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#### MEC YAWA CHALLENGES SENIOR PUBLIC SERVANTS TO IMPLEMENT PROVINCIAL GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY.

Gone are the days where new infrastructure is created without either an economic growth or poverty alleviation target in mind, said North West MEC for Public Works, Honourable Mr. Howard Yawa today.

MEC Yawa was presenting the Outlook on Implementation of the Provincial Growth and Development Strategy (PGDS) at the Provincial Senior Management Services Conference held at the Convention Centre in Mmabatho.

“The total failure to target job creation, skill development and leveraging of private investment in project plans show neglect of the basic principles and assumptions underlying the PGDS,” said MEC Yawa.

He further said that government departments will have to change their attitude of “business as usual” and begin to embrace the principles and basic assumptions of the PGDS if the province is to deliver on its vision and goals of halving unemployment and poverty by 2014.

MEC Yawa proposed that existing planning and implementation mechanisms be strengthened for integrated and sustainable growth and development while the capacity challenges are also addressed in a structured and systematic basis.



The objective of the two days Conference, which is part of the Public Service week, is to among others, benchmark public service delivery against expectations of the PGDS.

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