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**Economic Opportunities For the Youth:
Agric. Commercialisation & Value Chain**

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PRESENTATION OUTLINE

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Purpose of the Presentation

To outline Youth Economic Empowerment through the agricultural sector, i.e.

- How can the Youth become economic active through the agriculture sector.
- Agriculture as an important sector of the economy.
- Understanding the agricultural sector value chain and the economic opportunities available to young people.

EDTEA YEE OVERVIEW

STRATEGIC PILLAR	OBJECTIVE
ENTEPRISE DEVELOPMENT	To Implement Youth Enterprise development initiatives driven by the Department; its entities and other private and public stakeholders in order to support youth owned businesses
EMPLOYMENT CREATION	To drive youth employment initiatives in the province in partnership with various stakeholders, combating youth unemployment
TRAINING AND SKILLS DEVELOPMENT	To implement accredited technical skills training and skills development intervention to enable youth economic participation.
INFORMATION DISSEMINATION	To drive mechanisms for economic information dissemination to the youth using a multi-approach system through technology and traditional presentations.
INSTITUTIONAL DEVELOPMENT	To support Youth specific structures; forums and institutions for economic advancement.

SECTOR-FOCUSED APPROACH: YOUTH IN AGRICULTURE AND AGRO-PROCESSING

- Sector focused Enterprise Development Interventions for the Youth.
- Agricultural specific sector focused intervention: Training; mentorship; incubation and to drive agro-processing to link with **Black Industrialist programme**.
- Business Opportunities for Youth Enterprises, access to market opportunities : **Operation Vula opportunities at a local level**.
- Support to Youth Business Structures and Youth Economic Empowerment Co-ordination Structures.

FUNDING MACHANISMS

Fund	Brief Description/Achievement	Institutions
KZN Enterprise Development Fund (EDF)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Provide business technical support and funding	ITHALA, EDTEA
KZN Youth Fund	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Grant Funding for Youth Businesses up to R2 million	OTP, EDTEA & KGFT
Operation Vula Fund	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• EDTEA Grant Funding; Tier 1 up to R200 000, Tier 2 up to R500 000 and Tier 3 up to R2 million	EDTEA

RECENT FUNDED YOUTH IN AGRICULTURE AND AGRO-PROCESSING-KZN YOUTH FUND

COMPANY NAME	AMOUNT	AREA	ACTIVITY
Ziyabua General Trading	<ul style="list-style-type: none">R1 259 956	Dundee	Farm; packaging house
My Top Chickens	<ul style="list-style-type: none">R2 million	Vryheid	Crop & Poultry Farming

ACCESS TO MARKETS

- **Black Industrialist programme:** Youth agro-processing and packaging initiatives.
- **Operation Vula opportunities at a local level:** Government institutions opportunities
- Fresh produce markets working with different institutions like the local development agencies; e.g. Ilembe Enterprise

DEPARTMENTAL INITIATIVES RELEVANT TO THE SECTOR

Project Name	Brief Description/Achievement
Operation Sakhinzuzo	Sugar growers support programme in partnership with Tongaat Hullet
Sugar Industry Initiaves	Sugar master planning process involving the industry players and manufacturers being led by Harald Harvey at the Dti. RSA committed to saving and transforming the industry into one that s more competitive.
Lusizo Vegetables	Fresh produce initiative that started in Ethekwini but can be replicated in other Districts.
Small Enterprise Shared Production Facilities and Incubation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Establishment, renovation and refurbishment of appropriate economic infrastructure to support SMMEs and Cooperatives, in particular, small manufacturing industries as part of the Revitalization of Township and Rural Economy, the Operation Vula prioritised commodities and the Private Sector Enterprise Development initiatives.

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Project Name & Brief Description	Highlights/Progress To Date
<p>Black Industrialists' Programme: Implementation of the Black Industrialists' Programme in the Province</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The latest statistics reveal that there are 31 KZN Black Industrialists that have been approved by the DTI for Grant Funding thus far • KZN Black Industrialists Steering Committee continues to engage with the DTI and DFIs to ensure that more KZN Black Industrialists are supported . • The BI programme talks to the agricultural value chain in terms of agro-processing.
<p>Operation Vula: Promoting localization of the economy by exploiting the government buying power to buy from SMMEs and co-operatives.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • KZN Executive Council approved the Implementation Plan for Operation Vula. • KZN Executive Council approved 58 commodities and 6 prioritised for implementation: construction; clothing & textile; pulp & paper; fertiliser & seeds; bakeries. • The agricultural sector and it's various product are key commodities for the operation vula



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