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Department forms partnership to provide integrated and sustainable human settlements

The Department of Local Government and Human Settlements in Bokone Bophirima, in its endeavour to accelerate the delivery of housing opportunities to qualifying beneficiaries, has formed partnership with various stakeholders in the housing sector. This partnership was cemented last week Friday during the Human Settlements Indaba in Rustenburg, through the signing of a social contract for sustainable integrated human settlements.

Stakeholders that signed the contract, included, the traditional leadership, the South African Local Government Association (SALGA), North West University, private sector, developers and contractors, mining sector, building material manufactures and suppliers, banking sector and civil society organisations.

The signatories of the social contract jointly undertook to work together with the provincial government for the delivery of 1.5 million housing opportunities as well as to deal with blocked projects, eradicate the backlog of title deeds for pre and post 1994 housing stock.

The MEC for Local Government and Human Settlements, Galaletsang Gaolaolwe said her Department has adopted five pillars i.e Agriculture, Culture, Tourism (ACT), Villages, Townships and Small Dorpies (VTSD), Reconciliation, Healing and Renewal (RHR) Setsokotsane (comprehensive & integrated service delivery campaign) and Saamwerk-Saamtrek (call for unity of purpose above race divisions), to accelerate integrated human settlements and will prioritize the provision of human settlement to senior citizen, people with disabilities and child-headed households as a special focus.

“The delivery of sustainable human settlements can be achieved by bringing all the stakeholders together in the rapid provision of decent and dignified human settlements to move the province forward through the *saam-trek, saam-werk* philosophy”, she said.

The Department will on a continuous basis, meet with all the signatories will assess the implementation of the contents of the contract.

PICTURES

PIC 1: Mayor of Ditsobotla Local Municipality Cllr Daniel Buthelezi, Mayor of Ramotshere Moiloa Kereng Mothoagae; MEC for Local Government and Human Settlements Galaletsang Gaolaolwe; Executive Mayor of Bojanala Platinum District Mokati Thebe and Executive Mayor of NW 405 Kgotso Khumalo.

PIC 2: MEC for Local Government and Human Settlements Galaletsang Gaolaolwe together with Mayors, Housing Developers and other signatories of the Social Contract

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