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2015 WORLD CONSUMER RIGHTS DAY CELEBRATIONS

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Bloemfontein: The 2015 World Consumer Rights Day will be a celebration to be remembered at Hlanganani-Kopanang Intermediate School in Warden. More than 1200 members of the community are expected to attend the ceremony. This year's celebration's theme is **"Helping consumers choose healthy diets"**.

At this year's celebrations, seven new Consumer Affairs Court officials will take oath of office to serve for a period of 1 year. In his 2014/15 budget vote speech, MEC for Department of Economic, Small Business Development, Tourism and Environmental Affairs Mosebenzi Zwane said "Our consumer rights campaigns will be strengthened to protect our people against unfair business practices".

In the current financial year more than 36 information sessions on consumer rights have been conducted around the Free State. Since the inception of Consumer Protection Office and consumer court, more than 1976 consumer complaints totaling R11 million have successfully been resolved and the money returned back to consumers. The department offers this service free of charge and Free Staters are encouraged to use it.

Details of the event are as follows:

Date: 21 March 2015

Time: 09h00 am

Venue: Hlanganani / Kopanang Intermediate School

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