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Deputy Minister Fish Mahlalela visits the Limpopo Province – Charting the path for tourism recovery

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Deputy Minister of Tourism Mr Fish Mahlalela, accompanied by the MEC for Department of Economic Development, Environment, Conservation and Tourism (DEDECT) in Limpopo Mr. Thabo Mokone, will visit the Mopani and Vhembe Districts in the Limpopo Province to assess the impact of the Covid-19 pandemic on businesses in the tourism value chain.

The Limpopo Province boasts a myriad of spectacular landscape and cultural tourism offerings, making it an ideal holiday destination for wildlife and adventure enthusiasts. The current Covid-19 pandemic has negatively affected the industry and contributed to a decline in overall tourism economic activity.

The Deputy Minister will visit various tourism establishments, and engage with product owners with the view of assessing how all the spheres of government can intervene to revive tourism in the province.

MEMBERS OF THE MEDIA CAN ATTEND ENGAGEMENTS AS FOLLOWS:

Date: 13 and 14 April 2021 Time: 10h00 till 16h00

Venues: Limpopo Province - Mopani and Vhembe Districts

PROGRAMME /ITINERARY- DATE: 13 TO 14 APRIL 2021	
TIME	DESCRIPTION
13 APRIL 2021 – GREATER GIYANI	
10:00 – 12:00	Exploration of the traditional Salt mining at Baleni Hotspring
14:45 – 18:00	Exploration of the UNWTO sponsored projects around the magnificent Rivolla Art Route - Visit to the Twananani Textile - Visit to Pilato Bulala Scrap metal - Visit to Thomas Kubayi (woodcarving and indigenous music instrument
14 APRIL 2021 – THOHOYANDOU	
10:00 - 11:00	Visit to the Community Lodge supported through Department of Tourism (SRI initiative) at Phiphidi waterfalls
12:00 – 13:30	Stakeholder engagement at Two Ten

RSVP or arrange for a telephonic interview contact the following by Monday, 12 April 2021:

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