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Human Settlements Department commits to build houses for Deelpan flood victims.

The North West Department of Human Settlements under the stewardship of the acting premier and also the departmental MEC Dumile Patrick Nono Maloyi will on Friday introduce a contractor, who will build 106 houses for the flood victims in Deelpan village in the Ngaka Modiri Molema District Municipality.

Speaking on behalf of the Department with regards to the introduction of the contractor, The Deputy Director of Human Settlement Quality Assurance, Project Management and Implementation Unit Macmillan Keboneilwe said the Department has appointed a contractor by the name Gabotloge (PTY LTD) who will be responsible for completing the project of providing houses for the flood victims.

"The appointed contractor will complete the first phase of the project which includes construction of 103 housing units in a 5 hectare land allocated by Kgosi Kogodi Molete of Bakolobeng Traditional Authority. It is envisaged that the project will be completed by March 2024," said Keboneilwe.

According to Mr Keboneilwe, the department had an initial plan of building temporary structures, but it was rejected by residents citing that they want permanent structures, so the department engaged with the Housing Development Agency (HDA) to conduct preliminary investigation and provide a Geotechnical report as to whether the allocated land is suitable for Human Settlements.

Mr Keboneilwe added that the department acknowledges that the project was delayed for a long time due to the investigations and administrative processes and would like to affirm Deelpan residents that they will soon move into their new homes.

"As the Department, we are very confident in the appointed contractor and believe that he will complete the project. Gabotloge (PTY) LTD is a very competent Construction company with a credible track record in the department for construction of low cost houses (RDPs)".



The contractor has already been introduced to the Traditional Leadership and will soon commence with the construction of the houses. The department together with the local municipality will monitor the process throughout to ensure that the contractor completes the project within the stipulated timeframe.

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