Dear Valued Stakeholder,

Tshintsha Amakhaya (TA) is an alliance of NGO’s to improve livelihoods through land and agrarian transformation. In June 2013, TA organized the Mayibuye iAfrika Caravan Campaign to mark the centenary of the Native Land Act 1913 to depict the impact it has on rural life. In October 2013, as a follow up to the Caravan, Farmer Support Group (FSG) hosted a Food Sovereignty Indaba event in Bergville that provided a platform for smallholder farmers in KwaZulu-Natal to discuss and engage on food sovereignty issues such as food production, value chain and market linkage.

As a follow-up to that event, FSG will organize another Food Indaba titled “Sustainable Agriculture for Food Sovereignty” in March 2014 which will be held in Msinga Local Municipality, KwaZulu-Natal. The purpose of the event is to create a space for smallholder farmers from Bergville and Msinga to learn from each other and share challenges and solutions of issues related to food production, marketing, and climate change. The first day of the event will be cross-visiting among farmers whereby farmers from Msinga and Bergville visit selected communities in Msinga. The farmers will share practices and systems of food production. Day 2 will focus on all farmers and stakeholders meeting and synthesizing the lessons learnt and the lessons that should be taken forward.

FSG would like to invite your organization to participate in Day 2 of the event. Your attendance and participation will be highly appreciated as discussions will seek solutions that can assist to “change” the communities towards improved livelihoods. The meeting details are as follows:

Date: 12 March 2013
Time: 10:00 am
Venue: Fabeni, Msinga

We are looking forward to your attendance. Kindly RSVP by return email or call to bukelwag@ukzn.ac.za or Tel: 033 260 6275 by 3 March 2014

Thanking you in anticipation

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