



## agriculture & rural development

Department:  
Agriculture and Rural Development  
**PROVINCE OF KWAZULU-NATAL**

### MEDIA ALERT FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

21 November 2018

### **OVER 400 YOUTHS TO BENEFIT FROM LEARNERSHIP AND RECOGNITION OF PRIOR LEARNING PROGRAMME WHICH WILL BE OFFICIALLY LAUNCHED BY MEC FOR AGRICULTURE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT MR. THEMBA MTHEMBU**

As part of the Department of Agriculture and Rural Development mandate, MEC for Agriculture and Rural Development, Mr Themba Mthembu, invites you to the official launch of the Learnership and Recognition of Prior Learning Programme which will see over 400 youths get training in the Agricultural sector.

This learnership which is in partnership with AgriSeta and Yikhonolakho Coop is a fully funded programme that will benefit farmers, youth, students from TVET colleges and 100 staff members from the Department of Agriculture and Rural Development.

Through this learnership, the Department is a step closer in closing the gap of youth unemployment and will assist in equipping these students with necessary skills of being entrepreneurs in the agricultural sector.

Details for the event are as follows:

**Date :** 22 November 2018  
**Venue:** Owen Sitole College of Agriculture (OSCA), eMpangeni  
**Time :** 9am

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