



merSETA 2024/25 SPECIAL DISCRETIONARY GRANT WINDOW 2 DGY24 FOR CHAMBERS

Dear Valued Stakeholder,

The Manufacturing Engineering and Related Services Sector Education and Training Authority (merSETA) hereby invites eligible stakeholders to apply for the Special Discretionary Grant Window for Chamber Projects. The grants are intended to address Chamber initiated projects to enable merSETA Chambers to fulfil the mandate expressed on Chamber Committee terms of reference (ToR).

The allocation of grants is intended for projects aiming at supporting merSETA affiliated Trade Unions through provision of corporate Laptops, digital communication literacy training, and the establishment of the New Tyre Chamber Industry online learning academy for the provision of Rubber Production Machine Operator Occupational Qualification.

In this special window, the merSETA will be allocating Discretionary Grant funding for the following projects:

1. Support for merSETA affiliated Trade Unions members serving in Chamber Committees by supplying corporate Laptops for the digital liaising communication project.
2. Support for merSETA affiliated Trade Unions members serving in Chamber Committees through provision of digital communication literacy training.
3. The establishment of the New Tyre Chamber Industry online learning academy for the provision of Rubber Production Machine Operator Occupational Qualification.

The following stakeholder groups are encouraged to apply, the entities required are further stipulated in the Terms of Reference:

Who can apply?

- a) Mobile device providers
- b) Mobile device resellers
- c) Public and private skills development providers
- d) Higher Education Institutions
- e) Constituent professional bodies
- f) Constituent associations and employment hubs
- g) Constituent trade unions associated with the mer-sector
- h) Constituent SME's
- i) Industry associations
- j) Public and private research providers

Mandatory compliance documents:

- Proof of company registration.
- Valid Certificate Tax Clearance – must not have expired.
- Valid B-BBEE Certificate or a sworn B-BBEE affidavit, where applicable.

Failure to submit any of the above-listed documents will result in the disqualification of the application. New Applicants must provide proof of track record of education & training/ skills development capacity to deliver learning programme/s for which application addresses.

How to Apply?

- a) All applications must be submitted through NSDMS via the Projects Portal Platform <https://nsdms.merseta.org.za/>, with the exception of submission for the laptop applications to be submitted through the email address: laptopprovision@merseta.org.za
- b) Applicants who are not registered on NSDMS must do so BEFORE attempting to submit an application. Follow the directions on the NSDMS landing page to register. Allow time to register and submit your application by the time the window closes.
- c) Should the applicant encounter any challenges when sending an application, address your query for assistance to MISSUPPORT@MERSETA.ORG.ZA
- d) **The funding window opens on 17 July 2024 and closes on 31 August 2024.**
- e) merSETA reserves the right to request supplementary information where applicable, and applicants will be given 7 working days to submit the information or address any queries that merSETA may have concerning the applications submitted. Failure to submit the supplementary information within the stipulated timeframe would lead to disqualification of that application.
- f) The due date for submission will not be extended, and any late or incomplete application will not be considered.
- g) No email applications will be accepted, except where stated.

TERMS OF REFERENCE:

Support For Affiliated Trade Unions Through Provision Of Digital - Virtual Communication And Liaison Capacity Building Innovation Project

<https://www.merseta.org.za/wp-content/uploads/2024/07/Support-For-Affiliated-Trade-Unions-Through-Provision-Of-Digital-Virtual-Communication-And-Liaison-Capacity-Building-Innovation-Project.pdf>

Support For Affiliated Trade Unions Through Provision Of Laptops For The Digital - Virtual Innovation Project

<https://www.merseta.org.za/wp-content/uploads/2024/07/Support-For-Affiliated-Trade-Unions-Through-Provision-Of-Laptops-For-The-Digital-Virtual-Innovation-Project.pdf>

The Establishment Of The New Tyre Chamber Virtual - Digital Learning Academy Innovation Pilot Project For The Delivery Of The Rubber Production Machine Operator Occupational Qualification

<https://www.merseta.org.za/wp-content/uploads/2024/07/The-Establishment-Of-The-New-Tyre-Chamber-Virtual-Digital-Learning-Academy-Innovation-Pilot-Project-For-The-Delivery-Of-The-Rubber-Production-Machine-Operator-Occupational-Qualification.pdf>