



Examples of eligible equipment, machinery and/or services are:

- 🍅 **Irrigation equipment** such as water pumps, sprinklers and other irrigation accessories.
- 🍅 **Agriculture tools and machines** to improve production and productivity: ploughing machines, (mini) tractors, (mini) excavators, chippers, shredders (disk chippers).
- 🍅 **Minor agriculture tools** such as hoe, shovel, wheel barrow, backpack sprayers, blowers, brush cutters, etc.
- 🍅 **Greenhouse equipment** or other forms of protected agriculture farming and technology to innovate production such as hydroponics or other innovative technology.
- 🍅 **Food Processing equipment and machines** such as washers, blenders, juicers, heaters, press machines, scalable storage equipment, coolers, freezers and drying equipment, hydro pressing machines, small-scale mills, shredder machines, extruders, other processing lines and technologies, etc.
- 🍅 **Bee Keeping Equipment** and accessories.
- 🍅 **On-farm small post-harvest** and food processing equipment such as chippers, hullers, oil press, etc.
- 🍅 **Packing & labelling equipment.** Any other technology to improve the quality of the end product.
- 🍅 **Agriculture-related services for primary agriculture** production for instance tractor services for land preparation, improvement to drainage i.e. excavating services for drainage, etc.
- 🍅 **Investments supporting improved processing** and value addition through collective selling, improved processing, handling and storage equipment and quality assurance.

WILL SAMAP ASSIST APPLICANTS IN THE PREPARATION OF THEIR APPLICATION FORMS AND PROJECTS?

Yes, SAMAP and its resource network of associates will organize information and training workshops where applicants will be guided in the preparation of their applications and projects. This support will be organized at district level and the focus will be in “hands on” training sessions – learning by doing. SAMAP will not develop any project on behalf of the applicants. SAMAP will facilitate assistance and support only, the ultimate responsibility of the formulation and quality of the project is with the applicants.

HOW TO APPLY, WHEN AND WHERE TO SUBMIT APPLICATIONS?

Applicants should collect the application forms and instructions for Small or Large Grants from SAMAP's Office in person or via email. Application forms will be also available in authorized Government Offices in the Districts. Complete forms, projects and requested information should be submitted in person in closed envelope or via email **by March 31, 2021**.

Any application not using the correct forms, not following the instructions, missing information or submitted after the closing date will be rejected.



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THE MATCHING GRANT FACILITY



WHAT IS THE MATCHING GRANT FACILITY?

The Matching Grant Facility (MGF) is a competitive fund under the Suriname Agriculture Market Access Project (SAMAP) to support small farmers, producers' organizations, cooperatives, agribusinesses and agro processors to improve the quantity and quality of their production and to better access markets in only four priority sectors: fruits, vegetables, roots & tubers and non-timber forest products.





WHAT IS A MATCHING GRANT?

A Matching Grant is a one-time investment support in the form of agriculture and agri-processing equipment and selected services to support projects and activities of eligible applicants. To access a Grant, beneficiaries must make a contribution in-kind and/or financial. The total contribution of the beneficiary is at least 30% of the total required investment for a Small Grant, and at least 50% of the total required investment for a Large Grant.

WHO IS ELIGIBLE FOR A MATCHING GRANT?



Individual or organized small farmers active in production.



Established small agro-businesses and agri/food processors.



Organized farmers as producers associations, cooperatives and other legally recognized producers' organization.



Organized farmers or individual outgrowers in partnership with an established agribusiness agri/food processor.



Community Organizations and family farmers in the hinterland.



Women and youth farmers/entrepreneurs.

WHO IS NOT ELIGIBLE FOR A MATCHING GRANT?

- ⊕ Government organizations.
- ⊕ Non-Government Organizations (National and International NGOs).
- ⊕ Organizations that do not operate in agriculture or agri-processing.
- ⊕ Civil servants and employees of government organizations.
- ⊕ Foreign citizens.

WHAT TYPE OF GRANTS EXIST? HOW LARGE ARE THE GRANTS?

The Matching Grant Facility has two types of Grants:



SMALL GRANTS: These grants are intended only for small individual farmers active in production or small established agribusinesses. Small Grants provide support in agriculture equipment or services to improve quality production and access to market activities for up to USD 5,000. The matching contribution of the beneficiary should be at least 30% of the total required investment in-kind or financial.



LARGE GRANTS: These Grants support producers' associations, organizations, cooperatives and agribusinesses working in partnership with organized (or not) farmers and outgrowers. Large Grants are intended to improve not only the quantity and the quality of agriculture produce, but also to add value and increase the market opportunities and agro-export potential of the products. This funding window will support initiatives for up to a maximum of USD 300,000. The matching contribution of the beneficiary should be at least 50% of the total required investment of which a minimum of 10% is mandatory financial and the other 40% in-kind.

WILL A MATCHING GRANT HELP ME WITH CASH?

The Matching Grant Facility does not provide cash. The Matching Grant will help to purchase eligible agriculture equipment or services. The FAO/SAMAP will buy the equipment and services based on the technical specifications of the approved project and under the terms and conditions of the contract (Grant Agreement) that will be signed with the approved beneficiary.



WHICH CROPS ARE ELIGIBLE FOR A MATCHING GRANT? ARE THERE ANY SPECIFIC CROPS OR ACTIVITIES THAT ARE NOT ELIGIBLE?

The Matching Grant Facility only supports producers farming and/or processing fruits, vegetables, roots & tubers and non-timber forest products. Projects in rice and bananas are explicitly not eligible. Also any activity or crop production related with **poultry, livestock, fisheries, animal feeding, etc., is not eligible for a Matching Grant.**

WHAT TYPE OF EQUIPMENT OR SERVICES ARE ELIGIBLE FOR A MATCHING GRANT?

The Matching Grant supports with equipment or services that directly improve the quantity and/or the quality of the production in the priority value chains of SAMAP. Also it supports projects that will add value to a product by processing or transforming the produce, expanding its life time and expanding the potential for accessing local or export markets.