

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 22nd of December 2025 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 is in the care of the neighbour since the passing of the biological mother of the child. The biological father is unknown to the caregiver, she was told by the biological mother of the child concerned when she was still alive that the biological father is a Malawian citizen who is allegedly passed away.

KINDLY TAKE NOTICE further that a designated Social Worker,

Name and Surname: Lwando Shaun Mkiva
Office address: 03 Harrod Street, Kirkwood 6120
Tel: 042 230 6514
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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: Rethabile Alexander
Child's estimated age: 17 years
Gender: **Male** / Female / Other: Other
Description of features of the child: Tall in height, Slender built, black eyes and black hair.
Nationality: South African
Race Group: Xhosa
Name of guardian/parent (where applicable): Zoleka Belinda Gqamani
Last known address: 1 Kondoa Farm, Valencia, Addo 6105
Reasons for issuing the notice: The biological mother of the child is Brenda Doras Alexander who passed away in 2012. The biological father of the child concerned is reported to be a Malawian citizen whom is suspected to have passed away. His name is unknown to the caregiver of the child concerned. Since the passing of the biological mother of the child, no paternal family of the child contacted the caregiver 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.

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