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NATIONAL COUNCIL OF PROVINCES

MINISTERIAL BRIEFING ON 'PROGRESS IN BUILDING INTEGRATED SUSTAINABLE HUMAN SETTLEMENTS' IN MPUMALANGA PROVINCE

[1.] PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

The purpose of the report is:

- To brief the National Council of Provinces on progress in *Building Integrated and Sustainable Human Settlements in Mpumalanga*.
- The report shall anchor on the following:-
 - **Focus Areas** (Integrated Human Settlements and Informal Settlements Upgrading using different human settlements programmes - IRDP, CRUs, and Title Deeds Programme.
 - **Strategic Human Settlements Priorities** for the 2019 – 2024 MTSF and **performance to date** in this regard.
 - **Eleven (11) months performance** for the 2021/22 FY

[2.] BACKGROUND - CURRENT HUMAN SETTLEMENTS BACKLOGS AND DELIVERY APPROACH

In Mpumalanga, the housing backlog is sitting at an unacceptable **275 103 housing opportunities** [i.e. Gert Sibande District - **75 767**, Nkangala District - **127 801**, and Ehlanzeni District - **71 535**].

In an endeavour to respond positively to all **Constitutional Imperatives** in the creation of functional and sustainable human settlements and address the backlog, the delivery of human settlements in the Province is now be confined to areas with the following positive attributes, in line with the **Housing Code, 2009** and **Human Settlements Master Plan, 2014**:

- *Well-located and suitable land in close proximity to places of work,*
- *Ready-for-implementation Project Pipeline wherein there is sufficient levels of bulk municipal engineering services infrastructure, and established townships, and*
- *Consideration given in the provision of the required social amenities (clinics, police stations, educational facilities, etc.).*

As a contribution and approach to the **District Development Model**, the Province is therefore planning to **spend 70% of its Annual Budget Allocation during the remainder of the MTSF period in the 16 declared Priority Development Areas** [i.e. City of Mbombela; Nkomazi; Bushbuckridge; Thaba Chweu; Msukaligwa; Govan Mbeki; eMalahleni; Steve Tshwete, Dr JS Moroka; and Thembisile Hani Local Municipalities], **as declared by the Minister: Human Settlements,**

The focused investment in **Priority Development Areas** is expected to address the housing backlog through proper collaboration by all development partners, in the process resulting in **improved sustainable integrated human settlements.**

[3.] KEY FOCUS AREAS - DDM STRATEGIC PROJECTS WITH EMPHASIS ON DECLARED PDAs

- ❑ In Mpumalanga, the **Executive Council (EXCO)** has adopted what is called the **'SUSTAINABLE HUMAN SETTLEMENTS 'MASTER PLAN'**
- ❑ Again, the Province has also adopted the **INFORMAL SETTLEMENTS MANAGEMENT AND 'UPGRADING STRATEGY'**.
- ❑ The **Master Plan** and **Upgrading Strategy** serve as provincial instruments that are key in the realization of the **Mpumalanga Vision 2030** which is, at the level of the Province, the ultimate implementation framework for the country's **NATIONAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN – 2030**.
- ❑ Whilst concerted efforts are being made in accelerating the implementation of the **14 INTEGRATED HUMAN SETTLEMENTS** in all three District Municipal Areas by ensuring access to basic services and provision of the much needed social amenities, an additional **33 NEW INTEGRATED HUMAN SETTLEMENTS** and **37 INFORMAL SETTLEMENTS** are being established / formalised as part of the MTSF planned targets. These are at different stages of implementation.
- ❑ Upon completion, beyond the current MTSF period, the current **47 INTEGRATED HUMAN SETTLEMENTS** and **37 INFORMAL SETTLEMENTS** being implemented and initiated within the MTSF period will deliver a total of **149 898 housing opportunities** plus other urban supporting infrastructure, reducing the backlog by 70% noting the high density developments in a form of CRUs, Social Housing as well as other Public Private Partnerships.

[4.] DELIVERY PERFORMANCE TO DATE AGAINST SET FIVE YEAR MTSF TARGETS

Overall Progress on Key Interventions for Integrated Human Settlements:

1. **TARGET:** Provide 63 324 housing opportunities in the entire Province, in collaboration with private sector. **OVERALL ACHIEVEMENT:** A total of 24 369 housing opportunities have since been delivered since 2019 by the Government led human settlements initiatives.
2. **TARGET:** Integrated Human Settlements Projects in fast growing towns and also targeting rural development (notably, Mbombela, Nkomazi, Bushbuckridge, Thaba Chweu, Steve Tshwete, Victor Khanye, Emalahleni, Chief Albert Luthuli, Mkhondo, Dipaliseng, Lekwa and Govan Mbeki). **OVERALL ACHIEVEMENT:** A total of 47 Integrated Human Settlements and 33 Informal Settlements are under implementation.
3. **TARGET:** Develop Nkosi City, as a Smart City, in the City of Mbombela Municipality through a Public Private Partnership. **OVERALL ACHIEVEMENT:** Development Application for Nkosi City has been approved and Province ready to proceed with implementation once the required bulk infrastructure has been put in place.
4. **TARGET:** Deliver 500 Gap Market linked housing opportunities in collaboration with Mining Houses as part of leveraging private sector funding commitment towards providing decent living environments in new settlements. **OVERALL ACHIEVEMENT:** A total of 134 beneficiaries have been assisted through the Finance Linked Individual Subsidy Programme (FLISP) since 2019
5. **TARGET:** Deliver 40 000 title deeds backlogs. **OVERALL ACHIEVEMENT:** A total of 6 792 title deeds have been delivered since 2019. The Province is in the processes of facilitating the Release of State Land which has been causing delivery challenges in this regard.

[5.] ELEVEN MONTHS PERFORMANCE DURING THE 2021/2022 FINANCIAL YEAR

The performance against the eleven months APP target is provided below:

Key Performance Target	Target 11 months	Actual 11 months	% Performance
Number of serviced sites – HSDG: 3 800	3 760 (IRDP)	3 643 (IRDP)	105% (IRDP)
Number of serviced sites –ISUPG: 3 555	3 258 (ISUPG)	1 331 (ISUPG)	41% (ISUPG)
Number of low-cost houses (BNG) – 2 890 houses <i>completed</i>	2 475	2 666	108%
Finance Linked Subsidies Programme – 50 subsidies disbursed	15	24	160%
Number of Community Residential Units- 326 <i>delivered</i>	Completion of earth, civil and foundation works	Completed earth, civil and foundation works on 36 units at superstructure and 20 units at substructure	N/A
Social Amenities – 3 <i>completed</i>	Procurement processes finalized	Procurement processes finalized	100%
Title Deeds (<i>Current, Pre & Post 1994</i>) - 7865	2 100	1326	63%
<i>Acquire 2 well located land parcel</i>	2	2	100%

RECOMMENDATIONS

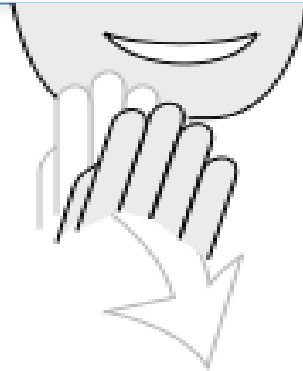
- It is herewith recommended that:
 - the **NCOP** notes the report outlining progress made towards the delivery of HSDG / ISUPG Grants funded human settlements initiatives.
 - the **NCOP** notes the challenges affecting the Province in so far as human settlements delivery is concerned and provide guidance and support.
 - The **NCOP** notes the progress made on the selected human settlements projects.



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