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E Cape land talks get off to a positive start

THE Eastern Cape land dialogue began on a high note with Xolile Nqatha, the Eastern Cape MEC for the Department of Rural Development and Agrarian Reform, calling for the forum to take "tangible and substantial" resolutions.

The dialogue is in collaboration with the national departments of Rural Development and Land Reform, Public Works, Co-operative Governance and Traditional Affairs and the University of Fort Hare.

Land experts, academics and traditional leaders gave presentations on different issues as part of stimulating discussions on the land issue to various stakeholders who attended the dialogue.

Academic and political analyst Somadoda Fikeni, who described the issue of land as a "sensitive" matter, said land reform should be attached to "the green revolution and thriving agriculture activities". | Staff Writer

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