



## rural development & land reform

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We are going to Gauteng, says minister

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On Saturday, 29 June 2013, Rural Development and Land Reform Minister Gugile Nkwinti officially handed over the “1913 Natives Land Act, Reversing the Legacy Exhibition” to the Gauteng province.

Ms Nokuthula Sikakane, chairperson of Gauteng portfolio committee on Agriculture and Rural Development received the exhibition on behalf of Gauteng Premier Nomvula Mokonyane. The chairperson was accompanied by a member of the City of Johannesburg Mayoral Committee Councillor Chris Vondo.

In handing over the exhibition, Minister Nkwinti said “I just want to ask the DG and CLCC to stand up please, thanks very much, we are proud of you as South Africans. But I want everyone to know that I am not responsible for this thing, I’m a follower, and I’m going to be a follower of this exhibition until it closes down here in Cape Town next year.”

He also announced that the exhibition will go to all the provinces. “I am sure by the time we finish here in Cape Town, all the departments in all the provinces and the nation as a whole will be part of these exhibitions. We are going to Gauteng, I don’t know what to expect in Gauteng, but what I know is that Gauteng has got a very young and youthful Premier in the name of Nomvula Mokonyane.”

Western Cape High Court Judge Siraj Desai who also attended the closing ceremony told the audience that as a young lawyer at the time of dispossession he witnessed these cases. “In the 1966’s, 1967’s as a young lawyer with specific colour of my skin, I saw trucks forcefully loading belongings of our people after being dispossessed of their homes. It was a hurtful experience.”