



## social development

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### **MEDIA ADVISORY**

The Minister for Social Development, Ms Bathabile Dlamini, will on Tuesday, the 6<sup>th</sup> of November 2012, visit the following areas/villages in the Eastern Cape: Ngcobo, Ngqeleni, Nyandeni, Ludizeni, Zindumeni, Dumazulu and Mampondomiseni, the purpose of the visit check progresses made last year in terms of effective service delivery as part of monitoring and evaluations. Food parcels will also be handed to disadvantaged families as part of SASSA programme Social Relief of Distress.

The Minister will be addressing members of community through public participation/ community dialogue. The visit is also aimed at contributing to poverty reduction and mitigating the impact of vulnerability through social assistance.

Minister Dlamini's visit to this areas forms part of Social Development Month and aims to engage communities to identify their challenges and put together action plans to deal with these challenges. The campaign, held in conjunction with the National Development Agency (NDA) and Sassa, also aims to inform communities of the various social security programmes available to them and how these can be accessed.

The event starts at 09h00.

Social Development Month takes place every year in October.

The full programme for Social Development Month is available at [www.dsd.gov.za](http://www.dsd.gov.za).

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