

MEDIA STATEMENT

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WARD DELIMITATION: MDB OPTIMISTIC ABOUT PREPARATIONS FOR 2021 LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTIONS

Despite the looming deadline of 31 July 2020, for the submission of written proposals on how wards should be configured, the Municipal Demarcation Board (MDB) is optimistic that plans for the 2021 local government elections are well underway.

Following lengthy discussions with the Independent Electoral Commission (IEC), the MDB has vowed to hand-over the second batch of wards by November 2020, to enable the IEC to prepare for the 2021 local government elections (LGE) within the current constitutional framework. Both parties have agreed that the final wards will be handed over by November 2020.

The wards are configured every five years in metropolitan and local municipalities for electoral purposes, this is due to changes in the number of registered voters within a municipality and changes in the number of councillors' for a particular municipality.

The second batch (Batch2) of municipalities consists of all municipalities in Limpopo, North West, Free State and North Cape, eight in Gauteng, three in the Eastern Cape, seven in KwaZulu Natal and one in the Western Cape, (See attached list).

"Plans are still on track to hand-over final wards to the IEC in November 2020. Communities are urged to utilise available platforms to submit their proposals. We don't want anyone in Batch 2 municipalities to be left behind. We are working closely with Municipalities to assist and to encourage communities to have their say in the ward delimitation process," says Thabo Manyoni, Chairperson of the Board.

Ward delimitation and public consultation information such as draft ward maps and submission forms have been distributed to all municipalities and are also available on the MDB website www.demarcation.org.za or on request by calling the MDB at 012 342 2481 and for assistance on any related enquiries.

Written proposals can be sent through the following platforms:

- registry@demarcation.org.za
- WhatsApp: 072 819 8220
- Online submission can be done through this link: <https://arcg.is/TfinO>
- Fax: 012 342 2480

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LIST OF BATCH 2 MUNICIPALITIES:

**SCHEDULE OF MUNICIPALITIES WHERE PUBLIC MEETINGS WERE
CANCELLED AFTER DECLARATION OF COVID 19 STATE OF NATIONAL
DISASTER**

EASTERN CAPE

MUNICIPALITY
Mnquma Local Municipality
Senqu Local Municipality
Walter Sisulu Local Municipality

FREE STATE

MUNICIPALITY
Mangaung Metropolitan Municipality
Letsemeng Local Municipality
Kopanong Local Municipality
Mohokare Local Municipality
Masilonyana Local Municipality
Tokologo Local Municipality
Tswelopele Local Municipality
Matjhabeng Local Municipality
Nala Local Municipality
Setsoto Local Municipality
Dihlabeng Local Municipality
Nketoana Local Municipality
Maluti a Phofung Local Municipality
Phumelela Local Municipality
Mantsopa Local Municipality
Moqhaka Local Municipality
Ngwathe Local Municipality
Metsimaholo Local Municipality
Mafube Local Municipality

GAUTENG

MUNICIPALITY
City of Johannesburg Metropolitan Municipality
City of Tshwane Metropolitan Municipality
Emfuleni Local Municipality
Midvaal Local Municipality
Lesedi Local Municipality
Mogale City Local Municipality
Merafong City Local Municipality
Rand West Local Municipality

KWAZULU-NATAL

MUNICIPALITY
Edumbe Local Municipality
Mandeni Local Municipality
Ndwedwe Local Municipality
Maphumulo Local Municipality
KwaDukuza Local Municipality
The Msunduzi Local Municipality
Mkhambathini Local Municipality

LIMPOPO

MUNICIPALITY
Maruleng Local Municipality
Greater Letaba Local Municipality
Greater Giyani Local Municipality
Ba-Phalaborwa Local Municipality
Greater Tzaneen Local Municipality
Musina Local Municipality
Thulamela Local Municipality
Collins Chabane Local Municipality
Makhado Local Municipality
Blouberg Local Municipality
Molemole Local Municipality
Lepele-Nkumpi Local Municipality
Polokwane Local Municipality
Mogalakwena Local Municipality
Lephalale Local Municipality
Thabazimbi Local Municipality
Modimolle-Mookgophong Local Municipality

MUNICIPALITY
Bela-Bela Local Municipality
Fetakgomo-Greater Tubatse Local Municipality
Makhuduthamaga Local Municipality
Elias Motsoaledi Local Municipality

NORTH WEST

MUNICIPALITY
Greater Taung Local Municipality
Lekwa-Teemane Local Municipality
Naledi Local Municipality
Mamusa Local Municipality
Kagisano/Molopo Local Municipality
Ratlou Local Municipality
Tswaing Local Municipality
Mafikeng Local Municipality
Madibeng Local Municipality
Moretele Local Municipality
Rustenburg Local Municipality
Ramotshere Moiloa Local Municipality
Moses Kotane Local Municipality
Ditsobotla Local Municipality
Kgetlengrivier Local Municipality
Maquassi Hills Local Municipality
City of Matlosana Local Municipality
JB Marks Local Municipality

NORTHERN CAPE

MUNICIPALITY
Richtersveld Local Municipality
Nama Khoi Local Municipality
Khâi-Ma Local Municipality
Kamiesberg Local Municipality
Karoo Hoogland Local Municipality
Hantam Local Municipality
Siyancuma Local Municipality
!Kheis Local Municipality
Renosterberg Local Municipality
Tsantsabane Local Municipality
Dikgatlong Local Municipality
Kgatelopele Local Municipality
Kai !Garib Local Municipality
Dawid Kruiper Local Municipality

MUNICIPALITY
Phokwane Local Municipality
Ubuntu Local Municipality
Magareng Local Municipality
Joe Morolong Local Municipality
Umsobomvu Local Municipality
Thembelihle Local Municipality
Siyathemba Local Municipality
Ga-Segonyana Local Municipality
Sol Plaatje Local Municipality
Kareeberg Local Municipality
Gamagara Local Municipality
Emthanjeni Local Municipality

WESTERN CAPE

MUNICIPALITY
Knysna Local Municipality