



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

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

ORNAMENTAL FISH FARMING

Procurement Ref: SME/EOI/Q07/2022-23

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

2. The objective is to encourage SMEs and Cooperative Societies to embark in decorative fish farming for commercial purposes.

3. A financial grant of 80 percent of the project cost (up to a maximum of Rs 30, 000) will be provided to some thirty successful applicants on a first-come first-serve basis. The remaining 20 percent is to be met by the applicant.

4. Existing SMEs/Cooperative Societies, not yet registered with the SME Registration Unit, may apply. They will have to, however, also register themselves with the SME Registration Unit, before any award is made, if selected.

5. Interested SMEs/Cooperative Societies are invited to submit their 'Expressions of Interest' as per the set up Guidelines in a sealed envelope and marked 'Ornamental Fish Farming' 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 Tender Box at 16th floor, Newton Tower, Sir William Newton Street, Port Louis, at latest by **13.00 hrs on Wednesday 11 January 2023**.

6. The Guidelines for the submission of Expression of Interest as well as the Prescribed Format for Expression of Interest can be downloaded from the website of the Ministry of Industrial Development, SMEs and Cooperatives (SMEs Division) at <https://enterbusiness.govmu.org/>

7. A pre-bid meeting for interested SMEs/Cooperative Societies will be held on **Tuesday 20 December 2022 at 10.00 hrs** in the Conference Room of the Ministry of Industrial Development, SMEs and Cooperatives (SMEs Division).

Expressions of Interest received after the closing date will not be considered.

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

12 December 2022