Ministry of Industrial Development, SMEs and Cooperatives (SMEs Division)

Application for grant scheme

SETTING UP OF MINI FRUIT PROCESSING PLANTS FOR SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES AND COOPERATIVE SOCIETIES

The Ministry of Industrial Development, SMEs and Cooperatives (SMEs Division) is inviting Applications for grant scheme from existing and/or potential Small and Medium Enterprises (SMEs)/Cooperative Societies willing to set up Mini Fruit Processing Plants.

2.   The objective is to convert locally available fruits into value added products, for example, fruit juice, jam, syrup or other fruit-based products.

3.   A financial grant (up to a maximum of Rs One Million) will be provided to a maximum of three (3) selected SMEs/Cooperative Societies to cover 50 percent of the cost of equipment and machinery procured to set up the Plant.

4.   Interested SMEs/Cooperative Societies are invited to submit their 'Application for grant scheme' as per the set up Guidelines in a sealed envelope and marked 'Mini-Fruit Processing Plant' on the left-hand corner to the Acting Permanent Secretary of the Ministry of Industrial Development, SMEs and Cooperatives (SMEs Division) and should be deposited in the Registry at 16th floor, Newton Tower, Sir William Newton Street, Port Louis, **at latest by noon on Thursday 21 December 2023.**

6.   The Guidelines for the submission of Application for grant scheme can be downloaded from the website of the Ministry of Industrial Development, SMEs and Cooperatives (SMEs Division) at https://enterbusiness.govmu.org/.

7.   A meeting for interested SMEs/Cooperative Societies will be held on **Monday 11 December 2023 at 10 30** hours in the Conference Room of the Ministry of Industrial Development, SMEs and Cooperatives (SMEs Division).

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

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

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