



REPUBLIC OF NAMIBIA
MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS AND IMMIGRATION

MEDIA RELEASE

UNCOLLECTED IDENTITY CARDS



The Ministry of Home Affairs and Immigration is continuously committed to deliver, as part of its mandate, national document to the public.

However, it is of great concern to the Ministry that a high number of the ID cards produced are not collected by the public which has resulted in a total number of **51 000** uncollected ID cards as of end of November 2019. Thousands of uncollected ID cards are stored in our regional and sub-regional offices.

It is against this background that the Ministry is humbly calling upon those who have applied for Identity documents to come and collect their IDs as per the list which has been shared with all fourteen (14) Regional Councils and Constituency Councilors.

The distribution of uncollected ID cards will commence on the 17 February and end on 6 March 2020 in all Constituency Offices. A Distribution Schedule consisting of distribution dates and distribution centers has been shared with all Regional Councils.

By law all citizens and Permanent Resident Permit Holders (PRP) must apply for Identity Cards when they turn 16 years of age, or immediately after someone's Citizenship or Permanent Resident Permit has been granted.

Your identity is your greatest asset, and you must at all-times keep your birth certificate and your ID card in a safe and secure place.