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MEDIA ADVISORY

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GAUTENG- SMOKE ALARM DETECTORS TO BE INSTALLED IN HIGH RISK AREAS

The Smoke Alarm Detector project is initiated to minimise and reduce the outbreak of fires throughout the seasons in formal and informal settlements with a particular focus on high-risk areas within the Gauteng province.

Gauteng COGTA Provincial Fire Services (PFS), in collaboration with the e City of Ekurhuleni Disaster and Emergency Management Services (DEMS) (PFS) and SANTA, will be running a Pilot Project of Smoke Alarm Detectors installation in Makaanzi informal settlement – Germiston in the City of Ekurhuleni.

The pilot project seeks to minimise shack fires damage through early detection as South Africa experiences over 5 000 shack fires per year according to the Fire Protection Association of Southern Africa (FPASA).

Nine hundred smoke alarm detectors will be installed in all nine hundred households chosen by community leaders from the 14-17 February 2023.

Smoke alarm detectors timeously alert unsuspecting households of fires in their dwellings. Lives and properties can be saved.

Members of the media are cordially invited to cover the project as follows:

Venue: Primrose Fire Station, Pretoria Road, Primrose.

Date: 14 February 2023

Time: 08H00

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