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Zindela clan's 60-year-long struggle for their land ends

AFTER waiting many years the Zindela clan finally received the title deeds to their ancestral land that spans the Ezinqoleni and Umuziwabantu municipalities on the South Coast.

On Saturday KwaZulu-Natal Agriculture and Rural Development MEC Cyril Xaba handed over the title deeds to the Zindela clan and announced the end of a 60-year-long struggle to claim back their land. "This is a success story and an example of what government would like to see happening with other land claim projects," said Xaba's speech.

"I applaud the Zindela clan for ensuring the productivity of the land they have reclaimed.

"All agricultural land is valuable if we are to grow our economy and ensure food security in this country not only for our children but our children's children."

He thanked the clan for their hard work in seeing to the land and said the clan would play an important role in "uplifting" the area in which they lived.

"Both the Ezinqoleni and Umuziwabantu municipalities sees agriculture as key to growing the economy of the area. The work that you do on your farm will contribute to that growth." — Witness Reporter.



The KZN MEC of Agriculture and Rural Development Cyril Xaba together with the community members of Nqabeni sing and dance after the official handing over of land title deeds.

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