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Department to provide emergency housing to the Bona-Bona impoverished family

Bona Bona Village – The Bokone Bophirima Department of Local Government and Human Settlements is to provide emergency housing to the impoverished families of Bona-Bona village near Morokweng in Kagisano-Molopo municipality. This follows the discovery of the Kesentseng family which lives in dilapidated shack by departmental officials during the Setsokotsane Programme at Bona-Bona village in Kagisano Molopo Municipality recently.

85 year old Masa Puleng Kesengtseng is staying with her six (6) grandchildren in a shack erected with sticks after their mud house was reduced to rubble following the floods in the area last year. Currently any harsh weather condition can bring down the shack which is at the verge of collapse and is posing a serious risk to the lifes of the children.

MEC for Local Government and Human Settlements Collen Maine said: "It is unacceptable that there are still families that are living under such horrendous conditions during this day and age. This case is extreme and the family needs our intervention fast. The family will be prioritised to top the list of the emergency housing and they would have long occupied their new house by Christmas holidays" said MEC Maine.

The Setsokotsane, which has shifted focus to remote rural areas, is a provincial government service delivery programme which is spearheaded by Premier of Bokone Bophirima, Supra Obakeng Ramoetsi Mahumapelo. The programme seeks to put into practice integrated planning of service delivery programmes and activities, whilst also giving government the platform to engage with local communities and solve their problems on the spot.

The Setsokotsane programme will continue through July in the Naledi, Greater Taung and Mamusa local municipalities before moving to other districts in the province.