

OFFICE OF THE REGIONAL LAND CLAIMS COMMISSONER: LIMPOPO

MEDIA STATEMENT ON MABARE COMMUNITY LAND HAND OVER

Mabare community land claim was lodged by Mr. Albert Moloto. The land claim was lodged within the cut-off date of 31 December 1998 as required by the Restitution of Land Rights Act, as amended.

Mabare community land claim was lodged on various farms of which the farms Kafferbosch 563 LS and Lumoendraai 566 LS are already restored to the community were amongst them.

Mabare community comprise of originally dispossessed members of the community and their direct descendants. Mabare community have total numbers of 258 households with estimated number of 749 beneficiaries.

The customary ownership of Mabare community was taken away around 1920's when the whites arrived at Mabare. The whites told the Mabare community members that the apartheid government had given them the land. They started to demarcate the land into farms and renamed the land by their own names such as Brakspruits, Soetdooring, Laagpan, Draaifontein, Duikerspruit, Annex Alion, Verwaalpan, Eenderkuil, Kalkfontein, Witklip, and Leeufontein, Kafferbosch, Lamoendraai, Biesjesfontein and Sprinforbi.

The department of rural development and land reform is going to have a handover celebration with community of Mabare where the MEC of the Department of Agriculture Ms Joy Matshoge is going to hand over the land. The event is as follows:

Date : 26-07-2014

Time : 11:00

Place : Mabare farm, 12 KM off Dendron road towards Bylsteel, in Molemole Municipality

The media personnel may make a confirmation of the availability to Pfumelani Tsedu 079 894 9365 / 0152846300, <u>e-mail PYTsedu@ruraldevelopment.gov.za</u> by 25 -07-2014.

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