

MEDIA ALERT

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Tuesday, 19 November 2019

PREMIER MAKHURA AND MEC MAILE TO OFFICIATE AT TWO SERVICE DELIVERY PROJECTS

Premier David Makhura together with MEC for Human Settlements, Urban Planning and CoGTA Lebogang Maile will officiate at two service delivery projects in West Rand District Municipality and Mogale City Local Municipality, respectively.

Premier Makhura and MEC Maile will kick-start the day, by officiating at a multi-million Rand electrification project of Vezanyawo Informal Settlement in Bekkersdal, outside West Rand District Municipality. The project is amongst the many service delivery means by ANC-led provincial government's efforts to bring much needed basic services to people living in informal settlements. The project is the initiative of Gauteng provincial government to upgrade informal settlements in collaboration with West Rand District Municipality.

Ending off the day, Premier Makhura and MEC Maile, joined by Mogale City Local Municipality leadership will officiate at the hand-over of houses to deserving beneficiaries at a newly-built Afri-Village Mega City. During the State of the Province Address (SoPA) Premier Makhura emphatically stated that "the mega human settlements are about changing the spatial landscape of our province. There is visible progress regarding the implementation of most of the mega projects being undertaken in partnership with the private sector".

Gauteng as a backbone of South Africa's economy has a housing backlog of 1 million due to in-migration and rapid urbanization, as such mega human settlements projects are a response to high demand for housing, accompanied by provision of service stands for those able to build for themselves, as per electoral commitments of the governing party.

The details are as follows:

DATE: Wednesday 20 November 2019

TIME: 10am

VENUE: Vezinyawo Informal Settlement, Bekkersdal, West Rand District Municipality

AND

TIME: 13h00pm

VENUE: Afri-Village Mega City, Randfontein, Mogale Local Municipality

Members of the media are hereby invited to attend and report. For confirmations contact Luzuko Pongoma, email: luzuko.pongoma@gauteng.gov.za or mobile: +27 (79) 501-9977

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