

GOVERNMENT NOTICE NO.

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

**CALL FOR PUBLIC SUBMISSIONS ON RURAL EDUCATION BY THE
MINISTER OF EDUCATION GNM PANDOR, MP.**

On 11 March 2004, the establishment of a Ministerial Committee on Rural Education to explore conditions of rural education and training was gazetted. The committee will focus on issues relating to the quality of learning and teaching and will clarify issues affecting education outcomes in compulsory education and FET in schools.

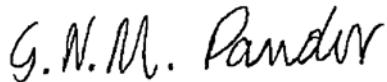
The Minister of Education, Mrs GNM Pandor, MP, hereby extends an invitation to individuals and organisations to supply the committee with any information including reports, publications, and stories that have a bearing on rural education and training in South Africa. **Information** should be about the rural education experience and may include possible suggestions for solutions to rural education and training challenges.

The information will assist the Ministerial Committee on Rural Education in preparing a final comprehensive report with practical recommendations on key aspects of rural education and training which need to be addressed in the short, medium and long term to optimise and improve education and training outcomes at rural schools in particular.

All submissions will be treated with absolute confidentiality.

The closing date for submissions is 30 August 2004.

Submissions should be directed to: The Secretariat of the Ministerial Committee on Rural Education, Waterbron Building, Room 203C, 191 Schoeman Street, Private Bag, X895, Pretoria, 0001, Fax: 012 312 5908 or email: ruraleducation@doe.gov.za

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Grace Naledi Mandisa Pandor, MP
Minister of Education