

# NATIONAL COUNCIL OF PROVINCES



**Celebrating**  
*20 years*  
of the Constitution and  
20 years since  
the establishment of the NCOP

Induction programme: SALGA members  
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NCOP outreach programmes  
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# NCOP OUTREACH PROGRAMMES

# CONSTITUTIONAL MANDATE

## Section 42 (4) of the Constitution of the Republic of South Africa, 1996:

- ▶ The National Council of Provinces represents the provinces to ensure that provincial interests are taken into account in the national sphere of government.
- ▶ This is achieved by participating in the national legislative process and by providing a national forum for public consideration of issues affecting the provinces and organised local government.

# PROVINCIAL WEEK

- ▶ The Provincial Week provides Permanent Delegates of the NCOP with an opportunity to interact with the provinces and report back on their activities in the NCOP with the aim of obtaining new mandates on issues to be placed on the national agenda.
- ▶ The Provincial Week is also designed to give Permanent Delegates, SALGA Representatives, and Members of Provincial Legislatures an opportunity to undertake oversight visits and interact with communities in order to get “*first hand*” information on the delivery of services.

# FRAMEWORK FOR PROVINCIAL WEEK

- ▶ **Day One** - Meeting with provincial leadership and SALGA
- ▶ **Day Two - Day Three** - Oversight visits to identified communities (sites) / Public meeting
- ▶ **Day Four** - Debriefing / Assessment meeting with provincial leadership

# TAKING PARLIAMENT TO THE PEOPLE (TPTTP)

- ▶ The programme consists of a week-long engagement with communities in a specific province/municipality.
- ▶ The format of the programme allows for public engagements to take place simultaneously with site visits during the main session.
- ▶ On the last day, the programme consists of a formal sitting of the NCOP that is addressed by either the President or Deputy President of the Republic of South Africa.
- ▶ A report-back session is also scheduled within 12 months after the main event to assess progress on undertakings.
- ▶ The final TPTTP Report is debated in the NCOP and referred to relevant stakeholders for consideration of issues raised.

# POLITICAL STEERING COMMITTEE

- ▶ It is convened by the Chairperson of the NCOP to give political leadership, direction, and guidance.
- ▶ Pronounce on themes of the programmes, and which province or district is to be visited, such as during Taking Parliament to the People (TPTTP).

# SECRETARY TO NCOP

- ▶ Responsible for overall administrative coordination, strategic direction, and leadership.
- ▶ Reports to the Political Steering Committee (PSC)
- ▶ The Secretary to the NCOP ensures ongoing communication in order to strengthen relationships with provincial legislatures and South African Local Government Association (SALGA) through SALSA.



# JOINT PLANNING COMMITTEE (JPC)

- ▶ Consists of the NCOP, Provincial Legislature(s), Provincial Government, and Municipalities
- ▶ Responsible for the overall implementation of the programme.
- ▶ JPC meetings take place in the host province.
- ▶ Representatives are then drafted to form part of the various task teams established to assist with coordination.

# LOCAL ORGANISING COMMITTEE (LOC)

- ▶ The committee consists of various Task Team Leaders situated within Parliament to assist with coordination of programmes, such as TPTTP, Provincial Week, Local Government Week, etc.
- ▶ Task Team Leaders report on work plans and progress on their work streams, such as Administrative and Technical Support, Security and Accreditation, Supply Chain Management, etc.
- ▶ Responsible for the overall implementation of the programme

# LOCAL GOVERNMENT WEEK

- ▶ The Local Government Week is aimed at providing an opportunity for national reflection on issues affecting local government.
- ▶ Political Steering Committee is constituted by NCOP Presiding Officers and SALGA Leadership

Thank you

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