Kingdom
United States of America
Youth Challenge Fund
Year To Date

ACCOUNTING AUTHORITY STATEMENT



This document presents the Small Enterprise Development Agency's (Seda's) intentions in stimulating and supporting entrepreneurship among Small, Medium, and Micro Enterprises (SMMEs) and Cooperatives, of which the National Development Plan (NDP) identifies as the cornerstone of growth in attaining vision 2030. Towards the end of 2022 Seda convened a board strategy review meeting to reflect on the strategy implementation and the road that lay ahead in realising the outcomes set in the strategic plan. During this reflection the organisation took stock of the gains made in the achievement of the Medium-Term Expenditure Framework (MTEF) targets and Economic Reconstruction and Recovery Plan (ERRP) goals which are aligned to the minister's contract. The organisation noted that it's on course to achieve targets set to increase the number of competitive small businesses based in township and rural (T&R) areas. The goal of increasing incubation centres and digital hubs to 100 by 2024 has already been achieved, the new focus will be on improving governance and returns on investments in these incubators.

Seda analysed the previous year's performance, current performance trends, enablers that are required for the organisation to excel including the challenges that need to be overcome in the last year of the 6th administration. Among key considerations were the 'game changers' that were proposed by the Minister of small business development which are geared to improve the livelihood of small businesses in South Africa. The game changers prioritised support offered to township and rural

based SMMEs and Cooperatives, refuelling incubators and accelerators, amplifying supplier development, encouraging and supporting youth entrepreneurship and addressing/responding with agility to the issues of financial and non-financial support. The organisation developed its own game changers which are aligned to those developed during the portfolio strategy session. These includes market access and supplier development partnership, entrepreneurship mobilisation, township and rural economic development, pre-investment and post-investment business development support programme, district ecosystem facilitation, refuelled incubator/accelerator, SMMEs participation in catalytic projects programme and smart systems and technology programme.

The board emphasised the importance of improving Seda's image to attract funding or cost sharing in projects with like-minded stakeholders. The need to participate in major provincial projects was also highlighted as a necessary intervention to realise clout with provincial stakeholders. The importance of using technology was amplified and it can be used as the main differentiator in improving service turnaround times and service access to those SMMEs who are technologically savvy. Seda's mandate underscore the need to promote entrepreneurship, facilitate the provision of non-financial support to SMMEs and Cooperatives and working in collaboration with partners to expand SMMEs support. The organisation also took note of the challenges facing Cooperatives and interventions that Seda should implement to empower them to be sustainable. These includes providing them with governance training before establishment and for those who are already operational to provide necessary interventions to enable market access and access to funding.

SMMEs and Cooperatives needs are diverse and vary according to the development stage of a business. Seda's role is to provide support which matches the needs of each business, after necessary engagement, to ensure that the recommended intervention result in business growth and the creation of jobs. Seda's revised 2023/24 Annual Performance Plan (APP) presents the organisations commitments and focus areas for the new financial year. Seda will ensurethat these commitments are realised by the end of thefinancial year.

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Ms Xoliswa Daku Board Chairperson

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S STATEMENT



I am pleased to present Seda's revised APP for the 2023/24 financial year, which is the fourth year of our RevisedStrategic Plan for 2020-2025. In line with the DPME Revised Framework for Strategic Plans and Annual Performance Plans we have undertaken a comprehensive process, led by our board, towards the development of this APP. A Cabinet resolution on the merger of Small Enterprise Finance Agency (sefa), Seda, and the Cooperatives BanksDevelopment Agency (CBDA) has been taken, however, it is understood that, until the merger is finalised, each entity would still be required to produce and report against its own APP.

A key feature of this APP is Seda's response to the Minister's game changers through the development of its own game changers, which are aligned to those presented by the Minister. The intention is to ensure that enablers for the realisation of the game changers are also considered. The game changer interventions and outputs will be implemented in a phased approach in line with Seda's budget allocation, which is currently not at the level needed for a step change in SMME support envisaged by the game changers. Moreover, the organisation responded to the strategy guidance that was proposed by the board, which emphasised the need for better collaboration with partners and exploring mechanisms to leverage more funding to deliver on the organisations mandate.

While acknowledging the high rate of unemployment among young people in South Africa, the only way to defeat this unemployment is to provide an enabling environment for the SMMEs to thrive. Analysing and understanding the

economic activity of each district is the first step towards an effective delivery model. Seda's products and delivery model will then revolve around identifying and training SMMEs that can be linked to larger corporates in each district, thus unlocking value chains and ensuring SMME participation. The current Seda enterprise and supplier development (ESD) model will be augmented to enable more partnerships with the private sector in a view to increase SMME participation.

Seda has played a critical role on the Fourth Industrial Revolution (4IR) and has supported digital hubs in various provinces to allow SMMEs and entrepreneurs to create innovative technological solutions for their employees. The use of technology is going to assist the organisation in realising some of the quick wins which could enhance its performance by supporting SMMEs virtually and ultimately enabling client self-service. Seda is well-positioned to provide the necessary training, mentorship, business management training, product quality standards, and other support, among other offerings. This will assist SMMEs to be confident in implementing their ideas, knowing that there is a partner to provide all the necessary support. Seda will form partnerships with various Sector Education and Training Authorities (SETAs) in rolling out training that is sector focused.

The organisation's focus in the 2022/23 financial year was to respond with meaningful interventions to outcomes prioritised in the 2020-2025 Strategic Plan which are aligned to revised Medium-Term Strategic Framework(MTSF) 2019-2024 objectives. Seda allocated a bulk of its resources to increased growth and sustainability oftownship and rural-based SMMEs and Cooperatives, about 15 000 SMMEs and Cooperatives were supported by the third quarter. Several interventions were introduced to enable SMMEs and Cooperatives to access markets, this is identified as a major challenge mainly for the newly established businesses, and more resources will be channelled to improve this support in the newfinancial year. Seda acknowledges that by working withpartners more can be achieved in increasing the reachof small businesses supported and their sustainability. The organisation is participating in District dialogues and projects which are stimulating entrepreneurship and providing much needed opportunities for SMMEs and Cooperatives. With structured coordination, through District Development Model (DDM), a lot can be achieved. The growth and sustainability of SMMEs and Cooperatives is the ultimate goal for Seda, and this will ensure that SMMEs absorb most unemployed people. 4IR incubators are leading this charge by helping entrepreneurs create innovative technology and develop new skills for the country's workforce.

A key pillar of South Africa's recovery plan and mediumterm economic development plan is the focus on industrialisation and localisation to enable growth and development. This is due to the multiplier effects of these industries and their ability to create jobs, develop skills and support the development of new technologies. Seda understands that relevant needs-based programmes can go a long way towards enhancing the capabilities of the broader small enterprise and cooperatives sector. The implementation of the game changers will enable the organisation to realise massive impact for its targeted clients. The need for proper funding cannot be overemphasised to realise the envisaged impact, dialogue with stakeholders to improve the organisations funding and cost sharing is ongoing, however some of these discussions and agreements take much longer than anticipated. The organisation will ensure that its 2023/24 performance commitments are adequately funded with linked impact.

I would like to acknowledge the support and guidance we receive from the board members, the Department of Small Business Development (DSBD) officials and **sefa** in responding to clients' needs as a portfolio. The support from the Minister and Deputy Minister in ensuring that they are advocates for SMMEs and Cooperatives in South African and their lobbying for much needed resources to enable us to deliver on our mandate. Lastly to the portfolio and select committee which holds us accountable to the work that we have committed to deliver as an organisation.

Mr Nkosikhona MbathaActing Chief Executive Officer



OFFICIAL SIGN-OFF

It is hereby certified that this revised Annual Performance Plan for the Small Enterprise Development Agency:

- » Was developed by the management team of the Seda under the guidance of the Seda board.
- » Takes into account all the relevant policies, legislation, and other mandates for which the Seda is responsible; and
- » Accurately reflects the outcomes and outputs which the Seda will endeavour to achieve over the 2023/24 period.

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OUR MANDATE

1. UPDATES TO THE RELEVANT LEGISLATIVE AND POLICY MANDATES

There are no updates to the legislative mandates reflected in the Revised 2020–2025 Strategic Plan, which reflects as follows:

Table 1: Seda's Legislative Framework

Name of Act	Purpose	
	CONSTITUTIONAL MANDATE	
Constitution of the Republic of South Africa (Act No. 108 of 1996)	 Specifically: Section 22 – Every citizen has the right to choose their trade, occupation, or profession freely and the practise of trade, occupation or profession may be regulated by law. Section 217 – When an organ of state contracts for goods and services, it must do so in accordance with a system which is fair, equitable, transparent, competitive, and cost effective. 1995 White Paper – Identification of a national framework that will create an enabling environment for SMMEs. 	
	ESTABLISHMENT LEGISLATION	
National Small Enterprise Act, No. 102 of 1996 amended by the National by the National Small Business Amendment Act (No. 29 of 2004)	Seda is an agency of government accountable to the Minister in the Department of Small Business Development. The establishment of Seda and its activities find origin in the National Small Enterprise Act 1996 (No. 102 of 1996) as amended. The Act provides: » For the establishment of the Advisory Body and the Small Enterprise Development Agency. » Guidelines for organs of state to promote small businesses in the republic; and » For matters incidental thereto.	
LEGISLATION INFORMING SEDA'S OPERATIONS		
Occupational Health and Safety Act (No. 85 of 1993)	 To provide for the health and safety of persons at work and for the health and safety of persons in connection with the use of plant and machinery. The protection of persons other than persons at work against hazards to health and safety arising out of or in connection with the activities of persons at work. To establish an advisory council for occupational health and safety; and to provide for matters connected therewith. 	
Public Finance Management Act (No. 1 of 1999)	 To regulate financial management in the national and provincial governments. To ensure that all revenue, expenditure, assets, and liabilities of those governments are managed efficiently and effectively; and To provide for the responsibilities of persons entrusted with financial management in those governments and to provide for matters connected therewith. 	
Co-operatives Act (No. 14 of 2005)	» To provide for the formation and registration of Co-operatives; the establishment of a Co-operatives' advisory board; the winding-up of Co- operatives; the repeal of Act 91 of 1981; and connected matters.	
Businesses Act (No. 71 of 1991)	» To repeal or amend certain laws regarding the licensing and carrying on of businesses, and shop hours; to make certain new provision regarding such licensing and carrying on of businesses; and to provide for matters connected therewith.	

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Name of Act	Purpose		
Basic Conditions of Employment Act (No. 75 of 1997)	To give effect to the right to fair labour practices referred to in Section 23(1) of the Constitution by establishing and making provision for the regulation of basic conditions of employment; and thereby to comply with the obligations of the republic as a member state of the International Labour Organisation; and to provide for matters connected therewith.		
Income Tax Act (No. 58 of 1962)	To consolidate the law relating to the taxation of incomes and donations, to provide for the recovery of taxes on persons, to provide for the deduction by employers of amounts from the remuneration of employees in respect of certain tax liabilities of employees, and to provide for the making of provisional tax payments and for the payment into the National Revenue Fund of portions of the normal tax and interest and other charges in respect of such taxes, and to provide for related matters.		
Labour Relations Act (No. 66 of 1995)	 To facilitate the granting of organisational rights to trade unions that are sufficiently representative. To strengthen the status of picketing rules and agreements; to amend the operation, functions, and composition of the essential services committee; and to provide for minimum service determinations. To provide for Labour Court to order that suitable person be appointed to administer a trade union. To enable judges of the Labour Court to serve as a judge on the Labour Appeal Court. To further regulate enquiries by arbitrators; to provide greater protection for workers placed in temporary employment services. To regulate the employment of fixed-term contracts and part-time employees earning below the earnings threshold determined by the Minister. To further specify the liability for employer's obligations, and to substitute certain definitions, and to provide for matters connected therewith. 		
Employment Equity Act (No. 55 of 1998)	» To provide for employment equity; and to provide for matters incidental thereto.		
Promotion of Access to Information Act (No. 2 of 2000)	The purpose of this Act is to give effect to the constitutional right of access to any information held by the state, as well as information held by another person that is required for the exercise or protection of any right.		
Promotion of Administrative Justice Act (No. 3 of 2000)	The purpose of this Act is to give effect to the right to administrative action that is lawful, reasonable, and procedurally fair and to the right written reasons for administrative action as contemplated in Section 33 of the constitution of the Republic of South Africa, 1996 and to provide for matters incidental thereto.		

2 UPDATES TO INSTITUTIONAL POLICIES AND STRATEGIES

Key institutional policy and/or strategy developments that have a bearing on the work and operations of Seda have been considered in the development of this APP.

2.1. INSTITUTIONAL POLICIES AND STRATEGIES

The policy and strategy mandates informing the strategic posture and intent of Seda are summarised below.

Table 2: Institutional policies and strategies

Informing Policy or Strategy	Key Considerations	
National Development Plan, Vision, 2030 (2012)	 The National Development Plan (NDP) envision an economy that provides full employment by 2030 and is aimed at serving the needs of all South Africans. As such, the economy should be inclusive, grow faster, eliminate poverty, and reduce inequality. Seda plays a coordinating role in the implementation of Chapter 3 and 6 of the NDP, which respectively deal with the economy and unemployment, and inclusive rural development and growth. 	
Revised Medium-Term Strategic Framework 2019–2024 (MTSF) (October 2021)	Specific to the small enterprises sector, the October 2021 revision of the MTSF outlines the interventions aimed at giving effect to the following outcomes of Priority 2 - Economic Transformation and Job Creation.	
	Outcome: Reduced concentration and monopolies, and expanded small business sector: Facilitate the increase in number of competitive small businesses with a focus on township and rural economies. Strengthen development finance towards SMME and Cooperatives development. SMME development through incubation centres and digital hubs. Ensure inclusion of SMMEs in localisation and buy local campaigns. Explore the introduction of measures to support the establishment of new, youth-owned start-ups. Cross-cutting outcome: Increased economic participation, ownership, access to resources, opportunities and wage equality for women, young people, and persons with disabilities: Develop, implement, support, and monitor programmes for equitable job creation, representation and ownership by women, young people, and persons with disabilities. Expand government spend on women, young people, and persons with disabilities through preferential procurement. Programmes to expand access to finance, incentives and opportunities for women, young people, and persons with disabilities-led and owned businesses.	

Informing Policy or Strategy	Key Considerations		
Economic Reconstruction and Recovery Plan (ERRP) (2020)	In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, the ERRP seeks to create jobs primarily through aggressive infrastructure investment and mass employment programmes; reindustrialise the economy by focusing on growing small businesses; accelerate economic reforms to unlock investment and growth, fight crime and corruption, and improve the capability of the state.		
	A key enabler of the ERRP is strengthened support to SMMEs, Cooperatives, and start-ups: Reviewing and integrating government support for formal and informal SMMEs, start-ups, and Cooperatives, including removing red tape and reducing timeframes for relevant licenses and permits to improve the ease of doing business. Designing more appropriate financing products, such as microfinance, gap housing products and blended financing, including for emerging farmers. Support to SMMEs to participate in localisation opportunities		
National Integrated Small Enterprise Development (NISED) Strategic Framework (Final Draft, 10 May 2022)	The National Integrated Small Enterprise Development (NISED) Strategic Framework was published for consultation by the DSBD in Government Notice No. 2070, on 10 May 2022. A key focus of the NISED Strategic Framework is to align programme areas of work across different role-players in government and the private sector in order to coordinate and drive SMME growth and performance. In partnership with business, labour, and civil society, the NISED Masterplan presents a coordination tool and repository of the action steps to be taken by numerous actors by and within government and the whole of society.		
	The impact envisaged by NISED will be realised through four outcomes and 12 outputs, reflected in the strategy map below. "More SMMEs productively contributing to GDP with more people employed in SMMEs, contributing to a more equitable, inclusive, transformed and growing economy." Well informed SA on SMME inclusive, transformed and growing economy. Well informed SA on SMME inclusive, transformed and growing economy. Well informed SA on SMME inclusive, transformed and growing economy. Well informed SA on SMME inclusive, transformed and growing economy. Well informed SA on SMME inclusive, transformed and growing economy. Well informed SA on SMME inclusive, transformed and growing economy. Well informed SA on SMME inclusive, transformed and growing economy. Well informed SA on SMME inclusive, transformed and growing economy. Well informed SA on SMME included including the services and growing and environment included including the services and growing and environment included including growing and environment including growing including growing including including services and growing including growing g		

Informing Policy or Strategy	Key Considerations	
National Integrated Small Enterprise Development (NISED)	Seda's strategic outcomes are supportive of the NISED outcomes, with specific contributions from this APP to the following outputs:	
Strategic Framework (Final Draft, 10 May 2022) (continued)	 Regular publication of SMME growth and performance measures – The Seda SMME Quarterly Update report is produced and disseminated on a quarterly basis. 	
	 Strengthened ecosystem for support of SMMEs – Seda is the lead agency for coordinating the District Ecosystem Facilitation Model and has developed a game changer to build an ecosystem of support in collaboration with a broad range of public and private sector partners. Targeted sector support for underserviced communities – Seda's 	
	programmes are being aligned with the DDM, to ensure tailored support is provided at a district level.	
	Ensuring cost effective and accessible support for all SMMEs – Seda's programmes are accessed through an extensive branch and service access points network, and through supported incubation centres.	
	 Strengthened voice of SMMEs and coordinating support and investment Seda and sefa are strengthening their working relationship to ensure government's financial investment in SMMEs is supported with pre- and post-investment support and development. 	
National Annual Strategic Plan (NASP)	Adopted at the Cabinet Lekgotla in September 2021, the NASP has been introduced as a short-term national planning instrument for government as a whole. It aims to improve the implementation of the revised MTSF by translating the medium-term priorities into identified interventions and targets for a particular year ahead.	
	The NASP reflects the Small Business Development portfolio's (DSBD, Seda, and sefa together) role in interventions to support and integrate SMMEs, township, and rural enterprises in value chains and to provide access to markets. Through the current Township and Rural Entrepreneurship Programmes, the NASP reflects a target of 50 000 competitive small businesses and cooperatives supported per year.	
	Seda's contribution to these 50 000 targets is reflected in this APP, led by the two core business programmes.	
National Annual Budget Prioritisation Framework	The National Annual Budget Prioritisation Framework continues to build on the stabilisation, recovery and reconstruction efforts adopted through the ERRP in 2020/21, and which informs Seda's work and focus.	
	Budgets have not been prioritised for implementation of the five game changers of the Minister, thus limiting the extent to which Seda is able to implement its game changer programme.	
Africa Continental Free Trade Agreement (AfCFTA)	As a flagship project of AU Agenda 2063, South Africa is a part of the AfCFTA, which was effective from 1 January 2021.	
	Through its non-financial support and business development offerings, and its close working relations with sefa in supporting access to markets, the opportunities of AfCFTA will be leveraged.	

2.2. SEDA-SEFA COLLABORATION AND PENDING AMALGAMATION

To improve uptake on financial support programmes offered by **sefa**, Seda needs to strengthen its pre-investment support function. An aligned response is needed to facilitate and provide high-quality and bankable business plans, access to markets and industry accreditations, among other interventions, to SMMEs and Cooperatives. This collaboration will guarantee a consistent quality pipeline to **sefa**.

To enhance post-investment business support services to SMMEs and Cooperatives, **sefa** and Seda must implement a collaborative partnership that will result in relevant and structured mentorship, coaching, turnaround strategies, training and growth and expansion support to SMMEs and Cooperatives.

Cabinet resolution to amalgamate **sefa**, Seda and the CBDA has been taken to further enhance integration and collaboration to support of sustainable SMMEs and Cooperatives. However, it is understood that, until formal promulgation, each entity would still be required to produce and report against its own strategic and annual performance plans.

Irrespective of the timelines for the amalgamation, the emerging role delineation and focus of collaboration between **sefa** and Seda is as follows:

Table 3: Seda/sefa role delineation

	SEDA	SEFA
Pre-investment support	 Common funding template – Facilitate applications for funding through the common funding template (business plans). 	 Conduct financial, technical, and legal due diligence on funding applications (business plans) forwarded by Seda, approval and legal contracting.
	 Client assessment. Provide all business development support interventions. Compile quality applications that focus on sefa defined programmes, sectors, and target groups. 	
Post-investment (monitoring) support	For TREP and SMME relief: Assist sefa-funded clients with mentorship, coaching, and business performance diagnoses. Assess clients' operating requirements and provide industry and standards certification. Provide market access facilitation to sefa-funded clients for growth to distressed businesses; and Provide occupation and health, and technical training, to sefa-funded clients.	 sefa will focus on debtor management, including collections, rescheduling loan instalments, restructures, proactive portfolio management/monitoring, including analysis of management accounts, financial statements, stock, business operations, client visits, and advice duties. Seda reports from various service providers will be utilised to assist sefa to effectively monitor the existing investments. The turnaround reports, based on detailed diagnoses of distressed entities, will help sefa to effectively manage turnaround of the distressed entities and debt restructures. Access to market efforts by Seda helps to strengthen repayment capability of sefa clients. Additional markets bring income stability to sefa clients, thus improving business cashflows.
Funding programmes (TREP, YCF, etc.)	Pre-funding support (business registration, training and capacity building, business plan development).	Application due-diligence and adjudication, legal contracting, and disbursement.

	SEDA	SEFA	
Strategic partnerships (priority groups)	Provide business development support services to partners in the ecosystem, targeting, among others, entrepreneurs with disabilities, young entrepreneurs, and women entrepreneurs.	Provide funding support (access to finance) to SMMEs and Cooperatives, and to businesses that graduate from Seda's interventions.	
Marketing and business development	Joint marketing and outreach campaigns, co-locations in municipalities.		
Monitoring and evaluation, and research	An integrated Planning, Monitoring and Evaluation Framework, and strengthened SMME and Cooperatives sector research and knowledge hub. » Strategic partnerships with HEIs and research partners.		
Systems Shared information and application front-end, customer relationship management, business advisers' database, call centre (national SMME support line).			

2.3. SMALL BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT (SBD) SECTOR GAME CHANGERS AND BOARD PRIORITIES

The management and board strategic review and planning sessions that were held in preparation for the development of the revised 2023/24 APP focused on responding to the Minister's priorities and SBD sector game changer programme, and aligning the strategic focus areas of the board, through the development of seven Seda game changers (SGCs) and one cross-cutting business enabler.

The table below provides a summary of the SBD sector game changers that Seda intends to contribute to through its own aligned game changers once the proposed budget has been made available.

Table 4: SBD sector proposed game changers

SBD Game Changers	Targets	Proposed Funding (Over the MTEF)
GC1: New Economy Start-ups	 Immediate: 100 top technology and energy start-ups. MTEF: 1 500 high potential technology start-ups. 	 Little fiscal cost for the regulatory changes. Incentives to be fully costed.
GC2: Township and Rural Economic Development	 Immediate: 20 000 T&R enterprises through TREP. MTEF: 30 000 T&R enterprises through National T&R Economic Development Bill. 	» Additional R5 billion is required.
GC3: Refuelled Incubator/ Accelerator Programme	 Immediate: 23 incubators established through Seda. MTEF: 100 top incubators refuelled for scaling. 150 000 entrepreneurs benefitting. 	 An additional R1.5 billion is required to leverage R2 billion from the private sector funding. An additional R1.5 billion is required for the Youth Challenge Fund.
GC4: Recapitalised SMME Funding Package	 sefa direct lending: 36 000 jobs. MF programme: 297 000 jobs/ self-employed enterprises. KCG: 6 000 enterprises. Blended finance: 120 000 jobs/entrepreneurs. 	 * KCG: R10 billion is required to leverage R66 billion from the private sector. * Micro-finance intermediary programme – R3 billion capitalisation. * sefa direct lending: R7 billion capitalisation. * Blended finance programme: R4.4 billion capitalisation.
GC5: Supplier Development Partnership Programme	 MTEF: R10.8 billion for T&R infrastructure, equipment, WC, and access to technology. R2 billion leveraged for incubator/ accelerator refuelling. 300 000 T&R enterprises benefitting. 	» R1.5 billion matched funding instrument.

Part A I OUR MANDATE

In addition to, and complementing the above, the new Seda board identified the following strategic focus areas and priorities for the planning period:

Strategic Focus Area 1: Strategic Impact:

Marketing the organisation | Mobilisation of entrepreneurs | Provincial plans

Strategic Focus Area 2: Proposals to improve Seda's delivery model:

Segment client support | Catalytic projects | Market access opportunities | Organisational issues

Strategic Focus Area 3: Policy and Mandate Issues:

Lobbying | Amalgamation

A detailed and engaging process was undertaken by Seda management and the board in responding to the above priorities through the development of Seda Game Changers (SGCs). SGC's and alignment to the SBD Sector Game Changers and board strategic focus areas are shown in the table below.

Table 5: Seda Game Changers

SBD Game Changers And Board Strategic Focus Areas	SEDA Game Changer / Enabler
GC5: Supplier Development Partnership Programme	SGC1: Market Access and Supplier Development
Board: Delivery Model / Market access opportunities	Partnership Programme
Board: Delivery Model / Marketing the organisation and mobilisation of entrepreneurs	ENABLER: Marketing and Entrepreneurship Mobilisation
GC2: Township and Rural Economic Development	SGC2: Township and Rural Economic Development
GC4: Recapitalised SMME Funding Package	SGC3: Pre-investment and Post-investment
	Business Development and Support Programme
Board: Policy and Mandate Issues / Lobbying	SGC4: District Ecosystem Facilitation Programme
GC3: Refuelled Incubator/ Accelerator Programme	SGC5: Refuelled Incubator / Accelerator Programme
Board: Strategic impact / Provincial plans and Delivery Model / catalytic projects	SGC6: SMME Participation in Catalytic Projects Programme
Board: Organisational issues, cross-cutting	SGC 7: Smart Systems and Technology Programme

Each SGC plan includes a problem statement, key interventions, funding proposals, short- and medium-term priority actions, outputs for inclusion in either the revised APP or Annual Operation Plan, and key dependencies. The game changeroutputs will be included in the revised APP in line with the MTEF budget allocation. For the 2023/24 financial year, budgetshave not been allocated for the game changers and Seda has therefore had to hold back on implementing new outputs due to a lack of resources to do so. The Agency will, however, utilise existing resources to respond where possiblethrough existing APP outputs.

2.4. SEDA ALIGNMENT TO REVISED MTSF AND ERRP PRIORITIES

SEDA Impact Statement	SEDA Outcomes	REVISED 2019-2024 MTSF Priority			Alignment With ERRP Key Priorities					
		DSBD Outcomes	REVISED MTSF Intervention	REVISED MTSF Target	Priority Interventions		Strategic Objectives			
contributing	Improved SMME and Cooperatives growth through the development of competitive local products and services with access to local and international markets	Increased participation of SMMEs and Cooperatives in domestic and international markets	Ensure inclusion of SMMEs in localisation and buy local campaigns	Localisation policy framework and implementation programme on SMMEs and Cooperatives development adopted by March 2021/22	Industrialisation through localisation	» » »	Reduce the proportion of imported intermediate and finished goods Improve the efficiency of local producers Develop export competitive sectors that can expand the sales of South African made products on the continent and beyond	Programme 1: Enterprise Development Programme Programme 2: Technology Programme		
				Implement the SMME-focused localisation policy and ensure 100% compliance by public sector in procuring 1 000 designated local products and services from SMMEs by 31 March 2024 10 000 youth small businesses and Cooperatives supported by 2024	Gender equality and economic inclusion of women and young people		SMMEs, especially those run by young people, women, and persons with disabilities will play a significant role in the delivery of the infrastructure necessary to catalyse economic recovery and reconstruction Young people, women, and persons with disabilities will be encouraged and supported to form cooperatives in key economic sectors, such as retail, agriculture and agro processing, financial services cooperative financial institutions), manufacturing and infrastructure development			

SEDA Impact Statement	SEDA Outcomes	REVISED 2019-2024 MTSF Priority			SEDA Programme			
		DSBD Outcomes	REVISED MTSF Intervention	REVISED MTSF Target	Priority Interventions	Strategic Objectives		
Competitive, innovative, and sustainable SMMEs and Cooperatives creating jobs and contributing to inclusive economic growth (continued)	Improved competitiveness and innovation of SMME and Cooperatives through the facilitation of enterprise development ecosystem focusing on targeted sectors	Increased contribution of SMMEs and Cooperatives in priority sectors			Support for SMMEs, Cooperatives and start-ups	 Reviewing and integrating government support for formal and informal SMMEs, start-ups, and Cooperatives, including removing red tape and reducing timeframes for relevant licenses and permits to improve the ease of doing business Designing more appropriate financing products, such as microfinance, gap housing products, and blended financing to include emerging farmers The support to SMMEs to participate in the localisation opportunities 	Programme 1: Enterprise Development Programme Programme 2: Technology Programme Programme 3: Impact and Sustainability Programme	
(continued)	Promote entrepreneurship and provide targeted support to rural and township based SMME and Cooperatives to be competitive and create decent jobs	Scaled- up and coordinated support for SMMEs and Cooperatives in village and township economies	Facilitate the increase in number of competitive small businesses with focus on township and rural areas	100 000 competitive small businesses and Cooperatives supported by 2024	Green economy interventions	Support for SMMEs and Cooperatives to take advantage of opportunities in the Green Economy Support for small grower farmers through public private partnerships in forestry, including state plantations	Programme 1: Enterprise Development Programme Programme 2: Technology Programme	
				100 incubation centres and digital hubs established	SMME development through incubation centres and digital hubs	Increase the sustainability of SMMEs and Cooperatives through structured incubation programme	Programme 2: Technology Programme	

3. <u>UPDATES TO RELEVANT COURT RULINGS</u>



OUR STRATEGIC FOCUS

Part B_I our strategic focus

In giving effect to the legislative and policy mandate outlined in Part A, the 2020-2025 Strategic Plan articulates the Small Enterprise Development Agency's strategic focus – its vision, mission, and institutional values – as follows:

Vision

To make a difference in SMMEs' lives everyday

Mission

To promote entrepreneurship and facilitate the development of small enterprises by providing customised business support services that result in business growth and sustainability in collaboration with other role players in the ecosystem

Value	Description
Nurture	We create a nurturing environment by partnering with our clients and employees in the way in which we care and support them
Innovation	We foster innovative ideas and solutions in order to deliver exceptional customer service
Customer-centricity	We place customer service excellence at the centre of everything we do
Responsible conduct	We behave with integrity in all our actions, always acting in the best interest of Seda and its stakeholders

1. UPDATED SITUATIONAL ANALYSIS

Seda executes its mandate, and seeks to achieve its strategic intent, in a complex environment, impacted by global, regional, and subnational events. In turn, the organisation requires the correct institutional environment to enable delivery of its strategic intent.

1.1. EXTERNAL ENVIRONMENT ANALYSIS

1.1.1. Global Economic Outlook

The current global economic environment is characterised by low growth, high inflation, and rising interest rates.

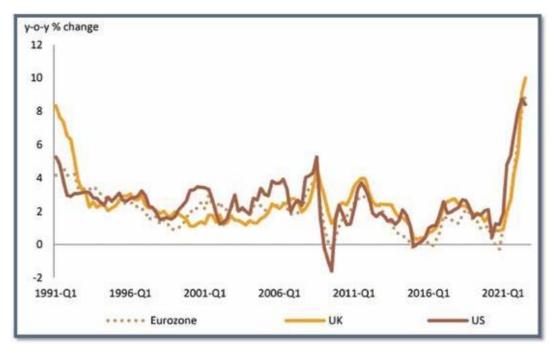
After widespread COVID-19 lockdowns plunged the world economy into the deepest recession since World War II, there was hope that 2022 would see a gradual but steady recovery. However, on 24 February, just before the financial year began, a long-simmering conflict between the Russian Federation and Ukraine escalated into an invasion of the latter by the former, further destabilising an already fragile global economy as the two countries are important sources of agricultural and energy commodities.

Global inflation increased unexpectedly rapidly, driven largely by higher food and energy prices, as well as lingering imbalances in supply and demand, and significant money market interventions undertaken by the USA and European central banks during the pandemic.

As inflation reached multidecade highs, well above the targets set by central banks, over forty nations around the globe began aggressively raising policy interest rates. This has and will erode already downgraded growth prospects for 2022 and beyond.

As Russia supplied a large percentage of Europe's (and particularly Germany's) natural gas, energy costs skyrocketed across the region, with the knock-on effects resulting in a cost-of-living crisis. The Eurozone is a key South African trading partner and source of tourists, and a slowdown there will undoubtedly have a negative impact on South Africa's bottom line. The UK seems to be in particular trouble, with an inflation rate higher than that of other G7 countries.

The USA economy, the world's largest, fell into a technical recession in the second quarter of 2022 (two concurrent quarters of negative growth). However, the labour market seems robust, and the Fed has committed to lowering inflation through as much money tightening as might be necessary.



Source: DataStream, Seda SMME Quarterly Update, 1st Quarter 2022

Figure 1: Inflation rates in the USA, UK, and Eurozone

China is the world's second largest economy and has a significant influence on overall global growth prospects. Instability in the Chinese property sector, as well as ongoing 'zero-COVID-19' lockdowns in large cities and significant production hubs in the country, have adversely affected the country's 2022 growth. China is a key consumer of commodities, and the giant's slowdown is also likely to have a negative impact on South Africa's growth.

The World Bank expects inflation to peak in mid-2022, but levels will remain high for some time, necessitating continued hikes in interest rates¹. Global growth, which has trended downwards since the beginning of 2022, is expected to remain subdued for the remainder of the decade. The International Monetary Fund (IMF) baseline forecast is for global growth to slow from 6.1% in 2021, to 3.2% in 2022, and 2.9% in 2023². The World Bank's forecasts follow a similar pattern, 5.7% in 2021 followed by 3% in both 2022 and 2023.

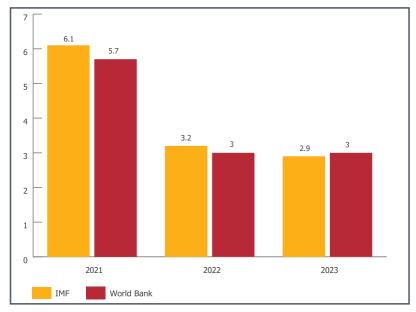


Figure 2: Global Gross Domestic Product (GDP) projections from IMF and World Bank

¹ World Bank. 2022. Global Economic Prospects, June 2022. Washington, DC: World Bank. doi: 10.1596/978-1-4648-1843-1. License: Creative Commons Attribution CC BY 3.0 IGO

² IMF World Economic Outlook, July 2022 Update

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The world economy is facing what could be a lengthy period of stagflation, where inflation and unemployment are high, and growth is low. This presents a challenge for governments because interventions designed to curtail inflation may well exacerbate unemployment, and policies designed to lower unemployment may send inflation higher. Fears of a full-blown global recession are mounting.

1.1.2. South African Socio-economic Outlook

Like the rest of the world, South Africa finds itself in a period of low growth, high inflation, and rising interest rates. The country faces the additional challenge of excessively high unemployment. The fiscus will inevitably continue to tighten, and government will have to reduce spending and increase revenue wherever possible.

Growth

The IMF's downwardly revised forecast for South African GDP growth during 2022 was 2.3%, slipping down to just 1.4% in 2023. The World Bank predicted 2.1% in 2022, and 1.5% for the 2023 financial year. Even National Treasury is uncharacteristically pessimistic in its outlook, forecasting real economic growth in the country of just 1.8% in 2022, 1.6% in 2023, and 1.7% in 2024. The University of Stellenbosch's Bureau of Economic Research (BER) forecasts real GDP growth for 2022 of around 1.9%.

GDP contracted by 0.7% in the second quarter of 2022 from the 1.7% expansion in the first quarter. On an annualised basis, real GDP grew by 1.6% in the first half of 2022. The primary and secondary sectors were negatively affected by prolonged industrial action in the mining sector, severe flooding in KwaZulu-Natal during April, and extensive load shedding throughout the quarter. Sustained high input cost pressures were another constraint.

The primary industry slipped into a technical recession as value add in both the agricultural and mining sectors declined for a second consecutive quarter. Construction posted a fifth consecutive quarterly decline. Gross domestic expenditure slowed, and growth in import volumes outpaced any rise in exports³.

A worsening global economic outlook poses a notable risk to the country's GDP growth in the second half of 2022 into 2023, and load shedding threatens to make a bad situation worse. Current levels of growth are well below those needed to achieve any of the country's significant economic development and unemployment reduction goals. Raising interest rates to tame inflation risks tightening the job market even further.

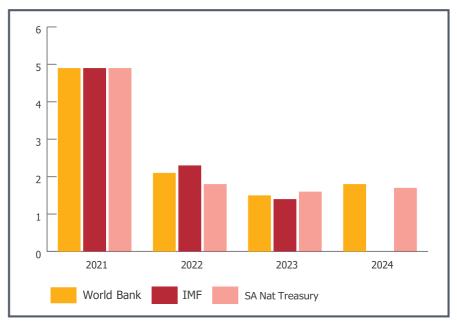


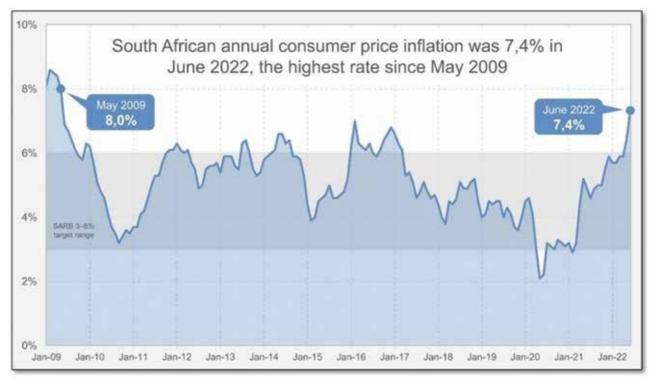
Figure 3: South African GDP growth forecasts

³ Seda SMME Quarterly Update, 1st Quarter 2022

Inflation

Headline inflation reached 7.4% in June 2022, its highest level in 13 years. The target range is 3-6%. The upper limit has been breached for months, and indications are that it may take a while to bring back down. The South African Reserve Bank has responded to the inflationary pressure by raising interest rates but has other tools of intervention at its disposal.

The policy rate has been raised four times during the current hiking cycle, with further increases likely to be necessary to bring inflation back within target, particularly as Reserve Bank governor Lesetja Kganyago believes that the rate needs to be dropped all the way back to 3%.



Source: Stats SA, Consumer Price Index, June 2022

Figure 4: South African consumer price inflation, 2009 to 2022

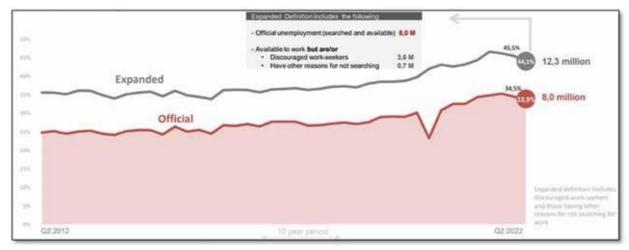
Unemployment

South Africa's unemployment problem is not a new phenomenon or a consequence of COVID-19, but a systemic and steadily worsening feature of the country's economy. Looking at the graph below, none of the many job programmes or policy interventions over the past decade can be said to have been effective, as success would have meant a downward trend in the number of people in the country unable to find work. Economic growth and job creation are not keeping track with the country's population growth, and the political promise of decent work for all remains very much unfulfilled.

The official unemployment rate decreased by 0.6% from 34.5% to 33.9% between Q1 and Q2 of 2022. The expanded definition of unemployment (which includes discouraged work seekers and those who have other reasons for not trying to find work) also decreased by 1.4% to 44.1%. Despite the improvement these figures remain unsustainably high, particularly among young people. Young people aged 15-24 years and 25-34 again recorded the highest unemployment rates of 61.4% and 41.2% respectively⁴.

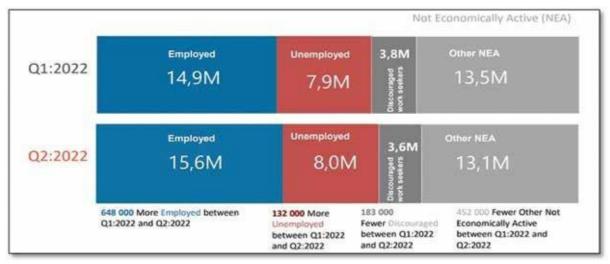
⁴ Stats SA, Quarterly Labour Force Survey (QLFS) – Q2:2022

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Source: Stats SA, Quarterly Labour Force Survey (QLFS), Q2:2022

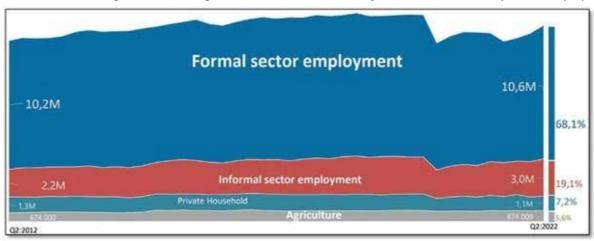
Figure 5: Expanded vs official unemployment rate over last ten years



Source: Stats SA, Quarterly Labour Force Survey (QLFS), Q2:2022

Figure 6: South African employment 2022 Q1 and Q2

68.1% of those who are employed, or 10.6 million people, work in the formal sector, and 19.1%, or around 3 million people, have found informal employment. 1.1 million people, or 7.2% of all those employed, work for private households. Under a million work in agriculture. The agricultural sector accounts for just 5.6% of the country's total employment.



Source: Stats SA, Quarterly Labour Force Survey (QLFS), Q2:2022

Figure 7: Employment by sector, 2012 Q2 to 2022 Q2

1.1.3. The SMME Landscape in South Africa

Note:

The SMME survey results quoted in the section below were extracted by Seda from the 2022 Q1 Quarterly Labour Force Survey (QLFS) conducted by Stats SA. Figures quoted may be influenced by the fact that, due to lockdown restrictions in 2020 and 2021, Stats SA had to switch to telephonic interviews instead of their usual in-person method. This affected response rate, which fell to just 44.6% in 2021 Q4.

A smaller sample means that the results are less accurate. In the first quarter of 2022, lockdown regulations eased, allowing Stats SA to revert to their in-person method and the response rate rebounded to 64.7%. This means that figures from this period likely provide a more accurate picture of the labour market than those collected during the pandemic compromised period, and quarter to quarter growth figures may be somewhat skewed.

South African SMMEs were already contending with a contracting economy when additional shocks from COVID-19 put further pressure on their operations. Lockdown measures caused revenues in many SMMEs to fall precipitously, and the majority of owners reported that they were being forced to cut back on business spending to survive. The worst affected sectors were the best performing in the past: services, tourism, hospitality, and retail sectors.

In spite of this, as seen in the table below, the number of SMMEs in the country rose by 135 453 from 2021 Q1 to a total of 2 460 656 million in 2022 Q1. Nationally, 70% of all SMMEs operate in the informal sector, with just 26% formally registered. This has important implications for the total number of people employed by SMMEs, as 64% of SMMEs in the formal sector employ people, compared to only 21% of SMMEs in the informal sector. Overall, only a third of SMME owners employ other people, and the remainder are own account workers.

The number of SMMEs that employ other people actually dropped by just under 40 000 between 2021 Q1 and 2022 Q2, which means that the recovery in SMME numbers was solely driven by own account workers in the informal sector⁵.

Table 6: Number of SMMEs

Indicator	2021 Q1		2021 Q4		2022	Q1	Quarterly Change		Yearly Change	
	Number	Distrib.	Number	Distrib.	Number	Distrib.	Distrib.	%	Distrib.	%
Employer	869 036	5.7%	863 173	5.9%	830 143	5.5%	-33 030	-3.8%	-38 893	-4.5%
Own account worker	1 456 167	9.6%	1 589 560	10.8%	1 630 513	10.8%	40 953	2.6%	174 346	12.0%
SMME owners	2 325 203	15.3%	2 452 733	16.6%	2 460 656	16.3%	7 923	0.3%	135 453	5.8%
Working for someone	12 736 240	83.9%	12 143 111	82.4%	12 511 819	82.9%	368 708	3.0%	-224 421	-1.8%
Helping in household business	114 245	0.8%	143 968	1.0%	111 621	0.7%	-32 347	-22.5%	-2 624	-2.3%
Total employed	15 175 688	100.0%	14 739 812	100.0%	15 084 096	100.0%	344 284	2.3%	-91 592	-0.6%

⁵ Seda SMME Quarterly Update, 1st Quarter 2022

Enterprise age of SMMEs

More entrepreneurs started their own micro businesses in the first quarter of 2022 compared to the same time in 2021, a period when the COVID-19 impact was still substantial, resulting in an increase of 27% in the number of new SMMEs (0-1 years old) in the country. There was a 12% decline in enterprises in operation for 20 years in 2022 Q1, but the change in sample size could partly be responsible for this.

The average enterprise age declined from 11.1 years to 10.5 years over the same period. There was also a significant increase in SMMEs up to 20 years of age, indicating that entrepreneurs may have persisted with their businesses due to there being fewer job opportunities elsewhere.

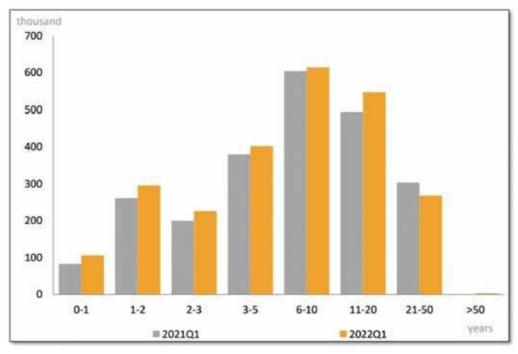


Figure 8: Enterprise age of SMMEs

SMMEs by formal and informal sector

At 26% in 2022 Q1, the number of formal SMMEs has dropped to the lowest level in the current survey series, which started in 2008, 14 years ago. The amount of SMMEs operating in the informal sector jumped to 70%.

64% of SMME owners in the formal sector employ other people, while only 21% in the informal sector do so. Of all SMME owners, 34% employ other people and 66% are own account workers.

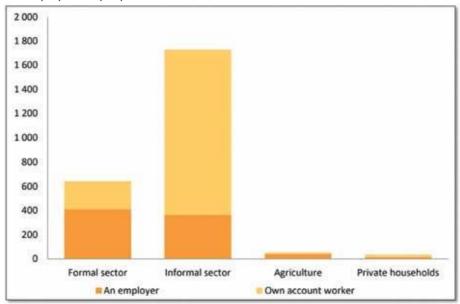


Figure 9: Formal vs Informal SMMEs, 2022 Q1

Employment provided by SMMEs

It seems that the figures around the number of people employed by SMMEs may have been affected by the survey sampling changes mentioned at the beginning of this section. According to the latest survey SMMEs provided 5.43 million jobs to others in the first quarter of 2022, which is 1.56 million fewer than in the quarter before. At the same time, 1.93 million additional jobs were counted at large enterprises. It is possible that many formal enterprises, which were previously counted as owner-owned are now classified under a corporate structure or board managed, and therefore fall away from the proxy count. For example, the latest survey counted just below 11 000 enterprises with 50 or more employees, compared to more than 35 000 the previous quarter, impacting significantly on the derived number of jobs provided⁶.

Table 7: Employment provided by SMMEs, 2022 Q1

	2021 Q1		2021 Q4		2022	Q1	Quarterly	Change	Yearly Change	
	Number	Distrib.	Number	Distrib.	Number	Distrib.	Distrib.	%	Distrib.	%
Formal sector	5 081 610	52.1%	5 269 424	55.8 %	3 757 122	47.6 %	-1 512 301	-28.7 %	-1 324 487	-26.1 %
Informal sector	1 226 738	12.6 %	843 111	8.9 %	1 398 263	17.7 %	555 152	65.8 %	171 525	14.0 %
Agriculture	1 107 846	11.4 %	863 788	9.1 %	258 280	3.3 %	-605 508	70.1 %	-849 566	-76.7 %
Provided to others	15 890	0.2 %	13 670	0.1 %	13 355	0.2 %	-315	-2.3 %	-2 535	-16.0 %
Provided to others	7 432 084	76.2 %	6 989 993	74.0 %	5 427 021	68.8 %	-1 562 973	-22.4 %	-2 005 063	-27.0%
% Female*		38.3 %		36.7 %		36.6 %		0.1 % pts		-1.8 % pts
Employer	869 036	8.9%	863 173	9.1%	830 143	10.5%	-33 030	3.8%	-38 893	-4.5%
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Total	9 575 287	100.0%	9 442 727	100.0%	7 887 676	100.0%	-1 555 050	-16.5%	-1 869 610	-19.2%

Source: QLFS of Stats SA

^{*} of all people working for private enterprises, of which 84% worked for SMMEs over the last 5 years

⁵ Seda SMME Quarterly Update, 1st Quarter 2022

SMMEs by province

In the first quarter of 2022, almost 37% of SMMEs in the country operated in Gauteng, up from 34% a year before. Over the same period, KwaZulu-Natal and the Eastern Cape registered fewer SMMEs.

The largest proportional increase was in the North West province, where 32% more SMMEs were reported as operating than in the year before. There is no evidence that this increase was due to multiple business opportunities opening up in the province as economic growth in the North West was estimated at half the national average during this period. It is therefore more likely that the dire economic conditions prompted more unemployed people to open businessess out of desperation. A similar situation seems to have been at play in the Northern Cape.

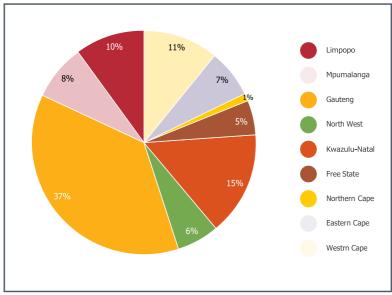


Figure 10: SMMEs by province

SMMEs by province and formal/informal sector

When looking at the provincial data, Gauteng, North West and the Northern Cape all saw a significant decline in the number of formally registered SMMEs between 2021 Q1 and 2022 Q1. In contrast, the formal proportion of small businesses in the Free State nearly doubled from 14% to 25%.

The Western Cape stands out by having more than half of its SMMEs operating in the formal sector. On the other end of the scale, in Limpopo and North West more than eight out of ten SMMEs operate in the informal sector. The North West saw the biggest percentage drop of formally registered SMMEs in the country.

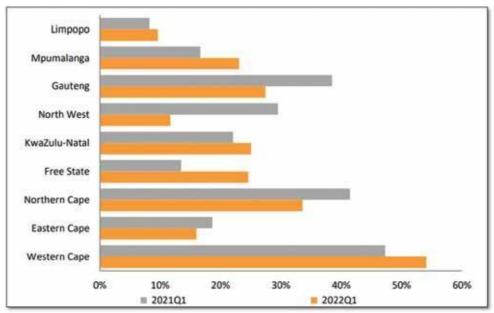


Figure 11: Formal sector SMMEs by province

SMMEs by industry

There was an increase in SMMEs operating in the services sector of the economy over the last year, in line with the long-term trend, especially in transport and communication. Many informal businesses are found in the trade and accommodation sector, with street vending, online or craft selling, and informal spaza shops providing a path into trading. Accommodation is another area of business frequently not formalised.

The higher number of SMMEs counted in the mining sector is noteworthy, as most mining ventures require significant capital investment, which is usually an insurmountable obstacle for small entrepreneurs. It could be that illegal and informal miners were included in the survey sample for the first time.

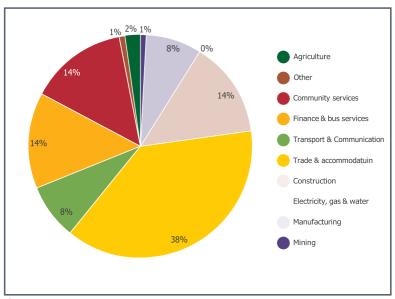


Figure 12: SMMEs by industry, 2022 Q1

SMMEs by industry and province

Provinces with high concentrations of SMMEs in the trade and accommodation sector tend to have higher ratios of informal businesses as the sector has relatively low barriers to entry, and entrepreneurs operating micro enterprises may feel the business does not warrant registering.

The Western Cape, where more than half of the province's SMMEs operate formally, has a relatively small trade and accommodation sector, and in contrast to other provinces, a large concentration of finance and business services SMMEs. Mpumalanga has the largest percentage of SMMEs in the community sector.

Gauteng is the only province with SMMEs operating in the mining sector, and as previously mentioned, they may be illegal as well as informal. The Northern Cape has a large proportion of SMMEs in the agricultural sector, which differentiates it from other provinces.

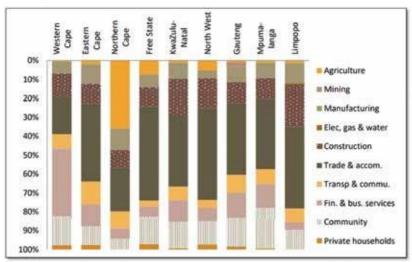


Figure 13: SMMEs by industry and province

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SMME owners by age

Unemployed and desperate young people are starting their own businesses in order to survive. There was a 112% surge in the number of 20- to 24-year-olds who started their own micro enterprise between 2021 Q1 and 2022 Q1. The increase correlates with the high unemployment rate among young people and the increase of SMMEs in the informal sector. Businesses owned by 25- to 29-year-olds increased by just over 29% as well, although businesses owned by the upper band of those considered young people, 30- to 34-year-olds, declined by 7% over the year. 15- to 19-year-olds starting businesses had the biggest gains in percentage terms: 264.2% growth. Businesses owned by this age group rose from 2 794 in 2021 Q1, to 7 382 in 2022 Q1.

The number of SMME owners older than 60 years declined by 29% over the same period. Despite the significant movements at either end of the age scale, most SMME owners remain in the 40- to 44-years-old age band.

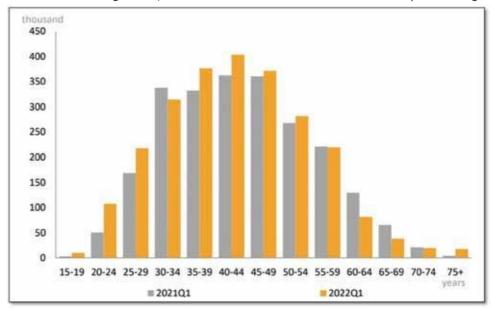


Figure 14: SMME owners by age

SMMEs by population group

The number of White-owned SMMEs plummeted by almost 20% in the first quarter of 2022, while increases were counted among the other racial groups. Of particular note is the increase of over 28% in the number of Indian-owned SMMEs compared to a year earlier. The number of small businesses owned by Coloured people declined by 8% year on year. The number of Black-owned small businesses increased by 8.3%.

Table 8: SMMEs by population group

RACE	2021 Q1		2021 Q4		2022	Q1	Quarterly Change		Yearly Change	
	Number	Distrib.	Number	Distrib.	Number	Distrib.	Distrib.	%	Distrib.	%
Indian/ Asian	90 639	3.9%	91 191	3.7%	116 406	4.7%	25 215	27.7%	25 797	28.4%
Coloured	101 396	4.4%	86 642	3.5%	93 316	3.8%	6 854	7.9%	-8 080	-8.0%
White	445 451	19.2%	524 591	21.4%	422 469	17.2%	-102 122	-19.5%	-22 982	-5.2%
Black	1 687 718	72.6%	1 750 488	71.4%	1 828 465	74.3%	77 977	4.5%	140 748	8.3%
Total	2 325 203	100.0%	2 452 733	100.0%	2 460 656	100.0%	7 923	0.3%	135 453	5.8%

Once again, the change in survey methodology may account for some of the movements in this category rather than actual changes in the underlying demographic profile.

SMME owners by educational attainment

The number of SMME owners who competed secondary school increased by 16% year on year, and the group now accounts for 31.2% of all SMMEs. Those who have not completed secondary school are still the largest cohort with a third of all SMMEs. Businesses formed by people with no schooling rose by 22.8% year on year, but the number of business owners who had not completed primary school dropped by nearly 17%. The number of SMMEs owned by people who completed primary school rose by 24.2% year on year, from 92 901 to 115 420.

Table 9: SMME owners by educational attainment

Schooling	2021	2021 Q1		2021 Q4		Q1	Quarterly Change		Yearly Change	
	Number	Distrib.	Number	Distrib.	Number	Distrib.	Distrib.	%	Distrib.	%
No schooling	42 296	1.8%	42 292	1.7%	51 961	2.1%	9 669	22.9%	9 664	22.8%
Less than primary completed	176 054	7.6%	192 309	7.8%	146 397	5.9%	-45 912	-23.9%	-29 657	-16.8%
Primary completed	92 901	4.0%	90 847	3.7%	115 420	4.7%	24 573	27.0%	22 519	24.2%
Secondary not completed	803 749	34.6%	761 761	31.1%	818 450	33.3%	56 689	7.4%	14 700	1.8%
Secondary completed	661 018	28.4%	799 656	32.6%	766 577	31.2%	-33 079	-4.1%	105 559	16.0%
Tertiary	524 660	22.6%	545 362	22.2%	535 658	21.6%	-12 704	-2.3%	7 998	1.5%
Other	24 524	1.1%	20 506	0.8%	29 194	1.2%	8 688	42.4%	4 670	19.0%
Total	2 325 203	100.0%	2 452 733	100.0%	2 460 656	100.0%	7 923	0.3%	135 453	5.8%

Businesses owned by those with a tertiary education contracted by 1.5%. Those with the educational attainment of 'other' grew by 19% but were still small, accounting for just 1.2% of SMME owners in the country.



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SMMEs by occupation

Nearly a quarter of all SMME owners operated in elementary occupations during the first quarter of 2022, just slightly more than a year earlier. The share of technical and associate professionals increased from 5.6% to 8.1%. Managers, however, saw around 12% decline in numbers, as did skilled agricultural and fishery workers.

Craft and related trades workers increased by 8.6%, and there were an additional $26\,905$ plant and machine operators added year on year. There was a slight drop in the number of service, shop, and market workers despite the increase of SMMEs in the trade and accommodation industry⁷.

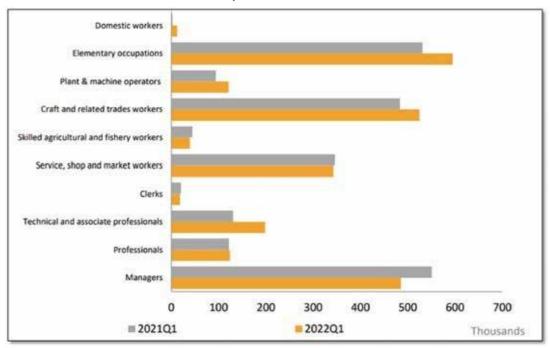


Figure 15: SMME owners by age

1.1.4. Growth Areas for Small Enterprises

The Seda Quarterly Review, 2022 Q1, has identified three priority sectors as potential growth areas for SMMEs namely: manufacturing, information communication technology (ICT), and tourism and hospitality.

Manufacturing

Manufacturing business confidence is well below the long-term average. According to the latest Absa Manufacturing Survey, seven out of ten respondents were unsatisfied with prevailing business conditions. Whilst this survey is conducted among larger businesses in the formal sector, SMMEs are likely to encounter similar challenges.

The intense load shedding in 2022, which is likely to continue for an undetermined period, has an obviously deleterious effect on manufacturing at almost any scale. The fact that there is no obvious end in sight is eroding confidence in the sector. Floods in KwaZulu-Natal in April shut down the Toyota factory and interrupted other manufacturing operations, negatively affecting the sector's performance in Q2 and 3. The prolonged strike in the gold mining sector may have also negatively impacted the affiliated manufacturing subsectors in Q2.

The temporary closure of the N3 highway between Durban and Johannesburg and the closure of the Durban port hurt both exporters and importers. South Africa's other ports, instead of picking up the slack, added to supply chain challenges, deepened business constraints, and exacerbated sustained high input cost pressures.

⁷ Seda SMME Quarterly Update, 1st Quarter 2022

The current global economic circumstances create tough trading conditions all round. Manufacturers need more certainty on the strength of demand for the products they are producing before they can move forward with confidence. Sharply rising production costs and dubious demand mean that producers cannot be confident about turnover expectations or profit margins. The shortage of raw materials, again due in part to inefficiencies in the country's port and transport infrastructure, remains a key constraint for many businesses. In addition to all these headwinds, the rising policy interest rate is a growing concern for manufacturers.

Despite the bad news, nominal turnover of Small and Medium-sized Enterprises (SMEs) in the sector was 15% higher year on year. Inflation averaged at 5.8% over the period, meaning the sector managed solid growth, with large enterprises managing a 10% growth in turnover. Due to higher growth of SME turnover relative to that of large enterprises, the share that SMEs contributed to turnover of all enterprises rose to 38.7%, the highest level since 2009 when the average prime interest rate was 14.3% compared to the 9%8 during the reporting period.

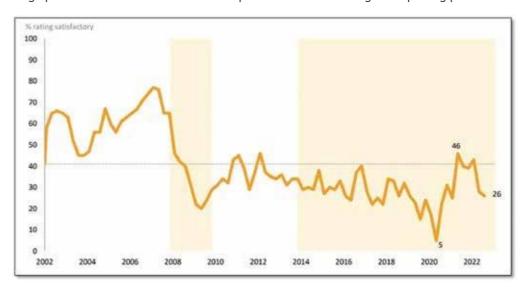


Figure 16: Manufacturing business confidence

ICT

Globally the performance of the ICT sector has returned to pre-pandemic levels, but as with general economic performance, South Africa's recovery is lagging. Revenue growth in the IT and telecoms space in the country was just below 4%, when globally the sector has seen an expansion of 5-6%, according to India based technology research college BMIT.

A positive for the sector was the eventual auction of the high frequency radio spectrum by ICASA in March 2022. The delayed release of the much-needed extra bandwidth was constraining expansion of ICT services in the country. The release of the additional frequencies should facilitate the absorption of new technologies and open opportunities for new business services and revenue streams, creating space for smaller, niche businesses in the sector. The move should also bring down the cost of access, but this remains to be seen.

The lockdowns in 2020 and 2021 sparked certain broad societal behavioural changes. Remote working and telecommuting accelerated significantly, and online shopping received a tremendous boost. According to FNB Merchant Services, the value of the local e-commerce market is estimated at just under R200 billion per annum. E-commerce penetration rates are expected to continue to rise as more of the population gains access to the internet and customers are enticed by the convenience of being able to shop from wherever they are.

The e-commerce option does create some challenges for traders. In a traditional shop a customer visits a physical location and walks away with an item paid for in cash or with a card or a secure mobile phone application. With an online shop, the item purchased must be delivered from wherever it is stored to the customer's physical location, and a secure method of payment must be available. Returns of goods purchased presents its own set of challenges.

⁸ Seda SMME Quarterly Update, 1st Quarter 2022

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Many large online market platforms now take care of all the logistics surrounding selling an item online for third party sellers. They provide the 'shop front' needed to have the product seen by customers, secure payment options, delivery and returns, warehousing, sometimes even marketing and inventory management, all for a fee, of course. This provides small importers, agents, and manufacturers with a simple and convenient way to access new online markets without having to build logistical capacity.

As a spin off, whether it's high-end electronics or daily groceries, all product-based e-commerce relies on physical deliveries, which creates demand for more delivery drivers.

Automation, digital transformation, and e-commerce provides businesses with opportunities to reduce operational costs, enhance customer service, and improve competitiveness. Technology incubators and accelerator programmes can assist South African entrepreneurs, and particularly young entrepreneurs, to create new and innovative applications and digitally based or assisted businesses⁹.

Tourism and Hospitality

Tourism is a significant part of the South African economy, contributing just under 4% to the GDP, which is more than agriculture, utilities, or construction. Perhaps more important in the local context is that the sector is fairly labour intensive and provides many opportunities for lower skilled workers. Another important feature of the sector is that it is not geographically centred in the main economic hubs like Cape Town and Johannesburg and provides work opportunities in all corners of the country.

Additionally, unlike many sectors of the local economy, it is not completely dominated by very large corporate players, and barriers to entry are not prohibitively high. Websites like Airbnb and Lekkeslaap provide opportunities for independent and small-scale accommodation provision. One of the more revolutionary applications of the internet is connecting people with similar, sometimes very niche interests. This allows entrepreneurs to establish small, easy to set up travel businesses appealing to niche interests.

For example, a company could package tours for dance music enthusiasts who like to travel to music festivals and nightclubs around the world. Another entrepreneur could focus on 'dark tourism' for people with an interest in visiting places where wars, conflict or crime took place, facilitating visits to battlegrounds, memorials or the homes and birthplaces of famous killers or criminals. Although a little controversial, poverty tourism provides opportunities to uplift impoverished areas whilst increasing global awareness of the plight of the poor and promoting social justice. South Africa contains a diverse range of people and places besides safaris and beach holidays that could be exploited by smaller operators.

Another niche group growing in prominence is the 'digital nomad', a person whose business is entirely online, enabling them to work from anywhere in the world if they have power to charge their laptop and a reliable internet connection. This group highlights the necessity of reliable power supply and availability of fast, affordable internet across the country.

It is believed that there is significant pent-up demand for global travel post COVID-19 restrictions, supported by low rates of unemployment and high levels of accumulated savings in some of South Africa's more robust tourist supplying markets, and although the sector has not yet recovered to pre-pandemic levels, there are encouraging signs of progress in that direction. Resumptions of direct flights to South Africa from the USA, UK, and Eurozone cities should increase tourist inflows to the country. South Africa's SMMEs need to be ready to exploit the opportunity.

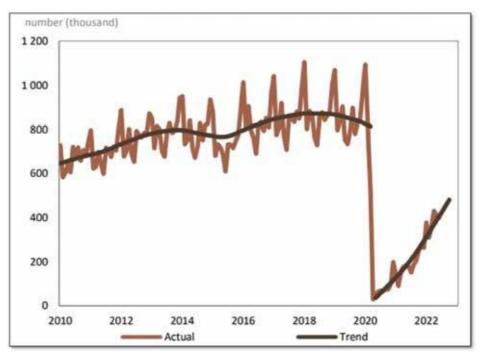


Figure 17: Overnight tourists to South Africa

Load shedding

Small businesses are at the heart of South Africa's economy as they provide employment to majority of South Africa's population and three to four hours per day without electricity has major financial implications on these businesses. Small businesses are faced with loss of profits during load shedding because in most cases they require electricity to function and run their businesses. A loss of profits is as a result of loss of production, where employees are essentially not working during periods of load shedding. The loss of productivity due to load shedding runs into billions of rands. It should be noted that not all small businesses have the privilege of alternate power supply. Not only do businesses loose production and profits, but they also have no access to Wi-Fi which relies on electricity and when businesses are not able to connect to the network, they may miss important information or not have the ability to send out quotations, invoices, etc.

Load shedding also affects traffic lights – this can potentially result in missed meetings, arriving late at work or deliveries delaying and goods not arriving on time. Although load shedding schedules are provided and businesses may try to plan accordingly and seek to incorporate the schedule times in their business operations, this is not a sustainable long-term solution. There's the cost of downtime, the cost of business disruption – up to three times daily, and many businesses are at high risk with their equipment, so maintenance costs also escalate, he said.

The silent costs of load shedding to the economy

There is no way to quantify the damage done by load shedding, because the numbers and models simply cannot estimate what could have been, had load shedding not existed or had it been dealt with expeditiously. Some of these 'silent' costs to the economy include:

- » Tens of thousands of jobs are lost as a direct result of load shedding.
- » Hundreds of thousands of jobs could have been created had load shedding not happened.
- » South Africa's reputation is damaged globally.
- » A loss of confidence by the citizens in the government.
- » The loss of skills and expertise due to emigration.

Global consultancy firm PwC estimates that South Africa's economy could have grown by as much as 7% in 2022 had there been a reliable electricity supply. This means that power cuts cost South African economy around five percentage points in lost GDP.

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DSBD portfolio response to load shedding

The DBSD is working on an energy relief package for SMMEs with stakeholders to alleviate the devastating impact of load shedding on small businesses. SMMEs are particularly hit hard by continued power outages asmany cannot afford alternative power sources such as generators. Seda and **sefa** are collaborating with different stakeholders within and outside government on an energy relief package. The envisaged relief packages will entail providing small businesses with some sort of technology to mitigate outages like inverters and batteries. The solution for medium businesses will also include providing them with generators that can sustain businesses when power is not available, more especially manufacturing businesses.

1.1.5. Key Challenges Facing South African SMMEs

SMMEs in South Africa face distinct challenges in navigating the current economic conditions, including the following:

1. Limited access to low and medium cost funding is constraining business growth

Only 6% of SMMEs surveyed received government funding and only 9% had sourced funding from private sources. Most private equity funding has been focused on mature businesses with around 90% of funding going to businesses that are more than five years old.

Even when funding is available, low awareness of opportunities and a lack of financial knowledge remain major barriers to SMMEs accessing the required support.

Slowing demand has led to SMMEs having to limit expansion plans and identify alternative channels to sell their products.

2. Access to the right markets to sell products

Several SMMEs highlight an ongoing struggle to connect with potential buyers. Very often, SMMEs are overly dependent on a small number of clients. The emergence of online marketplaces and micro sales platforms is one way to overcome this challenge.

3. Lack of clear market access strategies

SMMEs should be more structured and think more holistically in developing their market strategies. A better understanding is needed of shifting demand, potential new client bases, and local substitutes for imported product. Access strategies allow SMMEs to focus on their core value proposition that can be

leveraged to clearly position themselves in a new market.

4. Founders and owners struggle to empower staff to lead and drive the business

Many SMMEs struggle with a restrictive owner mindset. This is largely because small enterprises are often run and managed by the founders/owners who have expertise in their area of operation but know little to nothing about human performance management systems, day-to-day operating models, and management structures with well-defined roles and responsibilities, key performance indicators, and delegated decision-making.

Developing team skills and capabilities and empowering leadership

SMMEs on a growth fast track can struggle to scale up, particularly when founders are still actively involved in the business. By investing in capacity building, particularly at a leadership level, SMMEs can create more capacity for owners to focus on growth and strategy to ensure sustainability.

6. Liquidity and cashflow management are limited

Many new and low maturity SMMEs lack the financial, operational, and strategic structures that are common in larger businesses. This hinders them from making the best use of available capital to scale their operations. A lack of prioritisation and financial planning can result in poor to no growth of the business. Liquidity and cashflow management are likely to come under even further pressure during times of crisis.

7. Difficulty leveraging technology to reach new customers or provide a distinctive value proposition

Digital and new technologies create an opportunity for SMMEs to enhance their reach and increase efficiency at lower costs, overcoming the scale disadvantage they have relative to larger players. Some SMMEs struggle to focus on key areas of competitiveness in their value chain, product, and/ or operations and identify the best technology levers to enhance competitiveness.

8. Balancing the drive for efficiency with the push for sales

Most SMMEs focus on increasing sales and managing cash as priorities. SMMEs that focus on operational efficiencies can drive further competitiveness to support sales, while also potentially creating increased capacity in the business.

9. Access to the right support to enable growth

Many SMMEs lack the in-house skills and business advisory services they need to get the right advice on structural business changes to help them reimagine their business in response to the current economic reality.

10. Impact of load shedding

SMMEs feel the loss of power, particularly those that do not have the necessary infrastructure to cope with the loss of power supply. Not only are businesses trying to whether the storm of the pandemic and low economic growth, they are now faced with the impact of load shedding. When businesses experience load shedding, some of them are forced to close their doors because they cannot function or run their businesses and security is compromised.

1.1.6. Enabling SMMEs and Entrepreneurship

The state of entrepreneurship in South Africa

The Global Entrepreneurship Monitor (GEM) divides participating economies into three levels: A, B, and C. Level A economies have a GDP per capita of more than \$40 000. Level B consists of economies with GDP per capita of between \$20 000 and \$40 000, and Level C is for countries with a GDP per capita of less than \$20 000. South Africa is classified as Level C. GEM has identified 13 key conditions necessary to facilitate small enterprise formation and growth, which are referred to as "Entrepreneurial Framework Conditions (EFCs)", listed below¹⁰.

A1.	Entrepreneurial Finance	Are there sufficient funds for new start-ups?
A2.	Ease of Access to Entrepreneurial Finance	And are those funds easy to access?
B1.	Government Policy: Support and Relevance	Do they promote and support start-ups?
B2.	Government Policy: Taxes and Bureaucracy	Or are new businesses burdened?
C.	Government Entrepreneurial Programmes	Are quality support programmes available?
D1.	Entrepreneurial Education at School	Do schools introduce entrepreneurship ideas?
D2.	Entrepreneurial Education Post-school	Do colleges offer courses in starting a business?
E.	Research and Development Transfers	Can research be translated into new businesses?
F.	Commercial and Professional Infrastructure	Are these sufficient and affordable?
G1.	Ease of Entry: Market Dynamics	Are markets free, open, and growing?
G2.	Ease of Entry: Burdens and Regulation	Do regulations encourage or restrict entry?
Н.	Physical Infrastructure	Is this sufficient and affordable?
I.	Social and Cultural Norms	Does culture encourage and celebrate entrepreneurship?

Source: GEM (Global Entrepreneurship Monitor) (2022). Global Entrepreneurship Monitor 2021/2022 Global Report: Opportunity Amid Disruption. London: GEM.

Figure 18: Entrepreneurial Framework Conditions (EFCs)

50 countries participated in GEM 2021/2022. GEM seeks out expert views on the sufficiency or otherwise of each Entrepreneurial Framework Condition by carrying out a National Expert Survey (NES) in each economy. The NES asks the same questions of at least 36 national experts in each economy, and often more, each of whom has an identified high level of expertise in at least one of the framework conditions. All experts completed the NES questionnaire by scoring their national economy against the extent to which they agreed or did not agree to questions about each framework condition. The framework conditions are scored according to an 11-point Likert scale, ranging from completely untrue (0) to completely true (10). A score of five and above is regarded as sufficient and a score of less than five means less than sufficient.

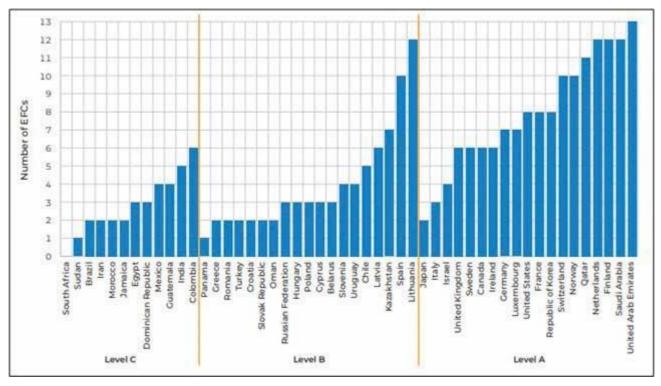
¹⁰ GEM (Global Entrepreneurship Monitor) (2022). Global Entrepreneurship Monitor 2021/2022 Global Report: Opportunity Amid Disruption. London: GEM

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Of all participating economies, South Africa is the only one to score zero out of 13 in terms of the adequacy of EFCs in the country, i.e., a score of less than five on all framework conditions. The total score is then translated into a National Entrepreneurship Context Index (NECI). South Africa's NECI of 3.7 ranks South Africa joint 45 out of 50 countries, with the Dominican Republic. Only Brazil, Belarus, Iran, and Sudan had a lower NECI. By comparison, the United Arab Emirates achieved the highest NECI, at 6.8.

What is clear from this data is that there is a need for South African policymakers to improve levels of support for aspirant entrepreneurs and SMMEs, and to create an environment that is more conducive to their formation and growth. This requires an all-encompassing and collaborative approach between all role-players in the public and private sector, and a key enabler of a sustainable small enterprises support operating model and framework.

The DSBD, Seda and **sefa** need to work collaboratively to impact the EFCs by ensuring adequate funding for new start-ups, creating a conducive policy environment, ensuring ease of access to finance, quality support programmes, access to markets, access to sufficient and affordable infrastructure, and promoting and encouraging entrepreneurship.



Source: GEM (Global Entrepreneurship Monitor) (2022). Global Entrepreneurship Monitor 2021/2022 Global Report: Opportunity Amid Disruption. London: GEM.

Figure 19:Number (out of 13) of entrepreneurial framework conditions (EFCs) scored as sufficient per economy

Creating an enabling environment for entrepreneurship to thrive in South Africa

The following table summarises the key enablers that Seda, in partnership with **sefa**, should consider in strengthening the entrepreneurial framework conditions identified by the GEM 2021/2022 report.

Table 10: Key enablers of entrepreneurship, informing product and service design

Key Enabler	Description
Entrepreneurial vs survivalist culture and motive for business ownership	 Entrepreneurship is to a large extent stimulated by a culture that values entrepreneurship as a desirable career path and encourages risk taking and creativity, as well as experimentation and tolerance for failure. The reality in South Africa is that most micro-enterprises are informal and focus on survival. More often than not, operating an own business is not a chosen career path.
Supportive policy environment	While Seda and sefa are not policymakers and thus have limited control over the regulatory frameworks and administrative burdens that hinder small enterprises, the organisations need to align with the latest policy developments, for example, the NISED Masterplan and DSBD District Ecosystem Facilitation Model, which aim at coordinating and aligning small enterprises support across the spheres of government, the private sector, and other key role-players.
Entrepreneurial finance: sufficient funds for start-ups and developing microenterprises	Access to financial resources is critical to successful entrepreneurship and small enterprises development. It is often the key inhibitor in business establishment, in terms of capital to set up a business, and also the availability of appropriate financing streams to assist in reducing transaction costs and improving business cashflows.
Entrepreneurial finance: awareness and ease of access to funds	 There are several DFIs and commercial banks offering financial support to small businesses; however, they often preclude start-ups from accessing credit/loans due to a lack of assets/collateral and poorly conceived business plans. The reach of these financial institutions, into the rural areas and townships is also insufficient, as is a lack of awareness of, and investment readiness of the entrepreneurs to access the funds.
Human capital development	 Human capital refers to the capabilities and skills of not only the individuals that could potentially become entrepreneurs, but also the availability of appropriately skilled labour to take up job opportunities. Such capabilities and skills are a function of the education and training system (both at foundational and tertiary level) and the extent to which a country's educational system encourages entrepreneurship.
Quality support programmes	Entrepreneurship is promoted by the presence of a range of support systems that facilitate business development and growth, for example, business support services, incubation and mentorship as backing for entrepreneurs, particularly during the early stages of the business.
Access to markets and economic development opportunities	 The success of any new venture is to a large extent driven by its ability to access markets, and to provide its goods and services competitively in that space. Open markets that are new-business friendly, where market information is easily accessible and where barriers to entry are reduced contribute to entrepreneurship and small business development.
Access to sufficient and affordable infrastructure and technology	 Physical infrastructure is a key enabler of entrepreneurial development, and by extension economic growth. Such economic infrastructure involves the availability of good transport and telecommunications networks, and electricity supply, which enable entrepreneurs to access markets.

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The role of government

Government sees itself as a key player in the SMME ecosystem, both as a general enabler of SMME growth, and through the delivery of targeted support to high-growth businesses. Governments can enhance the national entrepreneurial culture by promoting programmes that prioritise SMMEs as preferred suppliers. They can also work to identify and bridge gaps in business enablement that could hinder SMME growth. In addition, they can provide outsourcing support for back-office services, something that SMMEs typically struggle with. Government could also focus on raising awareness among SMMEs about the support, financial or otherwise, that is available to them.

The National Small Business Amendment Act (No. 29 of 2004) places a lot of emphasis on Seda's role as an ecosystem facilitator. The organisation developed the District Ecosystem Facilitation (DEF) Model, aligned to the government's District Development Model (DDM). The rollout of the DEF was delayed by COVID-19 in 2020, and in the 2021/22 financial year challenges arose due to different provinces rolling out the DDM differently. This called for Seda to step back and review its approach to the rollout of the model to achieve better collaboration with district municipalities and other public and private stakeholders.

The key elements of the model are as follows:

- 1. ESD at district level will be anchored to the sectors that are competitive, and they will be the key drivers of partnerships with the private sector and various SETAs.
- 2. Practitioner capacity building and professionalisation of business advisory standards.
- 3. Information management.

These three elements will be positioned to improve support to SMMEs and district initiative.

Government continues to ensure that entrepreneurs are supported with the skills and capabilities they need to rebuild and grow their businesses. Most would benefit from additional training in business scenario planning or managing scarce financial resources. This would be particularly relevant where relief funding is provided. Government could also work with industries and sectors that are most under threat to develop resilience strategies and to help them reimagine their business models going forward.

Research and development are key to innovation and growth, and there is an opportunity for the government to provide nuanced, sector-specific interventions. For example, the government could support export-focused companies in agriculture and business process outsourcing by setting up an export office for all SMMEs to help reduce bottlenecks. In addition, the government could support manufacturing and consumer goods businesses that have the potential to compete with larger players and offer alternatives to imported goods. This might include creating cooperatives.

The role of the private sector

The private sector has several levers it could pull on to support SMME growth, especially those with high potential. Banks and financial institutions have already started a significant number of initiatives to support SMMEs, including the suspension of loan repayments or the reworking of principal repayments, the provision of resources and communication tools to clients, interest and fee waivers, relief loans, and preapproved or expedited loan approvals. Financial institutions can also play a significant role in driving uptake and capability-building in new channels and payment methods.

Corporates more generally could enable SMMEs by focusing their supplier development for longer-term scale and competitiveness. Seda recommends five elements for private sector players to consider as part of their supplier development processes that serve their own business needs, as well as ensure the viability and sustainability of their SMME partners:

- 1. Develop clear upfront selection criteria for suppliers by defining the categories in which to develop suppliers. This could be based on ownership structure, business performance, or other criteria.
- 2. Assess the capability gaps that exist within suppliers upfront and develop plans to help them close these.
- 3. Build funding and capability requirements into the contract to create sustainability.
- 4. Simplify contractual terms and conditions and required paperwork for SMMEs that often do not have dedicated commercial teams.
- 5. Establish regular check-ins and course correction sessions throughout the lifecycle of the relationship with suppliers.

SMMEs are considered a vital engine in an economy, driving growth, spearheading innovation, and perhaps most importantly, creating employment, especially among young people. They can leverage their agility to design and incubate new technologies and business models to build a better future. Many of South Africa's SMMEs have the potential to become tomorrow's large corporations, the African unicorns that the continent needs to continue its path towards growth and prosperity ¹¹.

1.1.7. Updated PESTEL Analysis

An analysis of the key macro-environmental factors impacting the work of Seda is summarised in the table below.

Table 11: PESTEL analysis and Seda responses

Factor	Analysis	Responses Required from SEDA
Political	 Growing tensions between the world's most powerful players threaten to disrupt the decades economic and political status quo and reshape global cooperation and trade patterns. Policy uncertainty, lack of clarity on economic recovery plans, and looming inefficiencies in decision-making driven by coalition management of municipalities is further eroding the credibility of public institutions. In the November 2021 municipal elections, all parties claimed that if elected they would put an end to poor financial management and corruption in municipalities. The government will come under increasing pressure to curb spending and increase revenue as the tax base comes under pressure due to low growth, and taxpayers feel the pain of high inflation. Food inflation will affect the poor and unemployed dramatically, potentially sparking more widespread unrest than seen in July 2021. A cash-strapped government will be unable to offer much in the way of relief. Changing of political leadership at local, provincial, or national level can lead to programme implementation breakdown, as it disrupts the existing agreements and leads to a lack of traction. 	 Proactively brief new political incumbents on previous agreements, re-establish relationship. The department to focus on regulating the environment and engage in political advocacy to ensure collaboration on all government spheres. Agility and willingness to adapt to change (meeting and managing stakeholder expectations). Lobbying of the department to influence policy promulgation. There should be a clear distinction between policymakers and implementing agencies.

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Analysis

Responses Required from SEDA

Factor	Analysis	Responses Required from SEDA
Technological	 Digitalisation and automation of administrative, organisational and management processes may facilitate greater efficiencies. In many industries technology has lowered barriers to entry, provided affordable business administration and support tools, and supplied access to global markets. Access to technology in South Africa mirrors the patterns of general inequality in the country. Whilst most of the country is covered by cellular networks 2, 3 and 4G, the price of data remains prohibitively high, and speeds are not always adequate. Reliable, high-speed, cost-effective internet access through fibre and 5G remain the dominion of the privileged. The downside to reliance on technology is its fragility and susceptibility to attack and disruption. Technology does not work without electricity, and most transactions conducted today are completely reliant on technological systems to complete them. Increasingly sophisticated automation and robotics threaten jobs across all sectors of the economy. Harnessing the power of big data, blockchain technology, artificial intelligence and machine learning to improve Seda services. E-trade and virtual trading platforms to enable market access. Lack of integrated information management system within the ecosystem. The ongoing and real threat of cyber- attacks. 	 Provided limited devices and data to qualifying enterprises (zero-rating Seda website). Invest in technology and ensure that the requisite skills are embedded in the organisation and aligned to R&D. Scale the digital trade opportunities. Ensure that e-commerce is defined as a critical outcome in all market access initiatives. Development of district information management system. Outsourcing of ICT in its entirety.
Environmental	 A coordinated and centrally controlled approach to tackling climate change and future pandemics is being strongly advocated by groups such as the World Economic Forum, WHO, IMF, and World Bank. Corporate investment decisions are increasingly being influenced by environmental, social, and governance (ESG) considerations, although 'official' ESG scores are still somewhat contentious. Fixed investment in infrastructure and the green economy (including renewable energy and climate friendly industrial processes) are expected to accelerate, supporting the emergence of 'green' industries and occupations. Developed nations are in talks with the South African government regarding loans and funding for the transition away from coal to 'green energies'. Focus on the green economy as a strategic growth area. Environmental impact assessments and requirements can be barriers to SMMEs growth and sustainability. 	 Create a dedicated Green Desk and appoint Green Champions (the same can be done for other priority sectors). Create a funding mechanism within Seda to assist clients to comply with environmental requirements.

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Factor	Analysis	Responses Required from SEDA
Legal	 A factor constantly accused of suppression of investment and economic growth is overly rigid labour regulation. Wage bargaining is conducted at a relatively high level and negotiated terms are automatically extended to smaller firms, negatively affecting the development of small business, and hindering the employment of young people. Labour legislation, such as the Basic Conditions of Employment Act, and minimum wages, have a large impact on SMMEs. Product compliance requirements are extremely expensive, and the regulatory burden is increasing. Bureaucratic and cumbersome processes (overregulation and onerous compliance requirements). Poor implementation of legal requirements by the government. 	 Increase the allocation budget to enable international compliance for products. Assist DSBD in lobbying to reduce the impact and get exemptions for SMMEs from inhibitory labour legislation. Implementation of a red tape reduction unit within the organisation. Lobbying and advocacy for limited compliance and requirements for SMMEs.

1.2. INTERNAL ENVIRONMENT ANALYSIS

1.2.1. Seda and DSBD Outcomes and Programme Alignment

As reflected in the 2020-2025 Strategic Plan, the roles and functions of the department and its implementing agencies, Seda and **sefa**, are broadly summarised as follows:

Table 12: High-level roles of the DSBD and implementing agencies

Ro	ole of National Department (DSBD)	Role of DSBD Agencies (SEDA, SEFA)		
» »	Provide direction and leadership to the small business and Cooperatives sector broadly and across all three spheres of government. Provide oversight and governance of entities.	»	Implement the delegated mandate from DSBD and develop and rollout implementation level policies and protocols.	
» »	Research, monitoring and evaluation of the impact of investments made in small business development and its contribution to economic growth and job creation, to inform evidence-based decision-making. Develop and implement sector-wide databases and monitoring and evaluation tools.	»	Programme-level research that informs targeted programme design and package for a holistic sector view. Monitoring and evaluation at programme implementation level, to inform refinements to programmes.	
»	Plan, coordinate and mobilise resources for the implementation and delivery of small enterprise's development projects, programmes and services.	»	Implementation of well-conceptualised and targeted programmes, aligned to the overall sector policy stance and sectoral indicators.	
»	Strengthen accountability, partnerships and communication with sector stakeholders, communities and key role-players, both nationally and internationally.	» »	Ensure a coordinated regional/provincial presence to support implementation. Development and management of partnerships and communication in support of the delivery mandate.	

It is within this context that Seda has aligned its strategic outcomes and programmes to that of the department, shown in the following table.

Table 13: Seda alignment of DSBD outcomes

DSBD Outcome	Seda Outcome	Seda Programme
Increased participation of SMMEs and Cooperatives in domestic and international markets.	Increased localisation and market penetration by SMMEs and Cooperatives.	Programme 1: Enterprise Development Programme
		Programme 2: Technology Programme
Increased contribution of SMMEs and Cooperatives in priority sectors.	Increased growth and sustainability of SMMEs and Cooperatives.	Programme 1: Enterprise Development
Expanded financial and non- financial support and implemented responsive programmes to new and existing SMMEs and Cooperatives.		Programme 2: Technology Programme
Scaled-up and coordinated support to SMMEs, Cooperatives, village, and township economies.	Increased growth and sustainability of township and rural-based SMMEs and Cooperatives.	Programme 1: Enterprise Development Programme
Improved governance and compliance.	An agile, innovative, excellent, and customer-centric organisation.	Programme 3: Administration Programme
Improved, integrated and streamlined business processes and systems.	Integrated and coordinated ecosystem support for SMMEs and Cooperatives.	Programme 3: Administration Programme

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1.2.2. Seda Organisational Structure

Seda's organisational structure is reflected in the below figure. It comprises two core business divisions – Enterprise Development, and the Seda Technology Programme, supported by Corporate Services, Finance, Strategy and Information Management, and functions related to Stakeholder Management and Governance.

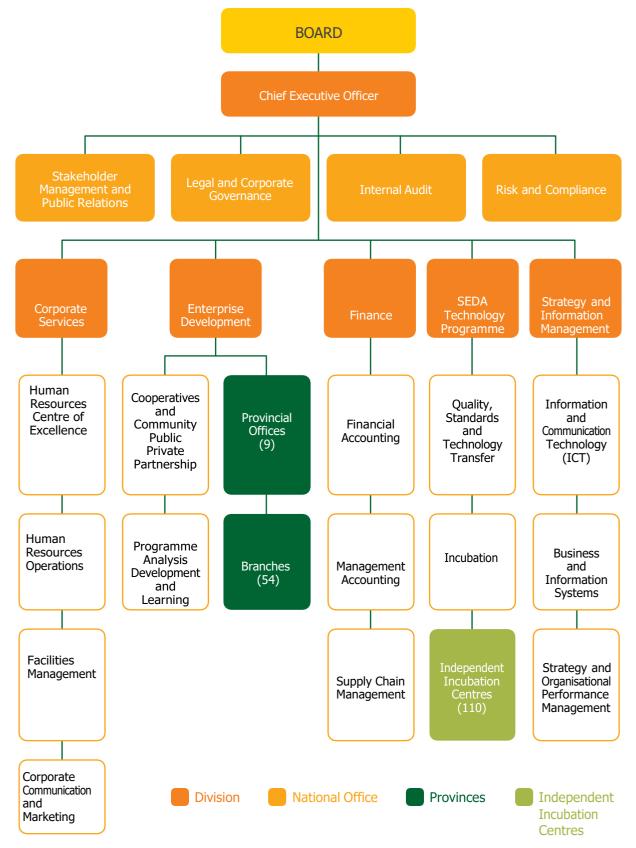


Figure 20: Seda organisational structure

1.2.3. Reflection on Performance to Date

The table below shows Seda's performance in contributing to the Minister's performance agreement, which is informed by the MTSF 2019-2024.

Table 14: MTSF 2019-2024 and Minister's performance agreement

Intervention	Indicator	Baseline	Target	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	YTD, 2022/23
Facilitate the increase in number of competitive small businesses with a focus on township and rural economies	Number of competitive small businesses and Cooperatives supported	New indicator	100 000	2 114	4 438	11 151	17 703
SMME development through incubation centres and digital hubs	Number of incubation centres and digital hubs established	73	100	23	8	6	110
Explore the introduction of measures to support the establishment of new, youth-owned start-ups	Number of new, youth business start-ups supported	New indicator	10 000 per year	2 500	3 689	4 309	10 498
Facilitate the increase in number of competitive small businesses with a focus on township and rural economies	Township and rural entrepreneurship programmes implemented	New indicator	100 000	12 074	15 678	31 457	63 082

Headline performance against key APP targets is reflected below.

Table 15: APP-aligned performance

Indicator	MTSF Target	MTSF Aggregate Achievement	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23 Q1
Total SMMEs and Cooperatives supported	219 000	361 129	89 113	45 850	185 987	40 179
Enterprises reached through awareness	75 000	152 512	48 866	8 576	67 029	28 041
SMMEs and Cooperatives supported (excluding TREP)	90 000	145 535	28 173	21 596	87 501	8 265
TREP	54 000	63 082	12 074	15 678	31 457	3 876
Incubators supported	100	110	96	104	110	110
Jobs created	18 000	14 817	6 709	2 292	5 176	640
Jobs sustained	30 000	39 097	22 230	8 283	8 584	2 630
Turnover increase	1.5 billion	3.49 billion	2.1 billion	1.1 billion	289 million	263 million

All cumulative targets for 2019/20 to 2021/22 have been achieved, except for the number of jobs created. As reflected in the table, the dip in jobs created occurred in the COVID-19 affected 2020/21 financial year.

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1.2.4. SWOT Analysis

The revised 2023/24 APP has taken into consideration the critical issues and focus areas derived from the analysis of Seda'sstrengths, weaknesses, opportunities, and threats (SWOT), outlined below.

Table 16: SWOT analysis

STRENGTHS

- » Geographical presence across all the provinces, almost all district and local municipalities.
- » Relatively skilled and knowledgeable workforce with a vast knowledge of SMME sectors.
- » The organisation has exposure to world-class best practices and insights (internal and external).
- » Ability to leverage on political support due to the mandate of the organisation supported by the Act.
- » Above-average stakeholder and partnership support.
- » Structured SMME support programmes.
- » Targeted programmes (Township and Rural Entrepreneurship Programme, Women Enterprise Coaching Programme, Entrepreneurship in Schools, Market Access programmes).
- » The organisation has approved incubation standards that leverage it to be an incubator of incubators.
- » The organisation has approved business advisory services standards, which enable it to contribute towards the professionalisation of the sector.
- » The organisation has established processes and programmes.

WEAKNESSES

- » Understaffing relative to population size which is required to be served.
- » Insufficient access points for Seda services throughout the country.
- » Lack of digital delivery channels.
- » Poor implementation of critical programmes.
- » Lack of disaster recovery plan/system.
- » Inadequate value proposition.
- » Seda's failure to position itself as an ecosystem facilitator (failure to leverage on the mandate).
- Loss of talented staff/failure to retain or attract top talent no continuity.
- » Bureaucratic, cumbersome, rigid policies and procedures.
- » Inconsistency in the roll-out of programmes and services.

OPPORTUNITIES

- » Updating and modernising processes and systems to improve turnaround times.
- » Usage of 4IR, big data, artificial intelligence, blockchain technology, and machine learning in establishing new programmes.
- » Increase client databases to assist in the planning of programmes and implementation thereof and to advocate for more resources.
- » The AfCFTA opens enormous opportunities for international trade agreements.
- » Estonian digital citizenship allowing South Africans to open businesses in the Estonian economy.
- » Opportunity exists to partner with the private sector, SETAs, and higher education institutions (general stakeholders) to leverage resources and support.
- » The organisation is supported by legislation, to facilitate and coordinate all business development services at all levels of government.
- » AfCFTA and its impact on South African businesses. Only 2.9% of small businesses are currently exporting. Big opportunity to export to the rest of the continent.
- » Development of standards for business advisory services and incubation.
- » Due to the fragmented SMME ecosystem, Seda has an opportunity to facilitate and be the leader of the ecosystem.
- » Reduce the cost of business by utilising solar in branches and provincial offices which can reduce rental costs of electricity.
- The power purchase programme presents an opportunity for the organisation to assist SMMEs with solution to their current problem of load shedding.

THREATS

- » Other agencies assume Seda's mandated role, leading to Seda's irrelevance.
- » Lack of affordable infrastructure for clients to access digital services due to exorbitant data costs.
- » Other organisations use innovation to outcompete Seda and offer more effective services.
- » Blurred departmental role and responsibility whereby the department implements certain programmes.
- » Negative perception about the government and its agencies.
- » Competition with other business development service providers at local, provincial, and national level (NYDA, GEP, LEDA, MEGA, LED at municipal level, among others).
- » Introduction of new unrealistic targets and programmes by the department with limited resources.
- » Perception that Seda only serves micro and small enterprises.
- » Cybersecurity threat (constant).
- » Loss of systems (failure of disaster recovery plan/system).
- » Reputational risk lack of integrated ecosystem to enable the support and sustainability of SMMEs and Cooperatives.
- » Business disruption due to load shedding, this can have a direct impact in the operating hours of Seda offices.

1.2.5. Seda capacity to deliver on its mandate

Seda Budget Allocation

Seda's budget allocation is provided by the DSBD on an annual basis and Seda works around the allocated budget to submit a balanced budget to the Department and National Treasury. The budget from the DSBD Vote allocation is mainly for Seda Enterprise Development Programme, Seda Technology Programme and Administration, the budget for 2023/24 is stipulated below:

Transfers and Subsidies	2022/23	2023/24	Change	% Change
Seda: Enterprise Development and Operational	R678 751 000	R683 092 000	R4 341 000	0.64%
Seda: STP Capacity-building programme	R16 171 000	R16 274 000	R103 000	0.64%
Seda: Technology Programme	R159 445 000	R160 466 000	R1 021 000	0.64%
Grand Total	R854 367 000	R859 832 000	R5 465 000	0.64%

An increase of R5.4 million will not enable the organisation to implement the Seda game changers. The 0.64% increase is below the inflation, other support and administrative expenditure like office space, insurance, ICT licences, internet connectivity, replacement of obsolete assets are increasing at the rate above 5%. The Game changers prioritised the support offered to township and rural based SMMEs and Cooperatives, refuelling incubators and accelerators, amplifying supplier development encouraging and supporting youth entrepreneurship and addressing responding with agility on the issues of financial and non-financial support.

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Human Resource Capacity

The Seda human resources unit sets strategic priorities that are translated into actions, while enabling other divisions to ensure that adequate and efficient service delivery is offered. It is widely acknowledged that employees are most productive when the working environment reflects a caring, supportive, and collaborative management culture. Workforce planning within Seda is the process of continuous optimisation that helps the organisation align its goals and needs with that of its workforce. It recruits and retains in line with its recruitment and selection policy and procedures, thus ensuring access to current and future critical human resources required for meeting organisational objectives. This practice assists the organisation in attracting potential incumbents who have the correct values, skills, and experience to provide high-quality services to fill the workforce gaps.

Seda recruits and retains individuals with the correct values, skills, and competencies required to support the organisation's mandate. The vacancy rate is one of Seda's strategic indicators, and the target is monitored regularly. Seda promotes a culture of high performance, quality, and excellence, providing a forward-looking focus that permeates all levels of the organisation. The performance management and development process aims to encourage an ongoing communication process between management and staff, as well as good staff management practice across the organisation. It also assists employees in achieving their individual and organisational objectives.

ICT Capacity and Capability

The ICT strategy takes its cue from Seda's outcomes and contributes to Seda's vision to make a differencein SMMEs' lives every day. Seda's ICT function works towards operating according to excellence standards and continuously adding value to the organisation and further ensuring the development of innovative solutions that will enable Seda to meet its outcomes. Below are some of the areas being explored with business for possible development and implementation.

ICT will seek to provide an agile platform to enable Seda to deliver its services, programmes, and products. This can be done through continuous improvement of the management of the organisations electronic information through on-the-premises and in-the-cloud system. Improved communications with clients using client engagement modules and mobile telephony. Allowing clients to conduct online pre-assessments and IT involvement in hosting and developing Seda's diagnostic tools.

Implementation of these initiatives would result in improved user satisfaction and productivity, and ultimately improved business performance by Seda's assisted clients. ICT can play a critical role in the provision of secure, reliable, and sustainable access to business support services through the automation of key processes, it will greatly enhance the organisation's support functions and realise financial savings in the medium to long term.

Seda's compliance with the Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment Act 53 of 2003

In the 2021/22 financial year Seda implemented a Learnership and Bursary programme for B- BBEE skills development targets in terms of the B-BBEE Act and aligned to Sedas EAP Targets. Seda obtained a level 4 B-BBEE Contributor Status. B-BBEE Evaluation is done annually.

Seda's interventions related to women, young people, and persons with disabilities

The organisation has mainstreamed the support offered to Seda clients in all indicators where in all indicators 40% of the client supported should be women, 30% young people and 7% persons with disabilities. The performance in the previous quarters vary where the organisation normally exceeds the set targets for women and young people. There are a number of interventions that have been proposed to improve performance among SMMEs owned by people with disabilities. These includes engaging with organisations who are supporting persons with disabilities to having interventions specifically targeting these people. The uptake is still low, but the organisation will put in more efforts to ensure that these interventions yield results.

Summary of key priorities for the 2023/24 financial year:

The organisation has identified the following priorities for 2023/24:

- » Entrepreneurship promotion;
- » Township and rural entrepreneurship;
- » Access to both local and international markets;
- » Quality and productivity improvement;
- » Incubation and technology transfer assistance; and
- » Training, mentorship and coaching.



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1. INSTITUTIONAL PROGRAMME PERFORMANCE INFORMATION

Seda is constituted by the following programmes, which informs the packaging of this revised APP.

Table 17:Seda programmes

Programme NO.	Programme Purpose			
Programme 1	Enterprise Development Programme			
	Provide needs based and growth-oriented business support to small enterprises and cooperatives through the Seda network. SMMEs and Cooperatives are supported with business related information, advice, consultancy, training, mentoring services, access to markets and other business specific interventions. Township and rural-based enterprises are prioritised to ensure that they are competitive and contribute meaningfully to the South African economy.			
Programme 2	Technology Programme			
	To support SMMEs and Cooperatives by providing them with the necessary skills and tools to enhance their business production capacity and sustainability. Seda provides incubation services and technology transfer assistance.			
Programme 3	Impact and Sustainability Programme			
	To monitor and measure business impact post Seda intervention. Key indicators include jobs created, jobs sustained and turnover improvement.			
	To support SMMEs and Cooperatives by providing necessary skills and tools to enhance their business production capacity and sustainability. The support includes the provision of incentives for quality and compliance standards, product testing and certification.			
Programme 4	Administration Programme			
	To provide strategic leadership and capacitating the organisation to deliver on its mission. This includes monitoring customer, stakeholder and employees' level of satisfaction and introducing initiatives to improve the organisations level of innovation and agility. The programme also amplifies the need to collaborate with other partners in the ecosystem to increase service access.			

Informed by the legislative and policy mandates and strategic focus, the Revised 2020-2025 Strategic Plan presents the impact statement of Seda as:

Competitive, innovative, and sustainable SMMEs and Cooperatives creating jobs and contributing to inclusive economic growth.

Listed below, the outcomes of the 2020-2025 Strategic Plan are aligned to the revised MTSF 2019-2024:

Outcome 1: Increased growth and sustainability of SMMEs and Cooperatives

Outcome 2: Increased localisation and market penetration by SMMEs and Cooperatives

Outcome 3: Integrated and coordinated ecosystem support for SMMEs and Cooperatives

Outcome 4: An agile, innovative, excellent, and customer-centric organisation

The four programmes contribute to the attainment of the outcomes through programme level outputs, output indicators, and annual and quarterly targets, as reflected in the sections that follow.

1.1. PROGRAMME 1: ENTERPRISE DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME

1.1.1. Programme Purpose

Provide needs based and growth-oriented business support to small enterprises and cooperatives through the Seda network. SMMEs and Cooperatives are supported with business related information, advice, consultancy, training, and mentoring services including business specific interventions to access markets. Township and rural-based enterprises are prioritised to ensure that they are competitive and contribute meaningfully to the South African economy.

In contributing towards the Seda impact statement of "Competitive, innovative, and sustainable SMMEs and Cooperatives creating jobs and contributing to inclusive economic growth", the enterprise development programme delivers against the following outcomes in the approved Strategic Plan:

Outcome 1: Increased growth and sustainability of SMMEs and Cooperatives.

Outcome 2: Increased localisation and market penetration by SMMEs and Cooperatives.

The revised 2023/24 Performance Plan of Programme 1 is reflected in the log frame tables below:

1.1.2. Programme 1: Outcomes, Outputs, Output Indicators and Targets

Outcomes	Outputs	Output Indicators	Audited Performance			Estimated Performance	SEDA Programme			
			2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	
Increased growth and sustainability of SMMEs and Cooperatives	Facilitate entrepreneurship awareness	Number of people who attended entrepreneurship awareness sessions	Not measured	New indicator	18 000	20 000	20 000	26 000	27 000	
	Facilitate township and rural-based SMMEs and Cooperatives support	Number of township and rural based businesses supported with non-financial business development	Not measured	New indicator	28 000	16 000	18 000	20 000	21 000	
	Facilitate priority sector support	Number of SMMEs and Cooperatives supported in priority sectors with non-financial business development to scale- up their businesses	Not measured	Not measured	New indicator	100	50	70	90	

Outcomes	Outputs	Output Indicators	Audi	ited Perform	ance	Estimated Performance	SEDA Programme		ne
			2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26
	Facilitate growth and sustainability of SMMEs and Co-operatives	Number of SMMEs and Cooperatives supported with business development	Not measured	Not measured	Not measured	New indicator	2 000	2 500	3 000
	_	Number of SMMEs and Cooperatives supported with training, mentorship, and coaching	Not measured	New indicator	5 000	20 000	20 500	21 000	21 500
		Number of Cooperatives assisted through cooperative development support programme	Not measured	Not measured	Not measured	Not measured	40	50	60
2. Increased localisation and market penetration by SMMEs and Cooperatives	Facilitate access to local markets	Number of SMMEs and Cooperatives supported to participate in local markets	Not measured	New indicator	2 500	1 200	2 500	2 800	3 000
	Facilitate access to international markets	Number of SMMEs and Cooperatives supported with international market readiness interventions	Not measured	New indicator	1 000	1 000	500	550	600
		Number of SMMEs and Cooperatives supported through trade missions	Not measured	Not measured	Not measured	New indicator	300	305	310



1.1.3. Programme 1: Output Indicators: Annual and Quarterly Targets

Output Indicators	2023/24 Annual		Quarterly	y Targets	
	Target	Q1 Apr - Jun 2023	Q2 Jul - Sep 2023	Q3 Oct - Dec 2023	Q4 Jan - Mar 2024
Number of people who attended entrepreneurship awareness sessions	20 000	3 000	7 000	3 000	7 000
Number of township and rural based businesses supported with non-financial business development	18 000	3 600	5 400	3 600	5 400
Number of SMMEs and Cooperatives supported to participate in local markets	2 500	500	750	500	750
Number of SMMEs and Cooperatives supported with international market readiness interventions	500	100	150	100	150
Number of SMMEs and Cooperatives supported through trade missions	300	100	150	25	25
Number of SMMEs and Cooperatives supported with business development	2 000	400	600	400	600
Number of SMMEs and Cooperatives supported in priority sectors with non-financial business development to scale- up their businesses	50	-	10	20	20
Number of SMMEs and Cooperatives supported with training, mentorship, and coaching	20 500	4 000	6 000	4 000	6 500
Number of Cooperatives assisted through cooperative development support programme	40	-	-	10	30

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1.1.4. Programme 1: Explanation of the planned performance over the Medium-Term Period

Programme 1: Enterprise Development intends to respond to the priorities of the 6th administration of government, and emphasises the importance of localisation, economic recovery, business viability, and providing structured support to township and rural-based enterprises. Support provided to informal businesses is central to economic recovery as supported informal businesses can be meaningful contributors to economic growth. The NDP indicates that 90% of the 10 million envisaged jobs by 2030 will come from SMMEs, therefore township and rural businesses should be capacitated and supported to be competitive and innovative. All programmes implemented within Seda will mainstream women, young people, and businesses owned by people with disabilities.

Contribution of programme outputs to the outcomes and impact of Seda's Strategic Plan

The output measures are structured to provide an indication whether the outcomes related to increasing entrepreneurship awareness, growth, and sustainability of township and rural-based SMMEs and Cooperatives and the integration and coordinated ecosystem to support SMMEs and Cooperatives will be achieved over the strategic planning period. Specific contributions are as follows:

Outcome 1: Increased growth and sustainability of SMMEs and Cooperatives

1. Entrepreneurship awareness:

The objective of entrepreneurship awareness is to persuade South Africans to consider self-employment and being employers through small businesses as opposed to finding jobs. Through this initiative Seda intends on hosting small business start-up workshops and engaging learners in school to participate.

2. Township and rural economic development:

Priority will be given to providing business development services to support the participation of SMMEs and Cooperatives in provincial economic clusters with a focus on rural and township-based enterprises. Further interventions include providing business development and technical support to artisans

and small enterprises.

3. Business development support:

Priority will be given to providing business development services to support the participation of SMMEs and Cooperatives in provincial economic clusters. Further interventions include providing business development and technical support to artisans and small enterprises.

4. Business mentorship and coaching:

As businesses move from one stage of development to another, they require experienced mentors who are able to guide SMMEs and Cooperatives to new requirements like managing different stakeholders and customers in different regions. Structured mentorship and coaching will be implemented based on the businessess needs to improve their level of competitiveness.

5. Cooperative Development Support Programme

Cooperatives require business development support to enable them to improve their production and production consistency. Through provision of asset and working capital to eligible businesses, this intervention is aimed to improve cooperatives level of competitiveness and sustainability.

Outcome 2: Increased localisation and market penetration by SMMEs and Cooperatives

1. Access to local and international markets including trade missions:

The intention is to assist SMMEs and Cooperatives through market linkages both locally and internationally. Interventions that will be implemented include pop up markets supporting SMMEs and Cooperatives with exhibition, product packaging and product quality. To access international markets, SMMEs and Cooperatives will be supported with trade exhibition training, trade mission to foreign countries and through registering on the trade platforms.

1.1.5. Programme 1: Resource Considerations

	Programme 1 - E	interprise Dev	velopment Pro	gramme	
	A	Aligned to the	budget		
		2022/23	2023/24	Costing per unit R	2023/24 R
1	Number of people attended Entrepreneurship awareness sessions	20 000	20 000	1 500	30 000 000
2	Number of township and rural based businesses supported with non-financial business development	16 000	18 000	9 050	162 900 000
3	Number of SMMEs and Cooperatives supported to participate in local markets	1 200	2 500	10 000	25 000 000
4	Number of SMMEs and Cooperatives supported with business development	-	2 000	4 000	8 000 000
5	Number of SMMEs and Cooperatives supported with international market readiness interventions	1 000	500	15 000	7 500 000
6	Number of SMMEs and Cooperatives supported through trade missions	-	300	66 667	20 000 000
7	Number of SMMEs and Cooperatives supported in priority sectors with non- financial business development to scale-up their businesses	100	50	50 000	2 500 000
8	Number of SMMEs and Cooperatives supported with training, mentorship, and coaching	20 000	20 500	2 000	41 000 000
9	Number of Cooperatives assisted cooperative development support programme	-	40	1 825 000	73 000 000
TOT	AL				369 900 000

1.2. PROGRAMME 2: TECHNOLOGY PROGRAMME

1.2.1. Programme Purpose

To support SMMEs and Cooperatives by providing them with the necessary skills and tools to enhance their business production capacity and sustainability. Seda provides incubation services and technology transfer assistance.

In contributing towards the Seda impact statement of "Competitive, innovative, and sustainable SMMEs and Cooperatives creating jobs and contributing to inclusive economic growth", the technology programme delivers against the following outcome and five-year targets in the approved Strategic Plan:

Outcome 1: Increased growth and sustainability of SMMEs and Cooperatives.

The revised 2023/24 Performance Plan of Programme 2 is reflected in the log frame tables that follow:

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1.2.2. Programme 2: Outcomes, Outputs, Output Indicators and Targets

Outcomes	Outputs	Outputs Output Indicators Audited Performance Estimate Performance		Audited Performance			N	MTEF Targets	6
			2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26
Increased growth and sustainability of SMMEs and Cooperatives	SMME and Cooperatives supported to be competitive	Number of SMMEs and Cooperatives supported through the Incubation Programme	Not measured	New indicator	2 700	2 500	1 800	2 000	2 200
		Number of SMMEs and Cooperatives supported through the Technological Transfer Assistance Programme	Not measured	Not measured	New indicator	70	50	80	90

1.2.3. Programme 2: Output Indicators: Annual and Quarterly Targets

Output Indicators	2023/24 Annual	Quarterly Targets								
	Target	Q1 Apr - Jun 2023	Q2 Jul - Sep 2023	Q3 Oct - Dec 2023	Q4 Jan - Mar 2024					
Number of SMMEs and Cooperatives supported through the Incubation Programme	1 800	360	540	360	540					
Number of SMMEs and Cooperatives supported through the Technological Transfer Assistance Programme	50	-	-	50	-					

1.2.4. Programme 2: Explanation of the planned performance over the Medium-Term Period

Programme 2: Technology Programme amplifies the priorities of government of the 6th administration with greater focus on incubation and technology transfer. Gender mainstreaming will also be highlighted in all outputs being measured.

Contribution of programme outputs to the outcomes and impact of Seda's Strategic Plan

There is one outcome in this programme supported by corresponding outputs, which are intended to track the implementation of the strategy over the MTEF period. Specific contributions are as follows:

Outcome 1: Increased growth and sustainability of SMMEs and Cooperatives

1. Incubation support:

The provision of access to infrastructure, technical and business development support for SMMEs in sector specific areas for a defined period.

2. Technology transfer assistance:

Tailor-made support interventions that are needs based for SMMEs by providing them with a grant to purchase equipment, machinery and associated working capital.

1.2.5. Programme 2: Resource Considerations

	Programme 2 - Technology Programme										
	Aligned to the budget										
2022/23 2023/24 Costing per unit R R											
2	Number of SMMEs and Cooperatives assisted through incubation programme	2 500	1 800	57 633	103 740 000						
3	Number of SMMEs and Cooperatives assisted through Technology Transfer Assistance programme	70	50	200 000	10 000 000						
TOT	AL				113 740 000						

1.3. PROGRAMME 3: IMPACT AND SUSTAINABILITY PROGRAMME

1.3.1. Programme Purpose

To monitor and measure business impact post Seda intervention, key indicators include jobs created, jobs sustained and turnover improvement. To support SMMEs and Cooperatives by providing necessary skills and tools to enhance their business production capacity and sustainability. The support includes the provision of incentives for quality and compliance standards, product testing and certification.

In contributing towards the Seda impact statement of "Competitive, innovative, and sustainable SMMEs and Cooperatives creating jobs and contributing to inclusive economic growth", the mpact and sustainability programme delivers against the following outcome and five-year targets in the approved Strategic Plan:

Outcome 1: Increased growth and sustainability of SMMEs and Cooperatives.

The revised 2023/24 Performance Plan of Programme 3 is reflected in the log frame tables that follow:

1.3.2. Programme 3: Outcomes, Outputs, Output Indicators and Targets

Outcomes	Outputs	Output Indicators	Audited Performance			Estimated Performance	MTEF Targets		5
			2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26
growth and growth and sustainability of SMMEs and Cooperatives and	Facilitate growth and sustainability of SMMEs	Number of SMMEs and Cooperatives supported with quality improvement interventions	Not measured	Not measured	2 000	2 500	1 000	1 200	1 400
	and Cooperatives	Number of SMMEs and Cooperatives supported with productivity improvement interventions	Not measured	Not measured	New indicator	2 000	1 000	1 200	1 400
		Number of SMMEs and Cooperatives whose turnover has increased by a minimum of 5% per annum	Not measured	Not measured	New indicator	450	700	800	900
_		Number of jobs created by SMMEs, and Cooperatives supported through non-financial support interventions	Not measured	New indicator	3 500	4 000	4 500	4 800	5 000
	Number of jobs sustained by SMMEs, and Cooperatives supported through non-financial support interventions	Not measured	New indicator	3 500	6 000	8 000	9 000	10 000	

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1.3.3. Programme 3: Output Indicators: Annual and Quarterly Targets

Output Indicators	2023/24 Annual Target		Quarterl	y Targets	
		Q1 Apr - Jun 2023	Q2 Jul - Sep 2023	Q3 Oct - Dec 2023	Q4 Jan - Mar 2024
Number of SMMEs and Cooperatives supported with quality improvement interventions	1 000	200	300	200	300
Number of SMMEs and Cooperatives supported with productivity improvement interventions	1 000	200	300	200	300
Number of SMMEs and Cooperatives whose turnover has increased by a minimum of 5% per annum	700	150	200	150	200
Number of jobs created by SMMEs, and Cooperatives supported through non-financial support interventions	4 500	900	1350	900	1350
Number of jobs sustained by SMMEs and Cooperatives supported through non-financial support interventions	8 000	1 500	2 500	1 500	2 500

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1.3.4. Programme 3: Explanation of the planned performance over the Medium-Term Period

Programme 3: Impact and Sustainability Programme is to monitor and measure business impact post Seda intervention, key indicators include jobs created, jobs sustained and turnover improvement. To support SMMEs and Cooperatives by providing necessary skills and tools to enhance their business production capacity and sustainability. The support includes the provision of incentives for quality and compliance standards, product testing and certification. Gender mainstreaming will also be highlighted in all outputs being measured.

Contribution of programme outputs to the outcomes and impact of Seda's Strategic Plan

There is one outcome in this programme: Increased growth and sustainability of SMMEs and Cooperatives. This outcome is supported by corresponding outputs, which are intended to track the implementation of the strategy over the MTEF period. Specific contributions are as follows:

Outcome 1: Increased growth and sustainability of SMMEs and Cooperatives

Quality and productivity improvement:

Quality interventions like product testing, product certification and the implementation of quality management system will be prioritised to ensure that SMMEs are competitive and are able to attract and maintain new clients. productivity is also a key feature in this section as it goes hand in hand with improved production quality. interventions like efficiency studies, elimination of waste and production capacity increases will be prioritised.

2. Jobs Created, jobs sustained and business turnover increase:

Business impact indicators focusing on turnover change and job creation will be monitored in this programme. the envisaged and the reported achievement will be for changes for businesses based in township, rural areas, and urban areas. this information will be tracked and monitored in all quarters the contributing factors will be noted and necessary interventions will be implemented to respond to those contributing factors.

1.3.5. Programme 3: Resource Considerations

	Programme 3 - Ir	mpact and Su	stainability Pro	ogramme						
Aligned to the budget										
		Costing per unit R	2023/24 R							
1	Number of jobs created by SMMEs and Cooperatives supported through non- financial support interventions	4 000	4 500	In-house	-					
2	Number of jobs sustained by SMMEs and Cooperatives supported through non-financial support interventions	6 000	8 000	In-house	-					
3	Number of SMMEs and Cooperatives supported with quality improvement interventions	2 500	1 000	37 500	37 500 000					
4	Number of SMMEs and Cooperatives supported with productivity improvement interventions	2 000	1 000	50 000	50 000 000					
5	Number of SMMEs and Cooperatives whose turnover has increased by a minimum of 5% per annum	630	700	In-house	-					
TOT	AL				87 500 000					

1.4. PROGRAMME 4: ADMINISTRATION PROGRAMME

1.4.1. Programme Purpose

To provide strategic leadership and capacitating the organisation to deliver on its mission. This includes monitoring customer, stakeholder and employees' level of satisfaction and introducing initiatives to improve the organisations level of innovation and agility. The programme also amplifies the need to collaborate with other partners in the ecosystem to increase service access.

In contributing towards the Seda impact statement of "Competitive, innovative, and sustainable SMMEs and Cooperatives creating jobs and contributing to inclusive economic growth", the administration programme delivers against the following outcome and five-year targets in the approved Strategic Plan:

Outcome 3: Integrated and coordinated ecosystem support for SMMEs and Cooperatives.

Outcome 4: An agile, innovative, excellent, and customer-centric organisation.

The revised 2023/24 Performance Plan of Programme 4 is reflected in the log frame tables that follow:

1.4.2. Programme 4: Outcomes, Outputs, Output Indicators and Targets

Outcomes	Outputs	Output Indicators	Audited Performance			Estimated Performance	ı	ATEF Targets	i
			2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26
4. An agile, innovative, excellent, and customer-centric	Implement innovative ideas	Percentage of innovative ideas implemented	Not measured	Not measured	New indicator	35%	40%	50%	55%
	Digitalise Seda services	Number of priority systems digitalised	Not measured	Not measured	New indicator	2	1	1	1
organisation	Measure stakeholder satisfaction	Percentage of stakeholder satisfaction	Not measured	Not measured	Not measured	New indicator	85%	85%	85%
	Measure customer satisfaction	Percentage of customer satisfaction	Not measured	Not measured	New indicator	80%	85%	85%	85%
	Measure employee satisfaction	Percentage of employee satisfaction	Not measured	Not measured	New indicator	50%	55%	60%	65%

Outcomes	Outputs	Output Indicators	Audited Performance		Estimated Performance	MTEF Targets			
			2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26
	Reduce vacancy rate	Percentage of vacancy rate	Not measured	Not measured	New indicator	10%	10%	10%	10%
	Entrenched performance-driven culture	Percentage of staff who performed at 311 and above in the performance evaluation	Not measured	Not measured	New indicator	60%	65%	70%	75%
3. Integrated and coordinated ecosystem support for SMMEs and Cooperatives	Build an effective ecosystem	Percentage of the implementation of the Ecosystem Development Plan	Not measured	Not measured	New indicator	40%	70%	100%	-

1.4.3. Programme 4: Output Indicators: Annual and Quarterly Targets

Output Indicators	2023/24 Annual	Quarterly Targets				
	Target	Q1 Apr - Jun 2023	Q2 Jul - Sep 2023	Q3 Oct - Dec 2023	Q4 Jan - Mar 2024	
Percentage of innovative ideas implemented	40%	-	-	-	40%	
Number of priority systems digitalised	1%	-	-	-	1%	
Percentage of stakeholder satisfaction	85%	-	-	-	85%	
Percentage of customer satisfaction	85%	85%	85%	85%	85%	
Employee satisfaction	55%	-	-	55%	-	
Percentage of vacancy rate	10%	10%	10%	10%	10%	
Percentage of staff who performed at 311 and above in the performance cycle	65%	-	-	-	65%	
Percentage implementation of the Ecosystem Development Plan	70%	-	-	-	70%	

1.4.4. Programme 4: Explanation of the planned performance over the Medium-Term Period

Programme 4: Administration intends to ensure that the organisation is innovative and agile to respond to the priorities of government's 6th administration. Issues of customer satisfaction, staff satisfaction, and digitalisation of targeted systems are prioritised.

Contribution of programme outputs to the outcomes and impact of Seda's Strategic Plan

All the outputs measures are structured to provide an indication whether the outcome goal ensures an agile, innovative, excellent, and customer-centric organisation, will be achieved over the strategic period. Annually outputs will be monitored to determine whether they are yielding the desired results; where necessary, adjustments will be implemented. Specific contributions include:

Outcome 3: Integrated and coordinated ecosystem support for SMMEs and Cooperatives

DEF programme:

The rollout of the DEF model was delayed by COVID-19 in 2020 and, in the 2021/22 financial year, challenges arose due to different provinces rolling out the DDM differently. This called for Seda to step back and review its approach to the rollout of the model to achieve better collaboration with district municipalities and other public and private stakeholders.

Focus will be given to implementing the Ecosystem Development Plan by capacitating internal and external stakeholders on the strategic value proposition of the DEF model, implementing change management interventions, creating awareness, and engaging stakeholders, identifying, and supporting the implementation of DDM projects jointly with ecosystem partners, and continuing with the development and implementation of the District Information Management System.

1.4.5. Programme 4: Resource Considerations

	Programme 4 - Administration						
	Aligned to the budget						
		2022/23	2023/24	Costing per unit R	2023/24 R		
1	Percentage of innovative ideas implemented	35%	40%	In-house	-		
2	Number of priority systems digitised	2	1	3 000 000	3 000 000		
3	Percentage of stakeholder satisfaction	80%	85%	50 000	50 000 000		
4	Percentage of customer satisfaction	80%	85%	In-house			
5	Percentage of employee satisfaction	50%	55%	In-house			
6	Percentage of staff who performed at 311 and above in the performance evaluation	60%	65%	In-house			
7	Percentage of vacancy rate	10%	10%	In-house	_		
8	Percentage implementation of Ecosystem Development Plan	40%	70%	6 300 000	6 300 000		
TOTAL							

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2. RESOURCE CONSIDERATIONS

Seda applies the zero-based budgeting approach which ensures that only value-added activities are included. Such activities are tested for value addition, as well as contribution to actual delivery of small enterprises. It further allows Seda to manage the available budget effectively.

2.1. EXPENDITURE ESTIMATES

The table below details Seda's budget for the three-year planning cycle as per the MTEF allocation. Seda's MTEF allocation was cut by R94.23 million over the MTEF period 2023/24 to 2025/26 which will have a huge impact on service delivery.

Most of the fixed costs like office rental, software licences, other goods and services increase with rates that are mostly above the rate of inflation, meanwhile the allocated budget amounts are increasing at minimal rates that are below the rate of inflation. This results in the amount available for programmes and projects being reduced accordingly as the total budget amount is limited.

Seda has also experienced reduced funding from partner organisations. Seda is a service organisation and as such, needs to allocate adequate funds to the compensation of employees to combat staff losses due to high number of terminations. The current allocation to compensation of employees is mainly for the core personnel in the delivery network.

Table 19: Seda Budget 2021/22 to 2025/26 (R'million)

Income					
	FY 21/22	FY 22/23	FY 23/24	FY 24/25	FY 25/26
	Audited figures	Budget			
Seda - DSBD from ENE budget	666.1	678.8	683.1	713.8	745.7
STP – DSBD from ENE budget	156.5	159.4	160.5	167.7	175.2
Seda - DSBD specific projects	3.7	81.3	6.3	-	-
STP Capacity Building programme	15.9	16.2	16.3	17.0	17.8
External earnings	40.6	1.8	-	-	-
Other income	19.4	10.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
TOTAL INCOME	902.2	947.5	871.1	903.4	943.7
	Expe	nditure			
Compensation of employees	376.7	375.5	397.7	417.6	438.4
Programmes and projects	773.6	554.8	443.7	454.9	473.1
Depreciation	13.2	15.8	14.9	15.5	16.1
Sub-total	1 163.5	946.1	856.3	888.0	927.6
Capital expenditure	21.6	1.4	14.9	15.5	16.1
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	1 185.1	947.5	871.1	903.4	943.7

2.2. ASSET AND LIABILITY MANAGEMENT

Seda's asset and liability management works towards ensuring a balance between assets and liabilities. The largest asset is cash and cash equivalents, while trade and other payables make up a sizeable portion of the liabilities.

Table 20: Asset and Liability Management (R'million)

ACCETC	FY 21/22	FY 22/23	FY 23/24	FY 24/25	FY 25/26	
ASSETS	Budget					
Carrying value of assets	58.57	49.58	61.24	72.88	84.53	
Inventory	0.25	0.32	0.38	0.38	0.38	
Receivables and prepayment	25.04	23.55	5.96	5.96	5.96	
Cash and cash equivalents	189.65	68.68	65.73	65.73	65.73	
Total assets	273.49	142.13	133.31	144.95	156.60	
LIABILITIES	LIABILITIES					
Accumulated surplus / deficit	-13.37	15.00	15.00	14.92	14.90	
Operating lease	3.29	2.52	3.71	3.71	3.71	
Trade and other payables	255.42	124.61	114.60	126.32	138.00	
Provisions	28.15	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
Total equity and liabilities	273.49	142.13	133.31	144.95	156.60	

2.3. CASH FLOW PROJECTIONS

The table below details the organisation's cash flow projections for the 2021/22 to 2025/26 reporting periods.

Table 21: Cash Flow Projections (R'million)

Income					
	FY 21/22	FY 22/23	FY 23/24	FY 24/25	FY 25/26
Cash Flow Data	Audited figures		Bud	lget	
Cash flow from operating activities	-132.6	-119.6	11.9	15.5	16.1
Cash flow from investing activities	-21.3	-1.4	-14.9	-15.5	-16.1
Cash flow from financing activities	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	-153.9	-121.0	-3.0	0.0	0.0
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the year	343.5	189.6	68.7	65.7	65.7
Estimate of available cash	189.6	68.7	65.7	65.7	65.7

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2.4. CAPITAL EXPENDITURE PROGRAMMES

Seda's planned capital expenditure programme aims to ensure equitable access by small enterprises to support services. As a result, Seda branches need to be equipped to service large volumes of clients and also to reach clients in outlying areas.

Table 22: Capital Expenditure (R'million)

Canital Ermanditura Dataila	FY 21/22	FY 22/23	FY 23/24	FY 24/25	FY 25/26	
Capital Expenditure Details	Budget					
Building: non-residential	0.26	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
Vehicles	3.00	0.61	3.20	3.50	3.20	
Furniture and office equipment	3.92	0.11	2.00	2.20	0.00	
Computer equipment and software	14.41	0.64	9.68	9.78	12.90	
TOTAL ACUISITIONS	21.59	1.36	14.88	15.48	16.10	



3. <u>UPDATED KEY RIS</u>KS

The Seda board and management annually assess the organisation's risk environment and identify strategic risks that the board manages through the Audit and Risk Committee. Management through Exco manages operational risks. The risks consider the organisation's outcomes and high-impact programmes/themes.

Table 23: Strategic Risk Register – 2023/24

OUTCOMES	KEY RISK	RISK MITIGATION
Integrated and coordinated ecosystem support for SMMEs and Cooperatives.	 Failure to integrate technology with ecosystem partners. Insufficient collaboration from the public and private sectors. 	 Identify win-win benefits for Seda and targeted partners. Actively pursue stakeholder engagement.
Increased entrepreneurship awareness, growth, and sustainability of township and ruralbased SMMEs and Cooperatives.	 Inadequate customisation of Seda services to identified or profiled rural areas and townships. Limited access to Seda services by SMMEs and Cooperatives. Insufficient resources to deliver on planned initiatives. Inability of SMMEs and Cooperatives to produce the desired quality of products or services. 	 Conduct needs analysis for rural and township-based businesses and craft interventions that are suitable to their needs. Expand service access points. Leverage funding from partners. Provide mentoring and coaching, including quality testing and certification interventions.
Increased growth and sustainability of SMMEs and Cooperatives in the priority sectors.	 Inadequate business growth. Limited access by SMMEs and Cooperatives to opportunities and barriers to participate in priority sectors. Non-alignment of Seda offerings to the market. 	 Identify SMMEs in high growth sectors and support them. Enable support through business linkages. Conduct SMME needs analysis and benchmark with the market.
Increased localisation and market penetration by SMMEs and Cooperatives.	 Poorly designed initiatives. Lack of market development. Lack of industry standards and requirements. Limited buy-in from big cooperatives. 	 Develop industry standards through collaboration. Identify cooperatives that can benefit from Seda interventions.
An agile, innovative, excellent, and customer-centric organisation.	 Lack of Seda innovation strategy. Inadequate ICT systems, infrastructure. Incoherent performance-focused culture. Lack of skills alignment with organisational goals. High dependency on service providers. Uncertainty of organisational efficiency post-merger with sefa. 	 Develop and implement innovation plan. Identify required infrastructure and consolidate resources to develop or acquire it. Identify skills deficiencies and develop a skills plan to mitigate deficiencies. Identify service provider replacement through capacity increases and skills development. Engage with DSBD and ministry on the way forward.

4. PUBLIC ENTITIES

Not applicable.

- 5. INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS
- 6. PUBLIC PRIVATE PARTNERSHIPS

Not applicable.

Not applicable.





TECHNICAL INDICATOR DESCRIPTIONS

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1. PROGRAMME 1: ENTERPRISE DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME

Indicator Title	Number of people reached through entrepreneurship awareness sessions
Definition	People refers to potential SMMEs and Cooperatives. People who have an interest in starting a small business, including those who have started businesses are given business-related information and guidance in starting and managing their businesses.
	People who attended a briefing session captured their names, surnames and related information in the attendance register or an individual attendance confirmation form.
Source of Data	» Branch files» Seda reporting system
Method of Calculation / Assessment	A numerical count of people who have captured their names in the attendance register/individual attendance confirmation form/electronic attendance register.
Means of Verification	 Attendance register/Individual attendance confirmation form Electronic attendance register for sessions conducted online. (MS Excel/ PDF)
Assumptions	People who have an interest in starting a business have been identified.
Disaggregation of Beneficiaries	N/A
Spatial Transformation	N/A
Calculation Type	Cumulative (year-end)
Reporting Cycle	Quarterly
Desired Performance	20 000
Indicator Responsibility	Executive Manager: EDD

Indicator Title	Number of township and rural based businesses supported with non-financial business development
Definition	Township and rural businesses supported refers to business development support offered to businesses operating in the township and rural areas. Township and rural-based businesses are supported with needs-based assessments and interventions to enable them to grow and be sustainable.
	Needs-based assessments include: ACO, Adoption Report, BIAT, Business Model Canvas Tool, CPE, EDT, Gap Analysis, PSAT and SBAT.
	Needs-based interventions include: Access to funding, access to information, business registration, business planning, compliance, finance interventions, HR interventions, legal interventions and pre-funding support. (Any other interventions that are not listed in the other indicators).
Source of Data	» Branch files» Seda reporting system
Method of Calculation / Assessment	A numerical count of assessment reports, SLAs and coupons offered to SMMEs and Cooperatives based in township and rural areas.
Means of Verification	 Assessment report and interventions completion report SLA and interventions completion report Coupons
Assumptions	Township and rural-based businesses needs are identified.
Disaggregation of Beneficiaries	 » Women: 40% » Young people: 30% » Persons with disabilities: 7%
Spatial Transformation	Township and rural areas
Calculation Type	Cumulative (year-end)
Reporting Cycle	Quarterly
Desired Performance	18 000
Indicator Responsibility	Executive Manager: EDD

Indicator Title	Number of SMMEs and Cooperatives supported to participate in local markets
Definition	Participating in local markets refers to businesses supported with exhibition training and interventions to access local markets. SMMEs and Cooperatives are supported with interventions and exhibition training to enable them to effectively participate in local markets.
	Interventions to access local markets include: Marketing plans, signage, website, promotional material, exhibitions, pop-up markets and any access to local market interventions.
	Local market exhibition training includes pre- and post-exhibition training and any training aimed to access local markets.
Source of Data	» Branch files» Seda reporting system
Method of Calculation / Assessment	 A numerical count of SLA and coupons offered to SMMEs and Cooperatives that are supported with access to local market interventions. A numerical count of people who attended a pre- or post-exhibition training as captured in the attendance register/individual attendance confirmation form/online attendance register.
Means of Verification	 Local market SLAs and interventions completion report Local market coupons Pre- and post-exhibition training attendance register/individual attendance confirmation form or electronic attendance register for sessions conducted online. (MS Excel/PDF)
Assumptions	SMMEs and Cooperatives are ready to access local markets.
Disaggregation of Beneficiaries	N/A
Spatial Transformation	N/A
Calculation Type	Cumulative (year-end)
Reporting Cycle	Quarterly
Desired Performance	2 500
Indicator Responsibility	Executive Manager: EDD

Indicator Title	Number of SMMEs and Cooperatives supported with international markets readiness
Definition	International markets readiness refers to businesses supported with export training and interventions to access international markets.
	SMMEs and Cooperatives are supported with export assessment, export interventions and export training to enable them to effectively participate in international markets.
Source of Data	 International market support files Branch files Seda reporting system
Method of Calculation / Assessment	» A numerical count of ERAT assessments, SLA and coupons offered to SMMEs and Cooperatives supported with access to international markets.
	A numerical count of people who attended an export training as captured in the attendance register/individual attendance confirmation form/online attendance register.
Means of Verification	 ERAT assessment report and interventions completion report Export SLA and interventions completion report Export coupons Attendance register/individual attendance confirmation form and electronic attendance register for online sessions. (MS Excel/ PDF)
Assumptions	SMMEs and Cooperatives are capacitated to access international markets through various business development interventions.
Disaggregation of Beneficiaries	N/A
Spatial Transformation	N/A
Calculation Type	Cumulative (year-end)
Reporting Cycle	Quarterly
Desired Performance	500
Indicator Responsibility	Executive Manager: EDD

Indicator Title	Number of SMMEs and Cooperatives supported through trade missions
Definition	The intention of the programme is to expose SMMEs and Cooperatives to global markets through international exhibitions, international business-to-business events and online platforms.
Source of Data	» International Market Support Files» Seda Reporting System
Method of Calculation / Assessment	A numerical count of SMMEs and Cooperatives that participated in international exhibitions, international B2B events and online platforms.
Means of Verification	 International exhibitions register/report B2B attendance registers/reports Online events attendance registers Attendance Registers/Individual Attendance Confirmation Form
Assumptions	SMMEs are ready to access international markets.
Disaggregation of Beneficiaries	N/A
Spatial Transformation	N/A
Calculation Type	Cumulative (year-end)
Reporting Cycle	Quarterly
Desired Performance	300
Indicator Responsibility	Executive Manager: EDD

Indicator Title	Number of SMMEs and Cooperatives supported with business development
Definition	Business development support refers to prioritising businesses based in urban areas with business development interventions.
	Urban-based businesses are supported with needs-based assessments and interventions to enable them to grow and be sustainable.
	Needs-based assessments include: ACO, Adoption Report, BIAT, Business Model Canvas Tool, CPE, EDT, Gap Analysis, PSAT and SBAT.
	Needs-based interventions include: Access to funding, access to information, business registration, business planning, compliance, finance interventions, HR interventions, legal interventions and pre-funding support. (Any other relevant interventions that are not listed in the other indicators).
Source of Data	» Branch files» Seda reporting system
Method of Calculation / Assessment	A numerical count of assessment reports, SLAs and coupons offered to SMMEs and Cooperatives that are based in urban areas.
Means of Verification	 Assessment report and interventions completion report SLA and interventions completion report Coupons
Assumptions	Urban-based business needs are identified.
Disaggregation of Beneficiaries	N/A
Spatial Transformation	N/A
Calculation Type	Cumulative (year-end)
Reporting Cycle	Quarterly
Desired Performance	2 000
Indicator Responsibility	Executive Manager: EDD
Indicator Title	Number of SMMEs and Cooperatives supported in priority sectors with non-financial business development to scale-up their businesses
Definition	Priority sectors refers to manufacturing and construction, digital and ICT, agriculture and agro-processing, automotive, mining and aquaculture, tourism, services as defined by the government.
	Businesses prioritised in this indicator have high growth potential as their turnover is R2 million and above.
Source of Data	» Branch files» Seda reporting system
Method of Calculation / Assessment	A numerical count of SLAs for SMMEs and Cooperatives that have received sector-specific interventions.
Means of Verification	» SLA and interventions completion report» One baseline Income Statement (with turnover above R2 Million)
Assumptions	There are enterprises in the priority sectors ready for support.
Disaggregation of Beneficiaries	N/A
Spatial Transformation	N/A
Calculation Type	Cumulative (year-end)
Reporting Cycle	Quarterly
Desired Performance	50
Indicator Responsibility	Executive Manager: EDD

Indicator Title	Number of SMMEs and Cooperatives supported with training, mentorship, and coaching
Definition	Training refers to businesses supported with business management and technical training for individuals or groups.
	Mentorship refers to the guidance a mentor/experienced person provides to the target person/business to ensure that they are sustainable and grow.
	Coaching refers to developing people's skills and abilities to boost business performance.
	Businesses are supported with training, mentorship, and coaching to improve their capabilities and skills. Interventions offered target both technical and business management skills.
Source of Data	» Branch files» Seda reporting system
Method of Calculation / Assessment	A numerical count of SMMEs and Cooperatives supported through training, mentorship, and coaching.
Means of Verification	 Training attendance register/individual attendance confirmation form and electronic attendance register for online training sessions. (MS Excel/ PDF) Mentorship SLA and interventions completion report Coaching SLA and interventions completion report
Assumptions	SMMEs and Cooperatives are ready to receive training, mentorship and coaching.
Disaggregation of Beneficiaries	N/A
Spatial Transformation	N/A
Calculation Type	Cumulative (year-end)
Reporting Cycle	Quarterly
Desired Performance	20 500
Indicator Responsibility	Executive Manager: EDD

Indicator Title	Number of Cooperatives Supported through CDSP
Definition	Cooperatives that are supported through the Cooperative Development Support Programme as per the approved guidelines.
Source of Data	» Client Files
Method of Calculation / Assessment	A numerical count of Cooperatives capacitated with business development support through the Cooperative Development Support Programme
Means of Verification	» Approval letters signed by Seda and the Cooperative
Assumptions	Cooperatives are ready to receive business development support through Cooperative Development Support Programme interventions
Disaggregation of Beneficiaries	N/A
Spatial Transformation	N/A
Calculation Type	Cumulative (year-end)
Reporting Cycle	Quarterly
Desired Performance	40
Indicator Responsibility	Executive Manager: EDD

2. PROGRAMME 2: TECHNOLOGY PROGRAMME

Indicator Title	Number of SMMEs and Cooperatives assisted through the incubation programme
Definition	The intention of this indicator is to support SMMEs and Cooperatives to develop their products and skills to sustain their businesses during the early stages of formation. Various business development interventions are offered which include technical training, business management support, mentorship and coaching and other necessary business development support.
Source of Data	Incubation files and growth wheel assessment
Method of Calculation / Assessment	A numerical count of SMMEs and Cooperatives that are participating in the incubation programme.
Means of Verification	» Incubation contract» Growth wheel assessment
Assumptions	SMMEs are ready for incubation.
Disaggregation of Beneficiaries	N/A
Spatial Transformation	N/A
Calculation Type	Cumulative
Reporting Cycle	Quarterly
Desired Performance	1 800
Indicator Responsibility	Executive Manager: STP

Indicator Title	Number of SMMEs and Cooperatives assisted through the Technological Transfer Assistance Programme
Definition	The intention of this indicator is to support SMMEs and Cooperatives with technology to improve their business productivity and efficiency. These businesses are subsidised in the procurement of machinery funded by Seda depending on the business needs.
Source of Data	Technological Transfer Assistance (TTA) files
Method of Calculation / Assessment	A numerical count of SMMEs and Cooperatives that have received technology support.
Means of Verification	» Technology support» Approval list/register
Assumptions	There are enterprises ready to receive technology transfer support.
Disaggregation of Beneficiaries	N/A
Spatial Transformation	N/A
Calculation Type	Cumulative (year-end)
Reporting Cycle	Annually
Desired Performance	50
Indicator Responsibility	Executive Manager: STP

3. PROGRAMME 3: IMPACT AND SUSTAINABILITY PROGRAMME

Indicator Title	Number of SMMEs and Cooperatives supported with quality improvement interventions
Definition	Quality improvement refers to businesses supported with product quality and quality systems improvement. SMMEs and Cooperatives are supported with quality interventions and quality training to enable them to expand their markets.
	Quality improvement interventions include: Product testing and conformity assessment, quality training, Quality Management System (QMS) implementation, quality certification, continual quality improvement initiatives, product certification, including other quality related interventions and product development.
	Quality training includes: QMS training, quality awareness training, HACCP training, food safety training, product training, packaging training and any relevant quality training.
Source of Data	 » Branch files » Quality training files » Quality intervention files » Seda reporting system
Method of Calculation / Assessment	 A numerical count of SLA and coupons offered to SMMEs and Cooperatives that are supported with quality interventions. A numerical count of people who attended quality training as captured in the attendance register/individual attendance confirmation form/online attendance register.
Means of Verification	 » Quality training attendance register/individual attendance confirmation form and electronic attendance register for online training sessions. (MS Excel/ PDF) » Quality SLA and interventions completion report » List of SMMEs approved for quality intervention (STP)
Assumptions	Identified clients are ready to receive interventions and training.
Disaggregation of Beneficiaries	N/A
Spatial Transformation	N/A
Calculation Type	Cumulative (year-end)
Reporting Cycle	Quarterly
Desired Performance	1 000
Indicator Responsibility	Executive Manager: EDD and STP

Indicator Title	Number of SMMEs and Cooperatives assisted with productivity improvement
Definition	Productivity improvement refers to businesses supported with productivity improvement and production join paragrpahs. SMMEs and Cooperatives are supported with productivity interventions and productivity training to enable them to become efficient.
	Productivity improvement interventions include: Production analysis, production layout, ergonomics studies, work studies, production optimisation techniques, waste management, continuous improvement techniques, lean manufacturing and other productivity related interventions.
	Productivity training includes: Production management, productivity awareness training, continuous improvement training, kanban, 6 sigma, process flow training, minimising waste training and any relevant productivity training.
Source of Data	 » Branch files » Productivity training files » Productivity interventions files » Seda reporting system
Method of Calculation / Assessment	 A numerical count of SLA and coupons offered to SMMEs and Cooperatives that are supported with productivity interventions. A numerical count of people who attended productivity training as captured in the attendance register/individual attendance confirmation form/online attendance register.
Means of Verification	 Productivity training attendance register/individual attendance confirmation form and electronic attendance register for training sessions conducted online. (MS Excel/ PDF) Productivity SLA and interventions completion report List of SMMEs approved for productivity intervention (STP)
Assumptions	Identified clients are ready to receive productivity interventions and training.
Disaggregation of Beneficiaries	N/A
Spatial Transformation	N/A
Calculation Type	Cumulative (year-end)
Reporting Cycle	Quarterly
Desired Performance	1 000
Indicator Responsibility	Executive Manager: EDD and STP

Indicator Title	Number of SMMEs and Cooperatives whose turnover has increased by a minimum of 5%		
Definition	Turnover above 5% per annum refers to businesses whose turnover has increased by 5% or more from the baseline collected data.		
	Businesses are provided with various interventions to enable them to grow their market.		
Source of Data	 » Branch files » Incubation files » TTA files » Seda reporting system 		
Method of Calculation / Assessment	A numerical count of SMMEs and Cooperatives whose turnover increased by 5% after Seda's intervention.		
Means of Verification	 Improvement assessment forms Income statements (pre- and post-interventions) Turnover calculations reflecting improvement by 5% and above 		
Assumptions	SMMEs and Cooperatives are supported to increase their turnover.		
Disaggregation of Beneficiaries	N/A		
Spatial Transformation	N/A		
Calculation Type	Cumulative (year-end)		
Reporting Cycle	Quarterly		
Desired Performance	700		
Indicator Responsibility	Executive Manager: EDD and STP		

Indicator Title	Number of jobs created by SMMEs and Cooperatives supported through non-financial support interventions		
Definition	Jobs created, refers to businesses who have created new jobs post Seda's intervention.		
	Businesses are provided with various interventions to enable them to grow and create new jobs.		
Source of Data	 » Branch files » Incubation files » TTA files » Seda reporting system 		
Method of Calculation / Assessment	 A numerical count of SMMEs and Cooperatives who have created new jobs after Seda intervention. Number of new jobs created by the incubated clients in the financial year. 		
Means of Verification	 Improvement assessment forms Confirmation of employees (pre- and post-interventions) Jobs created calculations Employment contract/proof of employment (STP) 		
Assumptions	SMMEs and Cooperatives are encouraged to create jobs.		
Disaggregation of Beneficiaries	N/A		
Spatial Transformation	N/A		
Calculation Type	Cumulative (year-end)		
Reporting Cycle	Quarterly		
Desired Performance	4 500		
Indicator Responsibility	Executive Manager: EDD and STP		

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Indicator Title	Number of jobs sustained by SMMEs and Cooperatives supported through non- financial support interventions			
Definition	Jobs sustained refers to businesses that are maintaining existing jobs post Seda's intervention.			
	Businesses are provided with various interventions to enable them to grow and sustain existing jobs.			
Source of Data	 » Branch files » Incubation files » TTA files » Seda reporting system 			
Method of Calculation / Assessment	 A numerical count of SMMEs and Cooperatives who sustained jobs after Seda intervention. Number of new jobs sustained by the incubated clients in the financial year. 			
Means of Verification	 Improvement assessment forms Confirmation of employees (pre- and post-interventions) Jobs sustained calculations Employment contract/proof of employment (STP) 			
Assumptions	SMMEs and Cooperatives are supported to sustain jobs.			
Disaggregation of Beneficiaries	N/A			
Spatial Transformation	N/A			
Calculation Type	Cumulative (year-end)			
Reporting Cycle	Quarterly			
Desired Performance	8 000			
Indicator Responsibility	Executive Manager: EDD and STP			



4. PROGRAMME 4: ADMINISTRATION PROGRAMME

Indicator Title	Percentage of innovative ideas implemented		
Definition	Innovative ideas are aimed at transforming the way Seda operates to improve efficiency, services offerings and stakeholder satisfaction (shareholder, clients and employees).		
	This indicator measures the practical implementation of generated innovative ideas to effect positive change.		
Source of Data	Innovative idea files/repository		
Method of Calculation / Assessment	Number of innovative ideas generated versus ideas implemented		
Means of Verification	» Idea generation register » Innovative idea implementation report		
Assumptions	There is a drive to encourage innovation within the organisation.		
Disaggregation of Beneficiaries	N/A		
Spatial Transformation	N/A		
Calculation Type	Non-cumulative		
Reporting Cycle	4th Quarter		
Desired Performance	40%		
Indicator Responsibility	Office of CEO		

Indicator Title	Number of priority systems digitised		
Definition	Digitisation refers to the adaptation or converting of a system or business processes to be operated with the use of digital technologies.		
	The organisation aims to digitise some of its processes to improve efficiency.		
Source of Data	Digitalisation implementation files/repository		
Method of Calculation / Assessment	Number of systems implemented fully implemented		
Means of Verification	Project implementation report for systems implemented		
Assumptions	Seda has develop a digitalisation roadmap to be implemented.		
Disaggregation of Beneficiaries	N/A		
Spatial Transformation	N/A		
Calculation Type	Cumulative (year-end)		
Reporting Cycle	Quarterly		
Desired Performance	1		
Indicator Responsibility	Chief Strategy and Information Officer		

Indicator Title	Percentage of stakeholder satisfaction		
Definition	Stakeholder satisfaction is the level of approval that organisations and targeted groups have in an organisation. Stakeholder satisfaction is important because it influences the choices made about their involvement in an organisation.		
	Seda intends to collect and analysing data on how satisfied and engaged stakeholders are with the organisations programmes and performance results		
Source of Data	Stakeholder satisfaction files/repository		
Method of Calculation / Assessment	Number of stakeholders satisfied divided by the total number of stakeholders surveyed		
Means of Verification	Stakeholder satisfaction survey result		
Assumptions	The organisation continuously access stakeholders' level of satisfaction.		
Disaggregation of Beneficiaries	N/A		
Spatial Transformation	N/A		
Calculation Type	Non-Cumulative		
Reporting Cycle	Annually		
Desired Performance	85%		
Indicator Responsibility	Office of CEO		

Indicator Title	Percentage of customer satisfaction		
Definition	Customer satisfaction measures how well an organisation's products or services and capabilities meets customer expectations.		
	Seda intends to collect and analysing data on how customers are satisfied with the organisation's programmes and service.		
Source of Data	Customer satisfaction files/repository		
Method of Calculation / Assessment	Number of satisfied customer members vs all customers surveyed		
Means of Verification	Customer satisfaction survey report		
Assumptions	There is a drive to improve customer service.		
Disaggregation of Beneficiaries	N/A		
Spatial Transformation	N/A		
Calculation Type	Non-cumulative		
Reporting Cycle	Quarterly		
Desired Performance	85%		
Indicator Responsibility	Executive Manager: EDD and STP		

Indicator Title	Percentage of employee satisfaction		
Definition	Employee satisfaction is the extent to which employees are happy or content with their jobs and work environment.		
	Seda intends to collect and analysing data on how employees are happy or content with their jobs and work environment.		
Source of Data	Staff satisfaction files/repository		
Method of Calculation / Assessment	Number of satisfied employees versus all employees surveyed		
Means of Verification	Staff satisfaction survey result		
Assumptions	There is a drive to encourage and engage staff members.		
Disaggregation of Beneficiaries	N/A		
Spatial Transformation	N/A		
Calculation Type	Non-cumulative		
Reporting Cycle	3 rd Quarter		
Desired Performance	55%		
Indicator Responsibility	Executive Manager: Corporate Services		

Indicator Title	Percentage of vacancy rate		
Definition	The vacancy rate measures the percentage of vacant positions in an approved structure over a specific period.		
	Seda aim to maintain the vacancy rate at acceptable levels to manage workload and to ensure that it does not contribute negatively on the organisation's performance.		
Source of Data	Consolidated vacancies files/repository		
Method of Calculation / Assessment	Number of vacancies vs filled positions in the approved structure		
Means of Verification	Consolidated vacancies		
Assumptions	There is a drive to fill vacant positions.		
Disaggregation of Beneficiaries	N/A		
Spatial Transformation	N/A		
Calculation Type	Non-cumulative		
Reporting Cycle	Quarterly		
Desired Performance	10%		
Indicator Responsibility	Executive Manager: Corporate Services		

Indicator Title	Percentage of staff who performed at 311 and above in the performance cycle		
Definition	Employee performance measures how an employee fulfils the duties of their role, completes required tasks and behaves in the workplace. The performance includes the quality, quantity and efficiency of work.		
	Seda evaluates employee's performance using tools that determines acceptable level of performance. The organisation aims that most of its employees should perform above 311 in the evaluation rating.		
Source of Data	Staff performance files/repository		
Method of Calculation / Assessment	Number of staff who scored above 311 in the performance cycle		
Means of Verification	Records of staff rated between 311 and above the performance cycle		
Assumptions	There is a drive to encourage staff members to excel.		
Disaggregation of Beneficiaries	N/A		
Spatial Transformation	N/A		
Calculation Type	Non-cumulative		
Reporting Cycle	4 th Quarter		
Desired Performance	65%		
Indicator Responsibility	Executive Manager: Corporate Services		

Indicator Title	Percentage implementation of the ecosystem development plan		
Definition	A system capable of supporting entrepreneurship, enterprise development, job creation and growth in a specific environment or territory. The ecosystem is built upon cooperation between local enterprise development players, with each player finding their specific place in the network and fulfilling their role without significant overlaps, but in a close, interconnected way.		
Source of Data	Ecosystem files/repository		
Method of Calculation / Assessment	Total number of initiatives identified in the ecosystem plan vs initiatives implemented		
Means of Verification	» Project plan» Proof of initiatives implemented		
Assumptions	Seda has developed a roadmap to be implemented.		
Disaggregation of Beneficiaries	N/A		
Spatial Transformation	N/A		
Calculation Type	Cumulative (year-end)		
Reporting Cycle	Quarterly		
Desired Performance	70%		
Indicator Responsibility	Office of the CEO		



ANNEXURES TO THE REVISED ANNUAL PERFORMANCE PLAN

1. ANNEXURE A: AMENDMENTS TO THE STRATEGIC PLAN

During the 2021/22 performance information audit, the programmes names and indicators were found to not be reliable and measurable. Seda has performed a full review of the APP which resulted in the review of the linked outcomes and related outputs.

The following changes were made on the Strategic Plan 2019-2024:

- » In Outcome1: Increased growth and sustainability of township and rural SMMEs and Cooperatives, the following changes were implemented, township and rural focus was removed, the reviewed outcome 1 is now similar to outcome 4: Increased growth and sustainability of SMMEs and Cooperatives. This outcome has been named outcome 1.
- » In Outcome 1: The following two outputs were added into outcome 1 of the reviewed strategic plan (Facilitate growth and sustainability of SMMEs and Cooperatives, Facilitate priority sector support).
- » In Outcome 3: The Output **Increase service access points** was removed in the reviewed strategic plan.
- » In Outcome 5: The Outputs **Improve Seda brand positioning and measure stakeholder satisfaction,** were introduced in the reviewed strategic plan. This outcome has been named outcome 4.

Table 24: Strategic Plan Review

Strategic Plan 2019 - 24		Reviewed Strategic Plan 2023 - 24	
Outcomes	Outputs	Outcomes	Outputs
1. Increased growth and sustainability of township and rural SMMEs and Cooperatives	Facilitate entrepreneurship awareness. Facilitate township and rural-based SMMEs and Cooperatives support.	1. Increased growth and sustainability of SMMEs and Cooperatives	Facilitate entrepreneurship awareness. Facilitate township and rural-based SMMEs and Cooperatives support. Facilitate growth and sustainability of SMMEs and Cooperatives. Facilitate priority sector support.
2. Increased localisation and market penetration by SMMEs and Cooperatives	Facilitate access to local markets. Facilitate access to international markets.	2. Increased localisation and market penetration by SMMEs and Cooperatives	Facilitate access to local markets. Facilitate access to international markets.
3. Integrated and coordinated ecosystem support for SMMEs and Cooperatives	Increase service access points. Build an effective ecosystem.	3. Integrated and coordinated ecosystem support for SMMEs and Cooperatives	Build an effective ecosystem.
4. Increased growth and sustainability of SMMEs and Cooperatives	Facilitate growth and sustainability of SMMEs and Cooperatives. Facilitate priority sector support.	This outcome was move	d to Outcome1
5. An agile, innovative, excellent, and customercentric organisation	Implement innovative ideas. Manage customer service. Entrench a performance driven culture. Manage employee satisfaction. Reduce the vacancy rate. Digitalise Seda services.	4. An agile, innovative, excellent, and customer-centric organisation	Implement innovative ideas. Improve Seda's brand positioning. Manage customer service. Measure stakeholder satisfaction. Entrench a performance driven culture. Manage employee satisfaction. Reduce the vacancy rate. Digitalise Seda's services.

2. ANNEXURE B: CONDITIONAL GRANTS

Not applicable.

3. ANNEXURE C: CONSOLIDATED INDICATORS

Not applicable.

4. ANNEXURE D: DISTRICT DEVELOPMENT MODEL

4.1. PROVINCE NAME: EASTERN CAPE

Areas of Intervention		Medium Ter	m (3-Year MTE	F)		
	Project Description	Budget Allocation	District Municipality	Location: GPS Coordinates	Project Leader	Social Partners
VENDICOM HEAVY MINERAL MINING	The company has an off-take agreement from the Martilox Group for concentrated heavy minerals (THM), Zircon (Zr02), Ilmenite (Fe Ti03) and Rutile (Ti02). This is a military veteran owned entity and therefore an application of R5 million is in progress through the discounted Sefa Inyamazane Fund. The business plan was initially presented by the PM and Vendicom directors to the Sefa Head Office in Pretoria to check their appetite. Sefa indicated its appetite for the project and provided guidance with regards to the loan application. The application for R5 million has been submitted to Sefa .		Buffalo city metro	Farm 1163, East London: Latitude Longitude -33.225362 -27.560863 -33.226045 -27.562838 -33.228013 -27.561598 -33.227325 -27.559632	Zukiswa Maselana	East London IDZ DTIC (Black Industrialists) Sefa Dedeat Private sector

Areas of		Medium Term (3-Year MTEF)								
Intervention	Project Description	Budget Allocation	District Municipality	Location: GPS Coordinates	Project Leader	Social Partners				
EC CANNABIS CLUSTER PROJECT	Broader cluster support through EDSE programme with other Eastern Cape Government stakeholders. The purpose of the cluster approach is to develop Industrial Hemp capabilities of farmers in the Eastern Cape. Seda Eastern Cape took an approach that looked at supporting emerging farmers to participate in an off-take opportunity with a Canadian buyer. The plan is to support a minimum of ten such farmers to participate in cultivating		Amathole (to be rolled out in all districts)	Spread across the Amathole district and Buffalo City Metropolitan Municipality areas.	Duma Maqubela	AmaRharhabe Royal House ECRDA DEDEAT EL IDZ ECDC DRDAR				
	ten hectare (ha) each to get a minimum of 100 ha for the project in the first season of cultivation.					DOHNE Agricultural Research Institute				

4.2. PROVINCE NAME: FREE STATE

Areas of		Medium Terr	m (3-Year MTEF))		
Intervention	Project Description	Budget Allocation	District Municipality	Location: GPS Coordinates	Project Leader	Social Partners
CROP AND LIVESTOCK FARMING	Makholokoeng FSPU Secondary Cooperative	DALRD spent: R75 million Seda spent: R180 000	Thabo Mofutsanyana	Makholokoeng - Harrismith Latitude: 28°16′21″S Longitude: 29°07′46″E	Mr Katleho Malau	Department of Rural Development and Land Reform Local Municipality
ANIMAL HUSBANDRY	Zastron Farmers Support Production Unit (Secondary Cooperative) involved in cattle farming Comprises 13 primary cooperatives » Increase fleet (Tractor; Ripper; Bailer) » Supply input support for milling to produce own feed » Assisted with financial statements » Assist with application for funding for solar system. Not yet started	DALRD spent: R25 million Seda spent: R130 000	Xhariep District Municipality	Zastron Latitude: -30.302560806274414 Longitude: 27.082468032836914	Ms Mosilinyane Malefane	DALRD Mohokare Local Municipality Glen Agricultural College

Areas of	Medium Term (3-Year MTEF)								
Intervention	Project Description	Budget Allocation	District Municipality	Location: GPS Coordinates	Project Leader	Social Partners			
CROP AND LIVESTOCK FARMING	Kroonstad FSPU Management Secondary Cooperative	DALRD spent: R15 million Seda spent: R80 000	Fezile Dabi	Kroonstad Latitude: -27° 39′ 1.30″ S Longitude: 27° 14′ 5.57″ E	Mr Katleho Malau	Department of Rural Development and Land Reform Moqhaka local Municipality			
AGRICULTURAL EQUIPMENT	Setsoto FSPU Secondary Cooperative	DALRD spent: R9 million Seda spent: R50 000	Thabo Mofutsanyana	Ficksburg Latitude: 28°52′19″S Longitude: 27°52′30″ E	Mr Katleho Malau	Department of Rural Development and Land Reform Setsoto local Municipality			

4.3. PROVINCE NAME: GAUTENG

Areas of			Medium Terr	n (3-Year MTEF)		
Intervention	Project Description	Budget Allocation	District Municipality	Location: GPS Coordinates	Project Leader	Social Partners
BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT - SETTING UP ONE-STOP- SHOP	Cities Support Programme Township Economic Development Project	ТВА	Tshwane	1873 R101, Mandela, Pretoria, 0400 https://goo.gl/maps/WWvM1cwfUcFJyjt67	Sunday Mahlangu	City of Tshwane Cities Support Programme
BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT	Cannabis Project – Hempvest Africa	ТВА	Johannesburg	Plot 47 Vlakdrift, Farm 167, Mogale City, 1739	Zane Mohidin	Mogale City Local Municipality
BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT	Manufacturing Project – Buntu Foods	ТВА	Johannesburg	61 Old Pretoria Road, Midway Park, Midrand	Lesego Modise	City of Joburg
BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT	Mixed Sectors – Moloto City Mall	ТВА	Tshwane	Moloto Road, Moloto, 1029	Leroux Shabangu	Matelot Properties (Pty) Ltd

4.4. PROVINCE NAME: KWAZULU-NATAL

Areas of		Medium Teri	m (3-Year MTEF)			
Intervention	Project Description	Budget Allocation	District Municipality	Location: GPS Coordinates	Project Leader	Social Partners
KWA MASHU STATION TRADER'S MARKET	Supply of 2 x refrigerated containers with security gates, 12 x meat preparation tables, 2 sets of 2 x sinks with 2 x 2000Lt water tanks, 4 x concrete platform with grill for cooking purpose, erection of canopy / roof as per the supplied drawings at Kwa Mashu Station.	R3 456 894	eThekwini Metro	Latitude: 29.7515393 Longitude: 30.9763415,15.75	Ayanda Ciliza and Cedric Mnguni	DSBD Seda eThekwini Metro
LIBERTY EZOLIMO SECONDARY COOPERATIVE	The business used to be a producer of raw milk. A decision was taken to undertake value adding activities on the milk. The Cooperative intends to process Maas, cheese, yogurt, and other processed dairy products, from milk. A state-of-the-art processing plant have been installed.	R6.5 million	Zululand	ТВА	Thulani Ndlovu and Dumisani Zikalala	DSBD Sefa Seda

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Areas of	Medium Term (3-Year MTEF)								
Intervention	Project Description	Budget Allocation	District Municipality	Location: GPS Coordinates	Project Leader	Social Partners			
HLATHIKHULU FPSU	Products: Agriculture - Crop production, maize, beans, potatoes, etc. Interventions: Mentorship and Packaging.	R150 000	UThukela	Latitude 29°11′50.17″ S Longitude 29°39′25.89″ E	Linda Ndovela Thanda Khathi	SEDA Department of Agriculture, Land and Rural Development			
TUGELA FERRY FPSU	Products/Services: Agriculture – Crop production, maize, beans, potatoes, etc. Interventions: Branding, signage, promotional material and mentorship.	R200 000	Umzinyathi	Latitude 28.741461 Longitude 30.453960	Aubrey Chonco Thanda Khathi	SEDA Department of Agriculture, Land and Rural Development			

4.5. PROVINCE NAME: LIMPOPO

Areas of			Medium	Term (3-Year MTEF)		
Intervention	Project Description	Budget Allocation	District Municipality	Location: GPS Coordinates	Project Leader	Social Partners
FARM WHOLESALE MARKET	FABCO Primary Cooperative established farm wholesale market to create high end market	Total budget = R680 000 AgriSETA - R400 000 Mopani District - R80 000 GTEDA - R120 000 Seda spent - R80 000	Mopani District Municipality	Latitude: 23°52′53.6″S Longitude: 30°16′26.8″E	Mr OR Mathebula (Changa)	NAMC ARC ETG Logistics (tractors and implement) NetaFim (Irrigation) University of Limpopo Novon Chemicals Advanta Seeds Africa Seed Group / KE Seeds COPAE (Mozambican Agricultural and Trade Cooperative)

Areas of			Medium	Term (3-Year MTEF)		
Intervention	Project Description	Budget Allocation	District Municipality	Location: GPS Coordinates	Project Leader	Social Partners
AGRICULTURAL HUB	Mopani Agrihub Secondary Cooperative, have farm equipment to help farmers reduce production costs and self-creation of markets through the hub's bulk buying point stationed at the hub.	R45 813 798	Mopani District Municipality	Latitude: 23°53'02.5"S Longitude: 30°15'56.5"E	Mr Moketla Leshoto	LEDA LIMA RDF Angel Feeds Novon Prasin Firstrand Bank Switchafrica UN environmental Programme Solidaridad SEDA Local Municipalities and Districts Department of Agriculture
ACCESS TO MARKET FOR LOCAL TOMATO GROWERS	Limpopo Tomato Grower Association	R120 million	Mopani District Municipality	Latitude: -23° 49′ 59.59″ S Longitude: 30° 09′ 48.64″ E	Mr Leshoto / Mapule	Department of Agriculture Land Reform and Rural Development (DALRRD) Mopani District Municipality (MDM) Seda Lima
SEKHUKHUNE CLOTHING AND TEXTILE PROJECT	Sekhukhune Clothing and Textile Project is aimed at capacitating about 100 clothing and textile small businesses in the district which are 25 per local municipality	XXX	Sekhukhune District Municipality and Local Municipalities	Groblersdal	Mr SA Ntshangase Rodney Zitha	Sekhukhune District Municipality and local Municipalities Makhuduthamaga Ephraim Mogale Fetakgomo Tubatse Elias Motsoaledi Seda



Areas of			Medium	Term (3-Year MTEF)		
Intervention	Project Description	Budget Allocation	District Municipality	Location: GPS Coordinates	Project Leader	Social Partners
ICT	Limpopo Digital Hub	To be determined	Capricorn District	Seshego Industrial	Shaun Moses –	The DTIC
		by 30 th April 2022	Municipality	Site	the DTIC	LEDA
						Limpopo Conexion
					Polokwane Municipality	
						Seda Capricorn Branch
						Capricorn District Municipality
						DBSA
						CSIR
						Youth Entrepreneurship Project (YEPSA)

4.6. PROVINCE NAME: MPUMALANGA

Areas of Intervention	Medium Term (3-Year MTEF)								
	Project Description	Budget Allocation	District Municipality	Location: GPS Coordinates	Project Leader	Social Partners			
SUPPORT FOR LOCAL SMMES WITH KIOSKS	To provide a conducive environment for the SMME's to reach their markets through establishment of containers/kiosks from which they can sell their products. SASOL has offered to support 20 local SMMEs with	R1.5 million	Gert Sibande	26.5158° S, 29.1914° E (Secunda)	Ms Florence Mathebula	SASOL Seda NYDA Govan Mbeki			
	containers/kiosks to operate and sell their products from.					Local Municipality			

Areas of		Medium Term	(3-Year MTEF)			
Intervention	Project Description	Budget Allocation	District Municipality	Location: GPS Coordinates	Project Leader	Social Partners
NKOMAZI	Establishment of a cotton gin to support the local	TBC	Ehlanzeni	5.4510° S, 31.9587° E	Mr Petros	NEF
COTTON GIN	cotton farmers in Nkomazi area			(Komatipoort)	Sithole	Seda
						Cotton SA
						MEGA
						DARDLR
						Agronet
						ARC
						Lebombo Secondary Cooperative
						Established Farmers of Nkomazi
BHELISA MINING JV	It's a quarry that focus on the mining of aggregate in Gert Sibande District Municipality: Chief Albert Luthuli Local Municipality	R852 000- Barloworld Siyakhula R200 000-Seda	Gert Sibande District Municipality	32.7384° S, 28.0523°E (Mooiplaas)	Ms Nomsa Mtsweni	Barloworld Siyakhula DMRE
BREAD AND CONFECTIONARY KIOSKS PROJECT	A group of 90 beneficiaries (30 per municipality) from Victor Khanye, eMalahleni and Steve Tshwete Local Municipality were identified and recruited to participate in the project. The project is aimed at formalising bakery businesses; capacitate bakery owners with technical and soft skills; assisting with both access to funding and markets.	R5 854 500	Nkangala	25.8728° S, 29.2553° E (Emalahleni)	Ms Zanele Khoza	Nkangala District Municipality BICSA FoodBev Seta Seda



4.7. PROVINCE NAME: NORTHERN CAPE

Areas of Intervention	Medium Term (3-Year MTEF)								
	Project Description	Budget Allocation	District Municipality	Location: GPS Coordinates	Project Leader	Social Partners			
MANUFACTURING – PLANT PROCESSOR	Processing and packaging of rooibos tea	XXX	Namakwa	Latitude: 29.6101494 degrees and longitude: 17.8736913	Malcom Baard/ Lionel Louw	Namakwa District Municipality			
						Department of Agriculture Land Reform and Rural Development (DALRRD) Seda			
ENTERPRISE DEVELOPMENT PROJECT	Youth entrepreneurship empowerment (18 participants)	XXX	Pixley ka Seme District Municipality	Latitude: 29,050000 degrees and longitude: 23,766700 (CBD)	Ms Pamela Matyeka/ Andre Lawrence	Boikanyo Solar NC SMME Trust Seda			
DEVELOPMENT OF A CRAFT SHOP- ACCESS TO MARKETS	Northern Cape Craft Shop	XXX	Frances Baard	Latitude: -28° 44' 11.39" S	Development of a craft shop- Access to markets	Northern Cape Craft Shop			

4.8. PROVINCE NAME: NORTH WEST

Areas of Intervention	Medium Term (3-Year MTEF)					
	Project Description	Budget Allocation	District Municipality	Location: GPS Coordinates	Project Leader	Social Partners
FURNITURE MANUFACTURING PLANT	Eco Furniture Plant	XXX	Dr Ruth Mompati District	Lekwa-Teemaneng Local Municipality	Mr Paul Manoto	The Department of Forestry, Fisheries, and the Environment Dr Ruth S Mompati District Municipality Department of Agriculture Lekwa-Teemane Development Agency Office of the Premier North West
IT AND PRODUCT DEVELOPMENT	IT Product Development and Assembly	XXX	Bojanala West	Latitude: -25degrees'59.73"S Longitude: 27 degrees14'3.61"E (Mogwase Industrial Area)	Mr Abe Kgomongoe	Department of Economic Development Seda Conservation and Tourism (DEDECT)
IT INNOVATIONS AND SOLUTIONS	Innovation Hub and IT Solutions	xxx	Ngaka Modiri Molema	Latitude -25.853161 Longitude 25.640181 (Mahikeng Industrial Area)	Mr Joseph Ndaba	DEDECT and Seda
CITRUS GROWERS	Citrus Fruit Farming Project	XXX	Bojanala East	Latitude: -25degrees38'5.03"S Longitude: 27degrees46'48.79E	Mrs Lerato	DALRD Seda ARC Department of Agriculture AgriSeta

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4.9. PROVINCE NAME: WESTERN CAPE

Areas of Intervention	Medium Term (3-Year MTEF)							
	Project Description	Budget Allocation	District Municipality	Location: GPS Coordinates	Project Leader	Social Partners		
OSTRICH VALUE CHAIN	Sakhasizwe Co-operative Ltd	TBD	Garden Route District Municipality	8 Reserwe street, Oudtshoorn	Mr Quinton Coetzee (Seda) Garden Route District Municipality Department of Economic Development and Tourism (DEDAT WC)			
	Oudtshoorn Leather Manufacturing Co-operative	TBD	Garden Route District Municipality	16 th Avenue, Bridgton, Oudtshoorn https://goo.gl/maps/WvRQyq2YyLe5rc7z6	Mr Quinton Coetzee (Seda)	Seda Garden Route District Municipality Department of Economic Development and Tourism (DEDAT WC)		
AGRICULTURE (HONEY BUSH)	Western Cape Honey Bush Tea Co-operative Ltd	TBD	Garden Route District Municipality	Office: 1st Floor Room 12, Prince Vincent Building, Church Street, Oudtshoorn 33° 22′ 50.26″S 22° 10′ 44.39 E	Mr Quinton Coetzee (Seda)	Seda Garden Route District Municipality Department of Economic Development and Tourism (DEDAT WC)		

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