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NW PUBLIC WORKS REGISTERS 260 % INCREASE IN BLACK ECONOMIC EMPOWERMENT

Presenting his department's budget vote speech in the North West Provincial legislature on Tuesday, Public Works MEC, Honourable Howard Yawa reported that of the R500, 780 million bids awarded by his department in the last financial year, 92% of the contracts valued at R460, 736 million were awarded to historically disadvantaged individuals.

This constitutes 260 % increase in black economic empowerment. Within the framework of the Preferential Procurement Policy Framework Act and Broad-based Black Economic Empowerment Policy, thirty-four women contractors were also awarded contracts to the value of R95, 149 million.

However, MEC Yawa decried the slow registration of contractors with the Construction Industry Development Board and called upon contractors to register as it is in their interest to register.

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