



**The Government of the Republic of North Macedonia -
Agency for Financial Support of the Agriculture and Rural Development**

On the basis of Annex A Clause bb paragraph 1 point b from the Law on ratification of the Framework Agreement for financial partnership signed by and between the Commission of the European Communities and the Republic of North Macedonia represented by the Government of the Republic of Macedonia on stipulating the specific procedures for implementation of the EU financial assistance to the Republic of North Macedonia under the Instrument for Pre-Accession Assistance IPA 3 (Official Gazette of Republic of North Macedonia no.235/22) and on the basis of the IPARD Programme 2021-2027 and article 6 from the Decree on the manner and the procedure for allocation of financial assistance for rural development measures funded under the IPARD Programme 2021-2027 (Official Gazette of RM no.88/23)

The Agency for Financial Support of the Agriculture and the Rural Development

on 12 February 2025 hereby announces

Call for Applications No. 01/2025

for submitting applications for allocation under the IPARD Program 2021-2027

1. The Agency for Financial Support of the Agriculture and Rural Development (hereinafter: The Agency) as a relevant institution and contracting authority for implementation of the EU Instrument for Pre-Accession Assistance for Rural Development (IPARD) invites all interested natural and legal parties from the Republic of North Macedonia to submit the applications for allocation of funds from the IPARD Programme 2021-2027 for the following measures:

1. Investments in physical assets of agriculture holdings

2. The financial support for this Public Call is comprised of 75% funds provided by the European Union Instrument for Pre-Accession Assistance for Rural Development (IPARD) according to the IPARD Programme 2021-2027 and 25% funds from the Budget of the Republic of North Macedonia
3. **The Financial resources per single application** shall be awarded as a non-refundable financial support (grant) in the amount of :
 - 3.1. 60% of the value of the total eligible expenditures for investments under Measure Investments in physical assets of agriculture holdings. The percentage shall be increased up to 65% for investments in agriculture holdings in mountainous areas according to the List of mountainous areas and 70% for investments in agriculture holdings proposed by young farmers (natural persons at age between 18 and 40 years on the date of submitting the application for financial support).

The maximum cumulative/combined level of aid **must not exceed 75%**.

4. **The deadline for submitting applications is 29 March 2025**

The total financial support under this Call for Measure 1 "Investment in physical assets of agriculture holdings" is 7.415.335 euros or 456.154.330,88 MKD.

The euro exchange rate for this Call is 61.515 MKD denars.

5. Forms and instructions:

The required forms of the "Application for allocation of funds from Measure 1 – **Investments in physical assets of agriculture holdings**" and the "Guidelines for Beneficiaries from Measure 1 **Investments in physical assets of agriculture holdings**" which comprises all information on the criteria, eligibility requirements for the projects and the funding conditions as well as any other information necessary for preparing the Application for allocation of funds under the IPARD Program 2021-2027, the Guidelines for drafting the Business Plan/Technical Project Proposal and other useful information in electronic form can be downloaded from the Agency's web address: www.ipardpa.gov.mk.

6. Submitting the application:

The Applicant shall fill out and submit Application for allocation of funds from the IPARD Programme 2021-2027 for the individual measure, Business Plan developed according to the Guidelines for drafting Business Plan or Technical Project Proposal and supporting documents as specified in this Public Call and supporting documentation as specified in this Public Call.

The completed application for allocation of funds from the IPARD Programme 2021-2027 along with the Business Plan and the overall documentation shall be submitted in a sealed envelope. The front of the envelope, in the upper left corner, should have an indication "DO NOT OPEN", for Public Call IPARD Programme 2021-2027 number 01/2025 and indication of the measure for which the application is sent. The application can be sent via registered mail or in person to the Archive of the Agency.

Note: For the purpose of performing the on-the-spot controls by the Agency, the applicant should have copies of the overall documentation submitted to the Agency.

More detail contact information can be obtained at: telephone (02) 3097-460, 070/229-434 (Sector for Project Approval), 070/229-328 (Sector for Authorization of Payments) or the email address: ipardpa.info@ipardpa.gov.mk and the website: www.ipardpa.gov.mk.

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