

**EASTERN CAPE
RURAL DEVELOPMENT
STRATEGY**

“Ilima Labantu”

**IMPLEMENTATION
FRAMEWORK & PLAN**



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1. Introduction

The Eastern Cape Rural Development Strategy (RDS) aims at bringing about sustainable growth and development in order to improve the quality of life for all, particularly the rural poor. It identifies the transformation of the rural as well as institutional development as critical to the ultimate target to be pursued through a programme covering the creation of the enabling environment; land reform; agrarian transformation & food security; non-farm rural economic development; infrastructure development; and social & human development.

The RDS highlights key principles that should not only guide the understanding of rural development but should also underpin the implementation of its programmes, namely:

- rural development is everybody's concern;
- conscientisation, mobilisation and organisation of rural people;
- sustainable utilisation of available natural resources;
- integration and coordination of government programmes; and
- long term planning

This Implementation Framework and Plan should be read with the Strategy. It is neither prescriptive nor exhaustive, but it seeks to guide the process of implementation of the RDS.

IMPLEMENTATION FRAMEWORK

2. Critical RDS Success Factors

1. All Government planning must reflect the essence and substance of the Rural Development Strategy;
2. The implementation of the Strategy must be based on a well coordinated, properly aligned and fully integrated plans and programmes intended to advance the Strategy.
3. Critical indicators for rural development must be informed by the five pillars of the Strategy to ensure effective monitoring, evaluation and reporting.
4. Institutionalization of the RDS must reflect the transversal nature of rural development.

3. Critical RDS Implementation Milestones

The following preliminary set of implementation milestones has been identified highlighting flagship programmes that cover all pillars of the RDS, commencing in 2010/2011 financial year.

3.1 Enabling Environment

A. Institution Building

- i) ECDARD's Rural Development Branch operational by 1 April 2010.
- ii) Social mobilization strategy and plan by 31st May 2010
- iii) Rural Development oversight structures phased in by 1st April 2010
- iv) Change Management Strategy by June 2010
- v) Institutionalization of the Rural Development Agency by 1st April 2011

B. Skills Development

- i) A skills development programme aligned to the Human Resource Development Strategy of the Province developed by 30th September 2010
- ii) Strategy to harness indigenous knowledge and community skills by 31st December 2010
- iii) Plan to improve access to financial assistance for learners in the rural areas developed by August 2010, in preparation for the 2011 calendar year.
- iv) Agricultural schools close to areas of agricultural intensity established, the first school operational by 1st January 2011
- v) Plan to support existing agricultural institutions developed by 30th June 2010

- vi) Skills development for the rehabilitation and maintenance of existing infrastructure, particularly:
 - a. Agricultural infrastructure
 - b. Municipal infrastructure

C. Funding

- A. Rural Development Fund
 - i. Rural Development Fund launched by 31 March 2010
 - ii. Rural Development Fund Sustainability Plan by 30th June 2010
- B. Private Sector Investment
 - i. Audit of current levels of private sector investment in the rural economy by 31st May 2010.
 - ii. Investment Policy / Strategy by 30th June 2010
- C. Departmental Programmes & Budgets
 - i. Departments' programmes and budgets consolidated & spatially referenced by 30th June 2010.
 - ii. Plan to localize 5-Year Strategic Plans in Integrated Development Plans by 30th June 2010.
- D. Provincial disaster relief budget by 1st April 2010

3.2 Land Reform

- i. Land reform support institutionalised by April 2010, and plan developed by June 2010
- ii. Land audit conducted by December 2010
- iii. A plan to improve access to land by women, youth and disabled people by 1st April 2010
- iv. Settlement of 800 outstanding land claims and betterment claims facilitated by 2014
- v. Plan to mobilise funds to acquire white-owned agricultural land using Area Based Plans by June 2010

3.3 Agrarian Transformation and Food Security

- i. A plan to improve agricultural productivity by 1st April 2010
 - a. EPWP jobs through land rehabilitation and soil pH balancing programmes
 - b. Agricultural irrigation schemes resuscitated
 - c. Agro-ecological mapping
 - d. Farmer support and entrepreneurial development
 - e. Agricultural infrastructure development
 - f. Access to finance and market
- ii. Provincial integrated food security Strategy by 30th June 2010

- iii. Sustained back-to-land campaign Programme by 31st May 2010

3.4 Non-farm Rural Economic Development

- i. Plan to increase the intensity and impact of EPWP initiatives in rural areas by 31st March 2010
- ii. A strategy for incorporation of rural areas into the Tourism main stream activities by 30th June 2010
- iii. A strategy for the development of alternative energy solutions by 31st October 2010
- iv. A plan for increased participation by rural SMME and Co-operatives in the economy by 31st October 2010
- v. An Agro-industrial Development Strategy by 31st December 2010
 - a. Milling plants establishment
 - b. Agri-parks establishment
- vi. Timber and Forestry Sector Plan is implemented by March 2012

3.5 Infrastructure Development

- i. Rural infrastructure backlogs quantified and prioritized by 30th September 2010
- ii. Provincial infrastructure recovery fund established by April 2011
- iii. A comprehensive provincial infrastructure development plan by 30th September 2010
- iv. A comprehensive water resources development plan by 31st December 2010
- v. Plan to enhance institutional capacity in Roads & Public Works and municipalities by 30th June 2010
- vi. Provincial Road Maintenance Plan developed by December 2010

3.6 Social and Human Development

- i. Plans to improve access by rural communities to quality education, health, social services, rural safety, basic services and rural housing by 1st April 2010
- ii. Plan to improve disaster management & rapid response capacity by 30th June 2010
- iii. Plan to facilitate cultural development by December 2010

4. Rolling out the RDS Implementation

The RDS implementation and roll out will be informed by the following:

- i) The existing pilot (Mhlontlo LM) is properly conceptualized & anchored by 30th June 2010.
- ii) Identification of rollout sites based on need & potential by 31st March 2010.
- iii) Community profiling & resource mapping by 31st July 2010.

The RDS programmes will be packaged for implementation in the short term, medium term as well as long term.

4.1 Short-Term (up to 2 years)

In the short term of the RDS implementation, high impact and labour intensive projects will be packaged and focussing on the Mhlontlo LM pilot site; the Eleven Poorest Municipalities (see table below); ISRDP nodes; Agro-Ecological Zones; and Areas with High Agricultural Potential.

| District Municipalities | Eleven Poorest Local Municipalities | Municipalities to be prioritised |
|-------------------------|--|----------------------------------|
| Alfred Nzo | Umzimvubu | Umzimvubu |
| Amathole | Mbashe, Mquma, Ngqushwa | Mbashe |
| Chris Hani | Intsika Yethu, Engcobo | Engcobo |
| OR Tambo | Mbizana, Ntabankulu, Nyandeni, Ngquza Hill | Mhlontlo and Ntabankulu |
| Ukhahlamba | Elundini | Elundini |
| Cacadu | None | Ikwezi |

4.2 Medium-Term (1 to 10 years)

In the medium term, RDS implementation will expand to all local municipalities & rural towns; farm areas; peri-urban areas; and areas of tourist attraction.

4.3 Long-Term (10 to 30 years)

In the long term, RDS implementation will further expand to cover all rural Eastern Cape.

IMPLEMENTATION PLAN¹

¹ The information contained in Section 5 will be improved further in consultation with the relevant departments and/ or entities. The objective is to arrange the information such that it speaks to key programmes that will be packaged as part of the implementation of the RDS.

5. Implementation Plan

LAND REFORM

| Pillar | Land Reform | | | |
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| Strategic Objective 1 | Facilitate the acceleration of land redistribution for sustainable rural development; | | | |
| Priority Programmes | Activities | Deliverables / Outcomes | Responsibility | Time Frames |
| LRAD PLAS SPLAG SLAG Commonage LASS | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Develop database for land acquisition applicants | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reliable date of applicants | DRDLR | June 2010 |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Develop database for farms on the market | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reliable data of farms on sale | DRDLR | June 2010 |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Develop selection criteria for suitable beneficiaries | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Suitable (right beneficiaries) placed on right farms | DRDLR | June 2010 |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fast track transfer of land to individuals | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Registered full titles | DRDLR | June 2010 |
| CASP & other Post Settlement Programmes | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provision of infrastructure | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Infrastructure that match production | DARD & DRDLR | Ongoing |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Build capacity to beneficiaries | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Capacitated beneficiaries | DARD & DRDLR | Ongoing |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Social Facilitation & Mobilisation | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Organised farmers | DARD & DRDLR | Ongoing |

| Strategic Objective 2 | Facilitate access to tenure security that creates socio-economic opportunities for people living and working on farms and in communal areas | | | |
|---------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|
| Priority Programmes | Activities | Deliverables / Outcomes | Responsibility | Time Frames |
| Land Rights Management Facility | Provide legal support | Legal representation | DRDLR | June 2010 |
| | Provide emergency relief | Temporal facilities | DRDLR | June 2010 |
| | Create awareness on rights | Reduced illegal evictions | DRDLR | June 2010 |
| | Accessible emergency line | Reduced illegal evictions | DRDLR | June 2010 |

| Strategic Objective 3. | Facilitate access to rights in land, including land ownership and sustainable development | | | |
|-------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|------------------------|--------------------|
| Priority Programmes | Activities | Deliverables / Outcomes | Responsibility | Time Frames |
| Land Audit | Conduct a Deeds Search | Updated land audit | Deeds Office (DRDLR) | May 2010 |
| | Consolidate existing reports from Municipalities, DPW, DRDLR | | OTP | June 2010 |
| | Consultation with Municipalities regarding buy in on the ABP | Consolidation of ABP to IDP | DRDLR & Municipalities | May 2010 |

| Strategic Objective 4 | Provide efficient state land management that supports social and economic development; | | | |
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| Priority Programmes | Activities | Deliverables / Outcomes | Responsibility | Time Frames |
| Legislative review | Influence reviewing all existing legislations | Amended legislation & delegations given to Municipalities | OTP | |
| | Facilitate formation of Rural Development Desk at Municipal level | Land Reform desks | DARD | November 2010 |
| | Develop MoU's between the Municipalities and affected Departments | Signed MoU's | OTP | August 2010 |

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| Strategic Objective 4 | Provide efficient state land management that supports social and economic development; | | | |
| Priority Programmes | Activities | Deliverables / Outcomes | Responsibility | Time Frames |
| Agrarian Reform Programme | Resource Planning | Resource Use Plan | DARD | Ongoing |
| | Finalization of the Land Use Management Bill | Land Use Management Act | DRDLR | December 2012 |
| | Community consultation - Create awareness amongst communities on the importance of land use | Productive & Sustainable Use of land | DARD | Ongoing |
| | Fast tracking of surveying unsurveyed land | Surveyed land | DRDLR | December 2010 |

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| Strategic Objective 5 | Facilitate provision of equitable redress to victims of racial land dispossession | | | |
| Priority Programmes | Activities | Deliverables / Outcomes | Responsibility | Time Frames |
| "High Drive" | Establish Claim Resolution Forum | Functional Claims Resolution Forum | OTP | February 2010 |
| | Fast track settlement of claims | Settled claims | RLCC | 2014 |
| | Regular feedback on status of claims (claimants & all stakeholders) | Quarterly reports | RLCC | Ongoing |
| | Develop alternative approaches to acquire land (Expropriation/ PLAS) | Settled claims | DRDLR | Ongoing |
| CASP Facilitate | Provision of infrastructure | Infrastructure | All Sectors | |
| Post Settlement Programmes | Build capacity of beneficiaries & mechanisms to implement programmes (productive & management) | Partnerships Agricultural finance Agro-processing Sustained projects Project management skills | DARD DRDLR | June 2010 |
| | Develop methodologies | | | |
| Betterment redress | Fast-track the parliamentary & legal process | Settlement of betterment claims | DRDLR | November 2010 |
| | | Process endorsed by Parliament | DRDLR | November 2010 |

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| Strategic Objective 6 | Strengthen IGR | | | |
| Priority Programmes | Activities | Deliverables / Outcomes | Responsibility | Time Frames |
| IGR Act | Co-ordinated planning | Co-ordinated Planning & Ownership | OTP | Immediately |
| | Co-ordinated reporting | | | |
| | Develop penalties for non-complying Departments | | | |
| | Revive Districts Forums | | | |
| | Re-introduce the IGR to various stakeholders | | | |

AGRARIAN TRANSFORMATION AND FOOD SECURITY

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| Pillar/Goal | Agrarian Transformation and Food Security | | | |
| Strategic Objective 1 | Ensure household food security | | | |
| Priority Programmes | Activities | Deliverables / Outcomes | Responsibility | Time Frames |
| Food security | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Design a sustained back to land campaign Engaging institutions of higher learning. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Social cohesion (collective Consciousness) People's mindset changed to tilling of the land. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ECDARD House of Rural Development Local Government NGO Coalition Institution of higher Learning Envisaged Rural Development Agency Religious leaders Farmers | 3 months |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mobilise rural communities to utilize their crop fields /gardens Extension advisory engagements. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Productive household lands Increased food availability | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ECDARD House of Rural Development Institution of higher Learning Envisaged Rural | 6 months |

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| | (Own indigenous knowledge is having academic knowledge point of convergence: speak the ills of food insecurity (land is lying fallow, not eating nutritional food, refusal to afford use of unused land). | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Development Agency | |
| Skills development programme | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reviewable of current syllabus | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Involvement of young people at primary level in agricultural activities. (4-H agricultural Clubs) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Department of Education ECDARD | 6 months |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Development of outreach programme. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Expansion to rural communities | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ECDARD | 6 months |
| Siyazondla programme | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Review the implementation model. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> More resources More impact More reach by the needy Expanded programme More by-in | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ECDARD | 3 months |
| Access to productive and arable land | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Facilitate the development of instruments to enable release of land for productive utilisation. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Increase women's access to land Active farmers with secured access to land. Improve security of | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> DLRRD ECDARD Local Government | 6 months |

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| | | tenure. | | |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Develop proper land use plans | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Proper utilisation of arable land Rehabilitation of degraded land More productive land allocate for agricultural development. Land audit Land use plan development at village level | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ECDARD | ASAP |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Commission research to audit land with clear terms of reference | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Better utilisation of lands Equitable allocation of land | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> DLRRD | 3 months |

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| Strategic Objective 2 | Accelerate participation, equity and productivity in agricultural development | | | |
| Priority Programmes | Activities | Deliverables / Outcomes | Responsibility | Time Frames |
| Resource mapping | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Agro-ecological mapping • Clustering of various agricultural activities • Feasibility studies and Business plans | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Optimum utilisation of Resources • Bankable plans and Projects • Substantial increases in Productivity. • Increase incomes and Jobs. • Inform IDP, Syllabus. • Development of Appropriate farm plans. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ECDARD • AGENCIES • Local government • House of traditional Leaders. • Institutions of higher Learning. | One year |
| Co-operative development | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sustained educational & awareness. • Facilitate establishment of viable cooperatives • Mobilise resources for Funding. • Research on best practices and approaches. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improve understanding and adoption of Sustainable cooperatives. • Improved level of Economic activities. • Broadening economic participation | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DLRRD • ECDARD • Local Government | One year |
| Dedicated ring-fenced Fund | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Package bankable Proposals aligned to IDP's. • Funding model (inclusive of communication and disbursement strategy) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Integrated, coordinated Funding. • Funded priority projects. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DLRRD • DEDEA • ECDARD • Local Government • Envisaged Rural Development Agency | 3-6 months |

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| Strategic Objective 2 | Accelerate participation, equity and productivity in agricultural development | | | |
| Priority Programmes | Activities | Deliverables / Outcomes | Responsibility | Time Frames |
| Research and Development | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Identify specific priority research areas Identify and mainstream existing appropriate Technologies. Coordinate various Research activities. Identify outreach and /or Extension research. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Clearly scientific Research programme. Researched solutions to real life problems Research outcomes in Information practices. Knowledge production and management of Technology sharing and transfer | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Higher Education Research institutions Department of education | 3 months |
| Beneficiation | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Map value chain linkages in each identify commodity. Identify downstream opportunities Throughout the value chain. Bankable business plan develop. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Diversified and integrated Agricultural sector. Increase in manufacturing activity New entrants (entrepreneurs). | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ECDARD DEDEA SEDA Envisaged Rural Development Agency | One year |
| Farmer Support and Entrepreneurial Development | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Review existing support programmes Develop new “Blue print” programmes. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Map/ data base of existing support services Design of dedicated and coordinated support. | | One year |

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| Priority Programmes | Activities | Deliverables / Outcomes | Responsibility | Time Frames |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Develop mechanism for coordination of support mechanism | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Knowledge sharing | | |

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| Pillar/Goal | Agrarian Transformation and Food Security | | | |
| Strategic Objective 3 | Facilitate and support access to markets and distribution channels for rural farmers | | | |
| Priority Programmes | Activities | Deliverables / Outcomes | Responsibility | Time Frames |
| Logistics network development | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Review and develop logistics | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Improved logistics network Competitive agriculture | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> DEDEA ECDARD Roads and transport DPW | One year |
| Agricultural infrastructural development | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Audit existing infrastructure Linked to resource potential, develop appropriate infrastructure support Develop appropriate funding models | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Improved agricultural development Competitive agricultural sector | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> DEDEA ECDARD Roads and transport DPW | One year |
| Market research | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Develop market research study Continuous evaluation and monitoring. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ongoing market research | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ECDARD Market research institutions | Ongoing |

INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT

| Pillar/Goal | Infrastructure Development | | | |
|--|--|--|--|---|
| Strategic Objective 1 | Improve rural roads, transport and logistics network | | | |
| Priority Programmes | Activities | Deliverables / Outcomes | Responsibility | Time Frames |
| Road classification system | Finalisation of processes | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop effective maintenance programs • Identifying priorities and planning • Mobilisation of funding • Develop system to direct queries regarding transport infrastructure • Implementation of deliverables will have skills/resource requirements – ensure strategy are | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DRT fully responsible • Soliciting information from DPW, District and Local Municipalities, HEIs, Traditional Leaders and other affected stakeholders | 31 March 2010 |
| Identify areas that need urgent attention [Link to RDS and baseline] | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop intervention plan coordinated by DRT • Identify roads with high economic impact • Lobby for additional funding from National Treasury/DBS A to deal with infrastructure backlogs, • Amendment of formulae calculating development of road infrastructure per km in province | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improved connectivity and accessibility of roads and areas • Improved road maintenance | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DRT fully responsible • Soliciting information from DPW, District and Local Municipalities, Traditional Leaders and other affected stakeholders | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 31 March 2011 |
| Energising | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Expansion of | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Job creation for households | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DRT fully | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 31 |

| Pillar/Goal | Infrastructure Development | | | |
|--|--|---|--|--|
| Strategic Objective 1 | Improve rural roads, transport and logistics network | | | |
| Priority Programmes | Activities | Deliverables / Outcomes | Responsibility | Time Frames |
| Vukuzakhe | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> programme Identify weaknesses and strengthen management of household contractors involving municipalities | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Improved connectivity, accessibility and maintenance of roads | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> responsible Soliciting information from DPW, District and Local Municipalities, Traditional Leaders and other affected stakeholders | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> March 2011 |
| Identifying rural urban linkages to improve market access and production | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Develop strategy and revisit identification of corridors | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ensure viability of corridors | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> DRT fully responsible Soliciting information from DPW, District and Local Municipalities, Traditional Leaders and other affected stakeholders | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 30 June 2010 |

| Pillar/Goal | Infrastructure Development | | | |
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| Strategic Objective 2 | Provide water and sanitation infrastructure to rural areas | | | |
| Priority Programmes | Activities | Deliverables / Outcomes | Responsibility | Time Frames |
| Strengthening of district municipalities as WSA and in developing WSP | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Strengthen technical capacity of municipalities Review of powers and functions Improve relations between DWAE and municipalities Subsidisation for beneficiaries unable to pay for water | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fully functional WSAs WSAs able to collect and receive revenue for services rendered | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> DWAE, District Municipalities (WSAs) and other Local municipalities where responsible for water supply | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 31 March 2011 |

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|--|--|---|--|--|
| Strategic Objective 2 | Provide water and sanitation infrastructure to rural areas | | | |
| Priority Programmes | Activities | Deliverables / Outcomes | Responsibility | Time Frames |
| Location of backlogs | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mobilisation of funding and lobbying for additional funds • Identifying areas needing urgent interventions | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provision of adequate water supply to communities | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DWAE, District Municipalities (WSAs) and other Local municipalities where responsible for water supply | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 30 June 2010 and ongoing support • Deadline for backlogs 2014 |
| Provision of energy to non-electrified areas | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify areas needing electrification but constrained by lack of bulk infrastructure • Identify additional electricity needed for rural development and what grid development improvements necessary • Subsidization of electricity for rural development | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Supply of electricity • Funding of electrification for rural development | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dept of Energy, Eskom, Nersa • District Municipalities and other Local municipalities | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Backlogs deadline 2014 |
| Rejuvenation of rural towns as service centres | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improving the provision of government services and upgrading where necessary • Intensify lobbying for national neighbourhood development grant for rural towns • | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rural towns accessing grant to improve services | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DPLG, DoH, DPW, Provincial Treasury | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • |

| Pillar/Goal | Infrastructure Development | | | |
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| Strategic Objective 2 | Provide communication infrastructure to rural areas | | | |
| Priority Programmes | Activities | Deliverables / Outcomes | Responsibility | Time Frames |
| Rollout of provincial ICT strategy | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Plan to roll out strategy Engage relevant stakeholders Mobilise funding Participation of Departments and other government agencies Ensure land availability for cell-phone masts and communication towers rollout but ensure environmental safety | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Improved ICT accessibility Connecting Eastern Cape | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> OTP, SITA, Provincial University, Dept of Communications, Meraka Institute, Dept Rural Development and Land Reform, Private sector service providers (MTN, Vodacom, Cell C, Virgin Mobile etc) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 24 months? |
| Strengthening of audio, visual, communication and other related technologies | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Encourage business initiatives in area | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Improved accessibility of ICT in audio, visual, communication and related technologies Well informed communities | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ECDC, HEIs, | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 31 March 2011 |
| Roll out of Thusong Centres, Ward offices | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ensure viability of Thusong Centres Assign responsibility of Thusong Centres to municipalities Ensure payment for services rendered | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Improved accessibility to government services Improved service delivery | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> OTP, District and Local municipalities, DPW | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 31 March 2010 |

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| Pillar/Goal | Infrastructure Development | | | |
| Strategic Objective 3 | Facilitate accelerated access to energy | | | |
| Priority Programmes | Activities | Deliverables / Outcomes | Responsibility | Time Frames |
| Off grid power supply | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improve incentives for alternative energy generation • Promote integrated energy usage | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provision of electricity to rural households where grid is not able to reach • Less stress on grid | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dept of Energy, DPLG Unit responsible for energy, Municipalities , | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 31 March 2010 for development of plan |
| Usage of natural resources for power generation | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improve incentives for alternative energy generation • Mainstreaming sources of alternative energy i.e. solar and geothermal energy etc. • Developing a strategy and team able to trade carbon credits • | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • End of load shedding, • Non use of nuclear or coal based power generation • Raising finance for development projects • Enhancement of SMME emergence within rural areas • Creating platform for localised processing and manufacturing • Diversification of economic base for region and rural urban linkages developed | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dept of Energy, Municipalities , ECATU, Eskom, Provincial HEIs | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Research – 2 years |

NON FARM RURAL ECONOMY

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| Pillar/Goal 1 | Non-Farm Rural Economy | | | | |
| Strategic Objective 1 | Create economic opportunities for sustainable livelihoods | | | | |
| Priority Programmes | Activities | Deliverables / Outcomes | Responsibility | Time Frames | Risk/ Assumption |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Agro-processing | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mobilise resources • Develop skills to support sub-sectors • Resuscitate existing industrial/commercial infrastructure • Facilitate access to markets • Mobilise partnerships • Enterprise development | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Developed value chain (upstream and downstream) that benefits rural people through e.g. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Tannery ○ Abattoir ○ Meat processing factory ○ Wool and mohair ○ Canning ○ Gaming | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ECDARD • ECDC | December 2012 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Availability of stock • Commercialisation of livestock |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Revive existing infrastructure • Identify areas that have a deficit • Facilitate access to markets • Mobilise partnerships • Enterprise development | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Developed value chain that benefits rural people through e.g. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Mills ○ Silos ○ Agri-Parks (processing – juicing, jams, canning, vegetable drying) ○ Canning ○ Gaming ○ Medicinal plants | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ECDARD • ECDC • ASGISA-EC • DEDEA | February 2012 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Availability of crops • Availability of infrastructure for processing and primary production • Conducive climate • Proper environmental management |

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| | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Essential oils ○ Timber processing | | | |
| Tourism development | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Develop business plans ● Develop skills to advance tourism development ● Mobilise resources ● Enterprise development ● Marketing ● PPP operated along co-management principles | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Diversified tourism opportunities, with positive environmental spin-off and are pro-poor <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Cultural industries ○ Heritage ○ Academic ○ Sports ○ Agri-tourism ○ Adventure ○ Ecological | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● ECTB ● DEDEA ● ECDARD | December 2011 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Proper environmental management ● Safety and security ● Exploitation of local communities |
| Renewable energy | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Conduct research and development ● Pilot the initiatives ● Identification of existing pilots ● Business planning ● Marketing ● Spatial targeting | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Climatic imperatives addressed through business ventures that can be run at small, medium and large scale <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Wind ○ Biomass ○ Solar ○ Bio fuel ○ Hydro ○ Ocean ○ Tidal ○ Currency | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● DEDEA ● ECATU ● ECDC | February 2012 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Bio fuel from marginal land only ● Bio fuels not food crops |
| Marine and Aqua-culture processing | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Conduct research and development ● Piloting ● Identification | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Improved involvement of rural people in the sector ● Fresh Water ● Processing facility | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● ECDARD ● ECDC ● ASGISA-EC ● DEDEA | February 2010 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Availability of water and infrastructure |

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> of existing pilots • Business planning • Marketing • Spatial targeting | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cat fish • Marine • Licensing and quotas | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Tilapia | | |
| Other LED and small-scale industry | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conduct research and development • Piloting • Identification of existing pilots • Business planning • Marketing • Spatial targeting | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Induced impact from other sectors <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Mining ○ Transport ○ Creative industries ○ Construction ○ Small scale manufacturing (jewellery) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ECDARD • ECDC • ASGISA-EC • DEDEA • Local Government and Traditional Affairs | February 2011 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community participation • Poor research • Planning expertise |

SOCIAL AND HUMAN DEVELOPMENT

| Pillar/Goal | Social and Human Development | | | |
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| Strategic Objective 1 | Co-ordinate and ensure access to quality services | | | |
| Priority Programmes | Activities | Deliverables / Outcomes | Responsibility | Time Frames |
| Education: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Improving the quality of teaching and learning. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Complete the development of norms and standards for schools infrastructure. Establish a special bursary scheme for Maths and Science teachers. Payment of incentives to all teachers in rural schools. Provide reliable and safe learner transport as per policy. Expanding school nutrition to poor secondary schools. Improving mother tongue based instruction | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Improved results in all school exit points. Improved teaching and learning of Maths & Science Eradication of mud schools | DOE | December 2010 |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Address skills shortage in rural areas. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Marketing and mobilisation of youth to enrol in FET colleges. Speed up the recapitalisation of FET colleges | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Double the enrolment to FETs Well equipped FET colleges. | DOE | 2012 |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Security in schools | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fencing of schools. Appointment of | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A secure learning and teaching environment. | DOE | 2011 |

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| Strategic Objective 1 | Co-ordinate and ensure access to quality services | | | |
| Priority Programmes | Activities | Deliverables / Outcomes | Responsibility | Time Frames |
| | security personnel in all schools. | | | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reduce high rates of dropout in our school system. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Expanding school nutrition to poor secondary schools. Develop a meaningful career guidance and life skills programme.- monitor school statistics on a half-year basis and report causes for drop-out. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A half yearly & end of the year reports on the number and reasons for leaving school. Reduction school drop-out rate. | DOE | 2010 |
| Social security <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Improve rate of registration at birth. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ensure births get registered at the point of birth-hospital | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> More deserving children accessing social grant | SASSA & Home Affairs | 2011 |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Review requirements for access to social grants. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Develop a means test that takes into consideration the entire family | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Enrol more beneficiaries into the programme | SASSA | 2012 |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Programmes to cater for those that outgrow the grant age. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Maximum utilisation of the Programme that Links social grants to sustainable livelihoods. Entrepreneurial skills training. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ex-beneficiaries of social grant more self-reliant. Productive youth. | Dept of Social Dev. ,SASSA & DEDEA | 2011 |
| Housing and settlements <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Development of rural housing demand | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Finalisation of the rural housing policy Development of rural housing | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A pilot for rural housing | Housing & Human settlements | 2010 |

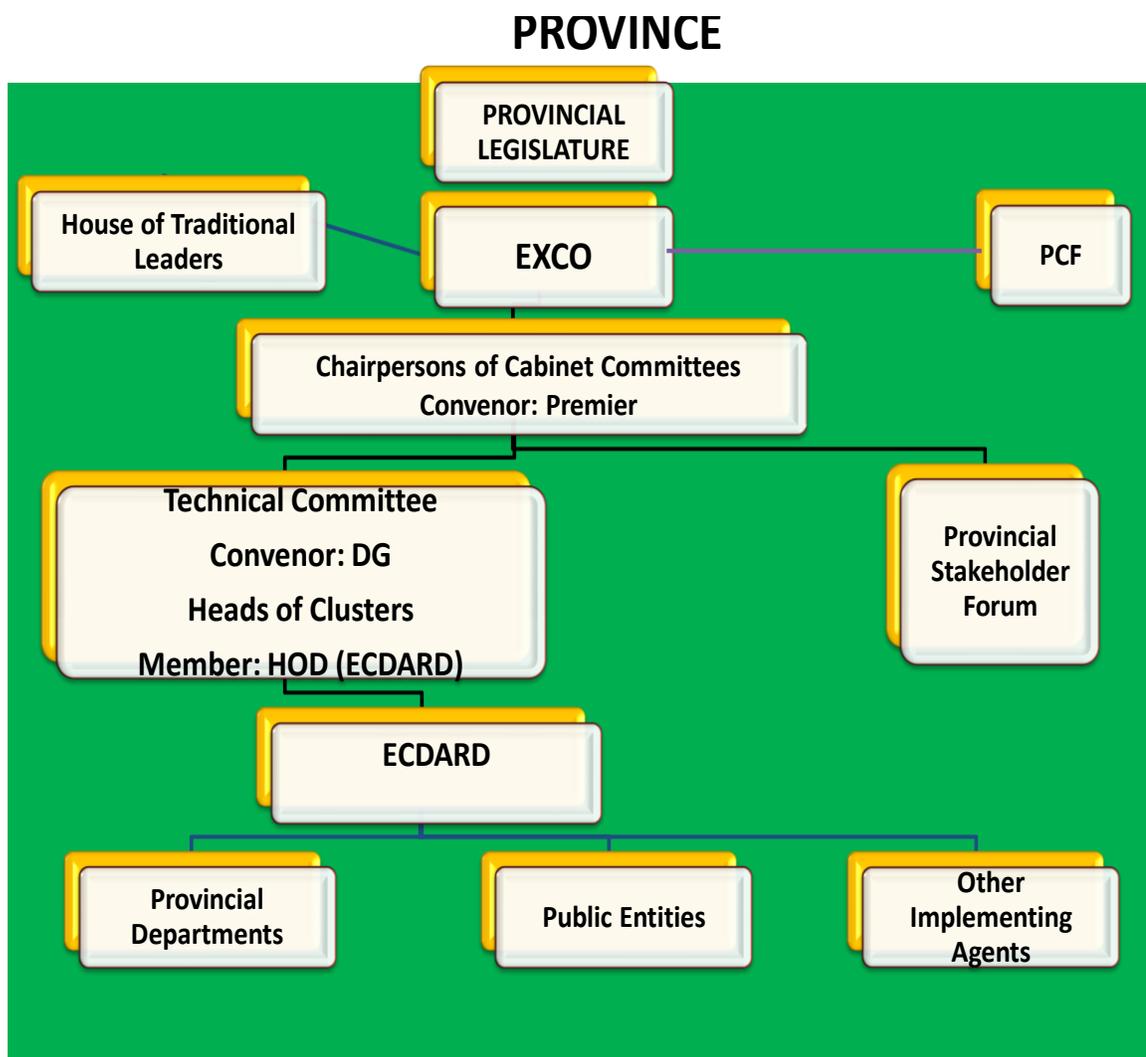
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| Strategic Objective 1 | Co-ordinate and ensure access to quality services | | | |
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| database. | database <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Promotion & recognition of indigenous knowledge systems Developing a communal housing subsidy | | | |
| Free basic services <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lack of bulk infrastructure. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> finalise the state of the provincial infrastructure report Expedite the development of Mzimvubu dam Establish the provincial infrastructure & engineering support centre. Develop a plan for alternative energy for the province | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> State of the Provincial Infrastructure report. Business plan for Umzimvubu Dam. Plan to support municipal infrastructure development programmes. Provincial Strategy for alternative energy. | OTP, Public Works, DLGTA, Prov. Treasury ASGISA-EC, ECDARD DLGTA, OTP & Public Works DLGTA, OTP & Public Works | February 2010 December 2010 December 2010 |

| Pillar/Goal | Social and Human Development | | | |
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| Strategic Objective 2 | Build vibrant, caring and cohesive communities that embrace cultural and moral values | | | |
| Social and cultural activities <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Development social amenities, like community halls. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Expand and operationalise Thusong centres | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Critical services brought nearer to communities. • one Thusong centre per municipality | OTP, GCIS, DPSA | December 2012 |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Literacy and a culture of reading | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Build more libraries, at one per municipality. • Provide mobile libraries • Each school to establish a library | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improved culture of reading. • illiteracy rate decreased | DESRAC, DOE | 2012 |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Moral regeneration. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Resuscitate the moral regeneration programme for the province • A focused campaign against forced marriages “Ukuthwalwa” | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reduced teenage pregnancy. • Reduced number of forced marriages | OTP | 2011 |
| Rural safety and policing <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rural safety program | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Establish village policing forums. Investigate the establishment traditional courts | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reduced crime levels | Safety and Community Liaison | 2011 |

INSTITUTIONAL ARRANGMENTS

6. Institutional Arrangements-Provincial, District and Local Sphere of Government

Implementation of the RDS will be anchored in the different spheres of government (Province, District and Local sphere of government). At each sphere, institutional configuration is such that it reflects the role players and how they should interface in implementing and/ or monitoring the implementation of the RDS. Government and its social partners become therefore key in the implementation of the RDS. The main aim with the institutional arrangement outlined below is not to proliferate institutions but to work with relevant institutions whilst ensuring that representation is not compromised.



DISTRICT

