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MINISTER STELLA NDABENI TO ENGAGE FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS AND KEY PARTNERS ON MSME FINANCING, INVESTMENT AND JOB CREATION

The Minister of Small Business Development, Ms Stella Ndabeni, will on Tuesday, 29 September 2026, lead a Stakeholder Consultation on MSME Financing, Investment and Job Creation at Emperors Palace in Kempton Park, as part of the development of the One National Plan for the MSME Ecosystem.

The consultation will bring together development finance institutions, banks and key partners to explore measures to unlock investment, strengthen support for micro, small and medium enterprises (MSMEs), and improve coordination across the MSME financing ecosystem.

This engagement forms part of the Department of Small Business Development's stakeholder consultation process towards the development of the One National Plan for the MSME Ecosystem. The process seeks to strengthen coordination and collaboration among government, financial institutions, development agencies, the private sector and other stakeholders in addressing barriers that constrain the growth and sustainability of MSMEs.

Access to appropriate and affordable finance remains an important enabler for MSME growth, investment and job creation. The consultation will provide an opportunity for the Department, development finance institutions, banks and other key partners to deliberate on challenges and opportunities within the MSME financing ecosystem and identify practical interventions to improve access to funding and investment.

The engagement will also contribute towards strengthening institutional coordination and ensuring that MSME financing and support interventions are better aligned to the needs of small enterprises and the broader objectives of economic growth and job creation.

Members of the media are invited to attend and cover the engagement as follows:

Date: Tuesday, 29 September 2026

Time: 08h00

Venue: Emperors Palace, Kempton Park

End.

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