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LAND CLAIM BECOMES A REALITY FOR THE COMMUNITY OF STHEMBILE, GLENCOE IN KZN 10 October 2015

MEC for KZN Agriculture and Rural Development Mr Cyril Xaba together with the Commissioner for the KZN Commission for Restitution of Land Rights Advocate Bheki Mbili, made the dreams of many in Sthembile township, Glencoe, come true.

A sense of elation filled the air at the Sthembile Town Hall as it was packed to capacity with eager recipients of the land claim. During the 1960's, the people of Glencoe were forcibly moved from their place of residence to neighbouring townships by the then apartheid regime Government.

The land claim of the community of Glencoe was gazetted on 22 April 1994 with the first approval in 2007 and 2011 respectively. Phase 1 in 2007, verified 320 tenants with the total monetary value of R11 688 960.00 and Phase 2 verified 133 former Glencoe Land owners with a total monetary compensation of R13 839 528.00.

MEC Xaba handed over a cheque amounting to R50 300 964.00 to 522 households with 1300 beneficiaries. As he celebrated with the community of Glencoe, he advised them to preserve the land for future generations and to invest the compensation in land for agricultural activities as this will not only guarantee food security but financial freedom as well.



MEC for KZN Agriculture and Rural Development Mr Cyril Xaba together with Endumeni Local Municipality Clrr Thulani Mahaye and Glencoe Community representative Mrs Dolly Madela, during official handover of a R50 300 964.00 cheque to the Glencoe Community Land Claimants



MEC Cyril Xaba together with Endumeni Local Municipality Clrr Thulani Mahaye, Department of Rural Development and Land Reform Chief Director Mr Nhlanhla Mndaweni and Community representative Mrs Dolly Madela during the official handover of the R50 300 964.00 cheque to the Glencoe Community Land Claimants



MEC Cyril Xaba together with Endumeni Local Municipality Clrr Thulani Mahaye handing over a financial compensation voucher to Mrs Mariam Mbhele of Glencoe