




# MY DISTRICT TODAY



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## OUTCOME 12: AN EFFICIENT, EFFECTIVE AND DEVELOPMENT ORIENTED PUBLIC SERVICE AND AN EMPOWERED, FAIR AND INCLUSIVE CITIZENSHIP.

### Government officials reach out to communities

*By Willem van Dalen: GCIS, Northern Cape*



The GCIS team ready to take to the streets of Springbok.

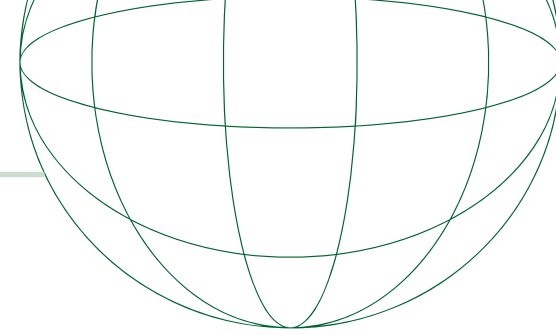


GCIS officials and other stakeholders distributing information products to community members.



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The Government Communication and Information System (GCIS) in the Namakwa District embarked on an event to market and popularise the upcoming State of the Nation Address in the Namakwaland town of Springbok, on 29 January 2016. Officials from the Department of Home Affairs and a number of community development workers joined the activation where community members were urged to watch or listen to the live broadcast of the President's speech during the opening of Parliament. More than 3 000 information products were distributed to community members in town.



**Maud Engelbrecht said:**  
"I think it is wonderful that government goes to communities to bring important information to the people. The citizens should use all the opportunities that government brings to them."



**Mofokeng Mashatho said:**  
"The registration process went well, the only challenge was that I did not know where to go to register. I asked around and the senior students helped me with directions to the venue."



**Azee Simane said:**  
"I am glad that I was part of the event this morning. A lot of people were not aware of the information that was shared today. I feel good that we managed to inform the people about the State of the Nation Address and the Smart Card identity documents."





Mention five issues that you would like the President to talk about in this year's State of the Nation Address.



**Heidi Nel said:**

"Crime is still a challenge in our communities, so I expect the President to focus more on bringing strategies to fight crime. I would also like him to look at the issue of economy, free education and the strategies and tactics in place to deal with drought in our country."

Are you planning to watch or to listen to this year's State of the Nation Address? Why?



**Abby Gale said:**

"Yes, I will watch the State of the Nation Address because I want to be informed and know what the President will be saying about the issues of unemployment, corruption and racism, which seem to be a serious challenge in our country."

**OUTCOME 12: AN EFFICIENT, EFFECTIVE AND DEVELOPMENT ORIENTED PUBLIC SERVICE AND AN EMPOWERED, FAIR AND INCLUSIVE CITIZENSHIP.**

*By Sabelo Kakaza: GCIS, Eastern Cape*

A big event takes place in Parliament every year in February, what do you think it is?



**Devon Wyngraandt said:**

"It is the State of the Nation Address, a platform provided for the President to talk about the country's affairs."

What do you know about the upcoming State of the Nation Address?



**Nceba Mqokozo said:**

"I have learned through leaflets distributed at the taxi rank that this year's event will be on 11 February and people can catch it on TV, radio and social media."

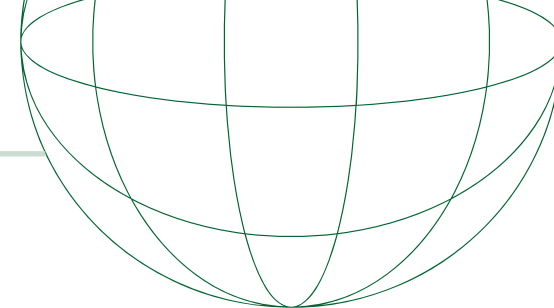
Are the State of the Nation Address leaflets and other materials helpful? Why?



**Kyle Joueerd said:**

"Yes they are helpful. I have been informed about what the event is all about and also about the venues for the live screening in different district municipalities and metros."





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*Kaone Moshwela: GCIS, North West*



**Tlhabologo**

**A big event takes place in Parliament every year in February, what do you think it is?**

“It is the State of the Nation Address. I am always optimistic and hoping for something great to be announced by the President.”

**What do you know about the upcoming State of the Nation Address?**

“The print, electronic and social media are doing a great job to educate us about the State of the Nation Address.”

**Are the State of the Nation Address leaflets and other materials helpful? Why?**

“Yes they are.”

**Mention five issues that you would like the President to talk about in this year’s State of the Nation Address.**

“Unemployment, crime, poverty, corruption and other social challenges.”

**Are you planning to watch or listen to this year’s State of the Nation Address? Why?**

“I will watch and also follow it on social media.”

**What do you expect to see on the day of the State of the Nation Address?**

“High levels of discipline.”



**Motlhabeng**

**A big event takes place in Parliament every year in February, what do you think it is?**

“It is the State of the Nation Address.”

**What do you know about the upcoming State of the Nation Address?**

“It seeks to inform South African citizens about government’s plans, programmes and progress.”

**Are the SoNA leaflets and other materials helpful? Why?**

“They are helpful.”

**Mention five issues that you would like the President to talk about in this year’s State of the Nation Address.**

“The origins of South African laws, interpretation of the Bill of Rights, civil and political rights and socio-economic conditions.”

**Are you planning to watch or listen to this year’s State of the Nation Address? Why?**

“Yes! I am a citizen of this country who deserves to know about all government programmes.”

**What do you expect to see on the day of the State of the Nation Address?**

“Peace in the House.”



A big event takes place in Parliament every year in February, what do you think it is?



**Sam Dire said:**  
“It is the State of the Nation Address in Parliament in Cape Town.”

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*Fatima Modise: GCIS, North West*



**Mention five issues that you would like the President to talk about in this year’s State of the Nation Address.**

**Palesa Moncho said:**

“Free education for all and enough educators for rural schools, fighting crime, improved sanitation for schools, clinics that operate 24 hours a day and water for rural communities.”



**What do you expect to see on the day of the State of the Nation Address?**

**Jerry Maine said:**

“I expect to see order and no disruptions.”



**What do you know about the upcoming State of the Nation Address?**

**Tiisetso Gerben said:**

“I have heard a lot about it from different news sources.”