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## MEDIA INVITATION

18 MAY 2025

### MINISTER STEENHUISEN KICKSTARTS NATIONWIDE DIALOGUE WITH STUDENTS, AND PRINCIPALS AT ELSEMBERG AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE, WESTERN CAPE

Harmonizing relations amongst agricultural colleges students, principals, and Department of Agriculture (DoA) policy development augurs well for the future of agriculture.

This overarching objective of the Minister's engagement with agricultural colleges starts with a tripartite dialogue at Elsenberg Agricultural Colleges in Stellenbosch, Western Cape, on Thursday, 19 June 2025.

During the interaction, students' representatives will share experiences, raise institutional and systematic challenges, and even express the shape, method, and way they would like to be supported by the DoA.

DoA has formally informed the Association of Students Agricultural Training Institute (ASATI) and Association of Principals of Agricultural Colleges (APAC) of the plan to conduct ongoing round table discussions to ensure the colleges are always in a healthy state through addressing challenges timeously and prioritized for support. The engagements will help to strengthen collaboration and inform policy development in the agricultural education and training sector.

Details of the media invitation are as follows:

**Date** : 19<sup>th</sup> June 2025  
**Venue** : Elsenberg Agricultural College  
**Time** : 10h00

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