



**GAUTENG PROVINCE**  
HUMAN SETTLEMENTS  
REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA

## **GAUTENG PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT MEETS IZINDUNA**

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MEC for Human Settlements and Infrastructure Development Lebogang Maile, met with Gauteng-based Izinduna in Midrand to discuss matters related to bulk infrastructure, over-crowding, refurbishments, and general improvement of the living conditions of Hostel dwellers.

The meeting forms part of the township, informal settlements, and hostels (TISH) program as initiated by the ANC-led Provincial Government, anchored towards denting the apartheid spatial planning and improving living conditions of our people. MEC Maile was joined by MMC's of Human Settlements, from municipalities that have concerted numbers of hostels, namely Mogale District Municipality, City of Ekurhuleni, City of Tshwane and City of Johannesburg.

There have been ongoing discussions between the Gauteng Provincial Government and Izinduna regarding the deteriorating condition of hostels in Gauteng, and a general need for a combined effort to uplift lives of those living in hostels and transform hostels into mixed-family units.

In today's meeting, presentations were made regarding government's plans in line with TISH, to address bulk infrastructure issues as well as hostel refurbishments and upgrading.

"We are using this important meeting to forge a working relationship between Government and Izinduna. We want to transform hostels and build integrated communities by identifying land within a specific radius of each hostel and will immediately be busy with feasibility studies in this regard", said MEC Maile.

The meeting was characterised by cordial, frank, open and transparent engagements. Both parties have agreed to work together in the interest of providing much needed service delivery and overall improvement of hostels.

The Izinduna's commended the planned service delivery plans by Government and committed to fully support the initiative.

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