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MINISTER OF FINANCE ENOCH GODONGWANA OUTREACH TO TBVC PENSIONERS IN MTHATHA

The Minister of Finance, Mr Enoch Godongwana, will visit **Mthatha**, in the Eastern Cape province, on **Friday, 2 October 2026** for an engagement with former Transkei, Bophuthatswana, Venda, Ciskei (TBVC) homeland civil servants who have outstanding questions about their pension benefits.

The outreach, held in partnership with the Government Pensions Administration Agency (GPAA), will provide affected former employees with information and direct assistance on matters including verification of service records and pension contributions. It forms part of the National Treasury's ongoing commitment to address concerns faced by pensioners of the former homelands regarding access to their retirement benefits.

During the transition from apartheid to democracy in the early 1990s, the four former homelands ran their own public service administrations. After 1994, these were gradually consolidated into the new national system through the Government Employees Pension Fund (GEPF). And while many beneficiaries have been able to receive their benefits, several of them have not been able to verify their service records, contributions and other administrative issues. The outreach by the Minister and pension fund officials aims to resolve some of these issues and provide broader information about other programmes underway for the pensioners. On-site validation of records will be provided by officials from the GPAA.

Through direct engagement and proactive guidance, the aim is to ensure that the rightful **former TBVC employees** receive their retirement benefits.

Affected pensioners and members of the media are invited to the TBVC Pension Engagement Session in Mthatha as follows:

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Time: 10:00 – 13:00

Venue: OR Tambo Municipality Hall, Old Government Printers Building
5 Textile Road, Vulindlela Heights, Mthatha, 5099.

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