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MINISTER OF TRANSPORT TO HAND-OVER TRACKSUITS TO CRYSTAL SPRINGS PRIMARY SCHOOL LEARNERS IN LIDGETTON -KZN

Pretoria: The Minister of Transport, Dr. Bonginkosi Blade Nzimande, will handover tracksuits to the learners at the Crystal Springs Primary school in Lidgetton, 8km from Howick in KwaZulu Natal.

The school is amongst the no-fee paying school with an enrolment of about 350 learners.

Like most of the rural schools, most of the learners come from disadvantaged families who rely on the government social security net for their livelihood.

This event comes as South Africans commemorates youth month every year on the 16th of June.

“I decided to handover these tracksuits in June in recognition of the 1976 youth who stood up against the apartheid government and laid down their lives fighting for freedom and the right to equal education,” said Minister Nzimande.

Living up to the 2018 Youth Day commemoration theme, “Live the legacy: Towards a socio-economically empowered youth,” Minister Nzimande believes that by investing in learners and their education, you are indirectly investing in the future of the country.

Minister Nzimande further said that the Youth Month takes place within the same year that South Africa marks the 100 years for Nelson Mandela and Albertina

Sisulu. In living up to the shining example, Minister Nzimande said he recounts when Madiba said:

“Education is the great engine of personal development. It is through education that the daughter of a peasant can become a doctor, that the son of a mine worker can become the head of the mine, that a child of farm workers can become the president of a great nation. It is what we make out of what we have, not what we are given, that separates one person from another”

The event will take place as follows:

Date: 18 June 2018

Venue: Lindgetton, Caversham and Market road (8km from Howick)

Time: 08h00

All media are invited to attend. Members of the media attending the event are requested to confirm their attendance with Ishmael Mnisi on 072566 0827 or at Mnisi@dot.gov.za.

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