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Nelson Mandela's Arrest, 05 August 1962: On this day, Duma and all categories of staff renew their pledge to work for the people of KwaZulu-Natal

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Inkosi Mhlabunzima Maphumulo House: Today we commemorate the arrest of former President Nelson Mandela.

We will officially open the first ever Driving Licence and Testing Centre (DLTC) in deep rural areas of Ndwedwe.

Madiba was arrested on the 5th August 1962 in Howick, outside Pietermaritzburg.

Madiba inspired hope for a better future. He brought hope to the less privileged and the oppressed.

Mandela used the state as the instrument to transform the lives of the people.

As we commemorate this day, myself and all categories of staff in both Departments we renew our pledge to use the Departments as instruments to ensure a better life for all.

It was Madiba, as the first President of a democratic South Africa who spearheaded the transformation of the Public Service.

He ensured that the new democratic government worked for the people in rural areas, townships and affluent areas. He left no one behind.

We undertake to follow his teachings and serve the people with humility.

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