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### YAWA PRAISES CONSTRUCTION SECTOR AND SPELLS EXPECTATIONS

North West MEC for Public Works, Honourable Mr. Howard Yawa was all praises for consulting engineers and civil engineer contractors when he addressed the Welcome Function of the Construction Conference at Sun City last night.

Welcoming conference delegates, MEC Yawa praised engineers for their contribution towards the development of the country's infrastructure. He also praised them for embracing transformation and for augmenting the capacity and agility of project management in the public sector.

MEC Yawa asserted that the Construction Sector was experiencing a boom. Quoting recent statistics he highlighted that the construction sector grew at an annualized 6.2% in the second quarter of this year, up from 5,1% in the first quarter.

He further challenged the conference to accelerate the offensive against economic exclusion and to work towards an economy that will benefits all.

MEC Yawa said; "We hope that the outcome of this historic conference will be accelerated empowerment of previously disadvantaged individuals and communities. We trust that it would accelerate the participation of more women in decision-making. We hope that it will accelerate the involvement of more women in partnerships and more women and youth in construction so that they too should find a reason to celebrate".



The theme for the three days historic Conference hosted by the South African Association of Consulting Engineers and the South African Federation of Civil Engineering Contractors is celebrating "A celebration of the Construction Charter. Opportunities for Growth and Development"

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