

## **MEDIA STATEMENT**

## MINISTER DIDIZA APPOINTS INTERIM BOARD MEMBERS FOR THE INGONYAMA TRUST BOARD

## **1 SEPTEMBER 2020**

The Minister of Agriculture, Land Reform and Rural Development, Ms Thoko Didiza (MP), has appointed interim board members for the Ingonyama Trust Board, from 1 September 2020 until the appointment of the new board. The minister's decision follows the expiry of the term of office of the current board on 31 August 2020.

The minister has taken this decision to ensure that the current process of annual audit by the Auditor-General is not compromised, as well as enabling the process of appointing the permanent board, and for relevant consultations to go smoothly.

Minister Didiza is empowered by the Ingonyama Trust Act, 1994 (Act No. 3 of 1994), to appoint board members, after consultation with the Ingonyama, the premier and the chairperson of the House of Traditional Leaders in KwaZulu-Natal. Since the chairperson of the board is designated by the Act, as the Ingonyama or his nominee, Mr Sipho Ngwenya has indeed been nominated by the Ingonyama as the chairperson.

The members of the interim board that the minister has appointed are as follows:

- 1. Dr Z. Qunta, as vice-chairperson;
- 2. Adv. V. Z. Mngwengwe;
- 3. Adv. L. Zama;
- 4. Inkosi W. T. Mavundla;
- 5. Inkosi Z.T. Gumede:
- 6. Inkosi P.R Bele; and
- 7. Inkosi S.E Shabalala.

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