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Northern Cape Traditional Leadership, Governance and Houses of Traditional Leaders Act, 2007(Act 02 of 2007)

Office of the Premier. Northern Cape Province

CALLING OF ELECTIONS FOR THE LOCAL HOUSES OF TRADITIONAL LEADERS, DETERMINATION OF THE NUMBER OF MEMBERS OF THE LOCAL HOUSES, AND THE DETERMINATION OF THE PROCEDURE TO BE FOLLOWED AT THE ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE LOCAL HOUSES OF TRADITIONAL LEADERS

1. Section 43 of the Northern Cape Traditional Leadership, Governance and Houses of Traditional Leaders Act 2007 (Act No. 2 of 2007) establishes Local Houses of Traditional Leaders in the district municipalities where traditional communities exist. Pursuant thereto I, **Grizelda Boniwe Cjiekella**, in my capacity as Acting Premier of the Northern Cape -
 - 1.1 In terms of **section 44 (3)** of Act No. 2 of 2007, hereby call for the election of members of a Local House of traditional leaders in the John Taole Gaitsewe district Municipality.
 - 1.2 In terms of **section 44(2)(iii)** hereby appoint the Independent Electoral Commission to chair the election of members the Local House of traditional leaders in the John Taole Gaitsewe District Municipality.
 - 1.3 In terms of **section 44 (1)** of Act No. 2 of 2007, and after consultation with the electoral college of senior traditional leaders for the District of John Taole Gaitsewe, hereby determine that the number of the members of the Local House of Traditional Leaders must be a total of 7 members elected in terms of a formula described below as follows:

NUMBER OF TRADITIONAL COUNCILS	NUMBER OF MEMBER IN LOCAL HOUSE	FORMULA/ COMMENTS	NUMBER OF WOMEN	LOWER THRESHOLD OF WOMEN MEMBERS
1	No local house-	function of local house performed by the traditional council		
1-7	5	Traditional council / Minimum number of members may not be less than 5	0	
8-14	7	7 Formula: 6 + 1 // 7 traditional councils .	3	
15-21	8	Formula: 7 + 1 // 7 traditional councils	3	
22-21	1	Formula: 8 + 1 // 7 traditional councils	3	
29-35	10	Formula: 9 + 1 // 7 traditional councils // for 35 traditional councils the members may not exceed 10.	4	
		Where there are more than 35 traditional councils the numbers must be higher than 10 but not exceeding 20 as determined by the Premier		
36-44	12	Formula: 10+ 2 // 9 traditional councils // for each 9 traditional council 2 members are added.	4	
45-53	14	Formula: 12 + 2 // 9 traditional councils	5	
54-62	16	Formula: 14 + 2 // 9 traditional councils	5	
63-71	18	Formula: 16 + 2 // traditional councils	6	
72 and more	20	Formula: 18 + 2 // 9 traditional councils	7	

1.4 In terms of **section 44 (4)** of Act No. 2 of 2007 hereby determine that the procedure to be followed at the election of members of the Local Houses of the Traditional Leaders must be as follows:

(a) by way of secret ballot,

(b) conducted by an independent person, not forming part of the electoral college, designated by myself in terms of section 44(2)(iii) of Act No.2 of 2007 to preside over the proceedings of the electoral college in a manner that is impartial and in terms of a fair process,

(c) the person designated in terms of sub-paragraph (b) above must compile and submit to myself a detailed report including-

- a copy of the meeting and agenda,
- a copy of the attendance register,
- a copy of acknowledgement(s) by a member to take part in any nominations or elections to the local house,
- a copy of the minutes of the meeting,
- copies of certificate of recognition of traditional leaders attending such meeting,
- a full report on the elections or nominations of persons to the local house, and
- the names of members elected to the local house of traditional leaders.

(d) any member of the electoral college may lodge a dispute regarding any substantive or procedural matter regarding election or nomination of persons to the local house of traditional leaders with the presiding officer designated by the premier as indicted above at sub-paragraph (b), and

(e) if a member of the electoral college is not satisfied with the decision of the presiding officer after lodging a complaint in terms of sub-paragraph (d) such member may appeal directly to the Premier as the executing authority.

(f) the elections will be finalized when all the members of the electoral college accepts the results or once all disputes and/or appeals regarding the elections have been decided on.

2. The elections called under 1.1 above shall be held as follows:
 - 2.1 **Venue:** **John Taole Gaitsewe District Council building**
 - 2.2 **Date:** **Wednesday, 23th May 2012**
 - 2.3 **Time:** **10h00 am.**

3. The proclamation issued under notice number 08, published on the 13th April 2012, in the Northern Cape Extraordinary Gazette number 1590 is hereby withdrawn.

Given under my hand at Kimberley on this 16 day of April 2012



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