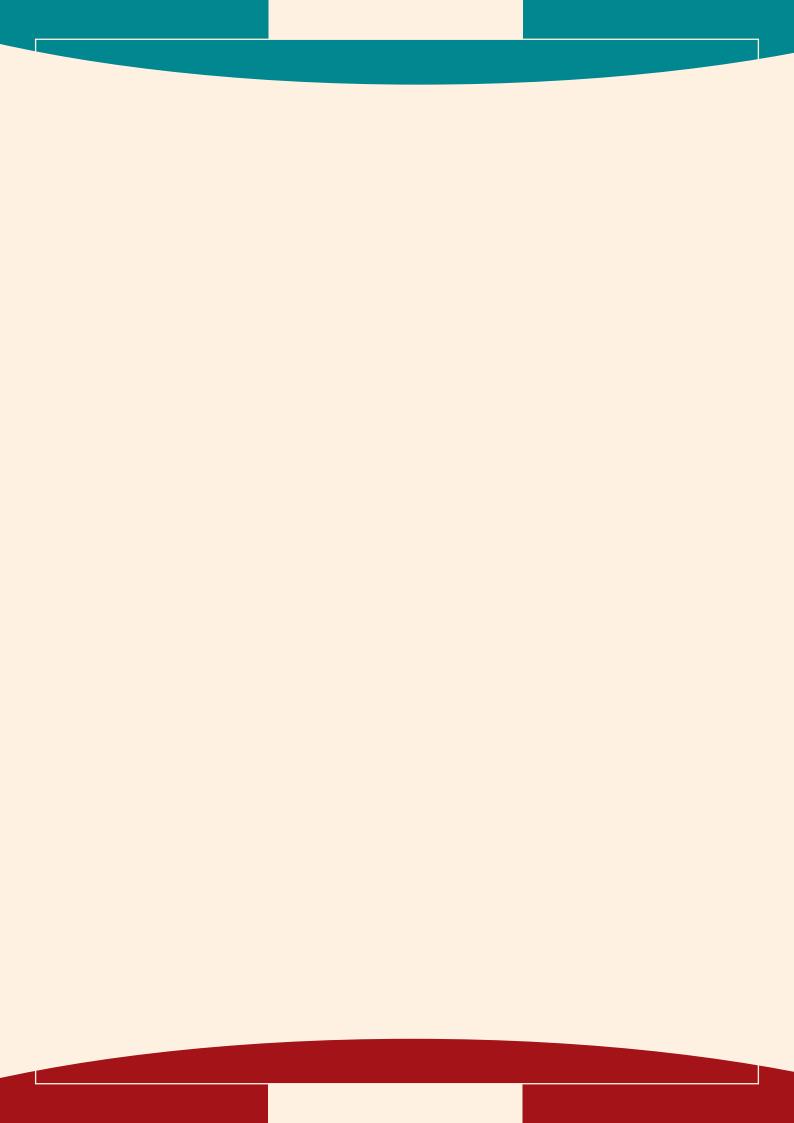


BUDGET SPEECH 2016-2017





- HONOURABLE SPEAKER OF THE LEGISLATURE AND DEPUTY SPEAKER;
- HONOURABLE PREMIER SUPRA MAHUMAPELO;
- HONOURABLE MEMBERS OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL;
- MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLATURE;
- CHAIRPERSON OF THE PORTFOLIO COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS AND ROADS;
- HOUSE OF TRADITIONAL LEADERSHIP
- DIRECTOR-GENERAL;
- ACTING HEAD OF DEPARTMENT MR.
 PAKISO MOTHUPI;
- MEMBERS OF SENIOR MANAGEMENT OF THE DEPARTMENT;
- ORGANIZED LABOUR THE BUSINESS FRATERNITY;
- FELLOW CITIZENS;
- HONOURABLE GUESTS; AND
- FRIENDS FROM THE MEDIA

HONOURABLE SPEAKER, over the past months irresponsible racist sentiments and utterances inimical to social coherence and national unity tore the fibre that holds the nation together.

As we strive to build a national democratic society devoid of racial hatred and reinforcement of the healing, reconciliation and renewal concrete, we call upon all sectors of society to play an active role in building a true non-racial democratic society.

We should be careful not to fall to prejudices that undermine the achievements made since the 1994 political watershed as this threatens national coherence, healing and reconciliation.

Amilca Cabral saw the task of the national liberation movements as not merely to usher in Black rule replacing white faces with black ones; it was not only to raise a different flag and sing a new anthem but to remove all forms of exploitation from the country.

"Bearing in mind the essential characteristics of the present world economy, as well as experience already gained in the field of anti-imperialist struggle, the principal aspect of national liberation struggle is the struggle against neo-colonialism." Cabral was careful to distinguish the colour of men's skins from exploitation and repeatedly emphasised that the struggle was against Portuguese colonialism and not against the Portuguese people.

He made it clear that:

"We are fighting so that insults may no longer rule our countries, martyred and scorned for centuries, so that our peoples may never more be exploited by imperialists not only by people with white skin, because we do not confuse exploitation or exploiters with the colour of men's skins; we do not want any exploitation in our countries, not even by black people."

Though the focus of Cabral's activity was always the struggle against Portuguese colonialism, he was an internationalist and saw his people's struggle as merely one front of a common international struggle against imperialism which "is trying simultaneously to dominate the working class in all advanced countries and smother the national liberation movements in all the under-developed countries."



Louw du Plessis (right) and Dave Ventura (left) from Council for Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR) during the visual inspection of Road D2808 from Sonop to Bokfontein. The 5,7km road is mostly used by the farming and mining communities in Brits and Sonop. A team of technicians and engineers from the CSIR's Built Environment unit is expected to go on a full scale soil sample collection at the road in two weeks.

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Minister of Higher Education and Training, Dr Blade Nzimande and Premier of Bokone Bophirima, Supra Mahumapelo cutting the ribbon to mark the official opening of first of its kind in the province skills development centre. This centre is in Klerksdorp, Dr Kenneth Kaunda District. PHOTO: OTUKILE MOSIMANEGAPE

Madam Speaker, this month is the month of the commemoration of three revolutionary leaders (Solomon Mahlangu, Chris Hani and Oliver Tambo). On the 6 April 1979 the world saw Solomon Kalushi Mahlangu walking his last 42 steps to the gallows. A valiant fighter to the end paid the ultimate price for freedom, justice and equality. The death of these revolutionary giants should not be in vain. Their values and what they fought for should remain our guiding torch.

His last salute to the world was: "Tell my people that I love them and that they must continue the fight, my blood will nourish the tree that will bear the fruits of freedom, Aluta continua." We are emboldened by these words which are relevant to our course building a national democratic society and a caring nation and our fight against all forms of discrimination, especially the xenophobic and racial monster that tears the fabric of the nation.

On the 10 April 1993, the then General Secretary of the South African Communist Party, Martin Thembisile Chris Hani's precious life was snuffed by an assassin's bullet. It was Hani's death that forced the apartheid regime to set the election date as the 27th April 1994. Her detested any form of discrimination and fostered national unity. It is in Hani's death that we are living today, enjoying our freedoms.

Relevant today is what Chris Hani said when he was asked about Socialism, and he said, "Socialism is not about big concepts and heavy theory. Socialism is about decent shelter for those who are homeless. It is about water for those who have no safe drinking water. It is about health care, it is about a life of

dignity for the old. It is about overcoming the huge divide between urban and rural areas. It is about a decent education for all our people. Socialism is about rolling back the tyranny of the market. As long as the economy is dominated by an unelected, privileged few, the case for socialism will exist".

On the same month on the 23 April 1993 the country woke up to the shocking news of the death Oliver Reginald Tambo, the former President of the African national Congress. It is this giant and icon Madam Speaker that the liberation remained united even in difficult times and a united purpose instilled in the Struggle against the heinous apartheid regime. Today we enjoy the freedoms from the leadership of "O.R", as he was affectionately known.

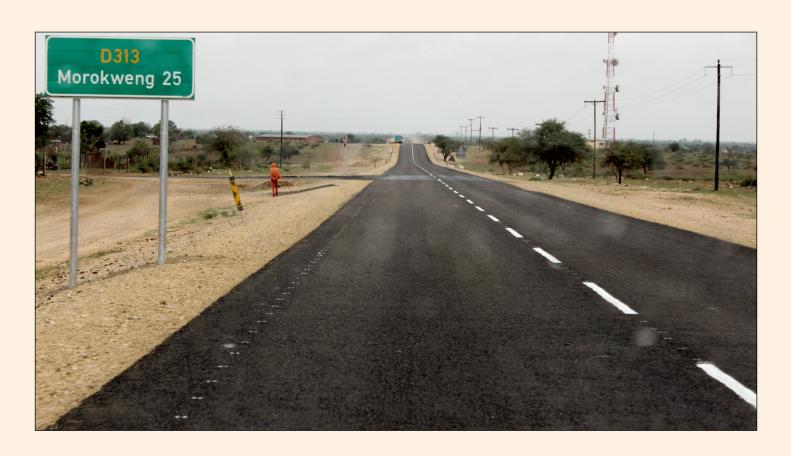
In the context of the cooperative development and Expanded Public Works Programme, contractor development, preferential procurement policies, and the skills development programme Oliver Tambo's profound words continue to reverberate and guide us as we empower the youth of this country. The great icon pronounced, "a country that neglects its youth neglect its future".

Honourable Speaker, in our quest to address land retribution issues, the Department of Public Works and Roads together with Land Commission will by the end of June this year hand over a piece of land to Mekgareng community in Madibeng Local Municipality. The land in question is in Oberon and the claimed portion is 3 and 6 in Hartebeespoort (482JQ).



This is a completed road, one of the Capex projects Kagisano Molopo District, Dr Ruth Segomotsi Mompati District. It is from Morokweng to Vostershoop.

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ADMINISTRATION

Human resources are critical in driving the vision for change and development. The organisational structural design has been submitted for consideration and recommendation by the North West Executive Council.

In response to the SOPA 2016 directive, the Department has engaged in an internal employee verification process. These included amongst others, an exercise to verify employee qualifications.

In our quest to address gender equity, the Department has recently appointed two women to Senior Management positions. This bears testimony to our commitment to uplift women to senior echelons of government.

The Department has advertised the following positions, Head of Department, Chief Director: Roads Infrastructure and Director: Roads Projects. This will address the vacancy rate of SMS positions in the Department.

With regard to scarce skills, the Department, with the assistance of Provincial Treasury is engaging the Council on Built Environment to further headhunt. Madame Speaker, this in our view has to be expedited in order to meet its requirements.

Audit outcomes

Madam Speaker, the support of the Provincial Audit Committee and the oversight and guidance of the Portfolio Committee has been overwhelming, leading to a sustained yet improved qualified audit outcome. The Portfolio Committee challenged us to achieve an improved audit outcome for the year under review. The Department has made strides in improving the audit outcome.

Accruals

Madam Speaker the Department has settled all its accruals totalling R342m for the previous financial year. The Department shall endeavour to ensure that this is minimised and optimally managed.

30-days payment of service providers

Honourable Speaker, I am pleased to confirm that an aggregate of 95% of our service providers have been paid within the mandatory 30 days threshold. Incomplete information provided by the service providers contributed to late payments.

FACILITIES MANAGEMENT:

The Department, in compliance with Government Immovable Asset Management Act (GIAMA) is planning to table the Custodian Asset Management Plan (C-AMP) in March 2017. The C-AMP is the result of the User Asset Management Plans (U-AMPs) as compiled by Provincial Departments.

Further implementation of GIAMA relates to the condition assessments that need to be conducted in respect of Government buildings.

Honourable Speaker, the maintenance of state properties require a five-year assessment to preserve and improve the condition of state facilities. The Department requires R126 million for condition assessment for the entire portfolio. However, the annual allocation does not cater for this requirement.



Upgrading of 57km road from Ganyesa to Vragras to Madinonyane (D327): Progress is currently at 25 percent. The resumption of the project was delayed by lengthy negotiations of the new contract terms.

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To date, the Department has managed to assess 90 properties out of a total portfolio of 2 837.

In response to the SOPA pronouncement with regard to the future status of Private Security companies, contracted by government, the Department will work towards reviewing the current model for alternative community oriented approach, when the current security contracts expires.

EXPANDED PUBLIC WORKS PROGRAMME - PROVINCIAL COORDINATION

The Department of Public Works and Roads, as mandated, continues to lead, coordinate and monitor the Expanded Public Works Programme (EPWP) as implemented by all public bodies within the Province, inclusive of National Departments with a provincial presence.

Madam Speaker I am happy to announce the following key achievements:

- The EPWP programme has created 34 144 work opportunities against a target of 45 140 as set by the National Department of Public Works.
- The Department has also launched the Provincial Skills Centre in the 2015/16 financial year in Matlosana in response to the Premier's Ikatisong Programme in partnership with the Services SETA. To this end, the SETA made available an amount of R19 million for internships, learnerships, apprenticeships and recognition of prior learning.
- I have established an MEC & Mayoral EPWP Coordinating Committee to improve political oversight and coordination of EPWP in the

- interest of improving performance of the Province. This structure will meet on a quarterly basis.
- Through the Exit Strategy for EPWP beneficiaries, the Department has established Cooperatives and created opportunities for further education and training.

Performance in 2015/16 and targets for 2016/17

The majority of the 34 144 work opportunities were created by the National Department of Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs and the National Department of Public Works. The total contribution by these two Departments was 27 453 work opportunities followed by the Provincial Departments at 4 463 and Municipalities at 2 228.

For the 2016/17 financial year, the North West Provincial EPWP is expected to create a total of 48 292 work opportunities. Provincial Departments are expected to create 29 008 work opportunities and municipalities 19 284 work opportunities in achieving the overall target.

MEC/Mayoral Committee (MUNIMEC)

The third quarter performance report on EPWP as issued by the National Department indicates that the North West Provincial Government is not performing as required. The reasons include data quality, underreporting and lack of capacity to implement the programme successfully.

I have taken full political responsibility and accountability and resolved that the Department must establish a political structure that would be comprised of all Mayors in the Province and MEC of



Construction work in progress on the road from Setlopo to Meetmekaar (D413): This project is at 85 percent physical progress. An additional 5km is being considered to link to Springbokpan.

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the lead Department of Public Works and Roads. The MEC of Department of Public Works and Roads will chair the Committee with a view to ensure that political responsibility, accountability and performance by Municipalities are improved. This Committee will sit on a quarterly basis and will rotate between the four Districts.

<u>Department's overall objectives in social and</u> economic sectors

The Public Works White Paper "Towards the 21st Century" identifies the need to implement a community-based public works programme aimed at assisting Government in the fight against the inheritance of crushing poverty in our country, Province and rural areas.

In this regard, every South African should have a possibility to enjoy a wide range of economic, social and cultural opportunities that accrue from the mandate of the Department of Public Works and Roads.

Provincial Skills Centre

Madam Speaker we lived a dream of the commitment made during the last State of the Province Address and that dream became a reality when on the 4th March this year the Premier of Bokone Bophirima and Minister of Higher Education and Training, Dr. Blade Nzimande unveiled and launched a Skills Development Centre in Matlosana.

The aim of the Provincial Skills Centre is to ensure that the Department is able to capacitate its own technical and artisans staff as well as capacitate unemployed youth on scarce and critical artisan skills The Centre will focus on three critical objectives/activities:-

- Consolidate the partnership with Services SETA and development of partnerships with all relevant and critical stakeholders across all spheres of government;
- Expansion of human resources development and delivery of accredited skills and training interventions both at the Centre and at various mobile training units through-out the Province targeted to unemployed and under skilled youth;
- Quality assurance in line with South Africa Qualifications Framework and Skills Act in partnership with various stakeholders including TVETs and SETAs.

The Skills Centre is a partnership with the Sector Education Training Authority that would see young people trained and provided with the requisite skills and expertise to match the demands of the complex economy. This achievement adds impetus to our VTSD approach where cooperatives will be skilled to participate in the mainstream economy as opposed to an approach where we breed migrants and the working class.

We have been slaves and slavery cannot be passed to another generation. We have been migrants and we cannot breed a generation of migrants.

Ours is to build a future as the late President of the African National Congress, Oliver Reginald Tambo correctly declared that "a country that neglects its youth neglects its future." We cannot afford history to punish us.



Routine maintenance especially in the form of pothole plugging on roads often pose a challenge but plans are in place to deal with the challenges adequately to make most pothole-infested roads like the one below trafficable



Madam Speaker, the Services SETA allocations for 2016 learnerships, apprenticeship and bursaries are stipulated below:

| NUMBER OF BENEFICIARIES | INTERVENTION | QUALIFICATION | DURATION | RACK RATE | BUDGET |
|-------------------------|-----------------|--|-----------|-------------|-----------------|
| 67 | Learnership | NVC | 12 months | R 34,000.00 | R 2,278,000.00 |
| 100 | Learnership | Cleaning | 12 months | R 34,000.00 | R 3,400,000.00 |
| 50 | Learnership | Business Admin | 12 months | R 34,000.00 | R 850,000.00 |
| 67 | Learnership | NVC | 12 months | R 34,000.00 | R 1,700,000.00 |
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| 50 | RPL | RPL | | R 6,500.00 | R 325,000.00 |
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| 30 | Apprenticeships | Boilermaking | 3 years | R 46,450.00 | R 1,393,500.00 |
| 30 | Apprenticeships | Painting | 3 years | R 46,450.00 | R 1,393,500.00 |
| 30 | Apprenticeships | Plumbing | 3 years | R 46,450.00 | R 1,393,500.00 |
| 30 | Apprenticeships | Welding | 3 years | R 46,450.00 | R 1,393,500.00 |
| 120 | | | | | R 5,574,000.00 |
| 437 | | | | TOTAL | R 14,977,000.00 |

In addition to the above, allocations were made in respect of the following:

- 10 Bursaries for students in the Property Valuers field = R500 000.00
- 10 Learnerships in the Real Estate field = R360 000.00
- Youth Enterprise Services (YES) Project (Cooperative Development) = R3,3 million

The allocation by the Services SETA for the North West Province thus totals R19 160 000.

Active support for small, medium and micro enterprises as well as cooperatives

By virtue of its mandate and functions, this Department is in a position to make specific contributions to socio-economic factors including support for the Contractors Development and Cooperatives Development programmes. These programmes are aimed at creating decent work, sustainable development; capacity building as well as creating an environment where labour intensive methods are increased to create more jobs.

I have directed that this Department must work towards developing a policy on both Contractor and Cooperatives Development that outlines ways of integrating smaller enterprises mostly run by youth, women and people living with disabilities. This policy must be specific on areas of development as well as have entry and exit plans for all contractors and cooperatives involved.

The approach on construction shall be informed or underpinned by the following principles or values:

- Improve the capacity of the Department in terms of project management, long term planning and monitoring and evaluation
- Increase support to supplier industries and small scale construction firms (existing and emerging), centrality of properly defined and managed contractor development and cooperative development.
- Promote more sustainable and energy efficient techniques to reduce the demand on electricity over the long term
- Encourage and support local manufacturing of inputs to the construction industry and increasingly to the renewable industries sector.

TRANSPORTINFRASTRUCTURE:

Road Agency

The Road Agency model has been developed, whilst the Department is researching operational modalities and finalization of relevant legislative framework. This model will be presented to the Executive Council for a decision once completed.

Re-gravelling projects

The Department is researching alternative road building materials called BOF slag (a by-product of steel) for the re-gravelling of roads in partnership



Upgrading of Road D3492 from Morokweng to Bonabona: This project is at 51% physical progress. It is targeted to be completed in February 2017.

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with Acerlor-Mittal. The Council for Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR) is commissioned to test the suitability and durability of the materials. The department upon completion of the research intends to re-gravel numerous roads in all the districts.

Roads targeted for re-gravelling by means of the alternative method are the following:

- Marikana to Mooinooi
- Bokfontein to Sonop
- Schoemansdrift to Ventersdorp
- Rysmierbult road
- Leshobo to Matlapaneng
- Mase to N18
- Nooitgedacht road (Z483 to D433)
- Upper Majeakgoro
- Lokaleng to Mogosane
- Kopfontein to Tau Lodge
- Khunotswana to N4

Madam Speaker, the Department will engage in a massive gravel road maintenance programme that will ensure acceptable levels of traffic flow.

Progress on roads projects

Honourable Speaker, we are happy to highlight the following projects as having been completed:

- 3 low-level bridges at Klipgat, Setlhwatlhwe and Hebron were completed valued at R 29,570m.
- ⊙ Ventersdorp Weighbridge at R 15m.
- 4 roads projects were completed.
- Matooster to Ruighoek (R100,8m)
- ⊙ Bojating to Pylkop (R23,447m)
- Schweizer Reneke to Wolmaransstad (R310m)
- Morokweng to Tseoge (R240m)

The following brick-paving projects under

construction in the labour-intensive mode are at various stages of implementation:

- Moretele to Khaukwe (at practical completion stage).
- Moretele to Maganeng (at practical completion stage)
- Atamelang to Mokope
- Leeudoringstad (at practical completion stage)

Four Major Upgrading Projects at in Kagisano Molopo

The Department is continuing with the implementation of four roads upgrading projects in Dr. Ruth Segomotsi Mompati and Ngaka Modiri Molema District Municipalities which had previously been suspended due to budget challenges. These projects are currently at various stages as discussed below:

- Road D413 from Setlopo to Meetmekaar: This project is at 85% physical progress. An additional 5 km is being considered to link to Springbokpan.
- Upgrading of Road D3492 from Morokweng to Bonabona: This project is at 51% physical progress. It is targeted to be completed in February 2017.
- Upgrading of Road D327 from Ganyesa to Vragras to Madinonyane (57km): Progress is 25%. The resumption of the project was delayed by lengthy negotiations of the new contract terms.



The new dual-carriage bridge project near completion at Kolong village in Taung, on the P25/1 road, will replace the old single carriage bridge. The R81m project constructed by Makali Plant and Construction is on the road that connects Taung and Schweizer-Reneke. The bridge has a guaranteed a life span of 120 years. About five family house-holds in the background are currently a subject matter the provincial government is seized with with regards to relocations in order enable to completion of the road project.

PHOTOS: KGOMOTSO MOKGATLE MMAKGORI TONG



○ Upgrading of road D221 from road P25/1 in Taung through the villages of Manokwane and Maphoitsile to end of the tar section at Magogong: This project is planned for implementation in this financial year (2016/17). The Department has engaged the National Department of Transport in this regard. The Road D313 from Morokweng to Vostershoop (Phase 1, 34km to Tseoge) is completed.

Special Maintenance Projects under construction

Fifteen (15) special maintenance projects ranging in cost from R5 m to R35 m were awarded as designand-construct type projects in December 2015. These projects are at various construction stages and are the following:

- Road D1283 Brits to Sonop (about 12Km): physical progress is currently at 40%.
- Road P47/2 from Swartruggens to Koster to Magaliesburg (89km): Progress is currently at 25%.
- N12 through Klerksdorp from intersection with R503 towards town: Progress is at 70% for the allocated scope.
- Road P2/4 (R104) from K3 intersection to Damdoryn intersection and P123/1 from Damdoryn to N4 at the dam and section of road P31/1 to Pelindaba (border with Gauteng): physical progress is at 55%.
- Road D415 from Dinokana (N4) to Gopane: this project is complete.
- Road P47/3 from Swartruggens to Ventersdorp
 (25km): The project is complete.
- Road D1382 and P63/1 from K8 in Brits through Letlhabile and villages of Kameelfontein up to Hebron: This project is practically complete.

- Road D125 from Ottosdal (P117/1) to N14 at Sannieshof and Road D653 from N14 to junction with P183/1 at Deelpan: Overall progress is at 41%.
- Road D414 from Disaneng to Tshidilamolomo: completed.
- Road P152/1 from N18 at Setlagole to P34/4 in Delareyville: The physical progress is 42%.
- Road D316 from Rooigrond to D410 from Jagesfontein to Ramatlabama border: completed.
- Road D609 from Makapanstad to Bosplaas thorough villages of Potwana, Prieska , Opperman and Maubane: Progress is at 70%.
- Road D618 and D619 from Ga Matlou to De Wildt station in Garankuwa: Progress is currently at 50%.
- Road P48/1 between Welbedacht and Swartkopfontein: At this stage physical progress is at 28%.
- Repair of flood damage and erosion protection in Ganyesa to Tlakgameng Road: physical progress is at 5%.

Rehabilitation projects planned for 2016/17

- Mahikeng to Lichtenburg
- Itsoseng to Goedgevonden via Gelukspan Hospital
- Disaneng to Tshidilamolomo
- Potchefstroom to Vanderbijlpark

Road upgrades planned for 2016/17

- Mokgalwaneng to Dwaalboom
- Atamelang to Deelpan



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Bridges planned for 2016/17

- Repair and construction of the Madidi bridge
- Design and construction of Dr Moroka street level crossing in Rustenburg
- Manthe / Kolong bridge (under construction)

Roads pending success on the use of the BOF slag method

The following projects are also crucial for investment in the infrastructure, however they are currently unfunded. The Department is intending to, pending approval for the use of BOF slag, undertake the roads listed below using the alternative construction method:

- Road D608 Mogogelo to Mathibestad
- ⊙ Road D520 from Makolokwe to Bethanie;
- Roads P66/1, D614, Z619 and D639 from Kgomo-Kgomo to Lebotlwane;
- Road D1325 from Buffelspoort to Tlapa through Marikana;
- Road D3462 from Dithakwaneng to N14;
- ⊙ Road P124/1 Mabeskraal to Molatedi
- ⊙ Road D 201 Pampierstad to Matlapaneng

Community representatives will be given the opportunity to do in situ visits to roads in other Provinces where the BOF slag method was used.

Madam Speaker, in the fulfilment of this mandate, we seek to improve our road infrastructure network in support of the provincial ACT strategic pillar, improve the economy and attract investment. This applies to capital projects which unfortunately, in course of service delivery protests are ravaged by communities in the ventilation of their anger.

The Premier of the North West Province through the

Saamtrek Saamwerk strategic pillar has opened channels of communication and engagement with all stakeholders as a collective platform for dialogue to find solutions to our problems and to improve the quality of our work through societal participation as part of inclusive and participatory democracy.

INFRASTRUCTURE

Madam Speaker, we are happy to highlight the following achievements in respect of completed projects:

- Construction of Tlou Le Tau traditional offices at a value of R18.2 million
- Khunwana Community Library at a value of R11 million
- Tlakgameng Community Library at a value of R12 million
- Mahikeng Airport Phase 3 − expansion of the runway safety area at a value of R43 million
- Construction of the Bophelong Special School at a value of R54.3 million
- Construction of the Ikageleng High School at a value of R8.8 million
- Construction of the Malebogo Primary School at a value of R22.8 million
- ⊙ Construction of the MM Sebitloane Special School at a value of R66.6 million
- Construction of the Ramotshere Technical School at a value of R6.2 million
- Construction of the Tong Comprehensive School at a value of R10.5 million

The following projects are at various stages of construction:

- Papi Ntjana Community Library
- Vryburg Community Library



Two of the road projects, 1.8 km each, done as part of the contractor development programme are access roads in Moretele and Khaukwe villages in Greater Taung Local Municipality. Six emerging contractors benefitted from these projects completing 600m each.

PHOTOS: IPELENG MATLABE



- Mahikeng Community Library
- Taung Old Age Home
- Taung In-patient Treatment Centre
- Witrand (Tlokwe) In-patient Treatment Centre
- Pilanesberg International Airport taxi area upgrade
- Lichtenburg Weighbridge
- Mahikeng Provincial Archives building
- Madikwe sub-district offices
- Moretele Office Park Phase 2A
- Moretele Office Park fencing
- Construction of the Batlhaping Ba Ga Maidi traditional offices
- Construction of the Batlharo Ba Ga Masibi traditional offices
- Construction of the Barolong Ba Ga Phoi traditional offices

The following projects (client Departments' projects) will be implemented pending confirmation of funding by the client Departments:

- Oconstruction of traditional offices in respect of the Bahurutse Ba Ga Moiloa, Barolong Ba Ga Molefe and Bahurutshe Ba Ga Shuping has been deferred to the financial year 2016/17 due to budgetary constraints.
- Lichtenburg library
- Lobotlwane library
- Tshing library
- Mmabatho library
- Rustenburg recreational centre
- Donkervliet recreational centre
- Klein-Marico recreational centre
- Noyjons recreational centre

The following projects are planned for implementation in 2016/17:

- Kanana primary school;
- ⊙ Tlotlang Thuto Primary school;
- Sedumedi Primary school;
- Rekgonne Bapo Special school;
- ⊙ Lorwetlong Primary school;

Honourable Speaker, a commercial brick-making plant will be established – this plant will also assist in the incubation process of the four brick-making plants announced in the previous financial year. This plant will be located in Itsoseng.

As the custodian of state properties, the National and Provincial Departments of Public Works are the largest South African player in the property and construction sector. As such we have the responsibility to provide leadership in relation to Green Buildings and the Green Economy.

It is our responsibility to take decisive steps to ensure that our portfolio of state buildings reduce their environmental impact, are energy efficient, resource efficient and environmentally responsible.

The Department of Public Works and Roads is piloting 6 school projects and 1 library for implementation of alternative building methods. We are partnering with the Mobile Education and Training Trust to construct the schools and library as per the Memorandum of Understanding that was signed between the North West Government and the said Trust.

Madam Speaker, we wish to report to this august house that we have registered progress on the following mega projects:

Mmabatho, Taung and Montshiwa stadiums



Remarkable progress has been made to the construction of Health and Wellness Centre in the precinct of the department at the cost of R12m. Below: The new Head Office Building is also getting a face-lift of more than R60m.

PHOTOS: IPELENG MATLABE AND KGOMOTSO MOKGATLE



- Mahikeng International Convention Centre & Hotel
- Conversion of Lowe Housing into a luxury bedand-breakfast
- Mahikeng and Rooigrond office precincts

For the mega projects Honourable Speaker, we are happy to report that the HoD's for the departments of Public Works and Roads and Finance, Economic and Enterprise Development will engage to develop a funding model on the Build to Transfer (BoT) strategy.

Madam Speaker, this Department will provide Single Government complex concept in Districts by September 2016. Further than that, Madame Speaker we are further gathering more information on the Solar Geyser and Plumbing model for Government Energy Saving initiatives.

Madame Speaker, we wish to report that the Department of Public Works and Roads, as an infrastructure department is prepared to work with the community of Atamelang to build the community stadium to be funded by the National Lottery board.

CONCLUSION:

We wish to express our gratitude to:

- The Standing Committee on Public Accounts for its leadership and support in creating capacity for the Department for improved and accelerated service delivery, clean governance and accountability;
- The Portfolio Committee for its role in ensuring that we fully execute our legislative mandate and for creating room to identify challenges that

- besiege the Department to ensure sustainable growth and development and execution of our mandate qualitatively;
- Our strategic partners, consultants, engineers and service providers whose skills and services were of the highest quality;
- ⊙ The legal fraternity as led by the State Attorney;
- The media for being the eyes and ears of society;
- The leadership of EXCO for its unwavering support and leadership;
- The Auditor-General for ensuring clean governance and efficient and effective administration and improved financial management, accounting and transparency;
- Our employees who have been the spine in driving our vision and mission for reconstruction and development.

Honourable Speaker, I hereby present to you the Department of Public Works and Roads budget for the 2016/17 financial year.

| 2016/17 BUDGET SUMMARY | | | | |
|-----------------------------|-----------------|--|--|--|
| PROGRAMME | 2016/17 (R'000) | | | |
| ADMINISTRATION | 236 907 | | | |
| PUBLIC WORKS INFRASTRUCTURE | 894 603 | | | |
| TRANSPORT INFRASTRUCTURE | 1 448 155 | | | |
| COMMUNITY BASED PROGRAMME | 141 248 | | | |
| TOTAL | 2 720 913 | | | |

I thank you



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