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MEC YAWA UPBEAT ABOUT FIRST EVER UNQUALIFIED AUDIT REPORT

The Department of Public Works in the North West Province has received its first ever unqualified audit report for the financial year 2003/2004 from the Auditor General in the North West.

The MEC for Public Works, the Honourable Howard Yawa, MPL is upbeat about the achievement. He said, "The intention of the Department is to change public perceptions about itself through improved service delivery. This achievement following on 98% budget expenditure in the last financial year is a further testimony that the tide has turned."

He further said, "The unqualified audit report comes as no surprise because in the last financial year all levels of financial management in the department improved in line with the department's strategic objectives to among others, implement the Public Financial Management Act, monitor expenditure patterns, improve debt management and revenue collection. The achievement is indicative that as a Department we are geared for implementation of a people's contract and the expanded public works programme."

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