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## UHULUMENI UYA KUBANTU – KZN EXCO TO HOST OPERATION SUKUMA SAKHE CABINET DAY AT UMGUNGUNDLOVU DISTRICT

The Executive Council of the KwaZulu-Natal Provincial Government will host the Operation Sukuma Sakhe (OSS) Cabinet Day at Umgungundlovu District Municipality on Wednesday, 26 July 2023.

This innovative and ground-breaking OSS programme, which started in KZN and has now been studied for adoption by other provinces, is aimed at strengthening public participation while enabling the provincial government to assess progress in service delivery.

It also serves as a platform to monitor, evaluate and fast-track the implementation of various services and programmes to improve the lives of communities.

The challenges affecting residents in uMgungundlovu District include a decline in business activity as a result of load shedding, water challenges, pollution, unemployment, crime and service delivery issues.

The occasion will also be utilised to respond to - and remove - bottlenecks that frustrate service delivery to the communities.

Premier Nomusa Dube-Ncube, will visit several strategic projects before engaging with members of the community in NI Radebe Stadium in Sobantu, Ward 35 while the Umgungundlovu District MEC Champion Siboniso Duma, will visit projects in Mkhambathini Local Municipality in Ward 3, and host a public engagement programme at Nkanyezini Community Hall.

All MECs will inspect various projects and introduce sustainable interventions and engage with communities during their visits to all wards in UMgungundlovu District.

Members of the media are invited to cover and report on the OSS programme as follows:

Date: Wednesday, 26 July 2023

Time: 11h00

Venue: NI Radebe Stadium in Sobantu, Ward 35 (community engagement)

Ends

Issues by the Provincial Government of KwaZulu-Natal