AMENDMENT OF LAND VALUATION AND TAXATION REGULATIONS: AGRICULTURAL (COMMERCIAL) LAND REFORM ACT, 1995
(Act No. 6 of 1995)

The Minister of Lands, Resettlement and Rehabilitation, with the concurrence of the Minister responsible for Agriculture, and the Minister responsible for Finance, has under section 76 read with 77 of the Agricultural (Commercial) Land Reform Act, 1995 (Act No. 6 of 1995), made the regulations as set out in the Schedule.

H. POHAMBA
MINISTER OF LANDS, RESETTLEMENT AND REHABILITATION

SCHEDULE

1. In these regulations “the Regulations” means the Land Valuation and Taxation Regulations promulgated under Government Notice No. 259 of 29 December 2001.
Substitution of the Regulations

2. The Regulations are amended by the substitution for the enacting provision of the following enacting provision:

“The Minister of Lands, Resettlement and Rehabilitation, with the concurrence of the Minister responsible for Agriculture, and the Minister responsible for Finance, has under section 76 read with 77 of the Agricultural (Commercial) Land Reform Act, 1995 (Act No. 6 of 1995), made the regulations as set out in the Schedule.”.

Amendment of regulation 4 of the Regulations

3. Regulation 4 of the Regulations is amended -

(a) by the substitution for paragraph (b) of subregulation (1) of the following paragraph:

“(b) the name of the owner of that land;”; and

(b) by the substitution for paragraph (c) of subregulation (1) the following paragraph:

“(c) the size in hectares of that land;”; and

(c) by the substitution for paragraph (a) of subregulation (5) of the following paragraph:

“(a) A valuer shall, subject to paragraph (b), value any agricultural land at a value equal to the best price at which in his or her opinion such land might reasonably be expected to be sold by a willing seller to a willing buyer at the date of valuation.”.

Amendment of regulation 6 of the Regulations

4. Regulation 6 of the Regulations is amended by the substitution for paragraph (b) of subregulation (1) of the following paragraph:

“(b) calling upon every owner of agricultural land in respect of which a valuation is contained in the provisional valuation roll who wishes to object to that valuation, to lodge, within 21 days of the date of the notice, an objection against that valuation with the Minister setting out the grounds on which the objection is based.”.

MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE, WATER AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT

No. 129 2004

PROHIBITION UNDER THE MEAT INDUSTRY ACT, 1981 (ACT NO. 12 OF 1981), PERTAINING TO THE IMPORT AND EXPORT OF CERTAIN CONTROLLED PRODUCTS

Under section 20 of the Meat Industry Act, 1981 (Act No. 12 of 1981), and after consultation with the Meat Board of Namibia, I with effect from 1 July 2004 -

(a) withdraw Government Notice No. AG. 20 of 15 January 1983 and Government Notice No. 80 of 15 May 1987; and

(b) prohibit the import into or the export from Namibia of -

(i) cattle, sheep, goats and pigs, other than stud stock;
(ii) meat and meat products for purposes of sale,

except by a person who is the holder of a permit issued at the discretion of the board and in accordance with such conditions as may be stated by the board in such permit and subject thereto that such person -

(aa) is registered as contemplated in section 10(1)(l) of the Meat Industry Act, 1981; and

(bb) is permitted, in the case of the export of sheep from Namibia, to export only such quantity of sheep which in number does not exceed the quantity of sheep which such person has from that date delivered or caused to be delivered to an abattoir in Namibia for slaughtering and which has been slaughtered.

H. ANGULA
MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE, WATER AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT

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No. 115 2004
NOTIFICATION OF MEASURES TO PROMOTE THE INTERESTS OF THE MEAT INDUSTRY IN NAMIBIA


The Meat Board of Namibia wishes to make known that, in order to give effect to Government Notice No. 129 of 1 June 2004 and to promote the interests of the Meat Industry in Namibia, it has adopted certain new policies and intends to implement the measures as set out in the Schedule.

SCHEDULE

IMPLEMENTATION OF CERTAIN MEASURES IN THE INTEREST OF THE MEAT INDUSTRY OF NAMIBIA

1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 Cabinet has resolved not to impose a levy on the export of sheep on condition that the existing slaughter capacity at local abattoirs is fully utilized and that, within four years, all small stock produced locally are slaughtered locally. To realize this objective, Cabinet has also established an implementing and monitoring committee.

1.2 The Minister of Agriculture, Water and Rural Development (hereinafter referred to as the Minister) has under the authority vested in him by section 20 of the Meat Industry Act, 1981 (Act No. 12 of 1981), published Government Notice No.129 of 1 June 2004. The said government notice prohibits the import and export of livestock (other than stud stock) except by the holder of a permit and also makes such export subject to compliance with certain conditions.
1.3 In view of the afore-mentioned the Meat Board of Namibia (hereinafter referred to as the Meat Board) intends to, in the interest of the Meat Industry in Namibia, implement and administer certain measures.

2. MEASURES TO BE IMPLEMENTED:

2.1 ESTABLISHMENT OF A TECHNICAL COMMITTEE

2.1.1 A “Technical Committee” will be established by the Meat Board to advise it.

2.1.2 The “Technical Committee” will consist of representatives of the Meat Board of Namibia, NAU (LPO), NNFU, the Abattoir Association, the Livestock Brokers’ Association, the Ministry of Trade and Industry, the Ministry of Agriculture, Water and Rural Development and the Ministry of Finance.

2.1.3 The terms of reference of the “Technical Committee” will include the monitoring of -

2.1.3.1 the slaughter capacity of local abattoirs and the utilization of such abattoirs by producers;
2.1.3.2 auction and abattoir prices;
2.1.3.3 control at borders;
2.1.3.4 ratio of exports versus local slaughtering;
2.1.3.5 aspects such as the following:

2.1.3.5.1 Drought and pasture conditions and the condition of livestock, especially small stock, as a result of any such condition;
2.1.3.5.2 seasonal supply of livestock, especially small stock;
2.1.3.5.3 niche markets;
2.1.3.5.4 breeding stock;
2.1.3.5.5 vicinity of local abattoirs given production areas.

2.1.4 The Meat Board will consider the Technical Committee’s advice and will thereafter, among other things, report and make recommendations to the Minister and the implementing and monitoring committee.

2.2 EXPORT CONTROL

2.2.1 Any person who intends to export livestock should ensure that he or she -

2.2.1.1 registers annually with the Meat Board;
2.2.1.2 in the case of the export of sheep (other than stud stock), arranges with a local abattoir for the slaughtering of the required percentage of sheep determined by the Minister from time to time and published in the Gazette.

2.2.2 Only applications for export permits by persons who have complied with the above requirements as stipulated in Government Notice No. 129 of 1 June 2004 will be considered by the Meat Board.
2.3 MONITORING OF PARTICIPATING ABATTOIRS

2.3.1 Participating abattoirs need to adhere to the following:

2.3.1.1 Allow the classification personnel of the Meat Board on their premises for purposes of classification or supervision thereof;

2.3.1.2 provide the daily slaughter statements of the abattoir on a daily basis to the Meat Board;

2.3.1.3 announce and make their prices available at least the Friday before the applicable slaughter week;

2.3.1.4 pay prices that are not below the South African Red Meat Abattoir Association’s weekly-announced prices per class.

2.3.2 The Meat Board intends to, in the interest of the Meat Industry in Namibia, monitor and announce auction and carcass prices.