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DEPUTY MINISTER CAPA TO LEAD THE UPPER TABASE COMMUNITY LAND CLAIM CELEBRATION OUTSIDE MTHATHA, EASTERN CAPE

The Deputy Minister of Agriculture, Land Reform and Rural Development, Ms Nokuzola Capa (MP), will lead the Upper Tabase Community Land Claim Celebration on 30 April 2024.

The Upper Tabase Community was dispossessed of their land through what the previous government termed as the Betterment Policy, according to which Africans were removed from their land and forcefully relocated to designated areas as part of the apartheid era spatial planning strategy.

Upper Tabase Village consists of ten sub-villages, being Dumrana, Hollywood, Mmangweni, Robololo, Jojweni, Esoxhotyeni, Khaleni, Magqongweni, Mnyane and Sandleni in Mthatha, King Sabata Dalindyebo Local Municipality under the OR Tambo District Municipality, Eastern Cape. The extent of the claimed land covers approximately **8 401 ha**.

Through the department's Commission on Restitution of Land Rights, the Upper Tabase Community's land claim was settled, with community members choosing to receive financial compensation.

Members of the media are invited to cover the Upper Tabase Community Land Claim Celebration as follows:

Date : 30 April 2024
Time : 10:00
Venue : Khaleni Great Place, Upper Tabase Village (outside Mthatha)

For media **RSVP** and further information on the event, please contact Ms Nozuko Sinxoto on 083 311 0823, email: Nozuko.Sinxoto@dalrrd.gov.za or Ms Thabile Mehlomakhulu on 063 617 7930, email: thabile.mehlomakhulu@dalrrd.gov.za.



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