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Land Bank to champion collaboration and shared solutions at NAMPO Cape 2026

Land Bank will participate in NAMPO Cape 2026, taking place from 9 to 12 September at Bredasdorp Park, in the Western Cape, under the theme "Together We Grow". The Bank see its participation in this event as an opportunity to highlight a critical fact about the agricultural industry, namely that South Africa's agricultural resilience depends on collaboration across the entire value chain.

With the Western Cape recently experiencing severe climate related challenges, including flooding, crop damage and infrastructure strain , the need for shared solutions has never been more urgent.

"Agriculture is facing pressures that no single organisation can solve alone. Growth, resilience and sustainability require farmers, financiers, agribusinesses, commodity organisations, government and industry partners to work together towards a common goal," says Land Bank Acting CEO Jabu Mphambo, emphasising that the sector cannot afford to work in silos.

Collaboration as a driver of resilience

The Western Cape's recent weather volatility has underscored the vulnerability of farming communities and the importance of coordinated support. Mphambo notes that partnership-driven approaches are essential for helping farmers manage risk and adapt to increasingly unpredictable conditions.

"Climate change is reshaping the way we think about agricultural risk. When stakeholders collaborate, sharing data, expertise, market access and financial tools, farmers are better equipped to withstand shocks and recover more quickly," he explains.

Land Bank's development finance mandate positions it as a key enabler of such collaboration. By working with commodity groups, agribusinesses, insurers and government, the Bank aims to strengthen farming enterprises and ensure that emerging, smallholder and commercial farmers alike have access to appropriate finance and support.

Shared solutions for emerging challenges

The agricultural sector continues to face rising input costs, infrastructure constraints, market volatility and climate related risks. Partnerships, Mphambo argues, are central to addressing these challenges.

"When organisations pool resources and align their efforts, we create opportunities that individual players cannot unlock on their own. Partnerships help farmers access markets, adopt new technologies, improve productivity and build long-term resilience," he says.

Land Bank's collaborative initiatives, from blended finance programmes to market access partnerships and risk mitigation solutions, demonstrate how shared interventions can strengthen the sector. These efforts reflect the Bank's commitment to supporting sustainable growth while ensuring that farmers have the tools they need to navigate an increasingly complex operating environment.

Facilitating meaningful conversations at NAMPO Cape

Land Bank will host a series of focused lunchtime conversations at NAMPO Cape, each designed to spark practical dialogue and strengthen collective action across the value chain. Mphambo emphasises that these engagements are intended to drive real impact.

"NAMPO Cape gives us a platform to listen, learn and collaborate. Our engagements are designed to spark meaningful conversations that lead to real partnerships and real impact," he says.

Session Overview

- Wednesday, 9 September (13:00-14:00) Theme: Land Bank's Role in Growing South Africa
- Thursday, 10 September (13:00-14:00) Theme: Unlocking the Future: Strategic Leadership and Farmer Success
- Friday, 11 September (12:30-13:30) Theme: Unlocking the Value of Assets and Livestock

Strengthening engagement through the Livestock Tent

Land Bank's sponsorship of the Livestock Tent, in partnership with Bredasdorp Park NPC, reinforces its commitment to supporting the livestock sector. Despite no livestock exhibitions this year, the tent remains a valuable platform for industry engagement, offering:

- A visible brand presence within the livestock and broader agricultural sector
- A dedicated space to engage producers, breed societies and key stakeholders
- Opportunities to build relationships with industry partners and potential clients
- A forum for knowledge sharing and strengthening sector development

Growing together for a stronger agricultural future

As the sector confronts mounting pressures, the NAMPO Cape theme – "Together We Grow" – serves as a timely reminder of what is required to secure the future of agriculture. Land Bank believes that shared solutions, strategic partnerships and collective action are essential to building a resilient, competitive and inclusive agricultural economy.

"Our message at NAMPO Cape is simple: South African agriculture grows stronger when we grow together. Collaboration is not a nice-to-have; it is the foundation of resilience, innovation and long-term success," Mphambo concludes.

Members of the media are invited to attend and/or to cover the series of engagements. For RSVP, interview requests and all other enquiries contact: \Promise Ribane on 079 017 8791 or Email: pribane@landbank.co.za or Rebecca Phalatse on 074 159 6833 or email at rphalatse@landbank.co.za

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