

**Title**

Establishment of a National Storage Facility for Fruits and Vegetables with a Semi-processing Plant in Tsumeb, Oshikoto Region, Namibia

**Project summary**

The project aims to establish the first-ever long-term storage facility for vegetables with a combined total capacity of 3,000 tons, mainly potatoes and onion and a processing unit that will add value to other vegetables through the production of freeze-dried products.

The facility will be able to store various fruit and vegetable crops that are locally produced, with different periods and storage conditions and ensure that constant quantities are released onto the market all year round to curtail imports.

The implementation of this project will not only help Namibia in the reduction of postharvest losses but will also lead to;

- Establish effective linkages between agriculture producers and commodity markets as well as the commercial value chain;
- Improved domestic production to enhance self-sufficiency, stimulate economic growth and increase rural income.
- Encourage private sector investment in agriculture
- Satisfying consumer demand for high-quality locally produced vegetable year around

**Project location**

Tsumeb, Oshikoto Region

**Project investment value**

Construction of Phase 1, (30% operational capacity plus 3 months stock) N\$ 65,747,538.61

**Project status**

The project is currently in the development phase.

**Existing partners and commitments**

Local banks (Development Bank of Namibia & Agricultural Bank of Namibia) are currently reviewing the proposal for funding purposes and the aspiring Private Equity partners (Stimulus Investments Ltd & Inceptus Holding (Pty) Ltd) are being engaged.

**Requirements from additional partners**

Development partners (Equity investment)

Off-take agreements (for both raw material & processed goods)

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