

## BACKGROUND ON THE E-CERTIFICATE

- The export process of agricultural plant produce requires phytosanitary certification by the Department of Agriculture, Land Reform and Rural Development (DALRRD) National Plant Protection Organisation. This process includes attestation by competent inspectors and represents guarantees to the importing country's competent authorities.
- A phytosanitary certificate accompanies a consignment to the port of entry of the importing country, and therefore acts as a passport for the product.
- The South African export process requires routine daily issuance of a large number of phytosanitary certificates.
- The introduction of e-certification by DALRRD enhanced the capacity of phytosanitary inspectors by freeing the significant amount of time they spent on issuing paper certificates.













## BENEFITS OF THE E-CERTIFICATE

- All applications are completely managed online.
- Automated response upon completion and processing of the application.
- Clients can track their applications online.
- Reduction of fraudulent activities relating to phytosanitary certificates.













## **E-CERTIFICATION CELEBRATION**

The Minister of Agriculture, Land Reform and Rural Development, Honourable Thoko Didiza,

in partnership with the Embassy of the Kingdom of the Netherlands, will host the E-certification celebration, which will take place as follows:

Venue: Birchwood Hotel, OR Tambo Conference Centre

Date: 09 May 2022

Time: 14:30









