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Mandatory Grant Communique

Mandatory Grant Submissions:

The Mandatory Grant application funding window was from the 01st of February 2023 to the 30th of April 2023. Extension requests were granted to companies that met compliance for a submission deadline of 31 May 2023.

Due to system challenges on the NSDMS, 86 companies had to submit applications manually. The issue is being addressed by the technical team.

Feedback on submission are as follows:

- **Evaluations:** Mandatory Grant evaluations are underway and thus far, 2576 companies have been approved and the remainder of 1271 applications will be concluded by 30 September 2023.
- **Manual Submissions:** 86 companies submitted manually due to system challenges and our MIS unit is still busy trying to resolve this issue. We are forecasting to resolve this during the 3rd Quarter, by 30 November 2023.
- **Payments:** Payments for Mandatory Grants will commence in Quarter 2 of the 2023/2024 Financial Year.
- **SDFs are reminded to:** Ensure that their bank details status displays as “Approved” to ensure that payments take place.

Should you have any further enquiries, please contact us on Mandatorygrants@merseta.org.za