



## **PART 1: INFORMATION ON THE MINISTRY**

Government Communications (GCIS) is one of the institutions for which the Minister in The Presidency, Dr Essop Pahad, is responsible.

### **INSTITUTIONS IN THE MINISTER'S AREA OF RESPONSIBILITY:**

- Government Communication and Information System (GCIS) – minister and executive authority.
- International Marketing Council – executive authority in terms of the Public Finance Management Act (PFMA), 1999 (Act 1 of 1999).
- Media Development and Diversity Agency – executive authority in terms of the PFMA, 1999.
- National Youth Commission (NYC) – the Minister in The Presidency is charged with the administration of the NYC Act, 1996 (Act 19 of 1996), (as amended in 2000). He meets with the executive of the commission on a two-monthly basis to provide political and strategic guidance and also fulfils the responsibilities of executive authority of the NYC.
- In The Presidency, the minister has specific political responsibility for the Office on the Status of Women, the Office on the Rights of the Child and the Office on the Status of Disabled Persons.

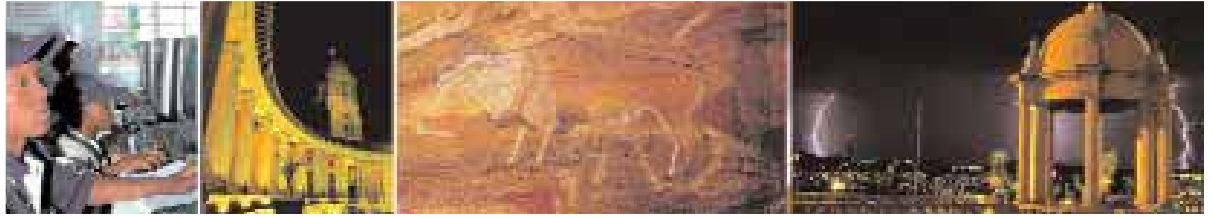
### **A SUMMARY OF THE AREAS OF INVOLVEMENT AND WORK OF THE MINISTER**

Apart from the specific responsibilities as outlined above, the minister is involved in a wide range of activities and projects. These include:

- being a member of the Cabinet committees of the Economic Sector; Social Sector; International Relations, Peace and Security Cluster; and the Governance and Administration Cluster
- presenting all Cabinet memoranda emanating from The Presidency at full Cabinet meetings
- presenting current affairs discussion documents as a standing item at all (full) Cabinet meetings
- being a member of the extended South African National AIDS Council core group of ministers
- convening an ad hoc grouping to assess the work and progress on the institutionalisation of the system of national orders
- attending the regular Presidency Advisers' Forum and the Presidency Consultative Forum
- being chairperson and member of the Board of Trustees of the South African Democracy Education Trust
- being a member of the Board of the Local Organising Committee for the 2010 FIFA Soccer World Cup
- being involved in the ongoing fundraising initiatives for the South Africa/Mali Timbuktu Project and serving as chairperson for the South Africa/Mali Manuscripts Trust.

### **LEGISLATION**

None



#### **OFFICIAL MINISTERIAL VISITS ABROAD**

During two official visits by Minister Pahad during the financial year under review, he was accompanied by GCIS officials. In October 2005, he visited China for bilateral discussions and in March 2006 he visited Tanzania where he made a presentation on GCIS to the Tanzanian Cabinet.



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