DF009

1



REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA

Provin Dag X204, Presida, COS1, Milling T&A Presidentina Based, Produce: This +27 12 312 Yea14. Bas: +22 12 305 7021. some mit provint Preside Sing X204, Preside State Sta

Ms Hendrietta Bogopane-Zulu Deputy Minister of Social Development Private Bag X901 PRETORIA 0001

## DRAFT DELEGATION OF FUNCTIONS TO THE ' DEPUTY MINISTER OF SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT

Dear Deputy Minister,

I wish to take this opportunity to thank you for your ongoing strategic contribution to the work of the Department of Social Development (DSD) Portfolio. I am convinced that moving forward and agreeing on the following delegations, we will be able to jointly contribute and successful achieve the electoral mandate of the African National Congress as outlined in the 2019 Election Manifesto and in inevitably, that of the DSD Portfolio.

I thus look forward to your ongoing high level contributions into the Legislative and Policy processes, programmatic activities and engagements of the DSD Portfolio which include the National Development Agency and the South African Social Security Agency.

To ensure synergy, coordination and to benefit from the Deputy Minister's institutional knowledge of the sector, the Deputy Minister is requested to coordinate the processes and the development of Departmental Strategic Plans, Annual Reports and Annual Performance Plans ahead of Ministers official sign off.

In line with ensuring that there is sound political leadership at all times and, in strengthening the Departments relationship with Parliament, the Deputy Minister is requested to provide strategic input into all Parliamentary related meetings and forums. i.e. Portfolio Committee on Social Development and National Council of Provinces Select Committee on Social Development and Health, as well as the Study Groups, amongst others. This includes making strategic inputs into all quarterly reports, submissions, presentations, and parliamentary questions ahead of the Ministers official sign off.

2

In addition, the Deputy Minister is requested to oversee the following areas of work;

#### 1.Persons with Disability:

- a. The Deputy Minister is requested to oversee the final hand-over and migration process of the Branch: Rights of Persons with Disabilities function to the Ministry in the Presidency responsible for Women, Youth, and Persons with Disabilities.
- b. Whilst the function of Rights of Persons with Disability will migrate to the Presidency in terms of leadership and coordination, the DSD will still be responsible for the unit: Services to Persons with Disabilities, and the Deputy Minister is requested to oversee and manage the development of a programme of action which will incorporate legislation policy and advocacy.

# 2. Early Childhood Development (ECD):

- a. The Deputy Minister is requested to oversee the hand-over and migration process of the function of Early Childhood Development to the Department of Basis Education.
- b. Whilst the function of Early Childhood Development will migrate to the Department of Basic Education, the DSD is still required to play a supportive role in this area, and the

Deputy Minister is requested to oversee this process working with the DSD.

- c. In addition, the Deputy Minister is also requested to develop a joint work plan with the DBE and relevant stakeholders to heighten advocacy of the sector as well as campaigns aimed at curbing teenage pregnancy, amongst others.
- 3. Drugs:
  - a.Deputy Minister is requested to oversee the implementation and improvement of the
  - National Drug Master Plan (2019-2024), as well as heighten advocacy in this area.
  - b. Deputy Minister is further requested to work with and coordinate the work of the Central Drug Authority Board, and;
  - c. To ensure the adherence and coordination of South Africa's participation in international forums and compliance with and engagements on international protocols on drugs.

## 4. Development of a Plan of Action to employ Social Services Professionals:

a. We currently have very high number of unemployed Social Work Graduates and this number continues to increase as additional students register for this profession. The challenge that we face as a country, is the employment of these graduates. Working with the department and relevant stakeholders, the Deputy Minister is requested to oversee the development of a plan of action to ensure the employment Social Work Graduates.

### 5.Foster Care:

a Noting the current legal challenge the department faces on this matter, the Deputy Minister is requested to oversee and lead on the matters relating to the Foster Care backlog.

#### 6.Shelters:

a. Noting the current challenges with shelters across the country and the responsibility placed on the DSD to ensure infrastructure compliance as well as adherence to health and safety protocols, amongst others, I am requesting the Deputy Minister to lead the process of developing a strategy with provinces and relevant stakeholders in the sector on how we can improve this area of work.

5

I wish you every success in carrying out your responsibilities and certainly look forward to working with you in carrying out this important

mandate of transforming the social sector through the above critical areas.

Yours Sincerely,

, lu

MINISTER LINDIWE D ZULU, MP MINISTER OF SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT DATE:09/01/2020

MS HENDRIETTA BOGOPANE-ZULU DEPUTY MINISTER OF SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT DATE 슈키/ 유니/2020