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MINISTER CHIKUNGA TO HOST YOUTH DAY DEBATE WATCH PARTY WITH YOUNG LEADERS

Cape Town: Minister Sindisiwe Chikunga in the Presidency for Women, Youth, and Persons with Disabilities will host a Youth Day Debate Watch Party on Tuesday, 10 June 2025, in partnership with the **Parliament of the Republic of South Africa** and the **National Youth Development Agency (NYDA)**.

The event forms part of the official **build-up to the P20 Youth Parliament on Friday, 13 June 2025** and **National Youth Day 2025 Commemoration on 16 June 2025** in **Potchefstroom, North west**.

The **Watch Party** will convene **over 100 young people** – including youth leaders, professionals, creatives, and students – for a day of **civic education, direct engagement with Members of Parliament**, and **live viewing** of the Youth Day debate by **Members of Parliament** in the **National Assembly**, themed *"Skills for a world in the Fourth Industrial Revolution - Empowering the youth for transformative economic participation"*.

The Watch Party aims to deepen **youth participation in democratic processes** and ensure the voices of young South Africans are heard in legislative spaces. The programme includes a practical session on **how Parliament works** facilitated by **Hon. Hassan**, a **meet-and-greet** with young MPs, ministers and deputy ministers as well as Presiding Officers facilitated by **Hon. Kobe**, and a closing reflection facilitated by **Hon. Nodada**. Minister Chikunga will then provide her closing reflections.

Date: Tuesday, 10 June 2025

Time: 11:00 – 17:30 SAST

Venue: GCIS Imbizo Media Centre, Parliament Precinct, Cape Town

Members of the media are invited to cover the event and engage with youth participants and Members of Parliament.

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