

**MEDIA ADVISORY**

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## **MDB SHEDS LIGHT ON FINALISATION OF ELECTORAL WARDS**

The Chairperson of the Municipal Demarcation Board (MDB), Thabo Manyoni has expressed satisfaction with progress made following the finalisation of electoral wards for Batch 1 municipalities. The MDB has concluded the final electoral wards for **Batch 1 Municipalities** (Annexure A) in terms of schedule 1 of the Municipal Structures Act.

Final wards for Batch 1 Municipalities will be published in provincial gazettes from 01 October 2020 - 07 October 2020. In line with the pronouncement made earlier, the wards will be handed over to the Independent Electoral Commission (IEC). These are wards from 109 Municipalities.

Concurrently, the MDB has, after consideration of inputs received from communities, delimited wards for all **Batch 2 Municipalities** in terms of schedule 1 of the Municipal Structures Act. These are wards from 104 Municipalities.

**Wards for Batch 2 Municipalities** will be published in Provincial Gazettes from 01 October 2020 - 07 October 2020. Any person aggrieved by the determination of municipal **wards may within 14 days of publication of the Provincial Gazettes**, in respective provinces, submit objections in writing to the Board with proposals on how their wards should be configured. Objections should be aligned to the criteria used for ward delimitation.

Written objections can be sent through the following platforms:

- [registry@demarcation.org.za](mailto:registry@demarcation.org.za)
- Fax: 086 524 8643

The gazettes will also be accessed on: [www.gpwonline.co.za](http://www.gpwonline.co.za) or [www.demarcation.org.za](http://www.demarcation.org.za)

**“Final wards (Batch 2 municipalities) as agreed between the parties, will be handed over to the IEC in November 2020”,** said Manyoni, adding that there will be no delays in finalising the electoral ward process.

**-ENDS-**

*The MDB is South Africa’s municipal demarcation authority mandated to:*

- *Demarcate municipal boundaries*
- *Delimit municipal wards*
- *Conduct capacity assessments and*
- *Provide related advisory services*

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