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EXPANDED PUBLIC WORKS PROGRAMME



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**ESTEEMED GUESTS; LADIES AND  
GENTLEMEN;**

This year marks the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of democratic governance. Over the last 20 years we traversed an arduous journey as we seek to build a democratic State based on justice, freedom and equality.

Befittingly as we celebrate this milestone, as we table the 2014/15 budget of the Department of Public Works and Roads and with a sense of reflection on the journey thus far travelled, a story

on the inheritance of the apartheid legacy, injustice, oppression and inequality was untold by many strides that we have made since the dawn of the democratic sun on the 27 April 1994.

The period after the 7 May 2014 national and provincial election heralded and ushered a new era of change.

The winds of innovation and a brighter vision for the future blew, bringing sweeping changes where change in itself became inevitable as we heeded the clarion calls of our communities for the acceleration of change for the better.

This change Honourable Speaker witnessed a bold move and represented a paradigm policy and legislative shift in the configuration of the various government departments.

It is a period of the 2<sup>nd</sup> phase of our transition which the governing party, the African National Congress, as we befittingly celebrate 20 years of democratic governance correctly characterized and defined as a period of accelerated change and qualitative service delivery.

This we do as we strive to build a national democratic society with jobs and poverty eradication at the apex of our developmental agenda and vision.



This change gave birth to the Department of Public Works and Roads as the Premier expressed in the State of The Province Address, that this reconfiguration is directed at enhancing focus, delivery and accountability.

The budget we are tabling here today Honourable Speaker is a reflection of the positive interventions of the democratic State towards addressing the triple challenges of poverty, unemployment and inequality.

As we take South Africa forward and in our context the Province in particular, we define this budget as a budget in motion as it has the vision and capacity to contribute to economic development and job creation and enhancing economic investment through infrastructure development.

At the heart of our transformation of society for the better resides the National Development Plan which is an expression of a solid and yet realistic plan in meeting and driving the key priorities of developmental State.

This budget tells a good story of endeavours throughout the 20 years of democracy in striving to close the unemployment gap and to equip our people, especially women, youth and people with disabilities with requisite skills to meet the

demands of a complex and growing economy.

This budget finds its expression in our commitment to take South Africa forward and elevate the Province as a centre of excellence and quality, responsive to the needs of a developmental State.

At the heart of this budget is our collective strive to make meaningful and tangible contribution to job creation and poverty eradication by forging strategic partnerships with civil society, traditional leaders and the private sector.

By its nature, character and orientation the Department of Public Works and Roads' primary focus hinges on its infrastructure development mandate with special emphasis on infrastructure development as key driver for job creation. The reorientation of the core business department through the reconfiguration process as job creation driver calls for its investment in infrastructure to ensure quality value for money and a pride of excellence.

Through these sweeping changes, this department Honourable Speaker, as a predecessor to the Department of Public Works and Roads and Transport, is now known as the **Department of Public Works and Roads.**



## DEPARTMENTAL PERFORMANCE REVIEW

The Annual Performance Plan for 2014/15 sets out the performance indicators and targets for our five budget programmes to facilitate the realization of the Department's goal and objectives as outlined in the Strategic Plan 2010/14.

The focus of the Annual Performance Plan as well as of the MTEF budget allocations for 2014/15 will remain that of providing and managing the infrastructure required in terms of roads and building/office accommodation, ensuring accessibility of state-owned buildings and coordination of the Expanded Public Works Programme (EPWP) with the intended outcome of promoting sustainable economic growth and poverty eradication through the creation of sustainable job opportunities and skills development.

We have made substantial progress in addressing the concerns that emanated from the Auditor General's Reports for the past three years.

Key to this process is the Immovable Asset Enhancement Register Project which was initiated in May 2013/14. The Department is intending to migrate its Excel-based Immovable

Asset Register to the iE-Works Immovable Asset Register.

We have also improved in processes of paying utility services (water & electricity) and payment of rates and taxes on state-owned provincial properties. These efforts continue to enhance the revenue base of Municipalities. A system to track down invoices from suppliers through the payment value chain has also contributed to decreasing turn around time on payments.

In terms of infrastructure project planning, design and implementation the department has also improved from failing to put projects on site and completing them to having a portfolio of more than 20 projects under construction in the roads and buildings sectors respectfully.

As the lead coordinator of the Expanded Public Works Programme the department has given support and worked together with Municipalities, other provincial department's and the non-state sector to create 191 922 job opportunities during the first and the second phase.





The lack of capacity in critical technical positions such as engineers, artisans, architects and quantity surveyors have impacted negatively in the past on the Department's ability to undertake and manage construction and maintenance functions. In conjunction with Provincial Treasury and the Department of Public Service and Administration a process of addressing this challenge has already started.

There has been improvement in the reduction of litigation cases against the Department and this was as a result of bringing required capacity in the legal unit.

### **TURNAROUND STRATEGY**

The Department developed a Turn-Around Strategy geared towards clean governance and strict internal control systems and improved performance. Whilst the Department has been dogged by disclaimers for the past years, we are proud of the interventions and strides made by the department through the Turn-Around Strategy.

I wish to proudly announce that the department has moved from a disclaimer to a qualified audit opinion. This is a drastic departure from lack of internal control measures towards efficiency and effectiveness. We are also proud Madam Speaker,

that in the last financial year we recorded 98% expenditure as compared to the previous years of under-spending, which accounted for poor delivery and severely dented the image of the provincial government.

The major hurdles towards clean audit are internal control problems originating from the previous years. We are working tirelessly to address those.

### **ADMINISTRATION**

At the heart of our existence is a human resource capital with requisite skills and capacity to drive the strategic vision of the department in order to fast-track service delivery imperatives.

We cannot Honourable Speaker at this critical phase of the second transition tolerate a business-as-usual approach. We shall remain intolerant to paper-pushers, corrupt elements in our midst as greed and theft of State resources erodes stakeholder confidence in the State's ability to discharge of its mandate.

At the same time, with business in our midst in this Honourable house we plead with business not to be a partner which is in cahoots with civil servants to deplete the national purse.



Over the past year, as a demonstration of our commitment to fight greed and corruption, we have dismissed senior managers whose acts are inconsistent with our vision for a better future. Our fight against corruption has been fierce and uncompromising, rooting out elements which act contrary to our quest for clean governance.

The Department is involved in litigation with various service providers and we are hopeful that these matters will be speedily resolved by the courts and through other alternative dispute resolution measures open to us.

We are proud to announce that the Department had saved millions of rands in loss of damages in claims which could not be substantiated. Some of these claims are a subject of investigation by the Directorate for Priority Crime Investigation, "The Hawks."

We will continue to improve our supply chain management systems and strengthen our contract management systems in order to curb corruption and further reduce instances of litigation.

In line with the Premier's commitment, our buzzword shall be nothing else but IMPLEMENTATION, IMPLEMENTATION AND IMPLEMENTATION until the strategic import that

underpins our existence is accomplished to the fullest with no stain of fraud and corruption.

With the reconfiguration of the department and with a more focused approach to infrastructure development, our emphasis will be on training and capacity with specific emphasis on a workforce that understands the priorities and developmental trajectory of the developmental State.

The Honourable Premier in his State of the Province Address delivered in June 2014 stated that "Our success in driving an accelerated programme of economic growth and job creation requires the existence of requisite institutional capacity".

Indeed, the lack of capacity in critical technical positions such as engineers, artisans, architects and quantity surveyors have impacted negatively on the Department's ability to undertake and manage construction and maintenance functions.

In conjunction with Provincial Treasury, National Treasury and the Department of Public Service and Administration a process of direct sourcing of professionals with the requisite skills and experience was initiated in 2013/14.



These processes will reach fruition in 2014/15 financial year by filling of critical vacancies in this category. This will positively contribute to the Department's delivery of quality services in that reliance on external service providers will be reduced; projects can be adequately planned, implemented and monitored.

The Department will be able to be more responsive to the needs of its client Departments which is a key success factor in the re-claiming of our mandate.

Honourable Speaker and members, in ensuring a people centred government based on accountability and transparency, we have designated two positions of Deputy Chief Information Officers in line with the Promotion of Access to Information Act. This will ensure free flow of information to members of the community for greater transparency and as part of deepening democracy.

In building on capacity, we have filled the positions of the Chief Financial Officer and Director Supply Chain Management.

As I stand before you today Honourable Speaker, I am proud to announce that the vacancy rate of the department has been narrowed, standing at 8% at all levels of the institution and as indicated

earlier we have reached the 50-50 gender parity at senior manager level.

## **PROVISION OF INFRASTRUCTURE AS A CONTRIBUTION TO BUILDING AN ECONOMY THAT CREATES JOBS**

### **PUBLIC WORKS INFRASTRUCTURE PROGRAMME**

Honourable Speaker under the building infrastructure program we would like to highlight major projects under implementation:

- ⊙ Tlhabane Community Health Care
- ⊙ Itsoseng new sub-district office.
- ⊙ Bophelong Special, Malebogo Primary and MM Sebitloane Special Schools.
- ⊙ Extension Legislature phase 2
- ⊙ DPWRT Head Office building Extension (Phase 2)

Under planning and design we would like to highlight the following major projects:

- ⊙ Mini Garona Rustenburg
- ⊙ Garona Office space phase 3
- ⊙ DPSSL New Head Office



### **MAFIKENG AIRPORT**

Our development strategy and revitalization of Mafikeng as an economic epicentre and closer proximity to Botswana is a strategic vehicle for economic stimulation through tourism, goods and services. This would alleviate the burden on our roads and serve as a corridor for the transportation of goods and services, thus contributing the Province's Growth Domestic Product.

The airport received a facelift in the amount of R40 million for the development of the runway, lighting systems in the last financial year.

### **PILANESBURG AIRPORT**

Pilanesburg Airport is a gateway to the beauty of Bojanala and the entire province. The airport shall serve as a commercial airport, attracting tourists and the private sector to the province.

Its closer proximity to the pride of North-West, Sun City, Pilanesberg, the fauna and flora of the province and other tourist attractions, including business development ventures will see massive investment in the field of aviation. Together through these airports, sustainable jobs and training in fields of aviation will be achieved.

### **GOVERNMENT PRECINCT**

A project manager has been appointed for the establishment of a government precinct which will seamlessly and centrally coordinate the activities of the provincial government. An amount of R30 million has been set aside for this purpose. This is in line with our program to change the face of the provincial capital and to minimize and save funds on leases.

### **ENTERPRISE DEVELOPMENT HOUSE**

We shall fast-track the construction of the Enterprise Development House as part of enterprise and small business development strategy.

The Premier's house will be converted into a guest house to put greater use to facilities and to maximally utilize available State property for good cause.





## WAR ON POVERTY

The Department is installing 500 toilets in the area of Taung as part of War on Poverty. Solar Streets lights will be installed as part of the program. More funding will be sourced in order to spread these to other depressed areas.

We have adopted four schools in each district. This will result in their rehabilitation provision of sanitation, water and decent classrooms as a way to restore the dignity of learners and teachers to create an environment conducive for learning where each learner can unleash her/his full potential.

Career guidance will be provided to train learners in the fields of engineering, architecture, landscaping and other related fields and to serve their internships with the department.

## PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT BUILDING FACILITIES AND LAND MANAGEMENT GOVERNMENT IMMOVABLE REGISTER

The Department's immovable asset register is being aligned with the Minimum Requirements in order to comply with audit queries as raised by the Auditor-General.

Our current systems have been interfaced to

ensure proper and efficient management of property lease, payment of utility services and payment of rates and taxes.

To date the department's asset register has the following:

- ⊙ 4 228 land parcels;
- ⊙ 11 483 non-residential buildings; and
- ⊙ 2 247 residential buildings

The Department has since 2010 to date complied with GIAMA and the User Asset Management and infrastructure Programme Management Plans for immovable infrastructure budget allocation for maintenance and capital works in order to improve service delivery.

In the period between 2009 and 2012 a pilot condition assessment was done through the assessment of 2 330 state owned properties.

805 of these are educational facilities.

A total number of 1000 properties will be assessed in 2014/15 financial year with specific focus on health facilities.



## OBERON

The department has successfully executed the mandate of the Executive Council for the transfer of Oberon back to the North-West Provincial Government.

Oberon is a jewel of the North-Province whose potential augers well for economic development through tourism. We are engaging with the Department of Tourism for the takeover and management of the Eagle Waters Resort.

As an interim measure we will appoint a service provider for the management of the resort for a period of six months to ensure the full functioning of the resort, its security and maintenance.

We have instituted civil proceedings to recoup R110 million against those who irregularly and fraudulently sold Oberon contrary to the advice of the then Tender Board.

## MMABATHO CONVENTION CENTRE

Mmabatho Convention Centre is a State asset that was outsourced to the detriment of the State and the people of the province. The situation has become untenable with rampant and flagrant disregard of the labour laws of the Republic,

abuse of workers who earn paltry wages, dilapidation and neglect of the property.

The situation calls for the termination of our relationship with Celsius Hospitality Services for the management of the facility. We have instructed our attorneys to terminate the contract. Celsius has been informed to vacate the premises as a matter of urgency.

The department will utilise some of these facilities to maximise revenue over the MTEF period through the following:

- ⦿ Continue with the disposal of all old redundant State houses and other obsolete items through auctions using internal capacity. It is also expected that the auction contract will be approved before the end of the 2014/15 financial year.
- ⦿ Market related tariffs will be fully implemented to the commercial properties' occupants after approval of the revised rates by the Legislature through the Department of Finance.



- ⊙ The Department has already engaged its legal team to institute legal action against all Government properties rent defaulters in order to recover outstanding debts.
- ⊙ There are other plans such as parking fees that the Department is working on to introduce as additional sources of revenue.

## ROAD INFRASTRUCTURE PROGRAMME

Honourable Speaker, we are proud to announce that we will complete and handover 35 projects during this financial year. Seventeen of these are Capex projects and eighteen are fogspray and reseal (maintenance).

The following projects will be under construction in this financial year:

- ⊙ 1 Bridge
- ⊙ 1 Weigh bridge
- ⊙ 3 Rehabilitation
- ⊙ 6 Upgrading

In addition the Department is currently working towards the rehabilitation of the Khunotswane Road which was severely battered by storms. We will also work with Ramotshere Moiloa Local

Municipality to construct a road in Gopane village.

We are proud to announce at least one (1) road will be built in each of municipality as a minimum. Honourable Speaker road construction, like any other development involves consultative, planning, design and budgetary processes. We have gone to the length and breadth of the province to consult communities through the Road Summits.

We are proud Honourable Speaker to announce that we have designed a comprehensive road maintenance programme to address the state poor of roads in order to restore the pride of the province as a destination for investment and tourism.

In achieving this we have appointed contractors for a period of 3 years to maintain our roads on a regular basis and to monitor any defects on our roads to ensure the safety of the road users.

This programme will immensely contribute to job creation and poverty eradication. It is also in line with the Minister of Transport, Hon Dipou Peters' pronouncement that 40% of the provincial roads maintenance grant should be utilised for the maintenance of roads with SMME's, women and youth owned construction companies actively participating.



This approach is already bearing fruits with visible progress registered in Mahikeng in addressing the potholes problems that have bedevilled our seat of government for years. This is our humble contribution to the programme of beautifying Mahikeng and other towns as part of the Setsokotsane Programme.

Honourable Speaker I will be failing as a public representative if I don't contextualise community participation in the delivery of the roads infrastructure programme. As a department we continue to interact with communities and leadership at different levels in the planning, design, and implementation of roads as a necessary feature of our democracy.

But this is undermined by public protests that border on trampling on other community members' rights to service delivery. We cannot allow a situation where community demand a road overnight without all these processes being complied with. We cannot allow the destruction of State of property, intimidation of workers, stoning of motorists and children being used as pawns in an unreasonable demand for a road.

This is against the grain of "Saamwerk and Saamtrek" and "Opening the Doors of Learning and Culture" as articulated in the Freedom Charter and these acts are inimical to

constructive engagement and dialogue in a bid to resolve problems. This is an injustice to the welfare and education of our children.

Any person Honourable Speaker, found to be involved in these destructive acts should face the full might of the law.

## **ROAD AGENCY**

Consultation and work has begun on the establishment of the Road Agency as an alternative model of infrastructure delivery that will provide space for the province to attract investment into roads construction. The Provincial Road Bill is being reworked in order to provide a legislative base for establishment of the agency.

For optimal service delivery and to address potholes and the roads development backlog, the department has designed a plan that will culminate in a public-private-partnership as directed by the Executive Council of the Provincial Government.





## EXPANDED PUBLIC WORKS PROGRAMME (EPWP)

The Expanded Public Works Programme remains a necessary intervention in providing our people with skills relevant to the labour market and also fighting poverty.

However this programme still has not addressed the following challenges:

- ⊙ Creating sustainable full time equivalent jobs;
- ⊙ Providing a firm basis for beneficiaries to exit to sustainable self-employment programme or permanent jobs; and
- ⊙ Providing skills development training that lays a basis for further studying and graduation into a well defined career path.

The above mentioned challenges characterized the first and second phase of EPWP. As we launch the third phase we will outline practical ways of addressing these challenges. This will include defining a clear exit pipeline into small and medium enterprises, cooperatives and sustainable employment.

The programme to maintain public facilities including roads should be utilized to achieve this objective. In line with this approach every

municipality in the province will benefit from a project to upgrade internal roads from gravel to paving. These roads will be worked on by EPWP graduates utilising the skills they would have learnt during their enrolment in the programme.

This is in line with de-tenderisation of service delivery and making sure that our people participate in improving their living conditions. The third phase of Expanded Public Works Programme will also entail the following action plans:

- ⊙ Implementation of 90 departmental EPWP/National Youth Service projects;
- ⊙ Creation of 40 154 work opportunities throughout the province from both provincial and local spheres of government with province expected to create 26 282 work opportunities from social, environment and infrastructure sectors projects and municipalities contributing 13 872 from social, environment and culture and infrastructure sectors projects.
- ⊙ 2000 beneficiaries will be trained on infrastructure related skills programmes, learnerships and apprenticeships;
- ⊙ Targeted vulnerable groups are expected to benefit as follows:-
  - ⊙ Youth 55 percent;
  - ⊙ Women 55 percent
  - ⊙ People with disabilities 2 percent.



We will also continue training and on-going support will be provided to Local and District Municipalities.

Expanded Public Works Programme remains a potent weapon in our fight against poverty and unemployment. This noble cause ensures that skills provision remains one of its pillars for the absorption of the EPWP beneficiaries in the mainstream economy as active role players rather than recipients of stipends.

The paradigm shift in our rebranding, repositioning and renewal interventions is to drastically depart from an EPWP which is perceived to be permanent and paying slave wages but a one that imparts much needed skills to our communities to build sustainable livelihoods, to contribute towards job creation and poverty eradication.

At one point and that point is now Honourable Speaker, the Expanded Public Works Program should be attractive not on the basis of opportunities for stipends but provision of quality skills inherent for job creation.

## **CONTRACTOR DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME**

The Department of Public Works and Roads is

implementing the Vuk'uphile Contractor Development/Incubation Programme in partnership with the National Department of Public Works with the intention to develop 120 contractors (levels 1-4 of CIDB) owned by documented previously disadvantaged individuals/residents of the North West Province for a period of 3 years.

The programme intends to meet the following goals for the designated groups:-

- ⊙ Women – 50 percent;
- ⊙ Youth – 50 percent;
- ⊙ People Living with Disabilities – 02 percent.

These contractors will be awarded construction contracts that cover road construction and road maintenance, landscaping, air-conditioning installation and maintenance, buildings construction and maintenance, road markings as well as signage and social and public infrastructure projects.

The Vuk'uphile Learnership/incubation Programme is intended to develop emerging contractors into fully-fledged contractors with the capacity to execute labour-intensive projects.



The emphasis of the programme is to develop administrative, technical, contractual, managerial and entrepreneurial skills of the learners within a Learner Contracting Company.

## PARTNERSHIPS AND FLAGSHIP PROJECTS

The department will facilitate the following Memorandums of Understanding on behalf of the province to be presided over by the Premier in different aspects of infrastructure implementation:

- ⊙ Memorandum of Understanding with Bakgatla-Ba-Kgafela, Moses Kotane Local Municipality for the construction of a new and first mega city since 1994. It is a partnership that will yield the construction of a government complex accommodating all government services under one roof to serve as a one-stop centre to ensure greater accessibility of government services;

The Department will construct the Molatelo Road which will be a linkage between South Africa and Botswana;

- ⊙ A Memorandum of Understanding between mining houses as represented by Lonmin, Tharisa, Kudu Granite and Red Granite mines, the Rustenburg

Local Municipality, the Bojanala District Municipality and Bakwena-Ba-Mogopa for the upgrading of road D1325 between Tlapa and Renkelenyana Villages;

- ⊙ A Memorandum of Understanding between the Limpopo Provincial Government and Pretoria Portland Cement (PPC) for the upgrading of a road between Kuduspoort and Northam;
- ⊙ A Memorandum of Understanding between the department and Sephaku mine for road construction; and
- ⊙ A Memorandum of Understanding with Services SETA, Security Services SETA and Local Government SETA on apprenticeship, skills training and learnerships.

## FLAGSHIP PROJECTS

Honourable Speaker as we continue to move the province forward we are proud to announce the following flagship projects:



## 1. Brick making projects

- ⊙ The establishment of brick making plants for the purposes of construction of access roads under the Vuk'phile Programme. Local manufacturers will be major beneficiaries of our road construction projects;
- ⊙ There is an existing brick making plant in Moretele and two (2) in Mogalakweng;
- ⊙ The establishment of a plant in Taung is currently underway as part of the War on Poverty Program;
- ⊙ There is an existing plant in Mahikeng which will be rehabilitated for the production of paving blocks; and
- ⊙ Two brick making plants will be established in Ventersdorp and Bloemhof will commence within the current financial year.

2. Lowe complex will be converted into a precinct to coordinate and maximize services;

3. Provision of facilities for the establishment of fully accredited Ikatisong Youth Development and Training Centres in line with the Premier's vision;

## CONCLUSION

The manifesto of the ruling party, the African National Congress (ANC) asserts that an ANC led government will take bold and decisive steps to place the economy on a qualitatively different path. For the Department of Public Works and Roads the following expectations arose:

- ⊙ Promotion of local procurement with at least 75% of goods and services from South African producers and in the main SMMEs, cooperatives and BBBEE.
- ⊙ Acceleration of the roll out of massive economic and social infrastructure to unlock economic opportunities, create jobs and improve people's quality of life.
- ⊙ Empower, educate and create jobs for youth through job placement and internships whereas allocating 60% of employment in infrastructure and other projects for youth and promoting youth employment and training incentives.





- ⊙ Consolidate the public works programme, creating six million work opportunities by 2019. Many of which will be of long term.

Honourable speaker the department will continue to be guided by the above mentioned priorities as it continues to discharge its mandate in the coming five years.

Throughout this daunting journey yet imbued with determination for prosperity and hope, our stakeholders remained an important pillar as we explored the path towards a better life, guided by the principles that underpin the National Development Plan.

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These principles amongst others elevate our people to the apex of our transformation agenda and regard them as primary beneficiaries of change, development and socio-economic transformation through a collective and consultative approach that is people-centred and people-driven in our quest for building a national democratic society founded upon the pillars of consultation and inclusivity.

Our gratitude goes to:

**The Premier's** political leadership, guidance and support;

**The Portfolio Committee of the Legislature** for creating capacity and leadership towards accelerated and qualitative service delivery;

**Public Accounts Committee of the Legislature** for providing oversight on accountability and transparency;

**Provincial Internal Audit of the Treasury** for institutional capacity, internal controls and legislative compliance;

**The Auditor-General of South Africa** for enhancement of institutional efficiency as we strive for clean governance and clean audit; and

**The Public Service Commission** for organizational efficiency, effectiveness, human resource development and capacity building, the fight against fraud and corruption.

As I table this budget, I wish to express our gratitude to all our predecessors for laying a solid foundation for change and development.

My profound appreciation of the employees of the department across all levels of as led by the Head of Department and unions as representatives of workers. We commit to consistently improve our relations with unions as recognised representatives of workers.



We will also continue to improve internal relations with our workers as we believe that this will contribute to building their morale

We wish to thank and acknowledge all service providers who provided quality services to the department in furtherance of its mandate.

As I table this budget, let me first indicate the reprioritization that characterises our budget.

The Department has reclassified an amount of R300 million in 2014/15 financial year (this amount was meant to finance the purchase of an office); of which an amount of R30 million has been prioritized for Government Complex and R20 million for Brick Making project;

An amount of R15 million has been prioritized for Asset Management, and reclassified under Administration from Public Works Infrastructure. Of the abovementioned an amount of R235 million has been reclassified under Community Based Programme from Public Works Infrastructure.

Amounts of R2.9 million in 2014/15, R3.1 million in 2015/16 and R3.3 million in 2016/17 financial years have been reclassified within the Transport Infrastructure Programme.

The reclassification was due to the grouping of all officials under Transport Infrastructure that are located at Head Office into the Sub-Programme: Programme Support.

Honourable Speaker I hereby present to you the Department of Public Works and Roads budget as follows:

2014/15 BUDGET SUMMARY			
PROGRAMME	2014/15 R'000	2015/16 R'000	2016/17 R'000
Administration	210 434	217 532	233 599
Public Works Infrastructure	975 084	1 090 292	1 173 408
Transport Infrastructure	1 200 396	1 276 603	1 359 759
Community Based Programme	415 095	106 649	112 508
<b>Total Programme</b>	<b>2 801 009</b>	<b>2 691 076</b>	<b>2 879 274</b>

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THANK YOU AND BAIE DANKIE

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“Our freedom is incomplete without the freedom of the Palestinians”



### **This day, "20 August in political significance"**

The South African anti-apartheid umbrella organization, United Democratic Front (UDF) was launched at Rocklands Community Centre in Mitchell's Plain in Cape Town on 20 August 1983.

Its inception was inspired by the union of anti-apartheid organizations in opposing the Tricameral Constitution about to be introduced by the Apartheid Government.

The launch date was chosen deliberately to coincide with the date the government had initially chosen to introduce the Tricameral Constitution. The constitution was intended to give little recognition to Indians and Coloureds and none to Blacks.

Fifteen thousand people defied threats by the apartheid government and attended the national launch. Rev Frank Chikane, who was the first major speaker was shot during the launch but survived. He called the day "a turning point in the struggle for freedom".

With the unbanning of the ANC and the dismantling of apartheid, the UDF had lost its function. It was therefore disbanded on 20 August 1991.

**THOMAS SANKARA, "ON EMANCIPATION OF WOMEN":**

The revolution cannot triumph without the emancipation of women speech, which he held to a rally of several thousand women in Ouagadougou, the capital city of Burkina Faso, commemorating International Women's Day on March 8, 1987.

*This inequality was produced by our own minds and intelligence in order to develop a concrete form of domination and exploitation. The social function and role to which women have been relegated ever since...*

Posing the question of women in Burkinabè society today means posing the abolition of the system of slavery to which they have been subjected for millennia.

The first step is to try to understand how this system works, to grasp its real nature in all its subtlety, in order then to work out a line of action that can lead to women's total emancipation.

In other words, in order to win this battle that men and women have in common, we must be familiar with all aspects of the woman question on a world scale and here in Burkina.

We must understand how the struggle of the Burkinabè woman is part of a worldwide struggle of all women and, beyond that, part of the struggle for the full rehabilitation of our continent. Thus,

women's emancipation is at the heart of the question of humanity itself, here and everywhere. The question is thus universal in character.

Women's fate is bound up with that of an exploited male. However, this solidarity must not blind us in looking at the specific situation faced by womenfolk in our society.

It is true that the woman worker and simple man are exploited economically, but the worker wife is also condemned further to silence by her worker husband.

This is the same method used by men to dominate other men! The idea was crafted that certain men, by virtue of their family origin and birth, or by 'divine rights', were superior to others.

From the first beginnings of human history, man's mastering of nature has never been accomplished with his bare hands alone. The hand with the opposable thumb reaches out for the tool, which increases the hand's power.

It was thus not physical attributes alone—musculature or the capacity to give birth, for example—that determined the unequal status of men and women. Nor was it technological progress as such that institutionalized this inequality.

In certain cases, in certain parts of the globe, women were able to eliminate the physical difference that separated them from men. It was rather the transition from one form of society to another that served to institutionalize women's inequality.

This inequality was produced by our own minds and intelligence in order to develop a concrete form of domination and exploitation. The social function and role to which women have been relegated ever since is a living reflection of this fact.

Today, her childbearing functions and the social obligation to conform to models of elegance determined by men prevent any woman who might want to from developing a so-called male musculature.

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So it was for eight millennia! As Frederick Engels explained to us, relations were based on collaboration and interaction, in contrast to the patriarchy, where women's exclusion was a generalized characteristic of the epoch.

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Engels not only traced the evolution of technology but also of the historic enslavement of women, which occurred with the appearance of private property, when one mode of production gave way to another, and when one form of social organization replaced another....

Humankind first knew slavery with the advent of private property. Man, master of his slaves and of the land, became in addition the woman's master.

This was the historic defeat of the female sex. It came about with the upheaval in the division of

labor and as a result of new modes of production and a revolution in the means of production.

In this way, paternal right replaced maternal right. Property was now handed down from father to son, rather than as before from the woman to her clan.

The patriarchal family made its appearance, founded on the sole and personal property of the father, who had become head of the family. Within this family the woman was oppressed....

Inequality can be done away with only by establishing a new society, where men and women will enjoy equal rights, resulting from an upheaval in the means of production and in all social relations.

Thus, the status of women will improve only with the elimination of the system that exploits them....

Her status overturned by private property, banished from her very self, relegated to the role of child raiser and servant, written out of history by philosophy (Aristotle, Pythagoras, and others) and the most entrenched religions, stripped of all worth by mythology, woman shared the lot of a slave, who in slave society was nothing more than a beast of burden with a human face".



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Accommodation Units at Itsoseng Handicraft Centre, constructed at the cost of R34.9m in Ditsobotla Municipality



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The reception area of the *state-of-the-art* Brits Hospital in Madibeng Local Municipality



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