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MINISTERIAL BRIEFING SESSION: Progress in Developing Integrated and Sustainable Human Settlements

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PURPOSE

To outline the:

- ✓ Background
- ✓ Impact Statement
- ✓ Outcomes
- ✓ Mid Term Financial and Non-Financial Performance
- ✓ Challenges
- ✓ Remedial Actions

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Background

- The Department of Local Government and Human Settlements was reconfigured at the beginning of the 6th Administration into two (2) separate departments, namely:-
 - ✓ Department of Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs
 - ✓ Department of Human Settlements
- The Department of Human Settlements has three (3) Programmes





Background

 The report provides for the achievement of targets since the start of the 6th Administration to 31 January 2022; Mid-term Report



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IMPACT STATEMENT

IMPROVED LIVING CONDITIONS THROUGH THE PROVISION OF INTEGRATED SUSTAINABLE HUMAN SETTLEMENTS IN THE NORTH WEST PROVINCE



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OUTCOMES



MID TERM FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE



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Grant	Original budget	Adjusted budget	Expenditure	% Expenditure	% Variance (Under- expenditure)
	R'000	R'000	R'000		
HSDG	R1 234 648	R1 282 314	R873 222	68.1%	15.2%
ISUPG	R358 028	R358 028	R149 426	41.7%	41.6%
TOTAL	R1 592 676	R1 640 342	R1 022 648	62.3%	21.%

HSDG – Human settlements development grant ISUPG – Informal settlements upgrading partnership grant Expected percentage expenditure is 83.3%



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MID TERM NON-FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE



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PROGRAMME 1: MID TERM PERFORMANCE REPORT

OUTCOME	OUTCOME INDICATOR	FIVE YEAR TARGET	ACHIEVED TARGETS TO DATE
Improved good governance and accountability	Compliance enforced through legislation	Improved towards clean audit outcome	Qualified Audit Outcome



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PROGRAMME 2: MID TERM PERFORMANCE REPORT

OUTCOME	OUTCOME INDICATOR	FIVE YEAR TARGET	ACHIEVED TARGETS TO DATE
Creation of a conducive environment for the	Number of people provided with consumer education in identified communities	43 000	13 164
implementation of human settlement	Number of municipalities enabled to deliver human settlements programmes	6	0
programmes	Integrated human settlements	5	0

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PROGRAMME 3: MID TERM PERFORMANCE REPORT

OUTCOME	OUTCOME INDICATOR	FIVE YEAR TARGET	ACHIEVED TARGETS TO DATE
Sustainable Human Settlements and Improved Quality of Household Life	Number of housing opportunities delivered	58 000	11 605: Houses built 8 460: Serviced sites 115: FLISP 12 060: UISP
	Number of title deeds transferred to rightful beneficiaries	25 567: (New home owners)	1783
		49 234 : (Pre & Post 1994)	3483

KEY INTERVENTIONS



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MILITARY VETERANS

- The department is currently engaging with various municipalities where military Veterans are verified and approved.
- This is done to access the state of readiness of municipalities where Military Veterans are to be assisted with houses; i.e. available service stands.
- The department has further developed a "Turn Around Plan" that will assist in successfully implementing the programme and spending the available budget.



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TITLE DEEDS

- The Department has developed and is also implementing a recovery plan to achieve at least a total of 5000 title deeds by end of financial year.
- The title deeds conveyancers database is almost at conclusion, the database will be active and assist with the registration of the backlog title deeds.
- Consultations with municipalities are ongoing to resolve the issues pertaining to township establishment and signing of power of attorneys to facilitate lodging of title deeds.
- The Department has finalised the appointment of 4 officials who will be responsible for the administration of title deeds.



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STRENGTHENING MONITORING OF PROJECTS

- Over and above the joint project-monitoring exercise with the National Department currently on-going,
 - the department conducted contract reviews in November where contractors committed to costed completion up to an end of the financial year.
 - Regional teams are tasked to monitor activities on sites so as to timeously issue notification of breach of letters to those not complying.
 - The Regional Managers are submitting weekly monitoring reports to the Accounting Officer.





CHALLENGES



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- Delays by municipalities for township proclamation.
- Delays in approvals by municipalities to provide serviced stands for Military Veterans which impacted negatively on the programme
- Most of our municipalities do not prioritise the provision of water and sanitation which have a negative impact on the delivery of housing in the Province
- The non-functionality of most Municipal Planning Tribunal (MPT) continues to adversely impact on the pace of township establishment. The township establishment is a municipal competency and remain the major, if not the greatest, root cause of the delays in the registration of subsidy houses



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- Bulk infrastructure funding not sufficient to non-mining towns municipalities
- Lack of capacity in some Local Municipalities in areas of Planning
- ICT remains a challenge within our municipalities to migrate to National Housing Needs Register (NHNR) and the department is compelled to use written lists which do not guarantee approval





- The department did not receive enough applications for FLISP implementation. The department relies on received approved loans from financial institutions
- Poor performance by developers and contractors
- Lack of technical staff affects physical projects verification especially bulk infrastructure capacity
- Lack of suitable land for the development of low-cost houses has resulted in land invasion becoming increasingly rampant as an alternative for those in need. This lack of suitable and appropriately located land made the task of developing real human settlements a daunting challenge





- Some of the land that was originally earmarked for housing development has been found to be dolomitic. Dolomite stability investigation costs are exorbitant and lengthy thus resulting in stalled/blocked projects and has a negative implication on the optimal utilization of the allocated grant
- Unavailability / old geotechnical investigation reports in areas where signed off and approved beneficiaries are to be build houses at





- The Province is rural in nature and has a high proportion of households living in informal dwellings, some of which are erected on unsuitable sites or near roads
- Procurement of contractors was not done in the past three (3) years, hence the slow delivery on housing units and title deeds
- Developers are not prioritizing registration of title deeds
- The department has a high number of blocked projects
- There is a slow pace of approvals of Environmental Impact Assessments (EIA) by sector departments and agencies of government such as SANRAL, Heritage Council, SA Rail Agency





REMEDIAL ACTIONS



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DEPARTMENT REMEDIAL ACTIONS

- Procurement of thirty (30) contractors has been finalised and this will accelerate the delivery of housing units in the 2022/23 financial year
- The appointment for Database of Conveyancers is at an advanced stage and this will assist in the delivery of the title deeds.
- Focus for the remaining period will be on completed internal services to boost delivery
- The department is working closely with municipalities to address the identified challenges within the local sphere, e.g. Bulk Infrastructure, Beneficiary Administration and Functionality of Municipal Planning Tribunal





DEPARTMENT REMEDIAL ACTIONS

- Department is continually engaging with various municipalities affected by the Military Veterans programme, i.e. Rustenburg; JB Marks; Kagisano Molopo, Mahikeng, Ramotshere Moilwa, Moses Kotane etc.
- Contracts were extended and contract reviews on mining towns projects conducted. Focus for the remaining period will be on completions to boost delivery
- Almost all business plan projects went through procurement for accelerated delivery in the remaining period
- The department will setup an awareness campaign to inform employees about the services that the department offers with regards to FLISP





DEPARTMENT REMEDIAL ACTIONS

Department is reconciling the quarterly reported information with the HSS generated report prior approval



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