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## **MEDIA ADVISORY**

### **ENERGY MINISTER'S VISITS IN NORTH WEST**

The Minister of Energy, Ms Tina Joemat-Pettersson will commemorate Nelson Mandela day celebration by engaging in activities to enhance the facilities at Tlhaping Early Learning Centre in Ganyesa, Northwest Province.

Later on the same day, the Minister will interact with the community of Ganyesa during an Imbizo on issues of service delivery, with a focus on the electrification programme of the DoE. On Tuesday, 19 July 2016, the Minister will proceed to Tlokwe Municipality, also in the North West, to interact with children at Early Childhood Development Centres (ECD) in Aksie Park and several old age homes in the area.

These engagements provide a platform for the communities to interact directly with the government on its service delivery programme.

The events are organised as follows:

#### **NELSON MANDELA DAY CELEBRATION**

**Date** : Monday, 18 July 2016  
**Time** : 10:00am – 11:30am  
**Venue** : Tlhaping Early Learning Centre Ganyesa,  
North West Province.

#### **COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT IN GANYESA**

**Date:** Monday, 18 July 2016  
**Time:** 12:00 – 15:00  
**Venue:** Ganyesa Community Hall and Auditorium, North West Province

## **NELSON MANDELA DAY CELEBRATION IN TLOKWE**

**Date:** Tuesday, 19 July 2016  
**Time:** 09:00  
**Venue:** Tlokwe Municipality, Potchefstroom, North West

**Members of the media are invited to join the Minister and to cover these engagements.**

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## **BACKROUNG OF TLHAPING EARLY LEARNING CENTRE**

Tlhaping early learning centre was established on the 1<sup>st</sup> March 1987 at Thokoza Section in Ganyesa Village, the centre started with 50 children aged between 1 – 5 years old. The centre operated for almost 20 years unregistered. Several attempts have been made to register the organization but it could not succeed due to non-compliance to norms and standards of Early development centres. In October 2003, it registered as a non-profit organization. The centre eventually met the requirements criteria and was officially registered in 2005 as a place of care in terms of the Child Care Act of 1983 with the capacity of 50 children and 03 staff members. In 2010 the centre was registered with the capacity of 75 children and thus the increase in staff turnover. The centre sustains itself through donations, school fees and subsidy from the department of social development.