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### Media statement

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### MEC Kegakilwe hands out title deeds in Tlhabane

**Rustenburg-** True to a commitment he made during the 2019/2020 of clearing the backlog of title deeds, the MEC for Cooperative Governance, Human Settlements and Traditional Affairs, Mothibedi Kegakilwe on Monday handed over 156 title deeds to beneficiaries in Tlhabane, Rustenburg local municipality.

One of the beneficiaries, Phillip Wezi Jele from Extension 1 in Tlhabane (85) said the title deed will not only give him a peace of mind knowing his finally owns the house, but that he knows his children, albeit grown up, do not stand a chance to be evicted by anyone. "I can call myself the head of the family as age is no longer on my side, I can proudly say when my time comes, I will leave my children with a roof over their head. I know have proof that the house belongs to me and my family concluded", said Jele.

"A title deed does not only bring a sense of ownership to the home-owners but it also empowers them economically as they could use their properties as a collateral when seeking development finance. The title deeds you have just received will definitely remove all fear of possible eviction that you might But do not put yourself in a situation where you could the same property", uttered MEC Kegakilwe.

The project is intended to eradicate the backlog by transferring pre-1994 NWHC properties into the names of the beneficiaries. In the recent budget speech, MEC Kegakilwe said clearing the title deeds backlog will also eliminate the illegal and unregulated sale of government-subsidised houses and those owned by the North West Housing Corporation (NWHC).

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