

THE MDB COMMENCES WITH THE MUNICIPAL WARD CHANGES PROCESS

1. The Municipal Demarcation Board (MDB) has commenced with the education and awareness of the Municipal Ward Delimitation process.
2. The MDB delimits wards every five years preceding the local government elections (LGE) in line with the Municipal Structures Act 117 Of 1998, schedule 1 as amended (MSA).
3. The education and awareness campaign will be rolled out in all Provinces from **July-September 2024** targeting all MDB stakeholders such as Traditional Leadership, Ward Councillors, Ward Committees, Municipal Officials, members of the public etc.
4. The MDB will, thereafter, draft the first set of draft wards and present these at the public consultation meetings scheduled between **April and May 2025**. Members of the public and stakeholders will be afforded an opportunity to engage on the draft set of wards and make comments or submit their own proposals.
5. Although this process is not legislated as per the Municipal Structures Act, it will be conducted to reflect MDBs resolve to enhance its public participation processes.
6. Communities and stakeholders are requested to lookout for updates of the process on the MDB website and social media platforms.
7. Circular 3 of 2024 provides more details on the process and can be accessed on the MDB website www.demarcation.org.za