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**Public Works and Roads**  
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**PRESENTATION TO THE  
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EXPANDED PUBLIC WORKS PROGRAMME



- We made strides in improving on our performance and delivery to our people. As part of rolling out major infrastructure projects in the past two financial years 2019/20 and 2020/21, we successfully completed seventy (71) road infrastructure projects including upgrading and constructing of new roads.
- we spent total amounts of eight hundred and ninety million, six hundred and eleven thousand rand (R 890 611 000) in the 2019/20 Financial Year and one billion, seventy-six million, seven hundred and sixty-eight thousand rand (R 1 076 768 000) and 2020/21 Financial Years respectively, and within the difficult operating conditions under COVID 19 strict regulations.
- The Department continues to operate under COVID 19 pandemic and the situation continues to give the Department challenges relating to slow construction works on site.



- The roll out of road infrastructure projects demonstrated our commitment to economic transformation and job creation in that a number of temporary job relief and major economic spin-off for local contractors were stimulated.
- In the last quarter of the 2020/21 financial year we experienced floods which affected eighty two (82) roads across the Province. We did an oversight visit with the Honourable Premier to assess the damage caused by floods in Dr the Ruth Segomotsi Mompati and we subsequently assessed roads in the Bojanala District. We spent a total of thirty six million, seven hundred and seventy thousand rand (R36.77 m) on flood damaged roads across the province.
- In an effort to stimulate the economy and create massive jobs, in this financial year the Department will implement a total of thirty-one (31) road infrastructure projects across the Province



- A further twenty-eight (28) projects will be completed in the not too distant future which could not be completed in the previous financial year.
- We are a rural province and are determined to develop road infrastructure in rural areas. Provincial Treasury has ring fenced three hundred and sixty-five million rand (R365 000 000) for rural roads.
- A total budget of one billion eight hundred and sixty million, two hundred and thirty-five thousand is set aside (R 1,860, 235, 000 b) for transport infrastructure Work opportunities and economic opportunities will be realised through the above mentioned efforts.
- We are determined to fight the burden of underdevelopment, poverty and inequality, hence this financial year we have applied for funding of the second phase of the Presidential Stimulus Package under the Semelela Programme.



- We therefore intend to bring about sustainable livelihoods and employ over eight thousand (8000) additional worker opportunities over and above the provincial target of 37 000 work opportunities targeted for this financial year. In this regard, a number of building infrastructure projects are planned for the current financial year namely:
  - Renovations of Moretele Office Park
  - Refurbishment of House of Traditional Leaders
  - Complete the New Bahurutshe Ba Ga Shuping Traditional Offices and Community Hall.
  
- 4 community library projects will be completed this financial year, Southey, Lethabong, Reagile and Haartebees Libraries
  
- Six (6) new school projects are planned to be completed as follows: Lichtenburg English Secondary , Phiri Secondary School, and Tigane Secondary School (Earth Works) Secondary School, Tlokwe Secondary and Tlakgameng Primary Schools



# Job Opportunities 2021

| SPHERE OF GOVERNMENT   | TARGETS       | TOTAL WORK OPPORTUNITIES REPORTED IN Q1 | DEMOGRAPHICS  |               |            |
|------------------------|---------------|---|---------------|---------------|------------|
|                        |               |   | WOMEN         | YOUTH         | PLWD       |
| Provincial Departments | 25 211        | 16 685                                  | 11 840        | 7 932         | 125        |
| Municipalities         | 14 487        | 2 688                                   | 1 399         | 1 298         | 20         |
| National Departments   |               | 19 343                                  | 14 916        | 5 533         | 149        |
| <b>TOTAL</b>           | <b>39 698</b> | <b>38 716</b>                           | <b>28 155</b> | <b>14 763</b> | <b>294</b> |



# Job Opp....

- The North West Provincial Expanded Public Works Programme for the 2021/22 financial year had a target to create 39 698 work opportunities and for the first quarter has reported 19 373 work opportunities.
- The demographics of these created 19 373 work opportunities are: -
  - Women have benefited at a total of 13 239 work opportunities
  - Youth have benefited at a total of 9 230 work opportunities; and
  - People living with disabilities have benefitted at a total of 145 work opportunities.
- Provincial departments have created 16 685 work opportunities across all sectors of the programme and Municipalities have created 2 688 work opportunities across all sectors of the programme.



# Conclusion

- Limited budget
- High unemployment rate
- Transfer of conditional grants on time such as the Presidential Stimulus package
- Community protests



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# Thank you



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