



**UNITED REPUBLIC OF TANZANIA
MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE**

**CALL FOR YOUTH AND WOMEN IN CROP PRODUCTION TO APPLY FOR
GRANT AND SOFT LOAN THROUGH THE BUILDING A BETTER
TOMORROW (BBT) PROGRAM**

The Government is aware of the challenges faced by the youth and women in the agriculture sector, including lack of access to agricultural land, capital, technology and market. The Government has initiated a special program known as Building a Better Tomorrow – Youth Initiative for Agribusiness (BBT-YIA) to address youth and women challenges in the agriculture sector, including access to finance.

The Government, through the Agricultural Input Trust Fund (AGITF), has established a special program for the provision of financial services to youth and women engaged in crop farming. Through the program, the Government has allocated funds for grants and soft loans for women and youth involved in commercial crop value chains. This initiative aims to address challenges in the respective value chain undertaken by youth and women in crop production activities, value addition and marketing of agricultural produce.

Applicant Qualifications:

- (i) Must be a Tanzanian youth aged 18-40 years;
- (ii) Should have experience in agricultural activities, and at the time of application submission, must be actively engaged in an agricultural enterprise;
- (iii) Should be using land that is either your own, your family's, or rented (with specific conditions for those who are renting)

How to Apply

Visit the Ministry's website at www.kilimo.go.tz to access the application form. Once you have completed filling up the form, email it to ps@kilimo.go.tz, with a copy to bbt@kilimo.go.tz.

Loan Application Period is from 15 January, 2023 to 30th April, 2023.

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