

**FORM 38B**

**Notice of Abandoned/Orphaned Child  
(Regulation 56(1))**

**To: The public/members of interested family/affected parties  
Municipal District of Sarah Baartman – Sundays River Valley Local Service Office in the  
Eastern Cape Province, Republic of South Africa**

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**KINDLY TAKE NOTICE** that on 14<sup>th</sup> of August 2019 a **male/female** child who apparently is **abandoned** or orphaned was reported to the local Department of Social Development (Sunday's River Valley Local Service Office). The child concerned was found to be a child in need of care and protection on the 28<sup>th</sup> of August 2019 as the biological mother abandoned the child and whereabouts of the biological father is unknown.

**KINDLY TAKE NOTICE** further that a designated Social Worker,

Name and Surname: Nosipho Mvunyelwa

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has been appointed to handle the matter of the above child.

The child's details are apparently as follows:

Child's Name and surname: Onothando Mahala

Child's estimated age: 13 years

Gender: **Male** / Female / Other: Other

Description of features of the child: Short in height, Medium built, black eyes and black hair.

Nationality: South African

Race Group: Xhosa

Name of guardian/parent (where applicable): Nokwayintombi Engelina Billet

Last known address: 1153 Station Hill, Moreson, Paterson 6130

Reasons for issuing the notice: The biological mother of the child is Mandisa Mahala who left for Johannesburg when the child was still young and the biological father's identity and whereabouts is unknown. Since placement, the biological parents have not contacted the child/the family of the child.

**KINDLY FURTHER TAKE NOTICE** that this notice will be published also on the website of the Provincial Department of Social Development and may be removed once the child has been positively identified alternatively placed into relevant child protection or re-united with parents.

**IF YOU OR ANY PERSON KNOWN TO YOU** may be familiar with or known to the child, kindly contact the above designated Social Worker or the nearest police station.

**KINDLY FURTHER** note that should no person claim the child within 30-days hereof, the child may be made available for foster care/adoption or other child protection measure at the discretion of the Children's Court.

in the meantime mentioned below, is currently investigating the possibility of

**NB: The designated Social Worker may be contacted for further enquiries on the contacts stated above.**

**For Public Notice**

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