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MEC Mamabolo continues rank inspections, unveils designs in Vereeniging

Gauteng MEC for Public Transport and Roads Infrastructure Jacob Mamabolo has concluded his programme of assessing the state of various rank facilities in the province with a visit to the Vereeniging Intermodal Facility in Sedibeng District Municipality.

The MEC also unveiled the final architectural designs for Intermodal Facility in Vereeniging, that has been plagued by delays since construction started in 2014.

This is seen a positive step in ensuring the completion of this much-needed facility.

Rank facilities were identified by Premier David Makhura in his State of the Province Address as needing urgent intervention from the Gauteng Provincial Government.

On turning around these facilities, MEC Mamabolo indicated he has adopted an integrated approach that includes engagement with MMC's for Transport in various municipalities, the taxi industry and commuter representatives.

He revealed that this will include the institution of clear governance models with committees assuming control and accountable for revenue generation through advertising, cleanliness, security and provision of ablution facilities.

"A meeting with various MMC's will be convened in the next weeks to ensure that the work start in earnest" he stated.

Said MEC Mamabolo "I will propose to the provincial cabinet that these governance committees be accountable to municipalities and the provincial government, manage and turn around these facilities for the benefit of all role players".

He further pledged that the process will resume to have these inaugurated early in the next year.

On completing the facility in Vereeniging, the MEC indicated that this was a priority and further added that rehabilitation of other facilities will resume as soon as those involved are agreed on the interventions to be undertaken.

Following delays in completing the facility in Vereeniging, the Department has enlisted the services of its engineers for supervision and internal maintenance teams to complete the project.

Referring to the programme of visiting ranking facilities, MEC Mamabolo indicated that this process provided an opportunity “to highlight the challenges and see for ourselves the real daily living experiences of our people so we can start to plan better to resolve these challenges’.

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