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Anglo Gold Ashanti ploughs back trough Tourism

The Department of Tourism in the North West has commended and welcomed the donation by the Mining Company Anglo Gold Ashanti, in Orkney outside Klerksdorp in the Dr Kenneth Kaunda district, on Tuesday. The building which was used as a skills development centre will be converted into a Hotel School by Tourism Department, fulfilling its policy commitment made by MEC Desbo Mohono during her 2015/16 budget vote.

Accepting the 3.7 million rand building the acting head of the North West Department of Tourism Charles Ndabeni, said that the building will assist in growing Tourism in the Province and produce professionals in the sector. Ndabeni said that the North West is seventh most visited province in the country and growth in Tourism will assist in achieving the departmental target of being the fourth most visited province by 2020.

“The conversion of this building into a hotel school in the Dr Kenneth Kaunda District puts the Province in the map boosting three schools and it’s a milestone for the 12 months old department. The gesture by the Anglo Gold Ashanti clearly demonstrates that the call by government on collaboration between government and private sector is really coming to fruition. I am confident that we are going to produce students who will be ready for employment from this school and a flagship for the department, The Department envisage the registration of students to this school to commence in January 2016.” said Ndabeni.

Meanwhile the Senior Manager at Anglo Gold Ashanti Mighty Molokoe, said that he is proud to see his company making a difference in the lives of ordinary people of the



North West and further helping in developing the economy of the North West. “As a company we have five strategies and one of them is the Economic Development strategy. Through this strategy our main objective is to make sure that we contribute meaningfully to the people of the North West across all colour races, especially those who are disadvantaged. We want to contribute immensely in ensuring social development in our communities. The handing over of this building is just but one of many company infrastructure that we intend handing over to communities and government in the near future,” he said

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