

DEPARTMENT OF TRADITIONAL AFFAIRS**NOTICE 4112 OF 2026**

MINISTRY
COOPERATIVE GOVERNANCE AND TRADITIONAL AFFAIRS
REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA

**COMMISSION ON KHOI-SAN MATTERS
INVITATION TO NOMINATE MEMBERS**

The Minister for Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs, in accordance with section 52(1)(a) of the Traditional and Khoi-San Leadership Act, 2019 (Act No. 3 of 2019) (hereinafter referred to as the TKLA), hereby invites the public to nominate persons who may be considered for appointment as members of the Commission on Khoi-San Matters.

Section 51 of the TKLA intends to establish a Commission on Khoi-San Matters. The main purpose of this Commission will be to assist government with the recognition process of Khoi-San communities and leaders. The Commission must investigate applications for recognition of Khoi-San communities and leaders and make recommendations in this regard to the national Minister responsible for Traditional and Khoi-San leadership.

The Commission was established with effect from 1 September 2021 for a period of five years ending 30 August 2026. The Minister approved the extension of the term of the Commission for a period of two and a half years. The Commission will consist of a chairperson, a deputy chairperson and three (3) other members. The members will serve on a full-time basis, subject to a decision of the Minister.

Members of the Commission must be South African citizens and must collectively represent a pool of knowledge concerning issues relevant to Khoi-San groupings. Section 52(1)(b) of the TKLA furthermore requires the members of the Commission to have qualifications or experience in or knowledge appropriate to:

- (a) Anthropology;
- (b) The history relating to the Khoi-San;
- (c) The customary law and customs and the institutions of Khoi-San leadership, or
- (d) The law.

Kindly note that nominations must include the following:

- (a) A completed nomination form. These forms can be requested from LoratoM@cogta.gov.za or can be obtained from Ms Lorato Motlhala (Room 211 E), Pencardia 1, 509 Pretorius Street, Arcadia, Pretoria. It can also be downloaded from the COGTA webpage: www.cogta.gov.za.
- (b) A comprehensive Curriculum Vitae of the nominee.
- (c) A detailed indication (accompanied by evidence) of how such nominee meets the requirements of section 52(1) (b) of the TKLA.
- (d) A signed letter of acceptance by the nominee. (Before accepting a nomination, nominees are advised to familiarise themselves with the content of the TKLA, in particular those provisions relating to the recognition of Khoi-San communities and leaders, and the provisions relating to the Commission.)
- (e) A clear indication of whether the nominee is eligible for possible recognition as a senior Khoi-San leader or is a member of a community which may apply for possible recognition as a Khoi-San community. It should be noted that no such person may serve on the Commission.

Members of the Commission will be appointed in their own right and not as representatives of specific Khoi-San groupings, communities, organisations or constituents.

The closing date and time for nominations is Monday, 31 August 2026 at 16:00. All nominations must be accompanied by the required documentation. Kindly note that incomplete or late nominations will not be considered.

Nominations must be e-mailed to BolwangM@cogta.gov.za and LoratoM@cogta.gov.za, or must be delivered by hand to one of the following officials of the Department of Traditional Affairs: Mr Bolwang Mabogoane (Room 213E) or Ms Lorato Motlhala (Room 211E), Pencardia I, 509 Pretorius Street, Arcadia, Pretoria.

Once the appointment process has been completed, the name of the member appointed will be published in the *Government Gazette*.