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**BLUE CRANE ROUTE
Municipality**

Province of the Eastern Cape

Office Of the Municipal Manager

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NOTICE TO THE COMMUNITY: PREPAID ELECTRICITY METER AMNESTY

The Blue Crane Route Municipality hereby invites all residents to take advantage of a Prepaid Electricity Meter Amnesty Programme, effective from today until 30 June 2026.

The Municipality encourages all households who:

- **Have a faulty prepaid electricity meter box,**
- **Have a tampered or damaged electricity meter, or**
- **Are using electricity without purchasing electricity,**

to come forward voluntarily during the amnesty period.

What the Amnesty Offers:

- **Replacement of faulty or tampered electricity meter boxes**
- **No penalty fees**
- **No tampering charges**
- **No reconnection fees**
- **No legal or credit control consequences during the amnesty period**

The Municipality will replace the meter box **free** of charge.

Why This Amnesty Is Important?

Blue Crane Route Municipality is currently **losing approximately 30% of electricity revenue, amounting to R43 million**, mainly due to electricity theft, illegal connections and old electricity infrastructure. This loss negatively affects the Municipality's ability to deliver essential services to the community.

Important Notice

Residents who fail to come forward before 30 June 2026, and are later found to be involved in illegal electricity use, will be subject to strict credit control measures, including:

- Immediate disconnection of electricity from the main source
- Enforcement of applicable penalties and charges
- Criminal prosecution

The municipality will continue implementing credit control procedures during this time period, if no formal application is received.

What You Need to Do

Residents are requested to visit the **Municipal Offices** and ask for:

Themba Nohamba
Credit Negotiator
 **042 243 6469**

The Municipality urges all residents to use this opportunity to regularise their electricity supply and help protect municipal resources for the benefit of all.

Let us work together to build a sustainable and fair municipality.

BCRM is working for you!

Yours Faithfully,



MZWANDILE P. NINI

MUNICIPAL MANAGER

19-01-2026

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