Government prepares to implement AARTO Act

otorists can expect the full implementation of the Administrative Adjudication of Road Traffic Offences (AARTO) Act - which seeks to reduce the high rate of fatalities on the roads and improve driver behavior - on 1 July 2024 nationwide. Addressing a media briefing on Thursday in Johannesburg, Minister of Transport Sindisiwe Chikunga said 43 service outlets across various provinces have already been established.

"As we proceed with the national rollout of AARTO, we will proclaim implementation in 69 municipalities by the end of this calendar year, while AARTO will kick in in the

remaining municipalities by 1 July 2024. "We are working closely with the Department of Cooperative Government and Traditional Affairs (COGTA) in ensuring that all municipalities have the requisite capacity to implement the law," the Minister said.

Chikunga welcomed the recent ruling by the Constitutional Court on the constitutionality of the AARTO Act as it confirmed that indeed the law was constitutional and no aspect of it encroached on the executive powers of other spheres of government.

"The ruling affirms our long-held view that this a necessary law to advance our efforts in arresting the carnage

remaining municipalities by 1 on our roads. We welcome this judgement as it July 2024. "We are working closely with the Department of Cooperative Government and standards that apply uniformly across the country.

"A fragmented system of adjudicating road traffic offences based on the whims of individual provinces would undoubtedly result in chaos and render road traffic law enforcement interventions

ineffective," the Minister said.

She said the AARO Act will reinforce other interventions such as classifying traffic policing as a 24-hour, 7-day job, alongside the regulation of driving schools and introduction of an National Qualifications Framework (NQF) level 6 training for traffic law enforcement officers.



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The Free State Arts and Culture Council (FSACC) and the Department of Sport, Arts and Culture (DSAC) invite applications for arts practitioners to participate in Artists in Schools Programme (AiS). Forty (20) arts practitioners must be deployed in 20 schools across the province. Five (5) practitioners per district and balancing gender, disability and genres.

In order to be selected in this Programme you must meet the following criteria:

- Competent and proficient in any artistic genre across all the spectrum
- Matric and Post-Matric qualifications in the arts are emphasised but recognition of prior learning is acknowledged
- Must be able to communicate in English (medium of instruction in the schools) and vernacular
 of the region.
- Must be adaptive and be prepared to step out of the "traditional artistic comfort zones".
- Must have passion for learning and working with the learners

In addition to the above the following documents must accompany the application:

(a) Letter from the school with school stamp signed by the principal

(b) Copy of ID of applicant

c) Copy of CV

The above documents must be send to the following Members of the FSACC in the Districts:

Fezile Dabi email: kidibone.motlhasedi@gmail.com

Mangaung Metropolitan: email: rt.chihawa@gmail.com

Lejweleputswa: email: mahlanyane@tswelopele.org

Thabo Mofutsanyane: email: moloin53@gmail.com Xhariep: email: nobatau@gmail.com to reach them by 28 July 2023. No applications coming after this date will be accepted. No application will be accepted without letter from the school signed by the principal.

Kindly note: The DSAC/FSACC selectors have the final say in selection of participants in this programme and no correspondence will be entered into after the selection.

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