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**MEDIA ADVISORY**

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## **MINISTER STEENHUISEN TO HONOUR WORLD CLASS SHEEP SHEARERS**

The Minister of Agriculture, Mr John Steenhuisen, will officially recognise two outstanding South African sheep shearers, Mr Bonile Rabela and Mr Teboho Nyatsa, for their remarkable achievements at the Golden Shears World Shearing and Wool Handling Championships held in Masterton, New Zealand, on 4 March 2026. Mr Rabela successfully defended his title as the World's Best Hand Shearer, reaffirming his position at the pinnacle of the sport. Mr Nyatsa delivered an exceptional performance, earning a silver medal and showcasing world-class skill and precision.

The duo secured a silver medal in the hand shearing team division. In the All Nations hand shearing category, Mr Nyatsa claimed a gold medal, while Mr Rabela added a bronze medal to his list of accolades.

### **Details of the event:**

Date: Thursday, 23 April 2026

Time: 14:00

Venue: Beyerskloof, Stellenbosch, Western Cape

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