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Priority Areas	Objective	Actions to date	Outstanding	Lead Agent	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	2003
1. Safety and Security	To create a safe and secure farming and rural environment	- Rural safety plan established; - Established Agri Securitas Trust Fund; - Established trauma scheme; - Protocol for farm-access established; - National Operations Coordinating Committee (NOCOC) established; - Scheduled visit by Minister of SAPS to troubled spots.	- Appointment of Government and NAFU representatives to NOCOC; - Formation of a national rural peace and security forum; - Formation of locally based rural peace and security forums; - Increased funding for the current needs of the Police Reservists and Commando Force, their repositioning and expansion; - Implementation of the Joint Task Team Report on the Lesotho/South Africa border released in April 1998 by the South African Police Services and the Royal Lesotho Mounted Police. - Addressing stakeholder concerns relating to the criminal justice system;	DoA/NAFU PDAs SANDF SAPS	X		X X		X X
2. Governance and partnerships	To create a coherent customer oriented agricultural public private and civic sector governance order and partnerships.	- Appointment of the Sector Plan Implementation Committee; - Realignment of goals, objectives, programmes, structure and resources of the DoA and PDAs to the Sector Plan; - Agreement that NT assists DoA and PDAs to produce a coherent DoA-PDAs sectoral budget planning and spending framework for the Sector Plan; - Presentation of Sector Plan to economic cluster; - Draft protocol of intergovernmental relations completed; - Agreement that DoA lead the process to formulate the PPP between NAFU, Agri-SA and Government; - Joint teams of DoA and commodity groups are formulating partnership protocols in line with Sector Plan; - Partnership agreement established with DTI and	- Review of the management of the Implementation process; - Adoption of the Inter-Governmental Protocol; - Adoption of the Protocol on Government - Commodity Group Partnership; - Adoption of the Protocol on Government - Banking Council Partnership; - Adoption of the Protocol on Government - Private Sector Partnership; - Appointing a joint task team to develop the protocol of DoA –Civic Society Partnership; - Adoption of the Protocol on Government - Donor Partnership; - Establish task teams to drive the implementation of commodity specific strategies; - Improvement of governance capability of farmers organisations; - Increased regular engagements between Agri-SA and	DoA DoA DoA DoA DoA DoA DoA DoA NAFU/Agri-SA NAFU/Agri-SA	X X X X X X X X X X			X X	

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		TISA; In-principle support from donor bodies received to participate in a Government-Donor Protocol on Agriculture.	NAFU; - Establish Sector Plan service delivery standards; - Aligning the strategic and operational plans of national departments to the Sector Plan.	DoA					
3. Land Redistributi-on for Agricultural develop-ment	To facilitate rapid and sustainable land reform for agricultural development	- Settlement on and use of Agricultural state land (669 000 hectares); - Special mortgage scheme established by the Land Bank; - Pilot Social product approach by Land Bank; - Land settlement programme by the Sugar, Red Meat, Wool, Grains etc industries; - Land Bank settlement of repossessed land; - Task group formed to address a common vision on land reform; - Enhanced confidence brought about by certainty on the completion date of land restitution process.	Review of LRAD and the capacity to speedily implement after a year of its introduction;	DLA				X	
			Reproduce zoning maps for agricultural land;	DoA				X	
			Complete the formalities to transfer the settled agricultural state land;	DLA				X	
			Establish LRAD monitoring and evaluation system;	DLA			X		
			Review of ESTA	DLA					
			Enactment of Communal Land Rights Bill	DLA				X	
			Enactment of Prevention of Unlawful Eviction and Illegal Land occupation Bill;	DoH				X	
			Incorporate the Programme of Housing Dept on rural housing for farming communities into LRAD;	DLA					
			Establishing a common vision on land reform;	DLA				X	
			Develop and support an aggressive marketing campaign to communicate LRAD to black communities;	DoA		X			
			Build the capacity of farmer organisations at local and provincial levels;	DoA			X		
			Develop incentive scheme for land owners, commodity groups and agri-businesses to participate in LRAD;	DoA			X		
			Develop a framework to implement LRAD through specific commodity groups and agribusinesses industries as part of Govt-Business-Labour-Community partnership;	DLA			X		
			Develop policy on foreign ownership/investment of agricultural land;	DoA			X		
			Develop a framework to guide restitution cases that are dealing with land that is earmarked predominantly for agriculture;	DLA			X		

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			Develop policy on the acquisition of agricultural land for redistribution purposes.						
4. Agricultural technology development and transfer	Transform agriculture from a resource-based to a knowledge and innovation-based sector	- Joint Stakeholder group agreement to establish NARF; - Report on basic research funding mechanisms completed; - Report on Biotechnology strategy completed.	- Increase public investment from 1% to 3% of agriculture's GDP in market related research; - Establish the National Agricultural Research Forum; - Investigate private public sector financial contributions to ARC; - Finalise and implement the Agricultural Biotechnology strategy; - Define risk management guidelines - Address GMO labelling - Link regional innovation centres of DACST with agriculture; - Conduct survey of animal genetic resources - Launch programs to transfer research results to water users. - Establish a process to deal with the consequences of the biotechnology strategies	DoA DoA DoA DoA DoA DoA DoA DoA		X X X X X	X X X X		
5. Market information system	To enhance the ability of farmers and agribusinesses to make informed decisions on investment, production and marketing	- Established Agribusiness intelligence system; - Established new Crop forecasting system.	- Develop an inventory of black farmers in South Africa; - Establish tailor made market information system for resource poor farmers ; - Evaluate micro economic analysis capacity in provinces; - Determine the information needs of new entrants; - Develop database of sources of information; - Registration of all farmers; - Conduct agricultural census.	DoA DoA DoA DoA DoA SSA		X X	X X		X X X

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			Resource Multipurpose community centres with Agricultural and market information.	DoA					
6. Agricultural disasters and risk management system	To mitigate the effect of natural disasters and market volatility on the financial position of farmers.	- Operational Agricultural Geographic Information systems established; - Plan to deal with Veterinary capacity problems in place; - Courses in agricultural marketing and futures market established; - Pilot sites for the insurance schemes identified; - Investigation into an Income equalisation scheme done; - Interim consultative research liaison committee for black fly control established; - Flood recovery scheme launched; - Agricultural and risks management policy completed; - Draft insurance Act completed; - Agricultural disaster management working group established. - Successful surveillance system implemented for foot-and-mouth and other controlled diseases.	Launch of agriculture disasters and risks management policy;	DoA		X			
			Launch of risk insurance and income equalisation schemes;	DoA					X
			Enhance critical capacities to interact with international standard setting bodies like OIE, CODEX and IPPC;	DoA		X			
			Launch stakeholder consultation on labelling of food with GM origin;	DoA		X			
			Review of red-billed Qualea control policy;	DoA			X		
			Complete black fly control policy;	DoA					X
			Amending Act 43 of 83 with a view for coherent implementation of Resource policies;	DoA					X
			Establish a national advisory body on migrating pests.	DoA					X
7. Fair local and international competition	To enable farmers and agribusinesses to compete on an equal footing in local and foreign markets	- Agreement to use NEPAD internationally to level the uneven playing field; - Articulating SA position in Doha on agricultural subsidies; - Agricultural Trade Forum established to pursue SA interests; - WTO negotiating modalities focused on structural change in system; - Shortened the cycle of tariff processes; - Formation of 8 agricultural export councils/JAGs; - SADC economic integration through Trade Protocol.	Appoint task team to review Marketing environment;	DoA			X		
			Shorten the cycle of tariff processes;	DoA					X
			Interaction with SADC & Africa Group to develop common position on development support rules i.t.o. WTO;	DoA			X		
			Finalisation of RSA position re WTO modalities;	DoA					X
			Detail stock take of international NTB's to be completed;	DoA		X			
			Investigate the need for standardised contract criteria for farmers who are or who wish to engage into contract farming and agribusinesses;	DoA	X				

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		- RSA agricultural trade priorities identified; - NEDLAC study of EU's agricultural non tariff barrier's (NTB's); - Undertaking of the local food prices study; - Launch of SADC SPS protocol; - Competitiveness indicators established for food and fibre products.	- Completion of study on Food Prices; - Launch of Corrective Strategy Against Unfair Agricultural Trade Practices; - Evaluation of trade promotion initiatives with a view to making it accessible to the agriculture groups; - Evaluate border control measures to counter illegal and fraudulent activities; - Identify targeted market access investments; - Review competition legislation to promote value adding supply chain systems.	DTI/ DoA DoA DoA SARS		X X X			
8. Implementation of the vision on labour and land	To create investor confidence for existing farmers and new entrants and to foster good direct employer/employee relations in griculture	- Joint Task group of Agri SA, NAFU, Government, NLC and Legal Resource Centre formed on land reform - Shared vision on farm labour. - Workshop held in January	- Launch of Vision on Land; - Establish formal contact between Department of Agriculture and organised labour; - Identification of key implementation issues, e.g. access to capital and debt management.	DLA DoA DLA		X X	X X		
9. Empowerment	To establish new entrants in agriculture and to increase the quantity and improve the quality of the assets owned by black farmers and agribusinesses on a sustainable basis.	- Evaluation of mentorship programs by Land Bank; - Evaluation of market access problems experienced by new entrants; - Establishment of a development desk by Agri-SA; - Potato industry participation strategy - DFID capacity building support for NAFU - Development of pilot export led poverty reduction project with ITC - The setting up of the Co-operative Development Initiative by Agri SA, Agribusiness Chamber and DGRV; - Establishment of Foundation for Farmer Development (GSA, agribusiness and other	- Inventory of empowerment initiatives in agriculture, agribusiness and agro-processing; - Pilot participation and equity and market access support schemes; - Develop a black economic empowerment programme for agriculture and agribusinesses, including partnerships and mentoring; - Develop a programme for agriculture and agribusiness development in the former homeland areas; - Develop a programme to promote the development of agriculture and agribusiness cooperatives among black people; - Develop a training programme to retrain and	DoA DoA DoA DoA DoA	X		X X		X

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		commodity groups); Formation within commodity groups and agribusinesses active programmes and facilities a facilitating the development of black farmers and agribusinesses.	deployment of black extension workers and advisers; - Publication of the Comprehensive Agricultural Support Package; - Support NAFU attendance to national, regional and international Farmers Congresses and Conventions; - Support farmer organisational and institutional capacity building; - Establishing one stop farmer support and information centres at local level; - Launch an integrated agricultural marketing programme; - Develop a programme for the use of information, communication and bio technology in black agriculture and agribusinesses; - Develop HRD Plan for resource poor farmers.	DoA DoA DoA PDAs DoA DoA DoA DoA			X		X	
10. Targeted investment (infrastructure: water, electricity, telecommunication, rail, air, road, financial service, training, mechanisation)	To facilitate production and trade on a competitive basis whilst complying with international trade rules.	- Increased budget allocations for physical infrastructure i.e. roads etc; - Special programme for food security completed.	- Provincial inventory of market infrastructure deficiencies; - A comprehensive survey of the provincial needs and priorities; - Launch the social infrastructure project of the Pilot of the Special Programme for Food Security. - Launch a development programme for Village Banks; - Launch a comprehensive rural financial services programme;	PDAs PDAs DoA DoA DoA			X			X
11. Lower the costs of production.	To increase competitiveness through supply side support	- Refund on diesel fuel implemented - Electricity tariff policy under review by NER; - Agreed phased in of water tariff policy	- Develop an integrated policy on the sustainable management and use of energy resources in agriculture; - Transfer of state irrigation schemes to WUA's;	DoA PDAs		X				X

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			- Stakeholder consultation on local land taxes; - Evaluation of tariff measures for intermediate inputs and competitive practices of input industries. - Establishment of CMA's	PDAs DoA PDAs		X			X X
12. Communication strategy	To communicate the sector plan as widely as possible.	- The minister wrote to foreign embassies and international bodies to inform them of the sector plan; - Provincial Executive Councils in some Provinces formally adopted the Sector Plan; - Sector Plan widely communicated internationally focusing on message of sectoral unity and governance imperatives. - Political leadership in SA brought on board to support the sector plan - Presentations made to various government departments, civil organisations and business. - More than 20 presentations made to various government institutions, civil organisations and business; 700 Sector Plan documents delivered to parliamentarians during the Parliament Media Week; - The DOA resource centre has Full-colour sector plan books: - Black-and-white books: Brag folders, Brochures (English) and 10 languages translated; - Pamphlets with messages from the President, the Minister, NAFU and Agri SA has been designed to use as promotional material in a brag folder; - Sector Plan established as the central policy	- Roll out of the communication strategy on implementation; - Communication strategy for the Sector Plan implementation & delivery; - Work shopping provincial communication officers; - Road shows; - Agri SA and NAFU AGMs to further promote the implementation of the Sector Plan.	DoA DoA PDAs PDAs NAFU/Agri-SA	X X	X X			

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		departure point for the sector- well supported by all stakeholders.							

Key focus areas

1. Farm Debt Management
2. Capacity Building
3. Farmer register
4. Fast tracking LRAD
5. Research Investment and Management
6. Risk Management Rural Infrastructure Development
7. Food Security