

Portfolio Committee on Tourism
2013 First Term Committee Programme Proposals
14 January – 20 March 2013

Notes:

- Leave period: **3 -11** January 2013
- Constituency period: **14 – 25** January 2013
- Members' Training: **5 – 7** February 2013
- Committees / Oversight / Study tours: **28** January – **08** February 2013

Proposals

1. Legislation

Tourism Bill, 2012

- Workshop on the Tourism Bill
- Briefing sessions
- Public hearings
- Processing of the Bill

OR

2. Meetings

The following meetings are proposed:

- Presidential Infrastructure Coordinating Committee (PICC) - on tourism projects and their location in the Provinces.
- Department of Basic Education & Department of Higher Education and Training – on curriculum design and needs of tourism.
- Department of Rural Development and Land Reform – on the Government Comprehensive Rural Development Programme.
- Land Claims Commission – on unresolved land claims that impact on tourism projects, particularly those on protected areas.
- National Convention Bureau (NCB) – on update and progress on business meetings already secured.
- Department of Tourism (NDT) - on transfer of funds from Department of Trade and Industry (dti) and how the funds will be utilized by the NDT.

- National Organizations of the Tour Guides and Tour Operators – progress, successes, challenges experienced by Tour Guides and Operators and how the proposed tourism legislation will impact on them.
- National Treasury – on the Public - Private Partnership (PPPs) toolkit.
- National Department of Tourism and South African Tourism – on Long Term Strategy of Tourism INDABA.
- National Department of Tourism (NDT) – on Budget, Strategic Plan and Annual Performance Plan.
- South African Tourism – on Budget, Strategic Plan and Annual Performance Plan.

3. Summit / Workshops

- Tourism Grading Council of South Africa (TGCSA) – issue of assessors – how are they appointed? What training is offered? Criteria they use to determine stars for establishments.
- Education, Training and Skills Development in the tourism sector – to deal with gaps in training programmes that do not respond to industry needs.
- Financial institutions on funding of SMMEs – on micro finance services offered by Banks and Government.
- Portfolio Committee 2nd Tourism Summit, 2013.

4. Planning sessions

The following planning sessions are proposed:

- Portfolio Committee Strategic Plan review.
- Committee Mid-Term Review

5. Oversight

5.1 Local oversight visit to:

- Mitchells Plain SMMEs

5.2 Provincial oversight visit to:

- Free State
- KwaZulu-Natal
- Western Cape

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