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### Media Statement

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### Local structures are critical in service delivery

MEC for Tourism in the North West Desbo Mohono has called on the people of Potchefstroom in the Dr Kenneth Kaunda district Municipality to utilize all relevant platforms and structures to voice their challenges relating to service delivery in their respective communities. MEC Mohono was speaking during her constituency work in Ikageng location in the NW 405 local municipality which includes Tlokwe and Venterdorp local municipalities.

According to MEC Mohono many people in different communities are still not aware that they can use or consult structures and platforms such as constituency offices, presidential hot line, toll free lines, local counselors, community structures and many others channels available to highlight their challenges. She said that such structures have been mandated by government as a form of vehicle that will assist in ensuring that services are delivered by government more especially where they are needed.

“Many of our community members are still not aware of such structures that will assist them in resolving their everyday challenges. Government is committed through the ruling party to ensure that our people receive services and their lives are bettered on daily basis. Challenges such as electricity, water, potholes, crime, health services, access to bursaries and other services rendered by government should be reported to such structures so that they may be referred to relevant structures, to be attended to immediately,” said Mohono.

MEC Mohono accompanied by other government officials including local ANC leaders assisted locals by donating vegetables garden to the local old age Ikageng service club, and addressing local school children on drug abuse, as it has been identifies as one challenges facing the youth of Potchefstroom. According to public safety officials one in five young people is involved in drug abuse. MEC Mohono further called on young people to refrain from engaging in activities that will ruin their lives. She appealed to them to use opportunities availed by government, to ensure a better future for themselves. She further encouraged local elderly people to keep themselves busy by engaging in food gardening projects, which she said ensure food security.

She said that the fifth administration will continue to implement its five concretes, as part of its commitment to ensure better lives for all and that poverty and other social ills are tackled head on.

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