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EASTERN CAPE PROVINCIAL CONSULTATIONS ON THE INTEGRATED YOUTH DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY (IYDS) 2026–2029

The National Youth Development Agency (NYDA) in partnership with the Eastern Cape Provincial Government will this week convene the Eastern Cape leg of the Integrated Youth Development Strategy (IYDS) 2026 -2029.

Following the successful launch of the national consultation process, the two-day high profile provincial engagement aims to ensure that the voices of young people in the Eastern Cape directly contribute and inform the country's youth development blueprint.

The consultations present a key platform for the youth of the province to shape an advanced and inclusive future for the youth of South Africa, while also safeguarding that government policies are translated into meaningful action. This opportunity is expected to reinforce the country's youth development landscape by improving access to empowerment initiatives, skills development opportunities, and government programmes aimed at refining the socio-economic conditions of young people.

The consultation will also bring together various stakeholders, including government representatives, Executive Mayors, senior leadership from district and local municipalities.

DETAILS OF THE CONSULTATIONS:

	SESSION 1: NELSON MANDELA BAY	SESSION 2: OR TAMBO DISTRICT
DATE:	Wednesday, 27 May 2026	Thursday, 28 May 2026
TIME:	09:00 – 15:00	09:00 – 15:00
VENUE:	Nelson Mandela Metro City Hall, Gqeberha	OR Tambo District Municipality Hall, Southernwood, Mthatha

Journalists wishing to cover the consultations must confirm their attendance to Mr Tabudi Madisha at Tabudi.Madisha@nyda.gov.za or Thabisa Molose on 082 798 8220; thabisa.molose@ecprov.gov.za

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