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Celebrating 20TH Anniversary of the International Year of Family

The 15th of May is celebrated as International Day of Families, to acknowledge and appreciate the role of families in society. The family is the basic and natural unit of society, which plays a critical role of nurturing and caring for individual family members, from children, to youth, men, women, people living with disabilities and the older generation.

This year we are celebrating the 20th Anniversary of the International Year of the Family (IYF). This day will be celebrated under the theme “**Confronting Family Poverty and social exclusion**”.

The twentieth anniversary of the International Year of the Family offers an opportunity to refocus on the role of families in development, take stock of recent trends in family policy development, share good practices in family policy making, review challenges faced by families worldwide and recommend solutions.

Governments have put in place programmes aimed at strengthening families. In this regards, families will be visited prior to the main event scheduled as follows.

Date: 18 June 2014, Wednesday
Time: 11h00
Venue: Mbangwane Thusong Service Centre (Nkomazi Local Municipality)

Members of the media are invited to the event.

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