

#### MEDIA ADVISORY

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## MEC NTULI HEADS TO NONGOMA FOR THE PLANTING SEASON LAUNCH

MEC for Transport, Community Safety and Liaison Mr. Bheki Ntuli will on Friday (04 October 2019) head to Nongoma for the planting season launch.

As part of the Cabinet Resolution in response to high levels of food insecurity the programme aims at increasing the level of crop production in the district. The department has ensured that the traditional leadership and the communities become part and parcel of the mechanisation programme.

The programme seeks to assist farmers with tractor services in ploughing, dicing and planting and provision of agricultural inputs to indigent farmers in order to promote crop production as a catalyst for economic development, job creation and poverty alleviation in the communal land within the district

Ntuli is expected to be accompanied by an estimated 500 farmers from all over the district including the surrounding communities.

The details of the activities of the day are as follows:

## Activity 1 (09h00-09h30)

A morning session that will involve a field visit by the guest and the handing over of production inputs. The team will participate in the land preparation & planting demonstration in the field which will be done by the contracted service provider.

### Activity 2 (10h00-10h30)

The team will proceed to the Maphophoma maize milling plant for inspection by the MEC.

# Activity 3 (Main event)

**VENUE**: Emuseni ka Krestu Anglican Church- KwaDabhasi (Nongoma)

**TIME:** 11h00

All media houses are invited to attend the event.

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