



According to Article 21 of the Law on Agricultural Land ("Official Gazette of the RM" no. 135/07, 18/11 and 148/11) upon a Decision No.22-3220/1 of 23.03.2012, the Minister for Agriculture, Forestry and Water Management, announces a

PUBLIC NOTICE No 04/12
for granting of agricultural land in state ownership on lease

I. SUBJECT OF THE PUBLIC NOTICE

Agricultural land owned by the state shall be given on lease in the following regions:

Ord. nr.	REGION	size		
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1	Kumanovo	1127	09	50
2	Veles	904	34	68
3	Gevgelija	417	65	35
4	Kavadarci	383	78	46
5	Prilep	144	14	05
6	Kriva Palanka	80	11	84
7	Bitola	34	78	75
8	Resen	26	69	84
9	Sveti Nikole	10	00	52
10	Radovish	151	35	15
Total:		3279	98	14

The data about the agricultural land set forth in this public notice (for easements and other burdens, the condition in which the land shall be found, the cadaster data contained in the property or ownership certificate) are consistent with the cadastral evidence, and insight in these data for each area can be done on the noticeboard in the regional unit of the Ministry that is responsible for the relevant advertised area.

The duration of the lease of the land shall be the following:

- Growing olives for a period up to 50 years;
- Growing perennial plantations (vineyards, orchards, hops) and green houses, for a period of up to 30 years;
- Sports and recreational activities and rural tourism for a period of up to 30 years;
- Fish ponds, for a period of up to 20 years;
- Growing other agricultural crops for a period of up to 15 years;
- Meadows for a period of up to 15 years.



II. FORM FOR PARTICIPATION ON THE PUBLIC NOTICE (BIDDING)

The form for participation on the public notice (bidding) may be taken with the regional offices of the Ministry and it has to be filled with all necessary data and submitted together with the necessary documents in a closed envelope; otherwise the bidding shall not be considered.

III. RIGHT TO PARTICIPATE ON THE PUBLIC NOTICE

- 1) Domestic physical and legal entities, as well as foreign legal entities shall have the right to participate on the public notice and submit their bids for taking of agricultural land in state ownership on lease.
- 2) Physical entities referred to in Part III, paragraph 1 of this public notice, should be registered providers of agricultural activity and/or registered in the register of agricultural holdings and/or sole proprietors whose prevailing activity is agricultural production or processing of primary agricultural products.
- 3) Foreign legal entities referred to in Part III, paragraph 1 of this public notice, have the right to participate on a public notice if they have subsidiaries registered in the Republic of Macedonia.
- 4) Agricultural production or processing of primary agricultural products should be the prevailing activity of domestic and foreign legal entities or their subsidiaries, or agricultural land should be required for carrying out scientific research activities.
- 5) The persons referred to in Part III, paragraph 1 of this public notice shall not have the right to participate on the public notice and to submit bids in a procedure for collecting of bids if they haven't fulfilled their obligations on the base of rent in connection with the concluded lease contracts for agricultural land in state ownership.
- 6) Legal entities under liquidation procedure and non-profit organisations shall not have the right to participate on a public notice.

IV. DOCUMENTS THAT SHALL OBLIGATORILY BE SUBMITTED WITH THE BID

- 1) The participants on the public notice for giving of agricultural land in state ownership on lease are required to submit the following:
 - a) **for legal entities:**
 - Offer for the amount of the annual rent (application form from the regional office of the Ministry);
 - evidence (act) issued by the Central Registry of the Republic of Macedonia for the performed registration in the trade registry or from another competent body for registration of legal entities;
 - evidence for settled obligations in regard with contributions for salaries and salaries for employees (confirmation issued by the Fund for insurance of retired and disabled persons, confirmation issued by the Fund for health insurance and certificate issued by the Public revenue Office);
 - business plan that contains basic data about the participant, the purpose for which it is going to use the land, applied technology,



- number of employees, market aspects and expected production-economic results;
- statement (registered with the Notary Public) from the founders and the responsible person in the legal entity that they were not founders or managers of the legal entity that had used the agricultural land in state ownership under lease, and haven't fulfilled the obligations from that contract; and
- confirmation from the regional office of the Ministry that it does not have any obligations in regard with the unpaid rent for use of agricultural land in state ownership;

b) for physical entities:

- bid for the amount of the annual rent (application form of the regional office of the Ministry);
- evidence for settled public fees (certificate issued by the Public Revenue Office);
- copy of the personal identification card;
- program for use of the land that contains basic data about the family, technical-technological equipping, the purpose for which the agricultural land will be used and the market aspects;
- confirmation for recording in the sole registry of agricultural holdings or a decision of a registered performer of agricultural activities (issued by the regional office of MAFWE or from the Fund for insurance of retired and disabled persons, for gained right to be their insured person as farmer) or a proof form the Central registry office for being a registered sole proprietor :
- statement for validity of data stated in the application that has been registered with the Notary Public;
- statement registered with the Notary Public that it was not a founder or responsible person in the legal entity that had used the agricultural land in state ownership under lease and had not fulfilled the obligations from that contract; and
- confirmation from the regional office of the Ministry that it doesn't have obligations in regard with unpaid rent for use of state agricultural land.

2) The applications for the public bid that shall be submitted as incomplete and with delay shall not be taken into consideration.

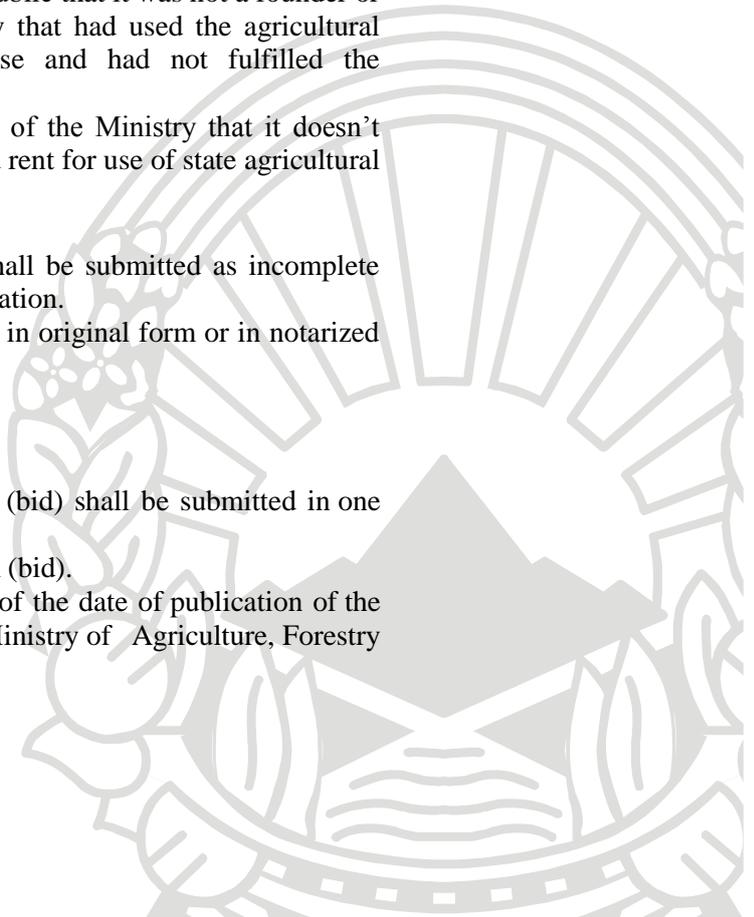
3) The required documents shall be submitted in original form or in notarized copies.

V. SUBMISSION OF A BID

The form for participation on a public notice (bid) shall be submitted in one certified original signed by the bidder.

Each bidder can submit only one original form (bid).

The bid shall be submitted within 30 days as of the date of publication of the public notice in the daily press, to the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Water Management - Skopje.





The bid and other documents should be submitted in a sealed envelope on which the words "do not open" "Bid on the Announcement ??/12 for agricultural land under lease in the region (the region should be written down)" should be written in the upper left corner, and the words "Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Water Economy" "Jurij Gagarin" No. 15 Skopje" in the middle of the envelope.

The envelope should not contain any indication that could allow identification of the bidder or consignor.

VI. CRITERIA FOR SELECTION OF THE MOST FAVORABLE BIDDER

1) The Commission shall select the best bidder based on criteria established in Article 25, 26 and 27, paragraph 1 of the Law on Agricultural Land ("Official Gazette of the RM" No.135/07, 18/11 and 148/11):

- The highest annual rent offered

The size of the area of agricultural land that will be granted to one bidder will be determined on the base of the criteria laid down in Article 27 paragraph 2 of the Law on Agricultural Land ("Official Gazette of the RM" no. 135/07, 18/11 and 148/11) and Article 4 of the Rulebook on criteria for selecting the most favorable bidder for agricultural land in state ownership ("Official Gazette of the RM" br.12/08 and 26/12) as follows:

- Minimum material - technical equipment of the bidder and

- The number of planned employments or employees according to the business plan as follows:

- For areas **up to 50 hectares** - at least 1 tractor of light-weight category (up to 80 kW) and at least one planned employee that is permanently employed;

- For areas **up to 100 hectares** - at least 2 of lightweight tractors or at least 1 moderate (80 kW - 120 kW) and at least 2 planned employees that are permanently employed;

- For areas **up to 150 hectares** - at least 4 of lightweight tractors or at least 2 moderate or 1 heavy (over 120 kW) and at least 4 planned employees that are permanently employed;

- The areas **over 150 hectares** - the number / capacity of the machinery to grow in proportion to the size of the area to be processed and one permanently employed person should be planned at disposal for every 50 hectares;

In order to prove the technical and material equipping, every bidder shall submit adequate evidence (a car license, invoice, purchase contract notarized by a notary public, a final court decision or act of another competent authority) and only a material and technical equipping of the bidder shall be estimated in the procedure for which it has submitted such proof.

2) The initial price per hectare in the process after this public announcement shall be determined according to the cadastral class and location of the land.

3) The starting price is 25 Euro in Denar counter-value for agricultural land from the 1 to the 4 cadastral class and 15 Euro in Denar counter-value for agricultural land from the 5 to the 8 cadastral class calculated on the base of the mean exchange rate of the National Bank of the Republic of Macedonia on the day of payment.



4) The initial price of agricultural land located in mountainous areas, the initial price for the land from the 1 to the 4 cadastral class is 15 Euro in Denar counter-value, and for the land from the 5th to the 8th cadastral class is 5 Euro in Denar counter-value, calculated according to the mean exchange rate of the National Bank of the Republic Macedonia on the day of payment.

5) Bids that do not contain all required documentation submitted in original or notarized copy, the bids submitted after the deadline for submission, envelopes marked so that the bidder could be identified, bids that are lower than the minimum annual rent, bids submitted by persons who are not entitled to participate and offers that are not prepared under conditions specified in the public notice, are rejected as incomplete.

VII. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

For additional information, the bidders can apply to the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Water Economy phone: **02 313 44 77** or visit the website of the Ministry:

www.mzsv.gov.mk

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