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### Media statement

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### Dignity restoration through housing development continues

**Ganyesa** - A noticeable difference has been effected into the lives of ordinary residents in the impoverished remote rural areas of Bokone Bophirima, who have benefitted from rural housing project in Kagisano-Molopo local municipality, thanks to the Department of Local Government and Human Settlements.

The department has spent just over R26 million in a rural and emergency housing project which translates to 200 housing units spread across 25 villages, for the previous financial year. Such villages included Khudungwane, Tlaakgameng, Ganyesa, Tseoge, and Morokweng

A further 1000 units have also been allocated for 2016/2017 in a number of villages in Kagisano-Molopo local municipality. MEC for Local Government and Human Settlements, Fenny Gaolaolwe who recently inspected the completed houses last week, said the department is on course to make sure the elderly and disabled residents get first preference.

One of the beneficiaries in the project is Rinah Molehe (64) of Khudungwane village near Ganyesa. Molehe, who has been staying with 17 family members in a two roomed dilapidated house, had nothing but praises and said, "I am very happy I don't know what to say. I really never thought that one day I will have a decent house like this one. I don't know what more to say. I'm very happy".

MEC Gaolaolwe said: "the houses that government builds for our people are really meant to restore their dignity. This is the house that anyone including myself would like to have. As government, through housing development programme, we will continue to change the lives of our people".

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