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SAWC Conductes National Flagship Training for Department of Environmental Affairs

As per the agreement with the Department of Environmental Affairs (DEA) signed in February this year (2015), the Southern African Wildlife College (SAWC) offered learnerships to 45 beneficiaries from various DEA projects at a skills programme level. This included year-long learnerships in Resource Guardianship at NQF Level 2 and in Natural Resource Management, Terrestrial at NQF Level 5.

The contact sessions for the training took place at the SAWC's new Tshikondeni off-site training facility, while the work place experiential learning was offered through the Limpopo Department of Economic Development, Environment & Tourism (LEDET) and the Mpumalanga Tourism and Parks Agency (MTPA).

Twenty six (26) of the 45 beneficiaries, undergoing the NQF Level 5 training successfully completed the learnership and received Confirmation of Achievement Certificates. Seventeen(17) of the remaining NQF Level 2 class also successfully completed the programme. A graduation function was held at the main campus of the SAWC on 27 November 2015 to celebrate the students' achievements.

The DEA's Acting Director: Programme Training and Youth Development, Mrs. Ntokozo Sibeko as well as the DEA Provincial Training Coordinators from all nine provinces attended the function together with the SAWC's training staff.

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Mpho Nkadimeng (left) and Lesego Masemola presented a speech, representing the Level 2 and Level 5 students



Mrs. Ntokozi Sibeko, the DEA's Acting Director: Programme Training & Youth Development addressed the students at the graduation ceremony



Jesca Nare Manamela (right) receives an award for the best overall student in the Level 5 class from Ondela Hanisi, DEA Provincial Training Coordinator, Eastern Cape