



Thursday 02 July – Friday 03 July 2009

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Thursday 02, July 2009

Higher Education Minister Blade Nzimande addresses Cosatu's Education and Skills Conference

Time: 09:30
 Venue: Parktonian Hotel, De Korte Street, Braamfontein Johannesburg
 Contact: Crystall Dicks 084-732-4643

Government Spokesperson Themba Maseko to host Post-Cabinet Briefing

Mr Maseko will brief members of the media on the outcomes of the Cabinet meeting held yesterday.

Time: 10:00
 Venue: Imbizo Media Centre, 120 Plein Street, Cape Town
 Contact: Colin Cruywagen 082 377 9916

Eastern Cape Human Settlements to assist veterans to apply for house subsidies (Until 07 July)

The Department is embarking on an outreach programme to fast track housing provision for veterans. The department is calling upon all military veterans who are registered/not registered in the South African National Defence Force (SANDF) Military Veterans database to contact their respective associations for verification of information on the database ahead of the scheduled visit by the provincial joint steering committee and departmental officials. Those not registered must also register with their respective associations.

Time: 10:00
 Venue: War Memorial
 Contact: Lwandile Sicwetsha 071 671 1770

Free State Department of Agriculture on Ilima/Letsema wheat production The department will launch of Ilima/Letsema wheat production, whereby the farmers will receive wheat seeds and plant on the farm the wheat as a sustainable food security and entrepreneurial programme for the farmers of Thabo Mofutsanyana district.

Time: 10:00
 Venue: Moidam farm Fauriesburg
 Contact: Thato Mokoena 078 803 8554

President Jacob Zuma to lead South African delegation to the 13th Ordinary Session of the African Union Summit (Until 03 July)

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Venue: Sitre, Libya
 Contact: Nomfanelo Kota 082 459 3787

The Department of Trade and Industry will host the 2009 Co-operatives Conference and Exhibition (Until 04 July)

The DTI in partnership with the KwaZulu-Natal (KZN) Department of Economic Development and Tourism, and the uMsunduzi Municipality, will host the conference. The theme of the conference, which will be attended by more than 2 000 people, is '*Global Recovery through Co-Operative Development*'. The event, which seeks to reinforce government's initiative of developing and promoting co-operatives as a viable form of enterprise in South Africa, will culminate in celebrations to mark the International Co-operatives Day, where the KwaZulu-Natal Premier, Dr Zweli Mkhize, and the KZN MEC for Economic Development and Tourism, Mr Michael Mabuyakhulu, will address those attending the proceedings. The Director-General of the dti, Mr Tshediso Matona, and Mayors of the Umgungundlovu and uMsunduzi Municipalities, Councillors Yusaf Bhamjee and Zanele Hlatshwayo, respectively, will also speak at the celebrations. The conference will provide the ideal platform for the exchange of ideas, lessons learnt, challenges and shared experiences between the government and stakeholders from the co-operatives sector.

Venue: Pietermaritzburg Oval Cricket Stadium
 Contact: Sidwell Medupe 073 522 680 / Tito Mngoma 082 413 8573
 Brian Zuma 083 289 6723

KwaZulu Natal Health to host the Quadrennial Congress (Until 04 July)

The 24th Quadrennial Congress will be held under the theme: "Leading change: Building healthier nations". Around 6 000 delegates (2 500 from KwaZulu-Natal) from all over the world will converge for the first in Africa ICN Congress to discuss ways to improve the nursing profession in an era of a fast changing disease profile.

Venue: Chief Albert Luthuli International Convention Centre
 Contact: Chris Maxon 083 285 0567
 Ms Siphokazi Phillip 082 776 0964

The Northern Cape Provincial Government to celebrate Public Service Week (Until 03 July)

The Public Service Week will be celebrated under the theme "Delivery of quality service for sustainable development". PSW is an integral part of the ongoing Batho Pele Revitalisation strategy, which is aimed at instilling or rebuilding good ethics, morale and pride in public servants' endeavours to translate the people's contract into reality through the provision of quality services that are responding to the needs of the people. PSW seeks to broaden access to services by taking services to the people. This platform also embraces integrated approaches to effectively utilize limited government resources for improved results.

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 E-mail: bthomas@ncpg.gov.za

Friday 03, July 2009

Transport Minister Sbusiso Ndebele to table his department's Budget Vote

As part of his budget speech, Minister Ndebele will also outline progress with regards to the recently announced National Working Group of Public Transport, which was initiated to deal primarily with challenges in the taxi industry.

Time: 09:00
 Venue: National Assembly, 120 Plein Str, Parliament bldg, Cape Town
 Contact: Logan Maistry 083 644 4050
 Mthunzikazi Mbungwana 072 645 1792 or
Mbungwana@dot.gov.za

Eastern Cape Youth Commission to host Provincial Youth Parliament

In commemoration of the 33rd anniversary of Youth Month, Eastern Cape Legislature Speaker, Honourable Fikile Xasa and the Chairperson of the Eastern Cape Youth Commission, Prince Mlimandlela Ndamase will host this event. Themed "Eastern Cape Youth shaping their future" the youth parliament will see the Legislature being presented with a reviewed provincial youth development plan for 2009/10.

Time: 09:00
 Venue: Raymond Mhlaba Chamber, Bisho Legislature
 Contact: Bongani Jamela 043 643 4032 / 078 7878 474

Eastern Cape Housing to launch Housing on Wheels and handover houses

The department will be introducing the Housing on Wheels Project aimed at improving accessibility of housing delivery services to the public and strengthen public participation in housing delivery. The truck will raise public awareness on housing programme, products and services in various areas of the province. Information on housing programmes and services will be available to assist people who want to apply for any housing programme.

Time: 10:00
 Venue: Tarkastad
 Contact: Lwandile Sicwetssha 071 671 1770 / 043 722 9534

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Eastern Cape Health Bursary team to hold meetings with its bursars (Until 08 July)

The bursary team will be holding meetings with all their bursary holders from all universities during the June 2009 vacation on the understated dates. It is compulsory that students bring their signed bursary contracts.

Venue: East London
 Contact: Mr Ncanywa 072 278 9699

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