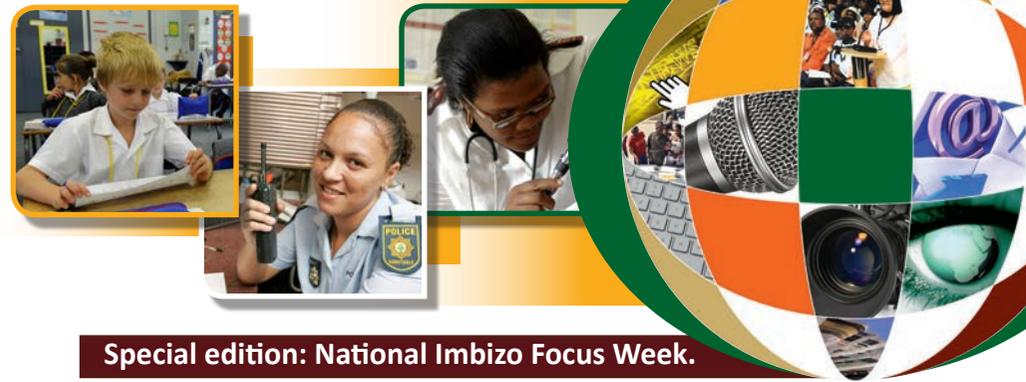





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## OUTCOME 12: AN EFFICIENT, EFFECTIVE AND DEVELOPMENT ORIENTED PUBLIC SERVICE AND AN EMPOWERED, FAIR AND INCLUSIVE CITIZENSHIP

### Deputy Minister brings light to communities

By Ndyebo Kopo: GCIS, Eastern Cape



**Together we move South Africa forward**

From 4 April to 10 April 2016

**The future is in your hands!**

**#ImbizoWeek**

Register to vote, check your registration status and update your details on the voters' roll during the final registration weekend on 9 and 10 April 2016.



Deputy Minister Majola speaking at the event.



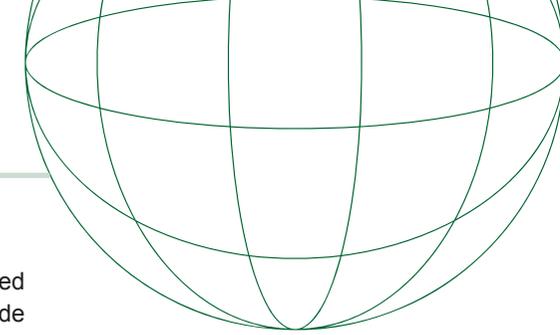
Community members attended the event at Mgezwa Senior Secondary School.

The Deputy Minister of Energy, Thembisile Majola, and Mayor of Ingquza Hill Municipality, Jongintaba Mdingi, conducted the official electrification switch-on of Goso Forest in Lusikisiki on 4 April 2016.



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Community members from nearby wards were also transported to the event where they interacted with government leaders on issues of access to energy with a specific focus on progress made on Integrated National Electrification programme. The number of electrified households in ward 22 amounts to 268.

This engagement was one of the platforms in which government involves communities in the country's sustainable economic development and also to heighten the level of service delivery.

Nofezilo Mthuko, who is one of the beneficiaries, expressed sincere gratitude as this project has brought change to her life. Mthuko also received assistance with acquiring an Identity Document and she was presented with a food parcel by the Department of Energy.

The community members of ward 22 thanked Deputy Minister Majola and government for heeding their call when they were in desperate



**Mayor Mdingi and Deputy Minister Majola with one of the beneficiaries.**



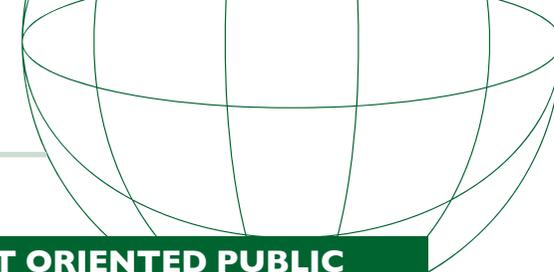
**Ward 22 community members and surrounding wards at the event.**



**Mncebisi Nkungu said:**  
"We are very excited about the development and we can see government's effort. Our concern though is that there are still other households that need electricity and this particular development gives us hope."



**Nolitha Nzulu said:**  
"In our ward we do have electricity but there are other areas that still need electricity. We would like to request government to move faster in supplying electricity to other areas."



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

### **Minister launches National Imbizo Focus Week**

*By Maria Ramoshaba: GCIS, Limpopo*



**Community member Mavis Seleka appreciating the good work done by government.**



**Community member Matome Mokono speaking at the event.**



**The Municipal Manager of Lephalale Local Municipality Edith Tukakomo briefing stakeholders on environmental issues.**



**Minister Zwane engages stakeholders during the briefing session.**



**Minister Zwane interacting with community members.**



**Community members attended the event.**



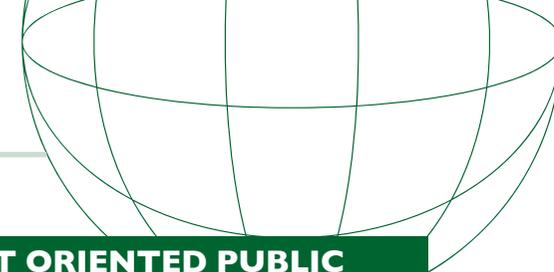
**Minister Zwane addressing community members.**



**MEC Ndou urged community members not to destroy properties during service-delivery protests.**

Acting Minister of Communications, Mosebenzi Zwane, launched the National Imbizo Focus Week in partnership with Lephalale Local Municipality on 4 April 2016 at Ga-Seleka community hall. The Minister and the MEC for Public Works, Roads and Infrastructure Development, Jerry Ndou, visited Otsweleng, Ngwepe and Madibana families to check the progress of the houses that were being built for them after the need was identified during Communications Minister Faith Muthambi's visit in November 2015. They also had an opportunity to switch on electricity at 732 households at Ga-Seleka 4 and opened an access road.

The Independent Communications Authority of South Africa, Sentech, South African Post Office and South African Broadcasting Corporation disseminated information to community members and also registered them for set-top boxes during the event.



**Simamnkele Msenga said:**

“I am very happy to see the Deputy Minister visiting our school again, bringing us food parcels and encouragement. This means that government cares about our education and our future. I am very motivated today because those who are not at school never had an opportunity to shake the Deputy Minister’s hand. I would like to encourage other children to love school because there is no future without education.”



**Name: Siyolise Mlandela**

“I feel very special today when the Deputy Minister handed me the parcel to eat before I come to school. The Government of South Africa and the Department of Education are very dedicated to serve people of this country. I salute the Department of Basic Education.”

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

**Deputy Minister reaches out to learners**

*By Sikelela Zokufa: GCIS, Western Cape*



**Deputy Minister Surty interacting with the learners.**



**The Deputy Minister with some of the learners who received food parcels.**



**Learners posing with their food parcels.**



**Deputy Minister Surty presenting food parcels to learners.**

The Deputy Minister of Basic Education, Enver Surty, visited Sophakama Primary School in Dunoon, Cape Town on 6 April 2016 as part of National Imbizo Focus Week programme.

The new buildings of the school were handed over in June last year by Deputy Minister Surty and the Deputy Minister of Human Settlements, Zoe Kota-Fredericks.

The visit by the Deputy Minister was aimed at fostering better relations with the community of Dunoon and also to monitor progress made by Sophakama Primary School after the handover of R40 million to the school in June 2015. The Department of Basic Education is interacting with parents and school communities across the country under the theme: “Together we move South Africa forward: Grow South Africa”.

Deputy Minister Surty also presented 2 000 food parcels to learners to motivate them to focus on their studies in order to help make South Africa a better country.

The school principal, Sabelo Makhubalo, took the Deputy Minister around the school, showing him the progress and how they use the resources of the school.