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**DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY AND FISHERIES****NO. 857****25 SEPTEMBER 2015****Province of the  
EASTERN CAPE****DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT AND AGRARIAN REFORM**

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**INVITATION TO SERVE ON THE EASTERN CAPE RURAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY BOARD**

The Member of the Executive Council of the Department of Rural Development and Agrarian Reform (Eastern Cape) hereby invites applications or nominations of suitable persons for appointment onto the Board of Directors of the Eastern Cape Rural Development Agency (ECRDA).

The ECRDA is established in terms of the Eastern Cape Rural Finance Corporation Act 9 of 1999 as amended by Act 1 of 2012 (Eastern Cape). The entity is listed under Schedule 3C of the Public Finance Management Act 1 of 1999.

A member of the Board must be a fit and proper person to hold such office and have appropriate qualifications and/or experience.

A person is disqualified from being appointed or remaining a member of the Board if that person-

- (a) is or becomes a Member of the National Assembly or National Council of Provinces, any provincial legislature, Municipal Council or is in the full-time employ of an organ of state with the exception of the representatives of the Departments contemplated in section 10;
- (b) is not a South African citizen or a permanent resident in the Republic;
- (c) is or becomes subject to a final order of court whereby his or her estate is sequestrated under the Insolvency Act, 1936 (Act No.24 of 1936), or if his or her estate is sequestrated in terms of the laws of any other country or territory by a competent court or agency of such country or territory, or if he or she has assigned his or her estate for the benefit of his or her creditors;

- (d) is declared by a competent court to be of unsound mind or suffers a mental illness or has a severe or profound intellectual disability as contemplated in the Mental Health Care Act, 2002 (Act No. 17 of 2002);
- (e) has been convicted, whether in the Republic or elsewhere, of theft, fraud, forgery or uttering a forged document, perjury, or any offence involving dishonesty or of any offence in terms of the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1958 (Act No. 6 of 1958), the Corruption Act, 1992 (Act No. 94 of 1992), Part 1 to 4, or section 17, 20 or 21 (in so far as it relates to the aforementioned offences) of chapter 2 of the Prevention and Combating of Corrupt Activities Act, 2004, or the Companies Act, 2008 (Act No. 71 of 2008), or of contravening this Act, irrespective of whether such imprisonment was wholly or partly suspended or not;
- (f) has been convicted of an offence, other than an offence contemplated in paragraph (e) and sentenced to imprisonment without the option of a fine for a period of not less than three months, irrespective of whether such imprisonment was wholly or partly suspended or not;
- (g) Without authorization discloses or improperly acts on information gained as a result of his or her membership of the Board;
- (h) Fails to disclose an interest as contemplated in section 11E of the ECRFC Amendment Act; or
- (i) is disqualified in terms of the Companies Act.

Applicants are required to nominate which position they wish to occupy on the Board. The categories are as follows, and each application must clearly indicate which of the following categories the applicant wishes to apply for. More than one category may be specified for consideration.

Ref	Category
A	Experience and skills in rural development
B	Experience and skills in business
C	Experience and skills in financial management
D	Experience in fund and investment management
E	Experience and skills in law
F	Experience and skills in traditional affairs

All applicants are required to complete the Application Form and submit the supporting documentation which are required in terms of the mentioned form. Failure to complete and submit the application form with required supporting documentation will result in the application or nomination not being considered.

The form may be obtained through email request to Ms L. Nkuntayi at: [nkuntayil@ecrda.co.za](mailto:nkuntayil@ecrda.co.za)

All applications must be submitted to the offices of the ECRDA in two (2) hard copies to the following address:

The Company Secretary  
ECRDA  
Unit 12 D, Beacon Bay Crossing  
Cnr N2 & Bonza Bay Road  
Beacon Bay  
East London 5201.

No late applications will be considered and no applications will be considered which have been delivered to a different address.

The closing date for applications shall be **Friday the 02 October 2015**