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# Vehicle registry facility

## Construction of the R2.6m project in full swing near Taung

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THE construction of Khomotso vehicle registry authority near Taung is in full swing, with parts of the building already at roof level.

Work started late last year after the North West community safety and transport management department made a decision to have a vehicle registration facility in the area.

Stationed in Kgomotso village, the centre will service residents from about 20 other villages in both North West and Northern Cape.

The R2.6m project has created permanent employment opportunities for 11 people recruited from Kgomotso village in the Greater Taung local municipality.

More than 40 other unemployed people are benefitting from the project, particularly women and young people who got temporary jobs on sub-contracting basis.

The registering authority is expected to service about 5 000 vehicles.

The contractor working on the project, motorists are likely to receive vehicle registration services quicker than expected given progress registered in the ongoing construction.

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**IMPRESSED:** Community safety and transport management MEC Dr Mpho Motlhabane inspecting construction progress at the Kgomotso Registering Authority.

more than 70% complete and this means we are working ahead of schedule," the contractor said. MEC Mpho Motlhabane recently visited the area and said the progress was impressive.

He pointed out that the department would have to commit to start the second phase of the project.

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people this side end up registering their vehicles in Northern Cape because of lack of services," the MEC said.

He said motorists in the area will soon be able to have their vehicles registered close to their doorsteps.

"With this imminent completion, motorists will now enjoy government services at their doorsteps and this is service delivery at its best.

"The department will ensure the effective and efficient renewal of motor vehicle licences, registration of new vehicles, deregistration of stolen and recovered vehicles or vehicles permanently unfit

for use as well as notifications of vehicle changes in respect of vehicle particulars and re-registering of stolen and recovered vehicles," he said.

Motlhabane said the second phase of the project will include the construction of testing ground for the vehicle testing station and the satellite office for Taung law enforcement station.

The idea is to have residents in Kgomotso and surrounding villages stop travelling long distances to areas like Vryburg and Kimberly to get licences or registering their vehicles.

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# MEC Motlhabane expresses satisfaction with the construction of Kgomotso

Mahikeng Mail-Mahikeng- North West motorists living on the borders of the Province and Northern Cape are expected to receive vehicle registering services sooner than the time frame scheduled upon appointment of the contractor for the construction of the Kgomotso Registering Authority.

This follows a mammoth progress registered on the first phase of the construction at the registering authority site which is estimated at 70 percent completion already.

On his site visit, Community Safety and Transport Management MEC, Dr Mpho Motlhabane said the progress is overwhelmingly impressive as he committed to putting more pressure on the department for the second phase of the project to begin in earnest too.

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The R2.6 million construction project has created 11 permanently contracted job opportunities for the duration of the project. All of whom are recruited from Kgomotso village in the Greater Taung Local Municipality.

Over 40 unemployed people benefited from this project, particularly the women and young people who got temporary jobs on sub-contracting basis.

The Registering Authority is expected to benefit communities from more than 20 villages surrounding the Kgomotso village with an estimate of more than 5000 vehicle population.

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According to the MEC, the phase two of the project will include the construction of the testing ground for the vehicle testing station and the satellite office for Taung Law Enforcement Station.