

## **MEDIA ADVISORY**

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## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

## REMINDER TO APPLY FOR THE BUSINESS INFRASTRUCTURE SUPPORT PROGRAMME (BISP)

The Department of Small Business Development (DSBD) reminds entrepreneurs and small business owners that the application period for the Business Infrastructure Support Programme (BISP) is still open. With the call for applications launched on 1 September 2025, eligible Micro, Small, and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) and cooperatives are encouraged to submit their applications before the deadline.

The BISP aims to enhance the growth and sustainability of MSMEs by providing critical infrastructure, equipment, technology, and energy solutions, especially in underserved areas. The programme supports the construction of MSME hubs, provision of equipment, tools, machinery, and renewable energy, and offers business development services to improve efficiency and competitiveness.

The Business Infrastructure Support Programme (BISP) is a critical initiative by the DSBD to support the growth and development of MSMEs in South Africa. By providing infrastructure, equipment, and business development services, the programme aims to create an enabling environment for small businesses to thrive.

A call for applications/ Proposals was issued via the DSBD website and other relevant platforms to maximise participation.

The application process for the programme consists of two separate application

forms one specifically for built infrastructure projects and another for equipment,

tools, machinery, technology, and energy support interventions. Applicants are

required to submit their completed applications and any related enquiries through a

dedicated email address.

To ensure a complete submission, applicants must include all necessary supporting

documentation, such as CIPC registration, tax compliance certificates, recent bank

statements, financial projections, and relevant quotations.

This process is designed to streamline the assessment and ensure that all proposals

meet the programme's eligibility and compliance requirements.

How to Apply:

Interested applicants can access the application portal and programme guidelines

on: https://vcmasa.dsbd.gov.za/exportprogramme/. For more information, please

contact [BISP@dsbd.gov.za].

Application Deadline: 19 September 2025

Applicants are reminded to submit their applications before the deadline of 19

September 2025 to avoid missing this opportunity. Don't wait – apply now and take

advantage of the BISP's support for your business.

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