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Media Statement

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Another mile stone by the department of Human Settlements

The Department of Human Settlements has done it again. This time the department handed over three houses in Lokaleng village outside Taung, to families lead by elderly women that have been staying in shacks. The Department has thus far managed to complete 120 houses and continues to build 880 across villages in the Taung local municipality.

Matlakala Rapodile 67, has been staying in a shack for several years and she said that she is happy to receive a proper house with basic amenities. The pensioner and also a grandmother of two said that the environment that she has been staying in was health hazardous, as the weather conditions have not been friendly. "I would like to thank government for bring change to my family life. We have been staying in this a small shack and my grandchildren were also affected as they would have flu from time to time," she said.

Handing over the houses, the North West acting premier, Patrick Dumile Nono Maloyi, said that government will continue to build houses for legible beneficiaries. Acting Premier Maloyi, further appealed to others who are still waiting for the construction of their houses to be patient, however assured them that government has increased speed in delivering services across all municipalities, through the Thuntsha Lerole accelerated service delivery programme.

"Government will continue to deliver on its mandate, and change the lives of our people. We do this to ensure that we deliver as promised and this is a government programme not electioneering as others purport. We have also teamed with municipalities and local

traditional authorities to ensure that we reach those families that needs urgent services and the partnership is continuing to register success on daily basis,” said Maloyi.

The department of human settlements will continue to create a sustainable human settlements, as mandated by the constitution and further ensure that the dignity of all the people of the North West is held high. The department further pride itself as the houses under construction continue to create jobs and skill among local community members.

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