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Sedibeng Taxi Industry welcomes the appointment of GMA to deliver State of the art intermodal transport facility

Gauteng MEC for Public Transport and Roads Infrastructure Jacob Mamabolo together with Emfuleni Local Municipality and the Sedibeng District Municipality today held a stakeholder engagement meeting with the Sedibeng Taxi Industry where he announced the appointment of the Gautrain Management Agency (GMA) to deliver the state-of-the-art Vereeniging Intermodal Facility.

The taxi industry welcomed the appointment and pledged their full support to the project which will be delivered under the auspices of the recently announced Transport Infrastructure House - a project monitoring and management facility through which the Department will fast track the delivery of projects.

MEC Mamabolo assured the taxi industry that there will no longer be delays in the construction of the intermodal transport facility which has been delayed for many years.

The facility is one of the key projects that have been prioritised for upgrading into multi-purpose transport nodes where different modes of public transport connect.

"The introduction of GMA team to this project is a positive step in ensuring the completion of this much-needed facility. GMA's expertise in running major projects will greatly assist in delivering the project on time, within budget and at the right quality to prevent further delays than are costly, " MEC said.

Mamabolo added that the institution of clear governance models with committees assuming control and accountable for revenue generation through advertising, cleanliness, security and provision of ablution facilities will be introduced as part of the project.

"Rank facilities were identified by Premier David Makhura in his State of the Province Address as needing urgent intervention from the Gauteng Provincial Government. The appointment of GMA as the implementing agent for this project is part of our ongoing strategic vision of Growing Gauteng Together Through Smart Mobility.

"As part of stakeholder engagement, we have also adopted an integrated approach that includes MMC's for Transport, the taxi industry and commuter representatives," Mamabolo said.

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