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NOTIFICATION

The following submission, dated 05 March 2020, is being circulated at the request of the Delegation of **Seychelles**. The notification concerns domestic support commitments (**Table DS:1** and the relevant supporting tables) for the **calendar year 2017**.

Table DS:1

DOMESTIC SUPPORT: SEYCHELLES

REPORTING PERIOD: CALENDAR YEAR 2017

Current Total Aggregate Measurement of Support

Total AMS commitment level	Currency	Current Total AMS
(from Section I of Part IV of the Schedule)	(from Section I of Part IV of the Schedule)	(from attached Supporting Tables)
1	2	3
		0

Supporting Table DS:1
DOMESTIC SUPPORT: SEYCHELLES

REPORTING PERIOD: CALENDAR YEAR 2017

Measures exempt from the reduction commitment - "Green Box"

Measure Type	Name and description of measure with reference to criteria in Annex 2	Monetary value SCR, million	Data Sources	Note
1	2	3	4	
2.General Services				
2 (a). Research	Budgetary expenditure for the operation of Agricultural research institutions and agencies	5.51	Seychelles Agriculture Agency budget expenditure figures	(1)
	Subtotal:	5.51		
2 (b). Pest and disease control	Budgetary expenditure on plant and animal health protection (e.g. epidemic alert, pest and disease surveillance, prevention and eradication), border and cross-region control control and development of relevant legal instruments.	0.11	Seychelles Agriculture Agency budget expenditure figures	(2)
	Subtotal:	0.11		
2 (c). Training services	Budgetary expenditures to set up, maintain and develop agricultural training institutions and centres	0.3	Ministry of Education budget expenditure figures	(3)
	Subtotal:	0.3		
2 (d). Extension and advisory services	Budgetary expenditure to establish and maintain a nationwide network of agricultural extension and advisory services from central to district level and projects funded by national or local budget to develop plant varieties and animal breeds under national programmes:- Livestock development	2.96	Seychelles Agriculture Agency budget expenditure figures	(4)
	Budgetary expenditure to establish and maintain a nationwide network of agricultural extension and advisory services from central to district level and projects funded by national or local budget to develop plant varieties and animal breeds under national programmes:- Extension Services	4.31	Seychelles Agriculture Agency budget expenditure figures	(5)
	Subtotal:	7.27		
2 (g). Infrastructural services	Budgetary expenditure to construct and upgrade farm irrigation systems as well as other infrastructural development	2.92	Seychelles Agriculture Agency budget expenditure figures	(6)
	Subtotal:	2.92		
	Subtotal General Services	16.11		

Measure Type	Name and description of measure with reference to criteria in Annex 2	Monetary value SCR, million	Data Sources	Note
1	2	3	4	
7. Income insurance and income safety-net programmes	Budgetary expenditures for Insurance and income safety-net programmes	0.19	Seychelles Agriculture Agency budget expenditure figures	(7)
	Subtotal:	0.19		
Grand Total Green Box		16.3		

Note:

- (1) The Government provides budget to the Seychelles Agriculture Agency (SAA) which in turn disburses towards its sub-units, the vegetable and Evaluation research Section and the Plant protection Unit. Both of which are involved in research related issues.
- (2) Measure provided by the SAA through its Plants and Animal Protection Units.
- (3) Training services are provided by the Seychelles Agricultural and Horticultural Training Centre which falls under the Ministry of Education.
- (4) This measure is given through the Seychelles Agricultural Agency which has a unit dedicated entirely to Extension and Advisory Services.
- (5) This measure is given through the Seychelles Agricultural Agency which has a unit dedicated entirely to Extension and Advisory Services.
- (6) Measure is provided by the Government budget dependent SAA through its respective disbursement of its allocated budget for the planning section.
- (7) Measure provided by the SAA through its various respective sub-units. Measure is complimented by revolving budget for agricultural requisites. Measure does not entail any input subsidy or preferential user charges component.

Supporting Table DS:2

DOMESTIC SUPPORT: SEYCHELLES

REPORTING PERIOD: CALENDAR YEAR 2017

Measures exempt from the reduction commitment – Special and Differential Treatment – "Development Programmes"

Measure Type	Name and description of measure with reference to criteria in Article 6.2	Monetary value SCR, million	Data Sources	Note
1	2	3	4	
(a) Investment subsidies generally available to agriculture	Investment Loans with preferential interest rate of 2.5%	0.75	Agriculture land lease cash book	(1)
	Lease of land at preferential rate at SCR 0.33/sqm - (5% of SCR 6.50/sqm = SCR 0.33 /sqm)	0.49	Agriculture land lease cash book	(2)
	Subtotal:	1.24		
Grand Total Development Programmes		1.24		

Note:

- (1) Loan managed by the Small Business Financing Agency under the auspices of the Ministry of Finance, Trade and Economic Planning, disbursed through the Development Bank of Seychelles at a preferential rate of 2.5%. The figures represent the revenue forgone in administering the preferential rate as opposed to the prevailing commercial rate of 8.5%.
- (2) Support reflected through a preferential rate of SR 6.50/m² for lease of land for agricultural activities. The figures provided express revenue forgone in administering the preferential rate as opposed to the commercial rate of 30.00/m² over the last year.

Supporting Table DS:4

DOMESTIC SUPPORT: SEYCHELLES

REPORTING PERIOD: CALENDAR YEAR 2017

Calculation of the Current Total Aggregate Measurement of Support

Description of basic products (including non-product specific AMS)	Product specific AMS (from ST DS:5 to DS:7)	Product-specific EMS (from ST DS:8)	Total (2 + 3)	Value of production	Support as a % of value of production	Current Total AMS	Note
	SCR, million	SCR, million	SCR, million	SCR, million		SCR, million	
1	2	3				4	
Livestock	3.6		3.6	64.97	5.54%	0 (de minimis)	
Non-product-specific AMS(from ST/DS:9)							
TOTAL						0	

Supporting Table DS:7

DOMESTIC SUPPORT: SEYCHELLES

REPORTING PERIOD: CALENDAR YEAR 2017

Product-Specific Aggregate Measurements of Support: Other Product-Specific Support and Total Product-Specific AMS

Description of basic products	Reporting Year			Measure Types	Other product-specific budgetary outlays	Other product-specific support (with calculation details)	Associated fees / levies	Total other product-specific support (4+5-6)	Market price support (from ST DS:5)	Non-exempt direct payments (from ST DS:6)	Total AMS (7+8+9)	Data Sources	Note
	Type	From	To		SCR, million	SCR, million		SCR, million	SCR, million	SCR, million	SCR, million		
1	2			3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	
Livestock	CY	01-01-17	31-12-17	Abattoir Support	3.6			3.6					
Total Livestock								3.6			3.6		