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It is hereby notified that the President has assented to the following Act, which is hereby published for general information:—

**Act No. 6 of 2019: Protection, Promotion, Development and Management of Indigenous Knowledge Act, 2019**

## VHUPRESIDENDE

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Zwi khou divhadziwa henefha uri mupresidende o tendelana na uyu mulayo une wa khou andadziwa hu u itela nqivhadzo kha tshitshavha:—

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**Act No. 6 of 2019**

Protection, Promotion, Development and Management of Indigenous Knowledge Act, 2019

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## ACT

**To provide for the protection, promotion, development and management of indigenous knowledge; to provide for the establishment and functions of the National Indigenous Knowledge Systems Office; to provide for the management of rights of indigenous knowledge communities; to provide for the establishment and functions of the Advisory Panel on indigenous knowledge; to provide for access and conditions of access to knowledge of indigenous communities; to provide for the recognition of prior learning; to provide for the facilitation and coordination of indigenous knowledge-based innovation; and to provide for matters incidental thereto.**

### PREAMBLE

**RECOGNISING** that the liberation of South Africa and its people from centuries of racial discriminatory colonial rule and domination and the establishment of a constitutional democracy was, is and will remain a historic achievement of all our people;

**EMPHASISING** that the Constitution of the Republic of South Africa, 1996, enshrines the founding values of human dignity, the achievement of equality, non-racism and non-sexism, as well as the Bill of Rights entrenches inalienable rights to and freedom of human dignity, equality, education, culture, religion, language, research, creativity, environment and property, among others;

**NOTING** that the Republic of South Africa as a sovereign democratic state has taken its rightful place in the family of sovereign states and is committed and obligated to observe international treaties, covenants, as well as international law;

**REALISING** that the Government of the Republic of South Africa is committed to the economic, cultural and social upliftment and well-being of its people, free of discrimination;

**TAKING** into account that in the exercise of its sovereignty, South Africa has enacted and continues to enact legislation that underpins the protection, promotion and development of indigenous knowledge systems and indigenous knowledge;

**RECOGNISING** that indigenous knowledge is a national asset and that it is therefore in the national interest to protect and promote indigenous knowledge through law, policy and both public and private sector programmes;

**WISHING** to encourage the use of indigenous knowledge in the development of novel, socially and economically applicable products and services;

**ACCEPTING** that indigenous innovation is a unique approach to social innovation that informs and underpins the work of indigenous communities,

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## MULAYO

**U ita mbetshelo malugana na tsireledzo, nyaluso, mveledziso na u langā ndīvho ya yapo; u ita mbetshelo ya uri hu vhe na u thomiwa ha Ofisi ya Lushaka ya Sisīteme dza Ndīvho Yapo na mishumo yayo; u ita mbetshelo ya kulangele kwa pfanelo dza zwitshavha zwa ndīvho yapo; u ita mbetshelo ya uri hu thomiwe Phanele ya Vhueletschedzi kha zwa ndīvho yapo na mishumo ya iyo phanele; u ita mbetshelo ya u swikelela na milayo ya u swikelela ndīvho ya zwitshavha zwapo; u ita mbetshelo ya lavhelesa-vho zwine muthu a vha na ndīvho khazwo a so ngo tou dzhena tshikolo; u ita mbetshelo ya u leludza na u konanya vhuthomi ho sendekaho kha ndīvho yapo; na u ita mbetshelo ya zwi kwamaho izwi.**

### MVULATSWINGA

**NGA U VHONA** uri mbofholowo ya shango ja Afrika Tshipembe na vhathu vhaļo kha miňwaha minzhi ya tshiṭalula na u vhuswa nga vhukołoni na u tsikeledzwa na u thomiwa ha mbofholowo ya demokirasi zwe vhaho hone, zwi re hone na zwino nahone zwine zwa qđ dzula zwi ḫivhazwakale yo swikelewaho nga vhathu vhashu vhothe;

**NGA U OMBEDZELA** uri Ndayotewa ya Riphabuļiki ya Afrika Tshipembe ya, 1996, i tsireledza ndayo dza tshirunzi tsha muthu, u swikelela u eđana ha vhathu, u eđana ha mirafho na u eđana ha mbeu khathihi na Mulayotibe wa Pfanelo une wa khwaṭhispa pfanelo dza ndemesa na mbofholowo kana tshirunzi tsha muthu, u eđana, pfunzo, mvelele, vhurereli, luambo, ḥodisiso, vhukoni, mupo na ndaka, na zwiňwe zwinzhi;

**NGA U DZHIELA NTHA** uri Riphabuļiki ya Afrika Tshipembe ndi shango jo ḫiimisaho nga ḫothe jo dzhia tshikhala tshone-tshone kha muṭa wa mashango o imaho nga othe nahone jo ḫiimisela na u vhofhea kha u tevhedza thendelano dza ḫifhasi, milanga na mulayo wa ḫifhasi;

**NGA U LIMUWA** uri Muvhuso wa Afrika Tshipembe wo ḫiimisela kha zwa ikonomi, mvelele na u khwiňisa vhutshilo kha zwa matshilele, ndondolo ya vhathu vhaļo, na mbofholowo kha tshiṭalula;

**NGA U DZHIELA NTHA** uri nga u shumisa vhuḍilangi, Afrika Tshipembe jo sika milayo nahone ḫi khou ya phanđa na u sika milayo ine ya khwaṭhispa tsireledzo, nyaluso na mveledziso ya sisīteme dza ndīvho yapo;

**NGA U VHONA** uri ndīvho yapo ndi ndaka ya lushaka na uri ndi zwi funwaho nga lushaka uri hu tsireledzwe na u alusa ndīvho yapo nga kha mulayo, mbekanyamaitele na nga mbekanyamushumo dza sekithara dza phuraivethe na dza muvhuso;

**NGA U FUNA** u ḫuṭuwedza u shumiswa ha ndīvho yapo kha u bveledzisa nganetshelo, matshilisano na ikonomi nga ndila yo fanelaho zwibveledzwa na tshumelo;

**NGA U TANGANEDZA** uri u thoma zwithu zwapo ndi ndila yo khetheaho kha u thoma zwa matshilisano zwine zwa khwaṭhispa mushumo wa zwitshavha zwapo,

**B**E IT THEREFORE ENACTED by the Parliament of the Republic of South Africa,  
as follows:—

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**CHAPTER 1****DEFINITIONS****Definitions**

- 1.** In this Act, unless the context indicates otherwise—  
 “access” includes the acquisition of indigenous knowledge by natural and legal persons as facilitated by NIKSO in terms of this Act; 20  
 “accreditation” means a formal procedure by which NIKSO grants or delegates authority to an assessor to assess and verify the qualification of indigenous knowledge practitioners in accordance with pre-determined requirements for purpose of certification; 25  
 “assessor” means a qualified person accredited and assigned by NIKSO to assess applicants according to applicable pre-determined standards having regard to that person’s possession of indigenous knowledge, expertise and skills for the purpose of being certified as an indigenous knowledge practitioner; 30  
 “benefit sharing” means the fair and equitable sharing of monetary and non-monetary benefits in terms of a benefit sharing agreement between the trustee of the indigenous community and the licence holder; 35  
 “certification”, in respect of indigenous knowledge practitioners, means the formal qualification acknowledgment, subject to an assessment by an assessor of a practitioner within a discipline or practice, according to applicable, pre-determined standards, having regard to that person’s possession of indigenous knowledge expertise and skills;  
 “commercial use” means the use of indigenous knowledge for financial gain;  
 “Constitution” means the Constitution of the Republic of South Africa, 1996; 40  
 “cultural and social identity” means the particular and distinctive identity or characteristics of a certain indigenous community or of an individual as far as he or she is influenced by belonging to a certain indigenous community;  
 “Curator” means the Curator of indigenous knowledge, who is the head of the Registration Office of Indigenous Knowledge appointed in terms of section 18 of this Act; 45  
 “Department” means the department responsible for science and technology;  
 “discipline of practice” means a group of people who share the same understanding and methodology of a given practice, craft or profession, which—  
 (a) evolved spontaneously; or

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ivho yapo

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**NDIMA YA 1****THALUTSHEDZO****Thalutshedzo**

- 1.** Kha uno Mulayo, nga nn̄da ha musi nyimele i tshi sumbedza nga iñwe n

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ila— 20  
 “**u swikelela**” zwi katela u wana n

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ivho yapo nga muthu wa mvelo na nga zwiimiswa zwo tshimbidzwa nga NIKSO i tshi khou tevhedza uno Mulayo;  
 “**utendela**” zwi amba kuitele kwa NIKSO u fha kana u hwesa maan̄a kha uyo muñathuvhiuri a thañtuvhe na u khwathisedza ndalukano dza vhashumi vha zwa n

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ivho yapo u ya n̄ga ñhodea dzo dzulaho dzo vhewa n

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ivho i ya u fha ñhanziela; 25  
 “**muthathuvhi**” zwi amba muthu o fushaho ndalukano nahone o tendelwaho nahone a hweswa mushumo nga NIKSO uri a ñthañtuvhe vhahumbneli u ya n̄ga zwiñandadi zwo vhewaho nahone zwo teaho ho sedzwa n

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ivho, vhuñivhi na vhukoni zwine uyo muhumbeli a vha na zwo n

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ivho i ya u mu fha ñhanziela ya uri ndi mushumi wa zwa n

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ivho yapo; 30  
 “**u kovhekana mbuelo**” zwi amba u kovha mbuelo nga n

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ila i sa dzhihi sia nahone mbuelo dzi linganaho dza tshelede na dzi si dza tshelede hu tshi khou tevhedzwa thendelano ya u kovhekana mbuelo vhukati ha mulondoli wa tshitshavha tshapo na uyo muñe wa ñaisentse; 35  
 “**u fha ñhanziela**” zwi tshi khou kwama vhashumi vha zwa n

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ivho ya sialala, zwi amba khwathisedzo ya ndalukano ya fomaña, hu tshi tevhedzwa ñthañtuvho yo itwaho n̄ga muñathuvhi kha uyo mushumi wa iyo therokana mushumo, u ya n̄ga zwiñandadi zwo vhewaho nahone zwo teaho, ho lavheleswa vhukoni vhune uyo muthu a vha na zwo; 40  
 “**u bindudza**” zwi amba u shumisa n

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ivho yapo kha u wana masheleni;  
 “**Ndayotewa**” zwi amba Ndayotewa ya Riphabuliki ya Afrika Tshipembe ya, 1996; 45  
 “**vhuñe ha zwa matshilele na mvelele**” zwi amba phambano ya vhuñe yeneyo kana zwiñaluli zwa tshitshavha tshapo tshenetsho kana muthu zwi tshi ñtuwedzwa nga tshenetsho tshitshavha tshapo;  
 “**Mulondoli**” zwi amba Mulondoli wa n

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ivho yapo sa ene ñhoho ya Ofisi ya u walisa N

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ivho Yapo o tholwaho hu tshi khou tevhedzwa khethekanyo ya 18 ya uno Mulayo;  
 “**Muhasho**” zwi amba Muhasho u re na vhuñifhinduleli kha zwa saints na thekhnoñodzhi;

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(b) is created based on people's engagement, in a process of collective learning in a shared domain of human endeavour;	
“functional”, in relation to indigenous knowledge, means knowledge that is scientific and, or technical in nature;	
“indigenous community” means any recognisable community of people—	5
(a) developing from, or historically settled in a geographic area or areas located within the borders of the Republic;	
(b) characterised by social, cultural and economic conditions, which distinguish them from other sections of the national community; and	
(c) who identify themselves as a distinct collective;	10
“indigenous cultural expression” means expressions that have a cultural content that developed within indigenous communities and have assimilated into their cultural and social identity, including but not limited to—	
(a) phonetic or verbal expressions;	15
(b) musical or sound expressions;	
(c) expressions by action; and	
(d) action tangible expressions;	
“indigenous knowledge” means knowledge which has been developed within an indigenous community and has been assimilated into the cultural and social identity of that community, and includes—	20
(a) knowledge of a functional nature;	
(b) knowledge of natural resources; and	
(c) indigenous cultural expressions;	
“indigenous knowledge practitioner” means a person who is certified as sufficiently knowledgeable in indigenous knowledge practices to render a related service, subject to section 15 of this Act and relevant prescribed practice standards being met;	25
“licence holder” means any person who successfully enters into a licence agreement with an indigenous community to use indigenous knowledge;	
“Minister” means the Minister responsible for science and technology;	30
“natural resources” means any materials and components that can be found within the environment and may exist as a separate entity, such as genetic resources, fresh water, air, and mineral deposits with actual or potential use or value;	
“NIKSO” means the National Indigenous Knowledge Systems Office established in section 4;	35
“prescribed” means prescribed by regulations;	
“prior informed consent” means the consent in respect of indigenous knowledge granted by a trustee, which has been obtained—	
(a) free from any manipulation, interference or coercion;	40
(b) after full disclosure of the intent and scope of the activity; and	
(c) in a language and process understandable to the community;	
“Registration Office” means the Registration Office for Indigenous Knowledge within NIKSO;	
“Register” means the Register of indigenous knowledge provided for in section 19, and includes any official documents, compilations or records, including databases, reflecting information in respect of indigenous knowledge kept by NIKSO;	45
“Register of Designations” means a register of names and levels of competencies of certified indigenous knowledge practitioners and accredited assessors;	50
“regulations” means regulations made in terms of this Act;	
“this Act” includes the regulations; and	
“trustee” means a natural or legal person that is duly delegated in terms of the practices of an indigenous community to represent that indigenous community in matters pertaining to indigenous knowledge and to be vested with the custodianship of indigenous knowledge emanating from it, which person is deemed to be a trustee appointed in terms of the law of trusts and to have the powers and duties of such a trustee, with any reference in this Act to an act performed, or the rights held, by an indigenous community deemed to be a reference to that act performed, or rights held, by the trustee of that indigenous community.	55
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**“thero ya mushumo”** zwi amba tshigwada tsha vhathu vhane vha fana kha u pfesesa na ngona dza mushumo wonoyo, vhutsila na phrofesheni yeneyo, zwine izwi—

(a) zwo vha hone nga lwa mupo; kana 5

(b) zwo itwa nga ñwambo wa u ambedzana ha vhathu, nga kha kuitele kwa u guda vhathu vhe gute fhethu hune vha tou kovhekana ndingedzo dza vhathu;

**“nđivho ya sainthifiki kana thekhenikhala”** ho sedzwa nđivho yapo, zwi amba nđivho ine ya vha sainthifiki na, kana thekhenikhala;

**“tshitshavha tshapo”** zwi amba tshitshavha tshi qivheaho tsha vhathu— 10

(a) vha bvaho kha kana tshirene nga qivhazwakale tsho vha tshi khou dzula kha vhupov hu wanalahlo ngomu ha mikano ya Riphabuliki;

(b) vhane vha taluswa nga nyimele dza matshilele, mvelele na ikonomi, zwine izwi zwa ita uri vha sa fane na vhañwe kha dziñwe khethekanyo dza tshitshavha tsha lushaka; na 15

(c) vhane vha dijivha vhe tshigwada tsho fhambanaho na zwiñwe;

**“kuambele kwa mvelele kwapo”** zwi amba kuambele kwo faraho mvelele ya tshitshavha nahone izwi zwo bva kha heneffo ngomu ha zwitshavha zwapo nahone zwa ñongovhela kha mvelele na kutshilele, hu tshi katela zwi sa gumihlo kha zwi tevhelaho— 20

(a) kuambele kwa ipfi kana fonetika;

(b) muungo wa kuambele na muzika;

(c) zwi vthonalaho nga nyito; na

(d) nyito i sumbedzaho zwi vthonalaho;

**“nđivho yapo”** zwi amba nđivho yo bveledziswaho ngomu kha tshitshavha tshapo na u nwelela kha mvelele kana vhuvha ha kutshilele kha tshitshavha, nahone zwi tshi katela— 25

(a) nđivho ya sainthifiki kana ya thekhenikhala;

(b) nđivho ya zwiko zwa mupo; na

(c) mbonalo ya mvelele yapo;

**“mushumi wa zwa nđivho yapo”** zwi amba muthu o fhiwaho ñhanziela i sumbahlo uri u na nđivho yo linganaho nga hamaitle a zwa nđivho yapo uri a kone u fha tshumelo a tshi khou tevhedza khethekanyo ya 15 ya uno Mulayo na zwitshandadi zwa maitele o randelwaho a tshi tea u fushwa-vho;

**“muñe wa lisentse”** zwi amba muthu muñwe na muñwe o konaho u dzhena kha thendelano ya lisentse na tshitshavha tshapo uri a shumise nđivho yapo;

**“Minis̄ta”** zwi amba Minis̄ta a re na vhuñifhinduleli kha zwa saintsí na thekhnołodzhi;

**“zwiko zwa mupo”** zwi amba zwishumiswa na zwipiða-piða zwine zwa nga wanwa kha mupo nahone zwine zwa vha hone sa zwithu zwo imaho nga zwoñhe, sa *genetic resources*, mañi, myua, na zwa migodi zwine zwa nga shumiswa zwavhukuma kana lwa ndeme; 40

**“NIKSO”** zwi amba Ofisi ya Lushaka ya Sisiñeme dla Nđivho Yapo yo sikwaho u ya nga khethekanyo ya 4;

**“randela”** zwi amba u randela nga ndangulo; 45

**“u tenda wo thoma wa vhudzwa”** zwi amba u tenda malugana na u fha nđivho yapo nga thirasitii, ine yo wanwa—

(a) nga mahala zwi so ngo tshimbidzwa zwavhuñi, ho vha na u dzhenelelekanya kana u kombetshedza;

(b) nga murahu ha u bula ndivho na tshikoupu tsha mushumo; nahone

(c) hu tshi khou shumiswa luambo na kuitele ku pfesewaho nga tshitshavha;

**“Ofisi ya u walisa”** zwi amba Ofisi ya u walisa Nđivho Yapo i re ngei kha Ofisi ya NIKSO;

**“Redzhiñara”** zwi amba Redzhiñara ya nđivho yapo zwine izwi zwi na mbetshelo kha khethekanyo ya 19, nahone zwi katela mañwalwa mañwe na mañwe a tshiofisi, rekhodo dzo itwaho, hu tshi katela databaseisi, dzi sumbedzaho mafhungo a nđivho yapo o vhulungwaho nga NIKSO;

**“Redzhiñara ya madzina a vhuimo”** zwi amba redzhiñara ya madzina na levele dza vhukoni ha vhashumi vha zwa nđivho yapo vho fhiwaho ñhanziela na vhañthañvhi vho tendelwaho;

**“Ndangulo”** zwi amba ndangulo dzo itwaho u ya nga uno Mulayo;

**“uno Mulayo”** zwi katela ndangulo; na 60

**CHAPTER 2****APPLICATION AND OBJECTS OF ACT****Application of Act**

- 2.** This Act applies to all—  
 (a) persons in the Republic, including the State; and  
 (b) indigenous knowledge registered under this Act. 5

**Objects of Act**

- 3.** The objects of this Act are to—  
 (a) protect the indigenous knowledge of indigenous communities from unauthorised use, misappropriation and misuse; 10  
 (b) promote public awareness and understanding of indigenous knowledge for the wider application and development thereof;  
 (c) develop and enhance the potential of indigenous communities to protect their indigenous knowledge;  
 (d) regulate the equitable distribution of benefits; 15  
 (e) promote the commercial use of indigenous knowledge in the development of new products, services and processes;  
 (f) provide for registration, cataloguing, documentation and recording of indigenous knowledge held by indigenous communities;  
 (g) establish mechanisms for the accreditation of assessors and the certification of indigenous knowledge practitioners; and 20  
 (h) recognise indigenous knowledge as prior art under intellectual property laws.

**CHAPTER 3****NATIONAL INDIGENOUS KNOWLEDGE SYSTEMS OFFICE****Establishment of NIKSO** 25

- 4.** NIKSO is hereby established within the Department.

**Functions and powers of NIKSO**

- 5.** The functions and powers of NIKSO include—  
 (a) implementation of this Act;  
 (b) protecting and recognising indigenous knowledge as property owned by indigenous communities; 30  
 (c) facilitating the redress of rights and benefits to indigenous communities which have previously been deprived of such rights and benefits;  
 (d) facilitating and coordinating the development of indigenous knowledge;  
 (e) establishing and managing the registration of assessors and indigenous knowledge practitioners; 35  
 (f) empowering indigenous communities through education and awareness campaigns to enable them to recognise and utilise indigenous knowledge for cultural and economic benefit;  
 (g) determining the criteria for issuing licences for the use of indigenous knowledge; 40  
 (h) certifying licence agreements for the use of indigenous knowledge;

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**“thirasitii”** zwi amba muthu wa vhukuma wa mvelo kana tshiimiswa tsho ruñwaho u ya nga maitele a tshitshavha tshapo uri a imele itsho tshitshavha tshapo kha mafhungo a kwamaho ndīvho yapo nahone a hweswe na maandā a u londola ndīvho yapo i bvaho kha itsho tshitshavha ane uyo muthu a dzhiwa o tholwa sa thirasitii hu tshi khou tevhedzwa mulayo wa thirasitii nahone a vhe na maandā na mishumo ya u vha thirasitii hawo, ho sedzwa uno Mulayo kha mushumo une a vha o u shuma, kana pfanelo dza tshitshavha tshapo tshi dzhiwaho tshi tshi kwamana na iyo nyito yo itwaho, kana pfanelo dzo farwaho nga thirasitii wa itsho tshitshavha tshapo.

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**NDIMA YA 2**

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**KUSHUMISELE KWA MULAYO NA ZWIPIKWA ZWA MULAYO****Kushumisele kwa Mulayo****2. Uyu Mulayo u shuma kha—**

- (a) vhathe vhothe vha Riphabuliki, hu tshi katelwa Muvhuso; na
- (b) ndīvho iñwe na iñwe yo ñwaliswaho nga fhasi ha uno Mulayo.

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**Zwipikwa zwa Mulayo****3. (1) Zwipikwa zwa uyu Mulayo ndi u—**

- (a) tsireledza ndīvho yapo ya zwitshavha zwapo uri ya sa shumiswe zwi songo tendelwa, na uri ya sa dzhiwe zwi songo tendelwa;
- (b) tuñuwedza tshitshavha uri tshi ñivhe na u pñesesa nga ha ndīvho yapo uri i 20 shumiswe na u bveledziswa nga ndīla yo ñandavhuwaho;
- (c) bveledzisa na u khwiñisa vhukoni ha zwitshavha zwapo kha u tsireledza ndīvho yapo ine ndi yavho;
- (d) langula phaqaladzo i linganaho ya mbuelo;
- (e) tuñuwedza zwa vhubindudzi kha ndīvho yapo musi hu tshi bveledzwa 25 zwibveledzwa zwiswa, tshumelo ntswa na maitele maswa;
- (f) itela uri hu vhe na mbetshelo ya u ñwalisa, u dzundzanya/vhekanya, u ñwala na u rekhoda ndīvho yapo ine zwitshavha zwapo zwa vha nayo;
- (g) thoma ndīla dza u tendela vhañthuvhi na u fha ñhaziela vhashumi vha zwa ndīvho yapo; na
- (h) lavhelesa /dzhiela ñha ndīvho yapo sa vhutsila ha u thoma nga fhasi ha milayo ya zwa vhuñe ha ndīvho.

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**NDIMA YA 3****OFISI YA LUSHAKA YA SISIÑEME DZA NDĪVHO YAPO****U thomiwa ha NIKSO**

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**4. NIKSO i khou thomiwa nga ngomu kha Muhasho.****Mishumo na maandā a NIKSO****5. (1) Mishumo na maandā zwa NIKSO hu katelwa—**

- (a) u shumisa uyu Mulayo;
- (b) u tsireledza na u lavhelesa ndīvho yapo sa ndaka ine vhañe vhayo ndi 40 zwitshavha zwapo;
- (c) u leludza u khakhulula pfanelo na mbuelo kha zwitshavha zwapo zwinne zwo khakhelwa tshifhingani tsho fhelaho zwa si ñiphiñe nga pfanelo na mbuelo dza zwa ndīvho yapo;
- (d) u leludza na u konanya mveledziso ya ndīvho yapo;
- (e) u thoma na u langula u ñwalisa vhañthuvhi na vhashumi vha ndīvho yapo;
- (f) u maandafhadza zwitshavha zwapo nga kha pñunzo na mafulo a uri vhathe vha ñivhe na u kona u vhona na u shumisa ndīvho yapo kha mbuelo ya mvelele na ikonomi;
- (g) u ta ndīla dza u ñetshedza ñaisentse dza u shumisa ndīvho yapo;
- (h) u khwañhisiedza thendelano dza ñaisentse malugana na u shumisa ndīvho yapo;

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- (i) assisting indigenous communities in the negotiation of benefit sharing agreements for the use of indigenous knowledge;
- (j) facilitating the negotiation of licences between trustees and users for the use of indigenous knowledge for commercial purposes;
- (k) making recommendations to the Minister regarding norms and standards for the certification of indigenous practitioners; 5
- (l) liaising with the Department to facilitate the entering into of licence agreements with users of indigenous knowledge on behalf of an indigenous community where the relevant indigenous community cannot be identified;
- (m) ensuring that the Register of Designations is maintained and made available; 10 and
- (n) carrying out any functions that are consistent with the objects of this Act.

### **Administration of NIKSO**

**6.** (1) The Minister must appoint a suitably skilled and qualified person as the Head of NIKSO in accordance with the Public Service Act, 1994 (Proclamation No. 103 of 15 1994).

(2) The Head of NIKSO—

- (a) is responsible for the administration and general management of NIKSO, subject to directions and instructions issued by the Minister or the Director-General as delegated by the Minister; and 20
- (b) must report to the Director-General on all matters relating to the management of NIKSO.

(3) The staff of NIKSO consists of such number of employees as may be—

- (a) appointed by the Minister, in accordance with the Public Service Act, 1994; or
- (b) seconded from any organ of state, 25

as are necessary to enable NIKSO to perform its functions.

### **Establishment of Advisory Panel**

**7.** (1) The Minister may establish an Advisory Panel based on criteria as prescribed, consisting of a minimum of five, but no more than ten, members on specific matters relating to the objects of this Act. 30

(2) The Advisory Panel must be broadly representative of the—

- (a) different relevant government departments;
- (b) indigenous knowledge practitioners;
- (c) industry; and
- (d) specialists in the discipline of practice, 35

based on criteria as prescribed.

(3) The Advisory Panel may be convened by the Head of NIKSO, as and when the need arises.

(4) The members of the Advisory Panel, with the exclusion of subsection (2)(a) representatives who are subject to public service remuneration prescriptions, must only be remunerated for time spent on the business of NIKSO, in accordance with rates determined by the Minister, with the concurrence of the Minister of Finance. 40

(5) A member of the Advisory Panel holds office for a period of three years and may, upon expiry of that period, be reappointed for a further period of three years.

(6) Notwithstanding subsection (5), for the sake of continuity, the Minister may 45 reappoint a core of at least three members of the Advisory Panel, as prescribed.

(7) The Minister may, subject to the Promotion of Administrative Justice Act, 2000 (Act No. 3 of 2000), remove a member of the Advisory Panel for—

- (a) non-performance;
- (b) serious misconduct;
- (c) conduct that undermines the integrity or objective of the Advisory Panel; or
- (d) being convicted of a criminal offence and sentenced to imprisonment without the option of a fine. 50

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- (i) u thusa zwitshavha zwapo kha nyambedzano dza thendelano dza u kovhekana mbuelo musi hu tshi shumiswa ndivho yapo;
- (j) u tshimbidza nyambedzano dza laisentse vhukati ha dzithirasitii na vhashumisi vha ndivho yapo kha zwa ndivho dza vhubindudzi;
- (k) u ita themendelo kha Minis̄ta malugana na ndayo na zwitandadi zwa u fha thanziela dza vhashumi vha zwa ndivho yapo;
- (l) u kwamana na Muhasho u itela u tshimbidza zwi kwamaho u dzhena kha thendelano dza laisentse na vhashumisi vha ndivho yapo ho imelwa tshitshavha tshapo hune tshitshavha tsho teaho tshapo tsha sa qivhee;
- (m) u vhona uri Redzhis̄itara ya Madzina a vhuimo yo vhulungea nahone i a wanalea; na
- (n) u shuma mishumo miñwe na miñwe ine ya yelana na zwipikwa zwa uno Mulayo.

### Kulangele kwa NIKSO

**6.** (1) Minis̄ta u tea u thola muthu ane a fusha qhodea nahone a re na vhukoni uri a vhe ene Thoho ya Ofisi ya Lushaka ya Sisieme dza Ndivho Yapo u ya nga Mulayo wa Tshumelo ya Muvhuso wa, 1994 (Mulevho wa nomboro ya.103 wa 1994). 15

(2) Thoho ya NIKSO—

- (a) ndi vhudifhindleli kha ndaulo ya na u langa NIKSO, a tshi khou tevhedza ndaela dzi bvaho kha Mulangi-Muangaredzi kana Minis̄ta; na 20
- (b) u tea u vhiga mafhungo oþe a kwamaho u laula NIKSO kha Mulangi-Muangaredzi.

(3) Vhashumi vha NIKSO ndi tshivhalo tshenetsho—

- (a) tsho tholwaho nga Minis̄ta a tshi khou tevhedza Mulayo wa Tshumelo dza Muvhuso wa, 1994; kana 25
- (b) avho vho tou dzinginywaho uri vha tholwe vha tshi bva kha zwiñwe zwiimiswa zwa muvhuso,

hu na qhodea ya uri NIKSO i shume zwavhuði.

### U thomiwa ha Phanele ya Vhueletshedzi

**7.** (1) Minis̄ta a nga vhumba Phanele ya Vhueletshedzi a tshi khou shumisa ndila dzo ranelwaho, ine iyo phanele i ðo vha i na miraðo i si ho fhasi ha miñanu, fhedzi iyo miraðo a i nga fhir fumi, ine ya ðo lavhelesa kha mafhungo eneo a kwamaho zwipikwa zwa uno Mulayo. 30

(2) Phanele ya Vhueletshedzi nga vhuphara i imela—

- (a) mihasho ya muvhuso yo fhambanaho;
- (b) vhashumi vha zwa ndivho yapo;
- (c) ndowetshumo; na
- (d) vhaðivhi kha theroy uno mushumo,

zwo sendeka kha ndila yo ranelwaho.

(3) Phanele ya Vhueletshedzi i nga vha na muñangano yo rambiwa nga Thoho ya NIKSO, musi hu na qhodea. 40

(4) Mirado ya Phanele ya Vhueletshedzi, hu songo katelwa khethenkanyo qhukhu ya (2)(a)vhaimeleli vhane vha hola muvhusoni u ya nga thendelo ya muvhuso, vha ðo to badelwa fhedzi tshifhinga tshe vha tshi fhedza vhe kha mushumo wa NIKSO, hu tshi khou tevhedzwa mitengo yo tiwaho nga Minis̄ta o tendelana na Minis̄ta wa zwa Masheleni. 45

(5) Murado wa Phanele ya Vhueletshedzi u vha muraðo wa Phanele lwa miñwaha miraru, nahone musi tshifhinga tsho fhela tsha u vha kha ofisi, muraðo a nga dovhya a tholwa hafhu lwa miñwaha miraru.

(6) Naho hu na khethenkanyo ya (5), hu tshi itelwa uri hu vhe na u ya phanda zwavhuði, Minis̄ta a nga thola hafhu miraðo miraru ya Phanele ya Vhueletshedzi sa zwo ranelwaho. 50

(7) Minis̄ta a tshi khou tevhedza Mulayo wa *Promotion of Administrative Justice Act, 2000* (Act No. 3 of 2000), a nga pandela muraðo wa Phanele ya Vhueletshedzi zwi tshi khou itiswa nga— 55

- (a) u sa kona u shuma ha uyo muraðo;
- (b) u sa qifara zwavhuði ha uyo muraðo;
- (c) vhudifari vhune ha nyadza tshirunzi kana zwipikwa zwa Phanele ya Vhueletshedzi; kana
- (d) u wanwa mulandu wa vhutshinyi nahone muraðo uyo o gwevhelwa u dzula dzhele hu si na u tou badela ndatiso ya masheleni. 60

(8) NIKSO must provide administrative and secretarial support to the Advisory Panel.

(9) For the purpose of subsection (2)(c), “industry” means any sector of an economy dealing in the commercial use of indigenous knowledge based products and services.

### **Role of Advisory Panel**

**8. The Advisory Panel must—**

- (a) provide expert and strategic advice to NIKSO in respect of the protection, promotion, development and management of indigenous knowledge;
- (b) assist with the mobilisation of indigenous communities for purposes of pursuing specific activities conducted by NIKSO; and
- (c) advise NIKSO on any specific issue referred to it and execute any task that NIKSO may entrust to it in terms of this Act.

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## **CHAPTER 4**

### **PROTECTION OF INDIGENOUS KNOWLEDGE**

#### **Subject matter of protection**

**9. (1) This Act protects registered indigenous knowledge.**

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(2) Indigenous knowledge constitutes property of indigenous communities within the meaning of section 25 of the Constitution.

#### **Term of protection**

**10. (1) Indigenous knowledge is protected for as long as it meets the eligibility criteria set out in section 11.**

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(2) If indigenous knowledge ceases to meet the eligibility criteria set out in section 11, it falls into the public domain from the date of proven ineligibility.

#### **Eligibility criteria for protection**

**11. The protection of indigenous knowledge contemplated in section 9 applies to indigenous knowledge, which—**

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- (a) has been passed on from generation to generation within an indigenous community;
- (b) has been developed within an indigenous community; and
- (c) is associated with the cultural and social identity of that indigenous community.

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#### **Vesting of rights in indigenous knowledge**

**12. (1) Subject to section 9, the custodianship of indigenous knowledge eligible for protection vests in the trustee of that indigenous community.**

(2) The trustee of the indigenous community—

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- (a) holds the indigenous knowledge in trust on behalf of the indigenous community; and
- (b) is responsible for and accountable to the indigenous community for the protection of their rights.

(3) In the event that, and for as long as, the indigenous community of the relevant indigenous knowledge cannot be identified and designated, NIKSO must act as custodian of that indigenous knowledge, with the rights and obligations of a trustee in respect of that indigenous knowledge.

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#### **Rights conferred**

**13. (1) Subject to subsection (3), the indigenous community holding indigenous knowledge has the exclusive right to—**

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- (a) any benefits arising from its commercial use;
- (b) be acknowledged as its origin; and
- (c) limit any unauthorised use of the indigenous knowledge.

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(8) NIKSO i tea u thusa Phanele ya Vhueletshedzi nga ndaulo na vhuñwaleli.

(9) U itela ndivho ya khahekanyo ḫukhu ya (2)(c), “nṭowetshumo” zwi amba sekithara iñwe ya zwa ikonomi ine ya shumana na zwa u shumisa ha ndivho yapo kha u bindundza two sendeka kha zwibveledzwa na tshumelo.

#### Mushumo wa Phanele ya Vhueletshedzi

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**8.** Phanele ya Vhueletshedzi i tea u—

- (a) fha muñvhi na nyeletshedzo NIKSO malugana na tsireledzo, nyaluso, mveledziso na ndaulo ya sisième ya nđivho yapo;
- (b) thusa nga u vhea fhethu huthihi zwitshavha zwapo u itela uri hu shumiwe mishumo ya NIKSO; na
- (c) eletschedza NIKSO malugana na mafhungo o qiswaho na u shuma mishumo ine NIKSO ya fha Phanele u ya nga Mulayo uno.

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#### NDIMA YA 4

#### TSIRELEDZO YA NDIVHO YAPO

#### Mafhungo a therò dzine dza khou tsireledzwa

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**9.** (1) Uyu Mulayo u tsireledza nđivho yapo yo ñwaliswaho.

(2) Nđivho yapo i vhumba ndaka ine yo ambiwa kha khethekanyo ya 25 ya Ndayotewa.

#### Vhulapfu ha tshifhinga tsha u tsireledza

**10.** (1) Nđivho yapo i tsireledzwa lwa tshifhinga tsha musi i tshi kha qì fusha ḫodea 20 dza uri i tsireledzwe u ya nga khethekanyo ya 11.

(2) Arali nđivho yapo ya swika tshifhinga tshine ya vha i sa tsha fusha ḫodea dza khethekanyo ya 11, i mbo wela fhasi ha tshitshavha tshoñhe u tou bva nga quvha jine ya sa tsha fusha.

#### Nđila dzine dza shumiswa uri nđivho yapo i tsireledzwe

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**11.** U tsireledza nđivho yapo ho bulwaho kha khethekanyo ya 9 hu shumiswa kha nđivho yapo ine—

- (a) yo ratha i tshi bva kha murafho u ya kha muniwe murafho ngomu kha tshitshavha tshapo;
- (b) yo bveledziswa kha tshitshavha tshapo; na
- (c) i na vhushaka na vhuñe ha mvelele na matshilisano zwa tshitshavha tshapo.

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#### U fha pfanelo dza nđivho yapo

**12.** (1) Hu tshi khou tevhedzwa khethekanyo ya 9, vhuñhogomeli ha nđivho yapo ine ya tea u tsireledzwa vhu hweswa thirasitii wa tshitshavha tshapo tshenetsho.

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(2) Thirasitii wa tshitshavha tshapo—

- (a) o fara nđivho yapo i re kha thirasitii o imela tshitshavha tshapo; na
- (b) u na vhuñghinduleli nahone u tea u vhigela tshitshavha tshapo nga ha u tsireledzwa ha pfanelo dzavho sa tshitshavha.

(3) Kha nyimele ine muñe wa ndaka yapo a sa qivhei kana u sumbea na musi tshitshavha tshapo tsha iyo nđivho yapo tshi sa qivhei, NIKSO ndi yone ine ya ño 40 dzhiwa sa vhlondoli ha iyo nđivho yapo, na pfanelo na vhuñghinduleli ha thirasitii malugana na nđivho yapo iyo.

#### Pfanelo dzo qetshedzwaho

**13.** (1) Hu tshi tevhedzwa khethekanyo ḫukhu ya (3), muñe wa nđivho yapo u na pfanelo dzo khetheaho malugana na nđivho yapo kha—

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- (a) mbuelo dzi wanwaho musi hu tshi bindudzwa iyo nđivho;
- (b) u ambiwa na u livhuwiwa uri ndi ene muñe wa nđivho; na
- (c) u thivhela u shumiswa ha iyo nđivho yapo zwi songo tendelwa.

(2) Subject to subsection (3), a person wishing to make commercial use of indigenous knowledge must—

- (a) apply through NIKSO for a licence in accordance with section 26(1); and
- (b) when so applying, must indicate—
  - (i) the identity of the indigenous community;
  - (ii) the place of origin of the indigenous knowledge; and
  - (iii) whether prior informed consent of the indigenous community has been obtained and a benefit sharing arrangement entered into with that indigenous community.

(3) An individual member of the indigenous community holding indigenous knowledge who wishes to make commercial use of the indigenous knowledge—

- (a) must obtain permission from the indigenous community; and
- (b) may only make commercial use of that indigenous knowledge in a manner and subject to the indigenous community imposed terms and conditions as formalised in an agreement with the trustee.

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## CHAPTER 5

### RECOGNITION OF PRIOR LEARNING OF INDIGENOUS KNOWLEDGE PRACTITIONERS

#### Accreditation of assessors

**14.** (1) A certified indigenous knowledge practitioner may apply to NIKSO in the prescribed manner for recognition and accreditation as an assessor.

(2) In processing a subsection (1) application, NIKSO—

- (a) must evaluate each application in accordance with the prescribed procedures and requirements; and
- (b) may issue an accreditation certificate to act as an assessor if it is satisfied that the applicant meets the prescribed criteria.

(3) NIKSO may impose any reasonable conditions on such accreditation.

(4) NIKSO may, in the prescribed manner, cancel the accreditation of an assessor, if the assessor has—

- (a) made a false declaration or intentionally submitted a fraudulent application to NIKSO;
- (b) failed to comply with or contravened any of the conditions of the accreditation;
- (c) failed or refused to comply with the prescribed accreditation process;
- (d) accepted unlawful compensation, in respect of the certification of an indigenous knowledge practitioner;
- (e) charged excessive or unreasonable fees in respect of the certification of an indigenous knowledge practitioner;
- (f) undermined, through any act of omission, the interests of the discipline or practice for which the assessor is registered; or
- (g) been convicted of a criminal offence and sentenced to imprisonment without the option of a fine.

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(5) The Minister must prescribe accreditation procedures to be followed by registered assessors.

#### Certification of indigenous knowledge practitioners

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**15.** (1) Any person who wishes to register their qualifications as an indigenous knowledge practitioner must apply, in the prescribed manner, to NIKSO to be so certified and recorded in the Register of Designations.

(2) NIKSO may refer the application for certification to an assessor for assessment and recommendation.

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(3) In assessing the eligibility of an applicant, the assessor must apply the prescribed norms and standards for certification of indigenous knowledge practitioners.

(4) Upon completion of the assessment, if an applicant meets all the prescribed requirements, the assessor must recommend to NIKSO that a certificate of competency be issued to the applicant for purposes of certification.

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- (2) Hu tshi tevhedza khethekanyo ḥukhu ya (3), muthu ane a funa u shumisa nđivho yapo kha zwa u bindula u tea u—
- (a) ita khumbelo nga kha ya ḥaisentse kha NIKSO u ya nga khethekanyo ya 26(1); na 5
  - (b) musi khumbelo i tshi itiwa hutea u sumbedzwa—
    - (i) dzina ja/vhuṇe ha tshitshavha tshapo;
    - (ii) fhethu ha vhubvo ha iyo nđivho yapo; na
    - (iii) uri naa u tenda muthu o thoma a vhudzwa ha muṇe wa nđivho yapo ho wanala kha tshitshavha tsha nđivho yapo nahone nzudzanyo dza u kovhekana mbuelo dzo itwa na itsho tshitshavha tshapo naa. 10
- (3) Muthu wa tshitshavha tsha nđivho yapo a re na nđivho yapo ane a funa u ita vhubindudzi ha nđivho yapo—
- (a) u tea u wana themendelo u bva kha tshitshavha tshapo; nahone
  - (b) a nga ita fhedzi vhubindudzi nga iyo nđivho yapo nga nđila ine ya tevhedza milayo yo vhewaho ya tshitshavha tsha nđivho yapo sa zwe zwa tendelanwa na thirasitii. 15

## NDIMA YA 5

### U DZHIELA NTHA NDIVHO I SONGO WANWAHO TSHIKOLONI YA VHASHUMI VHA ZWA NDIVHO YAPO

#### U tendelwa ha vhaṭhaṭhuvhi

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- 14.** (1) Mushumi wa zwa nđivho ya sialala a re na ḥanziela a nga ita khumbelo ngei kha NIKSO a tshi khou tevhedza nđila yo randelwaho uri a tendelwe u vha muṭhaṭhuvhi.
- (2) Musi hu tshi khou shumiwa khumbelo ya khethekanyo ya (1), NIKSO—
- (a) i tea u sengulusa khumbelo iñwe na iñwe u ya nga maitele na ḥodea dzo randelwaho; na 25
  - (b) i nga ḥetshedza ḥanziela ya u tendela uri muhumbeli a vhe muṭhaṭhuvhi arali khumbelo yo fusha zwine zwa khou ḥodwa nga ofisi uri muhumbeli ngoho o fusha nđila dzo randelwaho.
- (3) NIKSO i nga vhea milayo i pfadzaho musi i tshi tshi fha thendelo.
- (4) NIKSO nga nđila yo randelwaho i nga fhelisa uho u tendelwa ha muṭaṭhuvhi, arali muṭhaṭhuvhi o—
- (a) bula mazwifhi kana nga khole o ḥetshedza khumbelo lwa vhufhura kha NIKSO;
  - (b) o kundelwa u anana kana o pfuka milayo i kwamaho u tendelwa;
  - (c) kundelwa kana o hana u anana na kuitele kwa u tendelwa kwo randelwaho; 35
  - (d) ḥanganedza mbañelo zwi si ho mulayoni, malugana na u fha ḥanziela ya mushumi wa nđivho yapo;
  - (e) badelisa masheleni a sa pfadzi nahone o kalulesaho malugana na u fha ḥanziela ya nđivho yapo;
  - (f) o vha na lunyadzo nga u pfuka madzangalelo a therò kana mushumo wa muṭhaṭhuvhi o ñwalisaho; kana 40
  - (g) wanwa mulandu wa vhatshinyi nahone o gwevhiwa u dzula dzhele hu si na u badela ndatiso.
- (5) Minışa a nga yandela maitela a u tendela ane a tea u tevhendza nga vhaṭha ḥuvhi vho ñwaliswaho. 45

#### Ḩanziela dla vhashumi vha zwa nđivho yapo

- 15.** (1) Muthu muñwe na muñwe ane a funa u ñwalisa ndalukano dzawe sa mushumi wa zwa nđivho yapo u tea u ita khumbelo nga nđila yo randelwaho ngei kha NIKSO uri a wane ḥanziela ya u khwaṭhisedza na u rekhodiwa kha redzhisīra ya Mushumo.
- (2) NIKSO i nga isa khumbelo uri i khwaṭhisedzwe ngei kha muṭhaṭhuvhi ane a do i ḥathuvha na u ita themendelo. 50
- (3) Musi hu tshi khou ḥaṭhuvhiwa uri muhumbeli u a fusha ḥodea naa, muṭhaṭhuvhi u tea u shumisa zwitandadi na milayo yo randelwaho musi hu tshi khwaṭhisedzwa uri muthu ndi mushumi wa zwa nđivho yapo.
- (4) Musi u ḥaṭhuvha zwe fhela, arali muhumbeli o fusha ḥodea dzothe dzo randelwaho, muṭhaṭhuvhi u tea u ita themendelo kha NIKSO uri hu ḥekedzwe ḥanziela ya vhukoni kha muhumbeli ndivho i ya u khwaṭhisedza. 55

- (5) Subject to subsection (4), NIKSO must—  
 (a) issue the certificate of competency to the applicant; and  
 (b) record the applicant as a certified indigenous knowledge practitioner in the Register of Designations.
- (6) Subject to subsection (5), no indigenous knowledge practitioner may practice for gain, unless the practitioner is registered with the relevant government department and been granted permission to practice in terms of the applicable prescribed practice standards. 5
- (7) NIKSO may, in the prescribed manner, revoke the certification of an indigenous knowledge practitioner if such practitioner has—  
 (a) made a false declaration or intentionally submitted a fraudulent application to NIKSO;  
 (b) failed or refused to comply with the prescribed certification procedures;  
 (c) failed to comply with or contravened any of the conditions set out in the certificate; 15  
 (d) undermined, through any act or omission, the interests of the discipline of practice for which the practitioner is certified;  
 (e) been convicted of a criminal offence and sentenced to imprisonment without the option of a fine; or  
 (f) voluntarily relinquished practice as an indigenous knowledge practitioner. 20
- (8) The Minister must prescribe application standards and procedures to be followed by applicants. 20

### **Register of Designations**

- 16.** (1) NIKSO must—  
 (a) keep the Register of Designations in the prescribed manner; and 25  
 (b) ensure the security of the Register of Designations.
- (2) Where information may be accessed by persons other than the indigenous community or an individual within that indigenous community, NIKSO must facilitate such access on payment of a prescribed fee.

## **CHAPTER 6**

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### **REGISTRATION OF INDIGENOUS KNOWLEDGE**

#### **Registration Office for Indigenous Knowledge**

- 17.** NIKSO must establish a Registration Office for Indigenous Knowledge.

#### **Curator of indigenous knowledge**

- 18.** (1) The Minister must appoint a suitably skilled and qualified person as the Curator of indigenous knowledge in accordance with the Public Service Act, 1994 (Proclamation No. 103 of 1994). 35  
 (2) The Curator is responsible for the control of the Registration Office, subject to the directions and instructions issued by the Minister or the Director-General as delegated by the Minister. 40  
 (3) The Curator may delegate any of the powers and entrust any of the duties assigned to him or her by this Act, to any officer within NIKSO.  
 (4) The Curator must permit the trustee to act on behalf of the indigenous community for whom he or she is a trustee, in connection with registration under this Act or any proceeding relating thereto. 45

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(5) NIKSO i tshi khou tevhedza khethekanyo ya (4) i tea—

- (a) u ɻekedza ɻhanziela ya vhukoni kha muhumbeli; na
- (b) u rekhoda muhumbeli sa mushumi wa zwa ndīvho yapo o khwathisedzwaho kha Redzhisiṭara ya Mishumo.

(6) Hu tshi khou tevhedzwa khethekanyo ya (5), a hu na mushumi wa zwa ndīvho yapo ane a a nga shuma a tshi itela malamba, nga nn̄da ha musi mushumo uyo o ɻwalisa kha muhasho wo teaho wa muvhuso nahone o fhiwa thendelo ya u shuma u ya nga zwitandadi zwe randelwaho nahone zwe teaho.

(7) NIKSO nga ndīla yo randelwaho, i nga fhelisa ɻhanziela ya mushumi wa zwa ndīvho yapo arali uyo mushumi—

- (a) o amba mazwifhi kana o ita tshiṭamnennde tsha mazwifhi kana o ita khumbelo a tshi khou shumisa vhufhura ngei kha NIKSO;
- (b) o kundelwa u tevhedza kana o hana u tevhedzela maitele o randelwaho a u khwathisedza;
- (c) o kundelwa u tevhedzela kana o pfuka milayo miñwe na miñwe yo sumbedzwaho kha ɻhanziela;
- (d) nga zwe a ita kana u pfuka a vha o nyadza madzangalelo a maitele kwao ane muhumbeli o fhelwa one ɻhanziela;
- (e) o wanwa mulandu wa vhutshinyi nahone o gwevhelwa u dzula dzhele hu si na u tou badela ndaṭiso; kana
- (f) ene muñe o ɻutshela mushumo wawe wa u shuma sa mushumi wa zwa ndīvho yapo.

(8) Minista fanela utea themendelo kha malugana na milayo na zwitandadi zwe u tendela vhashumi.

### **Redzhisiṭara ya Madzina a vhuimo**

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**16. (1) NIKSO—**

- (a) i vhulunga Redzhisiṭara ya Madzina a vhuimo nga ndīla yo randelwaho; na
- (b) i vcona uri hu vhe na tsireledzo ya Redzhisiṭara ya Madzina a vhuimo.

(2) Hune mafhungo a nga swikelelwa nga vhatheu nga nn̄da ha tshitshavha tsha ndīvho yapo kana muthu ngomu ha itsho tshitshavha tshapo, NIKSO i tea u tshimbidza uho u swikelela ho vha na u badelwa ha tshelede yo randelwaho.

### **NDIMA YA 6**

#### **U WALISWA HA NDĪVHO YAPO**

##### **Ofisi ya u walisa zwa Ndīvho Yapo**

17. NIKSO i vhumba Ofisi ya u walisa Ndīvho Yapo.

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##### **Mulondoli wa ndīvho yapo**

18. (1) Minisṭa u tea u thola muthu a re na vhukoni ho teaho nahone ane a vha na ndalukano dzone-dzone sa Mulondoli wa ndīvho yapo u ya nga Mulayo wa Tshumelo dza Muvhuso wa, 1994 (Proclamation No. 103 of 1994).

(2) Mulondoli wa ndīvho yapo u na vhuđifhinduleli ha u langa Ofisi ya u walisa a tshi khou tevhedza ndaela dzi bvaho kha Minisṭa na Mulangi-Muangaredzi o rumelwa nga Minisṭa.

(3) Mulondoli uyu a nga hwesa maandā awe muofisiri muñwe na muñwe ane a wanala kha NIKSO ane a mu themba uri a shume mishumo ye a hweswa yone nga uno Mulayo.

(4) Mulondoli u tea u tendela thirasitii uri a shume o imela tshitshavha tshapo tshire a vha thirasitii watsho malugana na u ɻwalisa nga fhasi ha uno Mulayo kana tshiñwe na tshiñwe tshi itwaho.

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### Register of indigenous knowledge

- 19.** (1) NIKSO must—  
 (a) keep a Register of Indigenous Knowledge in the prescribed manner; and  
 (b) ensure the security of the Register.
- (2) The Curator must record in respect of each item of indigenous knowledge—  
 (a) the particulars of the indigenous community from which the indigenous knowledge originates;  
 (b) whether the indigenous knowledge is functional indigenous knowledge or an indigenous cultural expression, or both;  
 (c) whether the information provided may only be shared with persons outside the indigenous community with its prior informed consent;  
 (d) whether any agreements have been entered into between an outside party and the indigenous community;  
 (e) whether the indigenous knowledge is closely related to indigenous knowledge registered by another indigenous community, and if so, details of that indigenous knowledge; and  
 (f) any such other particulars as may be prescribed.
- (3) The Register is presumed to be evidence of any matters directed or authorised by this Act to be recorded therein.

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### Registration of indigenous knowledge

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- 20.** (1) The trustee of an indigenous community may apply to the Curator in the prescribed manner for the registration of indigenous knowledge.
- (2) Subject to the provisions of this Act, the Curator may—  
 (a) approve the application;  
 (b) approve the application subject to any conditions or limitations, and register the indigenous knowledge; or  
 (c) reject the application if it does not meet the criteria set out in section 11.
- (3) The Curator must, within 30 days after the registration of the indigenous knowledge—  
 (a) issue to the applicant a certificate of registration in the prescribed form; and  
 (b) publish, in the prescribed form, a notice of registration in the Indigenous Knowledge Bulletin and any appropriate publication.
- (4) In order to exercise any right in respect of indigenous knowledge under this Act, the indigenous community must register the indigenous knowledge in terms of Chapter 6.

### Inspection of Register

- 21.** (1) Subject to the provisions of this Act, the Curator must make the Register available for inspection by the public during working hours, upon payment of the prescribed fee.

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(2) Notwithstanding subsection (1), additional documents relating to the registration of indigenous knowledge may only be made available to the public, if the person seeking access enters into a prescribed non-disclosure agreement.

(3) The Curator must, as prescribed, at the request of any person, and on payment of the prescribed fee, furnish a copy of an extract of the Register, or a copy of a certificate of registration.

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### Certificates of Curator to be *prima facie* evidence

- 22.** (1) A certificate appearing to be issued by the Curator, in respect of any record authorised by this Act, is presumed evidence of the content thereof and action authorised therein, unless proven otherwise.

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(2) In any judicial proceedings—  
 (a) printed or written copies or extracts appearing to be copies of or extracts from the Register; or

**Redzhisiṭara ya nđivho yapo****19.** (1) NIKSO i tea u—

- (a) vhulunga Redzhisiṭara ya Nđivho Yapo nga nđila yo randelwaho; na
- (b) vhona uri hu vhe na tsireledzo kha iyo Redzhisiṭara.

(2) Mulondoli u tea u rekhoda tshireñwa tshiñwe na tshiñwe tsha nđivho yapo—

- (a) zwidodombedzwa zwa tshitshavha tshapo afho hune nđivho yapo yo thoma hone;
- (b) hu nga vha nđivho i tshi shumiswa kana i nđivho ya u sumbedza mvelele, kana zwothe;
- (c) hu nga vha mafhongo o netshedzwaho a tshi nga kovhelwa-who na vhathu vha nga nnđa ha tshitshavha tshapo ho ranga ha vha na u tenda wo vhudzwa;
- (d) hu nga vha thendelano iñwe na iñwe ye ya dzenwa khayo vhukati ha vhathu vha nnđa na tshitshavha tshapo;
- (e) hu nga vha nđivho yapo i tshi tutshelana na nđvho yapo yo iñwaliswaho nga tshiñwe tshitshavha tshapo, nahone arali zwe ralo, zwidodombedzwa zwa iyo nđivho; na
- (f) zwidodombedzwa zwiñwe na zwiñwe u ya nga he zwa randelwa.

(3) Redzhisiṭara i dzhiwa hu hone vhuñanzi ha mafhongo mañwe na mañwe o laelwaho na u tendelwa nga uno Mulayo.

**U iñwaliswa ha nđivho yapo**

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**20.** (1) Thirasitii wa tshitshavha tshapo a nga ita khumbelo kha Mulondoli nga nđila yo randelwaho a tshi itela u iñwalisa nđivho yapo.

(2) Hu tshi khou tevhedza uno Mulayo, Mulondoli a nga—

- (a) tendela iyo khumbelo;
- (b) tendela khumbelo a tshi khou tevhedza milayo miñwe na miñwe kana phungudzelo , nahone a kona-ha u iñwalisa iyo nđivho yapo; kana
- (c) hanela khumbelo arali i sa fushi nđila dzo vhewaho kha khethekanyo ya 11.

(3) Hu sa athu u fhela mađuvha a 30, nga murahu ha u iñwalisa nđho yapo, Mulondoli u tea u—

- (a) ñetshedza muhumbeli ñhanziela ya u iñwalisa a tshi khou tevhedza nđila yo randelwaho; na
- (b) a nđadza nđivhadzo ya u iñwalisa Nđivho Yapo kha Gurannđa ya mafhongo na kha iñwe nyandadzo yo teaho, zwi tshi khou itwa nga nđila yo randelwaho.

(4) U itela u shumisa pfanelo zwi tshi kwama nđivho yapo nga fhasi ha uno Mulayo, tshitshavha tshapo tshi tea u iñwalisa nđivho yapo u ya nga Ndima ya 6.

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**U ingamelwa ha Redzhisiṭara****21.** (1) Hu tshi khou tevhedza mbetshelo dza uyu Mulayo, Mulondoli u tea u ita uri Redzhisiṭara i ingamelwe nga tshitshavha nga tshifhinga tsha mushumo, musi ho badelwa mbadelo yo randelwaho.

(2) naho hu na khethekanyo ñukhu ya (1), mañwe mañwalwa a kwamaho u iñwalisa nđivho yapo a nga itwa uri a wanale nga tshitshavha fhedzi arali muthu ane a khou ñođa u a swikelela a tshi ita thendelano ya u fhulufhedzisa u sa punđisa mafhungosa zwe zwa randelwaho.

(3) Mulondoli nga nđila yo randelwaho nahone ho itwa khumbelo nga muthu ufhio na ufhio nahone ho itwa mbadelo yo randelwaho u tea u fha khophi ya zwi bvaho kha Redzhisiṭara, kana khophi ya ñhanziela ya u iñwalisa.

**Ñhanziela dza Mulondoli ndi hone vhuñanzi ha prima facie****22.** (1) Ñhanziela i vhonala uno unga yo ñetshedza nga Mulondoli, malugana na rekhodo iñwe na iñwe yo tendelwaho nga uno Mulayo, i dzhiwa hu hone vhuñanzi ha zwi re ngomu na zwe itwaho zwe tendelwa, nga nnđa ha musi zwe sumbedzwa nga iñwe nđila.

(2) Kha khaļulo dzinwe na dzinwe—

- (a) khophi dzo phrinthiwaho na dzo tou iñwalwaho kana zwe zwa bviswa kha izwi zwi vhonala hu khophi dza kana zwe bviswaho kha Redzhisiṭara; kana

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- (b) any document relating to indigenous knowledge certified by the Curator of the Registration Office,

is presumed evidence of the content thereof, unless proven otherwise, and may be admitted as evidence without further proof or production of the original.

#### Register to be constructive notice

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**23.** In any proceedings regarding the rights registered in respect of indigenous knowledge, it may be presumed—

- (a) that every party to those proceedings was aware of the particulars entered in the Register from the date of the section 20(3)(b) publication; and
- (b) that any person using the indigenous knowledge did so knowing that it was registered and that it was a pre-condition of use that the person should have entered into a benefit sharing agreement before commencing use. 10

#### Amendment of Register

**24.** (1) The Curator may—

- (a) upon receiving an application from an interested person in the prescribed manner; and
- (b) after granting the indigenous community an opportunity to make representations in response to the application, amend the Register. 15

(2) The Curator must amend an entry in the Register in accordance with any finding by a court. 20

## CHAPTER 7

### COMMERCIAL UTILISATION OF INDIGENOUS KNOWLEDGE

#### Product development, commercialisation, services and processes

**25.** (1) NIKSO may, at the request of an indigenous community, provide assistance or facilitate the commercial use of its indigenous knowledge. 25

(2) NIKSO must, in respect of commercial use of indigenous knowledge—

- (a) promote partnerships for innovation and product development;
- (b) coordinate funding;
- (c) develop market strategies; and
- (d) promote commercial use of products, services, processes and the use of technology. 30

#### Access to and use of indigenous knowledge

**26.** (1) Any person who intends to use indigenous knowledge for commercial purposes must—

- (a) apply in the prescribed manner for a licence authorising the use of that indigenous knowledge; and
- (b) enter into a licence agreement with the trustee of the relevant indigenous community for the use of that indigenous knowledge,

as facilitated by NIKSO.

(2) NIKSO must consult with the trustee on the terms of the subsection (1)(b) licence agreement for the intended use and benefits payable by the licence holder. 40

(3) In the event that the indigenous knowledge, which is the subject of the licence agreement, is—

- (a) functional in nature, then any obligation on the part of the licence holder to pay a royalty expires 20 years after the date of agreement; and
- (b) an indigenous cultural expression, then any obligation on the part of the user to pay a royalty expires 50 years after the date of agreement. 45

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- (b) liñwalwa liñwe na liñwe li kwamaho ndivho yapo lo khwathisedzwaho nga Mulondoli wa Ofisiya u walisa,  
li dzhiwa hu vhuçanzi ha zwi re ngomu ha, nga nn̄da ha musi hu na tsumbo ya iñwe  
ndila, nahone li nga ḥanganedzwa sa vhuçanzi hu si na iñwe tsumbo kana u bveledzwa  
ha liñwalwa ja oridzhinaña.

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### **Redzhisiṭara i vha yone ndivhadzo**

**23.** Kha khothe ya malugana na pfanelo dzo ñwaliswaho malugana na ndivho yapo,  
zwi dzhiwa—

- (a) uri muñwe na muñwe a kwameaho kha iyo miñangano u na ndivho ya  
zwidodombedzwa two dzeniswaho kha Redzhisiṭara u bva nga datumu ya u  
anqadza khethekanyo ya 20(3)(b); na
- (b) uri muthu muñwe na muñwe ane a khou shumisa ndivho yapo o i shumisa a  
tshi khou ḥivha uri yo ñwaliswa nahone hu na milayo yo vhewaho ya uri hu  
vhe na thendelano malugana na u kovhekana mbuelo phanda ha musi ndivho  
i tshi shumiswa.

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### **U khakhulula Redzhisiṭara**

**24. (1)** Mulondoli—

- (a) musi o ḥanganedza khumbelo i bvaho kha muthu a re na dzangalelo nga ndila  
yo randelwaho; na
- (b) nga murahu ha u fha tshitshavha tshapo tshikhala tsha u sumbedza zwi  
kwamaho khumbelo, Mulondoli u do khakhulula Redzhisiṭara.

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(2) Mulondoli u tea u khakhulula two ñwalwaho kha Redzhisiṭara u ya nga mawanwa  
a khothe.

### **NDIMA YA 7**

### **U SHUMISWA HA NDIVHO YAPO SA VHUBINDUDZI**

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### **U bveledzisa tshibveledzwa, u tshi bindudza, tshumelo na maitele**

**25. (1)** NIKSO musi hu na khumbelo yo itwaho nga tshitshavha tshapo i nga thusa  
kana u tshimbida zwa u shumiswa ha ndivho yapo nga nqila i bindudzaho.

(2) NIKSO malugana na u shumisa ndivho yapo nga nqila i bindulisaho—

- (a) i tea u ḥuwedza tshumisano (vhuçama) na u bveledzisa tshibveledzwa;
- (b) u konanya ndamedzo;
- (c) u ita nqila dza u vhambadza; na
- (d) u ḥuwedza u shumisa zwibveledzwa, tshumelo, kuitele na thekhnołodzhi  
nga nqila i bindulaho.

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### **U swikeleta na u shumisa ndivho yapo**

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**26. (1)** Muthu muñwe na muñwe ane a funa u shumisa ndivho yapo nga nqila ya  
bindu u tea u—

- (a) ita khumbelo nga nqila yo randelwaho uri a wane ḥaisentse i mu tendelaho u  
shumisa iyo ndivho yapo; na
- (b) ita thendelano na thirasitii wa tshitshavha tshapo tsho teaho u itela u shumisa  
iyo ndivho yapo,

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zwi tshi khou tshimbida zwa nga NIKSO.

(2) NIKSO i tea u kwama thirasitii zwi tshi kwama khethekanyo ḥukhu ya (1)(b)  
maelana na thendelano ya ḥaisentse ya u shumisa na mbuelo dici badelwaho nga muñwa  
laissentse.

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(3) Kha nyimele ine ndivho yapo ine y a tea u tevhedza thendelano ya ḥaisentse ndi—

- (a) ya vhuçha ha saintsia kana thekhenikhaña, zwenezwo-ha mbopho iñwe na iñwe  
kha muñwa wa ḥaisentse malugana na u badela mbadelo i fhela nga murahu ha  
miñwaha ya 20 ya thendelano; nahone
- (b) ndivho i sumbedzaho zwa mvelele, mbopho ya hone kha mushumisi ane a  
badela mbadelo i do fhela nga murahu ha miñwaha ya 50 ya thendelano.

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(4) No prior informed consent for the use of indigenous knowledge is required for—

- (a) criticism or academic review;
- (b) reporting news or current events;
- (c) judicial proceedings;
- (d) any use that is incidental to the above purposes; and
- (e) in circumstances of national emergencies or natural disasters, as long as the relevant indigenous community is compensated for the use of their indigenous knowledge.

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(5) A licence holder must, subject to subsection (1), acknowledge the relevant indigenous community by mentioning them or the geographical place from which the indigenous knowledge originated.

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(6) Any person who is aggrieved by a NIKSO decision or the conditions imposed with regard to access, may within 60 working days declare a dispute and refer the matter for resolution in terms of section 27.

## CHAPTER 8

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### ENFORCEMENT OF RIGHTS

#### Dispute Resolution Committee

**27.** (1) The Minister may, subject to prescribed terms and conditions, appoint members of the Dispute Resolution Committee to resolve any dispute arising from this Act on an ad hoc basis.

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(2) In resolving a dispute, the Dispute Resolution Committee must consider customary laws which may have a bearing on the subject matter of the dispute.

(3) Any party to a matter referred to the Dispute Resolution Committee may take the matter for review to the High Court.

(4) The Dispute Resolution Committee may, as a sanction:

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- (a) issue a written warning to the licence holder;
- (b) issue a notice prohibiting the unauthorised use of indigenous knowledge by the licence holder; and
- (c) recommend to NIKSO the cancelling, suspending or revoking of the licence rights of a licence holder.

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#### Offences and penalties

**28.** Any third party who—

(a) knowingly makes commercial use of indigenous knowledge in a manner which is not in accordance with an agreement entered into with the indigenous community; and

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(b) infringes the rights of that indigenous community,

is guilty of an offence and on conviction liable to pay a fine as prescribed.

## CHAPTER 9

### GENERAL PROVISIONS

#### Transitional arrangements

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**29.** (1) Indigenous knowledge originating in a foreign jurisdiction must be given the same protection granted to indigenous knowledge originating in the Republic, if the laws of that foreign jurisdiction provide reciprocal protection to indigenous knowledge originating in the Republic.

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(2) In instances where indigenous knowledge originates in one or more indigenous communities in foreign jurisdictions and in the Republic, NIKSO must assist the relevant foreign authorities and the indigenous community of the Republic to conclude an arrangement to share equitably in the proceeds accruing to the indigenous communities in terms of that benefit sharing agreement.

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(4) A hu na u tenda muthu o thoma a qivhadzwa malugana na u shumisa nqivho yapo kha zwa—

- (a) qholo ya zwa akademi kana tsenguluso;
- (b) u vhiga mafhungo;
- (c) zwa khaqulo;
- (d) kha nqivho dza qhodisiso ya akademi hu si na u bindula; na
- (e) kha nyimele ya lushaka ya shishi kana zwiwo zwa mupo: tenda tshitshavha tshapo tsho teaho tsha badelwa malugana na uho u shumiswa ha nqivho yapo ya itsho tshitshavha.

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(5) Muthu a re na laisentse a tshi khou tevhedza khethekanyo qhukhu ya (1), u tea u livhuwa tshitshavha tshapo tsho teaho nga u bula dzina kana vhupo afho hune nqivho yapo ya bva hone.

(6) Muthu muñwe na muñwe ane a pfa o khakhelwa nga tsheo ya NIKSO kana milayo yo vhewaho malugana na uho u swikelela nqivho u tea uri hu sa athu u fhela maquvha a 60 a mushumo, a ite khanedzo na u isa iyo thaidzo uri i tandululwe u ya nga khethekanyo ya vhu 27.

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## NDIMA YA 8

### KUTEVHEDZELE KWA PFANELO

#### Komiti ya u Thasulula Phambano

**27.** (1) Minista a tshi khou tevhedza milayo yo randelwaho, a nga thola mirađo ya Komiti ya u Thasulula Phambano u itela u tandulula phambano dici itiswaho nga uyu Mulayo kha yeneyo nyimele.

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(2) Musi hu tshi tandululwa phambano, Komiti ya u Tandulula Phambano i tea u lavhelesa milayo ya mvelele ine ya nga thusa kha fhungo li kwameaho kha phambano.

(3) Muñwe na muñwe ane a kwamea kha fhungo lo iswaho kha Komiti ya u Thasulula Phambano, a nga isa ijo fhungo Khothe khulwane uri li lavheleswe.

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(4) Komiti ya u Thasulula Phambano i tshi khou ita ndađiso i nga:

- (a) qetschedza khaidzo yo tou nwalelwaho muñe wa laisentse;
- (b) qetschedza nqivhadzo ya u iledza u shumisa nqivho yapo hu si na thendelo i bvaho kha muñe wa laisentse; na
- (c) u themendela kha NIKSO uri hu fheiswe, hu imiswe kana u dzhiulula laisentse ya pfanelo kha muñe wayo.

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#### Vhutshinyi na ndađiso

**28.** (1) Muñwe muthu muñwe na muñwe ane—

(a) ane a tshi zwi qivha a shumisa nqivho yapo lwa u mu bindulisa nga nqila ine ya lwa na thendelano yo itwaho na tshitshavha tshapo; na

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(b) u pfukekanya pfano dza tshitshavha tshapo,

u na mulandu wa vhutshinyi nahone u tewa nga u wanwa mulandu a badela na ndađiso yo randelwaho.

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## NDIMA YA 9

### MBETSHELO NYANGAREDZI

#### Nzudzanyo dza tshanduko

**29.** (1) Nqivho yapo ine ya bva kha mukano wa mashangođavha i tea u tsireledzwa u tou fana na nqivho yapo yo tumbukaho fhano kha Riphabuliki, arali milayo ya ijo shangođavha ya vha na u qekana tsireledzo kha nqivho yapo yo tumbukaho fhano kha Riphabuliki.

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(2) Kha nyimele dzine nqivho yapo ya vha yo tumbuka kha tshitshavha tshapo tshithihi kana zwintshi kha mikano ya nnqa na kha Riphabuliki, NIKSO i tea u thusa maandalanga o teaho a mashangođavha na tshitshavha tshapo tsha Riphabuliki kha u vhina nzudzanyo dza u kovhekana mbuelo i linganaho hu tshi khou tevhedza thendelano ya u kovhana mbuelo.

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### **Multiple claims to indigenous knowledge**

**30.** (1) Where there are multiple claims to indigenous knowledge, any remuneration payable under a benefit sharing agreement must be apportioned equally among the trustees.

(2) Where an existing benefit sharing agreement in terms of subsection (1) does not include all the trustees of the relevant indigenous communities, the agreement must be amended accordingly. 5

### **Regulations**

**31.** (1) The Minister may make regulations regarding any matter pertaining to—

- (a) the protection, promotion, development and management of indigenous knowledge; 10
- (b) procedures for securing registration in the Register and obtaining licences to use indigenous knowledge from NIKSO;
- (c) matters which may or must be prescribed in terms of this Act; and
- (d) in general, any ancillary or incidental matter that it is necessary to prescribe 15 for the proper implementation or administration of this Act.

### **Effect on other laws**

**32.** (1) This Act does not alter or detract from any right in respect of any statute or the common law.

(2) Compliance with any procedures or requirements laid down in this Act does not 20 constitute compliance with any procedures or requirements imposed in any other Act.

### **Transitional arrangements**

**33.** (1) An indigenous community wishing to register indigenous knowledge already in existence at the time of commencement of this Act, must register such indigenous knowledge in terms of this Act. 25

(2) Any continued use of indigenous knowledge, after the commencement of this Act, must be regulated in terms of a licence agreement between the trustee of the relevant indigenous community and the potential licence holder, entered into within 12 months from the date of commencement of this Act.

### **Short title and commencement**

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**34.** This Act is called the Protection, Promotion, Development and Management of Indigenous Knowledge Act, 2019, and comes into operation on a date determined by the President by proclamation in the *Gazette*.

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**Ndivho yapo ine vhaqe vhayo ndi vhanzhi**

**30.** (1) Kha nyimele ine vhaqe vha ndivho yapo vha vha vhe vhanzhi, mbadelo iñwe na iñwe ine ya ño badelwa nga fhasi ha thendelano ya u kovhana mbuelo i ño kovhiwa u lingana ya badelwa kha dzithirasitii.

(2) Hune ha vha na thendelano ya u kovhana mbuelo u ya nga khethekanyo thukhu ya (1) i sa kateli dzithirasitii dzo teaho dza zwitshavha zwapo, thendelano i ño tea u khwiñiswa zwavhuđi. 5

**Ndangulo**

**31.** (1) Ministra a nga ita ndangulo malugana na mafhungo afhio na afhio a kwamaho— 10

- (a) tsireledzo, thuthuwedzo (*nyaluso*), mveledziso na vhulangi ha ndivho yapo;
- (b) maitele a u ñwalisa kha Redzhisitara na u wana laisentse ya u shumisa ndivho yapo kha NIKSO;
- (c) mafhungo ane a nga kana ane a tea u randelwa u ya nga uyu Mulayo; na
- (d) nga u angaredza, mafhungo maniwe na maniwe anea tea u randelwa hu tshi itelwa uri hu vhe na ndaulo yavhuđi na kushumisele kwa uno Mulayo. 15

**U kwamea ha miñwe milayo**

**32.** (1) Uyu Mulayo a u thuthi kana a u fhungudzi pfanelo dzi kwamaho mulayo u itwaho nga phalamennde kana mulayo wo ñoweleaho.

(2) U tevhedza maitele na ñhodea dza uyu Mulayo a zwi iti uri muthu a pfi u khou anana na maitele kana ñhodea dzo vhewaho nga miñwe Milayo. 20

**Nzudzanyo dza tshanduko**

**33.** (1) Tshitshavha tshapo tshinwe na tshinwe tshire tsha khou funa u ñwalisa ndivho yapo ye ya vha i hone phanđa ha u thoma u shuma ha uno Mulayo, tshi tea u ñwalisa iyo ndivho yapo u ya nga onoyu Mulayo. 25

(2) U ya phanđa ha u shumiswa ha ndivho yapo, nga murau ha u thoma u shuma ha uno Mulayo, zwi tea u langulwa u ya nga laisentse ya thendelano vhukati ha thirasitii wa tshitshavha tsho teaho na ane a ño wana laisentse, yo itwaho kha miñwedzi ya 12 u bva kha u thoma u shuma ha uno Mulayo.

**Dzina jipfufhi na u thoma u shumisa Mulayo**

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**34.** Uyu Mulayo u vhidzwa u pfi Mulayo wa Tsireledzo, Nyaluso, Mveledziso na u Langa Ndivho Yapo wa, 2019, nahone u ño thoma u shumiswa nga datumu yo tiwaho nga Phresidennde nga mulevho wa *Gazete*.

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