CHAPTER **7**

RUN MENU

The main purpose of the **Run** option is to compile mechanisation, irrigation and labour reports, enterprise budgets and financial statements for different farming systems.

7.1 GENERAL



Negative closing balances are managed in this section.

7.1.1 MANAGEMENT OF NEGATIVE CREDIT FLOW CLOSING BALANCE

A negative credit flow closing balance can be managed in one of three ways.

Firstly, keep it as closing balance. Secondly, pay the negative balance from the banking account. Thirdly, a negative balance can be consolidated to a long-term liability. In the latter case the programme will first jump to fixed obligations if it is run. Hence the user should complete the details of a new loan during the last month of the analysis.

7.1.2 MANAGEMENT OF NEGATIVE CASH FLOW CLOSING BALANCE

The user has two options in this instance.

Firstly, he can keep the negative cash flow closing balance. Secondly, a negative balance can be consolidated to a long-term liability. In the latter case the programme will first jump to fixed obligations if it is run. Hence the user should complete the details of a new loan during the last month of the analysis. Consequently the closing balance of the banking account will be zero.

7.1.3 RUN

Click the run button only after the production system page has also been completed. A warning appears if the overdraft or production loan limit is exceeded during any month. Click the OK

button to continue the run. A message appears if the run is completed. Click the OK button as well as the one on the run screen.

7.2 PRODUCTION SYSTEM

The field, growing season, area, whether or not a crop is irrigated and the irrigation system of any crop enterprise can be changed on this page. A livestock enterprise can be included in or excluded from the analysis. All these changes are also made in different crop and livestock enterprises.

7.2.1 CROP ENTERPRISE TABLE

CROP ENTERPRISE

These crop enterprise names were entered under crop enterprises in the data menu and can not be edited on this page.

FIELD ID

Double-click in the column and once on the down arrow as well as on another field ID to change the field on which the user plans to plant the specific crop.

SEASON

Double-click in the column to change the season during which it was planned to grow the specific crop. Subsequently click on the down arrow and another season.

AREA (ha)

Enter another value to change the area of a specific crop enterprise. The user is warned if the production system requires an area that is larger than what is available.

IRRIGATED? (FALSE/TRUE)

Double-click in the column and once on the down arrow as well as the other one indicating false or true to change whether or not a crop is irrigated.

IRRIGATION SYSTEM

Double-click in the column to change the irrigation system used for irrigating the crop. Subsequently click on the down arrow and another system.

7.2.2 LIVESTOCK ENTERPRISE TABLE

LIVESTOCK ENTERPRISE

These livestock enterprise names were entered under livestock enterprises in the data menu and cannot be edited on this page.

INCLUDE IN THE ANALYSIS? (FALSE/TRUE)

A livestock enterprise can either be included in or excluded from the analysis. The user has to double-click in the column and once on the down arrow as well as on either false or true to exercise his choice.