

**Pre- SoNA build-up programmes in Sutherland and visit to Salt**



GCIS, Namakwa District Municipality and Government Departments having a service delivery outreach informing the community of Sutherland about the upcoming State of the Nation Address and addressing service delivery issues in the community



SEDA giving advice to community members on how to start their own business.



The Speaker of the Namakwa District Municipality, Ms Sylvia Cardinal accompanied by members of the Namakwa District Council and Government Departments arriving at the Southern African Largest Telescope (SALT) in Sutherland prior to the Live Broadcast of the State of the Nation Address.





Mr Willem Prins, tour guide of SALT since 2006, informing the officials of the operations of SALT. Mr Willem Prins a resident of Sutherland was a volunteer of the Sutherland Observatory since it started. Since 2011 he was appointed as a contract worker and his knowledge about the astronomy shows his passion for his job.



Chief Director of GCIS, Mr Michael Currin and Provincial Director of the Northern Cape, Mr Marius Nagel seeking more information about SALT.



The first telescope that was used at the Sutherland Observatory and became operational in 1972.