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The MECs for Department of Agriculture, Rural Development, Land and Environmental Affairs (DARDLEA) and Social Development (DSD) will be tabling their department's 2025/26 Policy and Budget Votes 5 and 12 respectively, at the Provincial Legislature on Tuesday, 22 July 2025.

In her speech, DARDLEA MEC Khethiwe Moeketsi is expected to outline priorities and policy interventions that are aimed at improving delivery, including key announcements on plans to operationalize the Mpumalanga International Food Market, maximizing primary production by ensuring that smallholder, subsistence and commercial farmers receive continued support, including prioritizing agro-processing with an aim to support and grow rural enterprises.

Meanwhile, DSD MEC Nompumelelo Hlophe is expected to outline the progress made by the department in the previous financial year, also include plans in place to address social ills and protecting the vulnerable groups in the province as well as progress made in Funding Non -Profit Organizations in the province.

The tabling of the two Policy and Budget Votes is scheduled to take place as per the details below:

Venue : Mpumalanga Provincial Legislature Chamber,
Baobab Building, Riverside Government Complex
Date : 22 July 2024
Time : 08h30

To confirm attendance, please RSVP to Ms. Xolile Nkabinde on 071 222 7096, and/or Mr. Comfort Ngobe on 079 441 1116.

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