

**MANGOSUTHU UNIVERSITY OF TECHNOLOGY**  
**REQUEST FOR INFORMATION (RFI)**  
**MARKET ASSESSMENT FOR EXTERNAL STUDENT**  
**ACCOMMODATION**

*Student Accommodation Facilities Offering a Minimum of Fifty (50)  
Available Beds and Situated Within 10 km Radius from MUT Campus*

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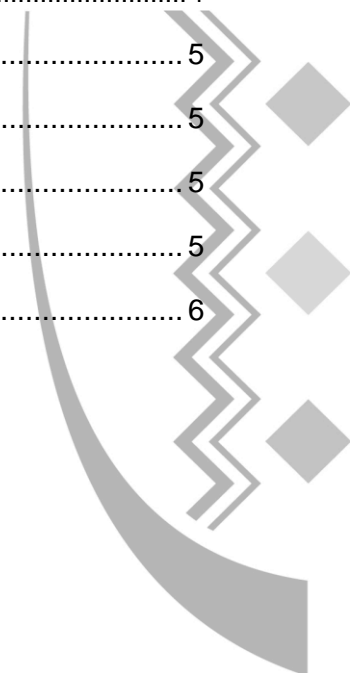
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## 1. PURPOSE OF THE RFI

Mangosuthu University of Technology (MUT) is conducting a market assessment to determine the availability and capacity of external student accommodation providers that may be capable of providing accommodation services for students sponsored through the National Student Financial Aid Scheme (NSFAS).

This Request for Information (RFI) is issued for information-gathering purposes only and does not constitute a tender, request for quotation, request for proposal, commitment to procure, or an undertaking to enter into any agreement with any respondent.

The information obtained through this process will assist MUT in determining market availability, supplier capacity, procurement strategy, and future accommodation requirements.

## 2. BACKGROUND

MUT intends to identify external student accommodation facilities that:

- Are located within a maximum radius of ten (10) kilometres from the MUT Campus;
- Have a minimum capacity of fifty (50) student beds available for occupancy;
- Are accredited by NSFAS or capable of meeting NSFAS accreditation requirements;
- Comply with the Department of Higher Education and Training (DHET) Policy on the Minimum Norms and Standards for Student Housing at Public Universities; and
- Are legally authorised to operate as student accommodation facilities.

## 3. INFORMATION REQUIRED FROM RESPONDENTS

### A. Accommodation Capacity

Description	Response
Total number of beds available	
Beds available for NSFAS-funded students	
Number of buildings	
Number of rooms	
Room types (single/sharing)	

### B. Location Information

1. Physical property address
2. GPS coordinates
3. Distance from MUT Main Campus
4. Estimated travel time to MUT Campus

**NB: attach proof such as Google Maps screenshots or other verifiable distance/location evidence.**



### C. NSFAS Accreditation Status

Status	Tick the appropriate Space
Currently NSFAS Accredited	
Previously NSFAS Accredited	
Accreditation Application Submitted	
Not Accredited	

**NB: attach proof of NSFAS accreditation or proof of application.**

### D. Compliance with DHET Norms and Standards

Requirement	Yes	No
Fire safety compliance		
Emergency evacuation procedures		
Security access control		
Student study facilities		
Adequate ablution facilities		
Internet/Wi-Fi access		
Laundry facilities		
Disability accessibility measures		
Housekeeping and cleaning services		
Health and safety compliance		

### E. Supporting Documentation

- Proof of NSFAS accreditation
- Municipal zoning certificate
- Occupancy certificate
- Approved building plans
- Public liability insurance
- Fire compliance certificate
- Property ownership documents or lease agreement
- Photographs of the facility



#### 4. MARKET CAPACITY QUESTIONS

1. Can your facility accommodate a minimum of fifty (50) students?	
2. Can your facility accommodate students for a period of three (3) academic years?	
3. Can your facility accommodate students for a period of three (3) academic years?	
4. Are you currently accommodating students from public university/college?	
5. What is your current occupancy rate?	
6. What additional student support services are available?	

#### 5. IMPORTANT NOTICE

- This RFI is for information-gathering purposes only.
- This RFI does not constitute a procurement process.
- This RFI does not create any contractual obligation on the part of MUT.
- Submission of a response does not guarantee inclusion in any future procurement process.
- Information submitted may be used solely to assess market availability, supplier capacity and readiness.
- MUT reserves the right not to proceed with any subsequent procurement process following this RFI.

#### 6. RFI OUTCOME

The information obtained may be used by MUT to:

- Assess the availability of suitable accommodation providers within a 10 km radius of campus.
- Determine whether there is sufficient competition in the market.
- Inform the development of specifications for a future panel process.
- Determine the feasibility of establishing a panel of accommodation providers with a minimum of 50 beds.

#### 7. RFI RESPONSE SUMMARY TABLE

Information Required	Minimum Requirement / Preferred Requirement
Distance from MUT	Within 10 km
Bed Capacity	Minimum 50 beds
NSFAS Accreditation	Accredited or capable of accreditation
DHET Norms and Standards	Compliant
Student Accommodation Experience	Preferred
Supporting Documents	As per the list on section 3 E of this RFI



## 8. DECLARATION BY RESPONDENT

I/We, the undersigned, confirm that the information provided in response to this RFI is true, accurate and complete to the best of my/our knowledge. I/We acknowledge that this RFI is for market research purposes only and does not create any right, expectation or entitlement to be appointed by MUT.

Name of Respondent: \_\_\_\_\_

Capacity/Designation: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Company Stamp: \_\_\_\_\_

