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# MEDIA RELEASE

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### **Old and new corrupt activities to be investigated – Premier Mahumapelo**

**Marikana:** Corruption is a cancer in society and the provincial government will not turn a blind eye to any corrupt activities that took place on the province including that span a decade ago. Public entities, departments and municipalities will not be spared in the investigations and those who occupied leadership positions will be called to account.

Delivering the State of the Province Address in Marikana, a mining enclave in the Bojanala Platinum District, Premier Supra Mahumapelo said the long arm of the law will deal harshly with those found to have had their hands in the cookie jar.

Urging former and current MECs, Premiers and Heads of Department, Directors General and Chief Financial Officers to co-operate with the investigation that will be undertaken, Premier Mahumapelo said the province will do everything possible to fighting greed, crime and corruption at all fronts.

“We are happy to report that we have initiated and obtained a Presidential Proclamation in collaboration with the Special Investigative Unit (SIU) to conduct investigations in the department of Public Works and Roads regarding allegations of corruption. We welcome the emerging urgency to support the fight against greed, crime and corruption particularly in the public sector.”

“There are many families across the province with incomplete RDP houses, slabs and foundations in their yards, and no action has been taken against anyone in dealing with this matter. All of us must agree that this is unacceptable and that an urgent action is required more than ever before. We therefore urge the former and current MECs Mohono,

Maloyi, Doduvu, Maine of Department of Local Government and Human Settlement, to fully cooperate with the investigations we are commencing in this regard”, Premier Mahumapelo said.

Among the list of departments to be investigated is that of Community Safety and Transport Management, with special focus on the learner transport services, procurement of traffic uniform, traffic management licensing and all other cases of alleged theft in the Department.

He added that all State Owned Entities will also require an urgent clean-up campaign and that all former and current board members will be of great assistance in executing this important task of intensifying the fight against greed, crime and corruption.

Mahumapelo said all erstwhile Premiers will be called to assist with information regarding the decisions relating to matters such as the change of ownership of Sun-City, which he indicated is no longer under the control of government.

“We intend to investigate all shoddy and incomplete projects, which include weaknesses in governance and financial management”.

Premier Mahumapelo said he was positive that the outcome of the investigations will help to restore confidence in members of the public who always accuse government of not taking any punitive action against those implicated in stealing or misusing public monies with impunity.

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