

DEPARTMENT OF CO-OPERATIVE GOVERNANCE, HUMAN SETTLEMENTS AND TRADITIONAL AFFAIRS

# State of Mopani and Vhembe District and Progress in Building Municipal Infrastructure for Effective Delivery of Services

**PRESENTATION TO NCOP** 

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# **Presentation outline**

- a) Institutional and Governance overview
- b) Development Planning
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- d) Financial health summary
- e) Human Settlement programmes



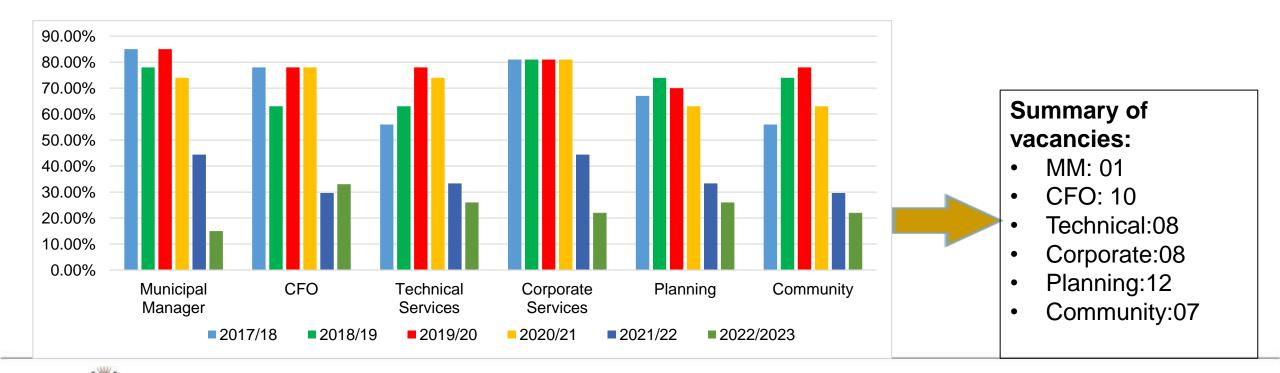
## **KPA: Institutional Capacity**

Local Government: Municipal Systems Amendment Act, 2022 (Act No.3 of 2022) came into effect on the 1 November 2022.

#### Appointment of senior managers

- □ 119 out of 174 (68%) positions are filled to date.
- □ 01 MM vacancy is at: Sekhukhune District Municipality.
- 10 vacancies of CFO are at: Greater Letaba, Maruleng, Greater Tzaneen, Makhado, Elias Motsoaledi, Lepelle-Nkumpi, Waterberg, Thabazimbi, Makhuduthamaga and Bela-Bela Municipalities.

□ The figures below provides a synopsis of the trends over the 5-year period:



# **Governance Mopani District**

### Functionality of council and its committees:

- The District and its local municipalities have functional councils and council committees.
- They adhere to council rules of order of and adopted scheduled calendar of meetings.

### Functionality of District IGR structure

District IGR is functional and conducts quarterly forum meetings with full participation of all its local municipalities. All Mayors in the district signed IGR protocol that ensures functionality of the forum.



# **Intervention at Mopani District**

- EXCO Resolved to invoke Section 139(1)(a) of the Constitution of the Republic of South Africa after a rapid assessment was conducted at the District Municipality.
- The municipality has instituted Court proceedings to Interdict the Provincial Government to implement the intervention.
- Currently, the process of challenging the interdict on both merit and technicalities are underway.



# **Governance Vhembe District**

#### **Functionality of council and its committees:**

- The District and its local municipalities have functional councils and council committees.
- They adhere to council rules of order of and adopted scheduled calendar of meetings.

#### **Functionality of District IGR structure/Challenges**

District IGR is not functional and failed to convene quarterly forum meetings. Only two IGR meetings were held since 2021 LGE. Mayors in the district signed IGR protocol that ensures functionality of the forum however the district failed to adhere to the protocol.

#### **Interventions**

MEC wrote a letter to the Executive Mayor to revive the forum and submit adopted schedule of meetings currently compliance has improved.



### **Vhembe District: Development Planning**

The District hosts the Musina Makhado Special Economic Zone (MMSEZ). The Musina-Makhado SEZ south site is to be developed as an energy and metallurgical complex with mixed land use rights that suit the operation of an SEZ.

### **Progress on MMSEZ South site:**

Department of LEDET has issued an Environmental Authorization (currently undergoing court processes by objectors).

The Township Establishment application has been circulated to sector departments, affected municipalities and all interested and affected stakeholders prior to submission of the application to Makhado and Musina municipalities.

The Limpopo provincial government, commissioned a study for MMSEZ Regional Spatial Development Framework. The process is at an advance stage and waiting for the Declaration of the area as a Region by the Minister (DALRRD).



### Access to basic services

- Access to water has declined by 9.4% between 2015 and 2021 (from 78.8% to 69.4%). The decline is mainly caused by ageing infrastructure affecting sustainable and reliable water supply. The province is 10.6% below the Limpopo Development Plan target.
- There is a 4.5% increase in sanitation between 2015 and 2021. The province is 6.5% below the Limpopo Development Plan target. The table below provides a summary of access to services:

	LIMPOPO		Ger	neral Hous	Census					
Service	LDP 2025 targets	2021	2020	2019	2018	2016	2015	2011	2001	1996
Water	80%	69.4%	71.3%	70.0%	74.1%	75.1%	78.8%	86.0%	78.1%	77.5%
Sanitation	65%	58.5%	58.7%	63.4%	58.9%	57.1%	54.0%	38.0%	27.0%	-
Electricity	95%	96.9%	97.2%	93.4%	92.7%	94.1%	92.9%	87.3%	62.9%	39.2%
Refuse Removal	-	23.9%	21.3%	17.7%	22.9%	21.9%	21.4%	21.8%	15.6%	13.1%



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## 2017/2018 - 2021/2022 MIG Implementation

Financial Year	Allocation R'000	Expenditure R'000	% exp	unspent R'000
2018/2019	3,218,586	2,990,504	93	228,082
2019/2020	2,944,637	2,493,180	85	451,457
2020/2021	2,952,699	2,796,643	95	156,056
2021/2022	3,100,822	2,862,153	92	238,669
2022/2023	3,438,109	2,956,466	86	481,952
TOTAL	15,654,853	14,098,946	90	1,556,216

- 2018/2019 2022/2023 allocation : R 15.654 billion
- Amount spent : R 14.098 billion
- Amount unspent: R1.556 billion
- The province lost nearly R600 million of roll over applications not approved, which could have gone towards provision of new infrastructure, thus reducing the backlog.



## 2023/2024 PROVINCIAL PROJECTS SUMMARY

	2023/2024 allocation	Percentage contribution	Number of projects
Provincial allocation	3,519,856,000.00		
Provincial: Water	1,767,413,926.23	50.21%	55
Provincial: Roads	1,002,574,187.31	28.48%	71
Provincial: Sanitation	238,070,494.08	6.76%	2
Provincial: Other	484,197,356.74	13.76%	27

- 9 (36%) out of 25 municipalities with allocation above R100 million has a combined total of R 2,665,834,000 (96% of prov. allocation) [Mopani, Thulamela, Vhembe, Capricorn, Mogalakwena, Greater Tzaneen, Makhado, Fetakgomo Tubatse and Sekhukhune]
- 68% of the provincial MIG allocation is allocated to the 9 WSA that receive MIG.
- 50.2% of the 2023/2024 FY provincial MIG budget is allocated to water projects, 28.5% being allocated to roads projects, 13.8% to other important priorities and 6.8% to sanitation projects.



### **Status of Water Services Development Plans (WSDP)**

	WSE	)P	DBSA	Support Programme
Municipality	Yes/No	Still valid	Did the municipality apply? (Yes/No)	Status of application
Bela-Bela	Yes	2022/2023	N/A	
Capricorn	Yes	2022/2023	N/A	
Lephalale	No		Yes	Due Diligence stage
Modimolle- Mookgophong	No		Yes	Infrastructure Master Plan at Investment Committee stage
Mogalakwena	No		Yes	Investment Committee stage
Mopani	Yes	2022/2023	N/A	
Polokwane	Yes	2022/2023	N/A	
Sekhukhune	No		Yes	Investment Committee stage
Thabazimbi	No		No	
Vhembe	Yes	2022/2023	N/A	

 Lack of valid Water Services
 Development plan hinders
 planned infrastructure
 development and maintenance.

- Only 5 out of 10 water services authorities has valid WSDP.
- Currently, through the DBSA support programme, the remaining WSA's have applied for assistance with the development of their WSDP

## MIG funded Bulk projects 2023/2024

### Vhembe DM

Project Name	Progress	Challenges
Chavani & Surrounding Villages Bulk Pipeline and	83.7%	Budget Maintenance application in progress. Project
Water Reticulation (Bulk pipeline to Shirley, Njhak		in Basani, Njhakanjhaka and Bulk Pipeline disrupted
		by dispute of rates by sub-contractors appointed.
VONDO RWS: Murangoni, Maranzhe, Vondo la fhasi,	13.1%	None
Tshikunda, Matondoni water supply		
Water Supply and Bulk Water Reticulation of Ngwenani	21.7%	None
Themeli, Ngulumbi, Ngovhela, Madamalala, Phindu		
Makhado West Bulk Water Supply – Stage 3	98%	MIG funding exhausted. Municipality busy with
		application for additional funding.
Xikundu Mhinga Bulk Water Supply	98%	Completion date expired and the contractor is now
		on penalties.
Malamulele West RWS		Poor progress by the Contractor.
	93%	The contractor engaged on the slow the progress,
		commitments were made to accelerate the works.
Construction of Bulk pipeline from Vuwani to Middle	96%	None
Letaba System (Disaster Project)		
Majosi Sub-Scheme, Matoks/Botlokwa and Tshitale		
South		



## MIG funded Bulk projects 2023/2024

### Mopani DM

Project Name	Progress	Challenges
Lulekani Water Scheme	48%	None
Makhushane Water Scheme	57%	None
Ritavi II Regional Water Scheme	75%	None
(Sub-Scheme 1)		
Sefofotse to Ditshosane / Ramahlatsi	99%	On practical completion busy with snag list.
Bulk and Reticulation		
(Bellevue,Sefofotse,		
Maupa,Jamela,Mohlaban		
Sekgosese Regional Bulk Water	66%	None
Scheme		
Hoedspruit Bulk Water Supply		The bulk project is completed, and contract has been closed. The
(construction of reservoir)		outstanding work is the construction of reservoir. Municipality still busy with
		the processes to acquire land from public works.
Kampersrus Bulk Scheme & Scotia		The contractor has completed the bulk line of 2900m and the construction of
Water Reticulation Phase 1	97%	concrete reservoir. The outstanding works is commissioning & testing of
		pumps and pressure testing of the bulk line. Awaiting energization form
		Eskom upgrading the transformer for connecting to the pump station and
		testing. The municipality has requested the engineer to explore the option of
		standby generator which will also assist during load shedding.



## MIG funded Bulk projects 2023/2024

Mopani (continued....)

Project Name	Progress	Strategic challenges
Thabina Regional Water Scheme (The Resizing and Replacement of Bulk Water Pipeline)	99%	Phase 5 is complete, handover conducted on the 21 April 2022. Pump station awaiting energizing by ESKOM, currently using a generator.
Tours BWS (Rehabilitation and Upgrading of Bulklines) (Amendment)	98%	None



## **Vhembe District Municipality MIG expenditure:**

As at end of June 2023:

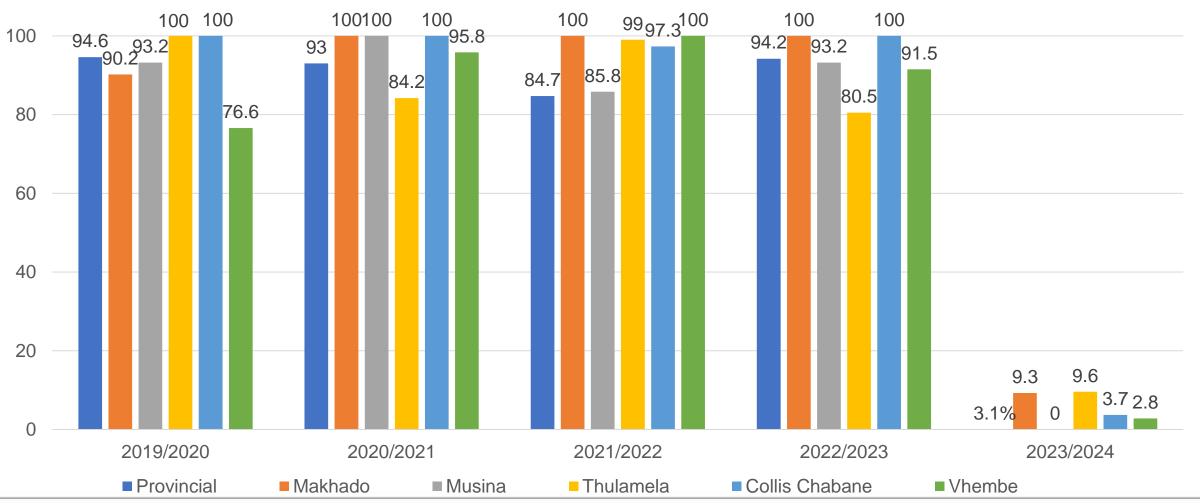
• Vhembe was allocated R593 243 000 in the 2022/2023 financial year The municipality spent R545 072 000 (91.9%) and an amount of R48 171 000 remains unspent.

Allocation for 2023/24 is R621 329 000



### **Provincial and Vhembe municipalities – 5 YEAR expenditure comparison**

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## Mopani District Municipality MIG expenditure:

As at end of June 2023:

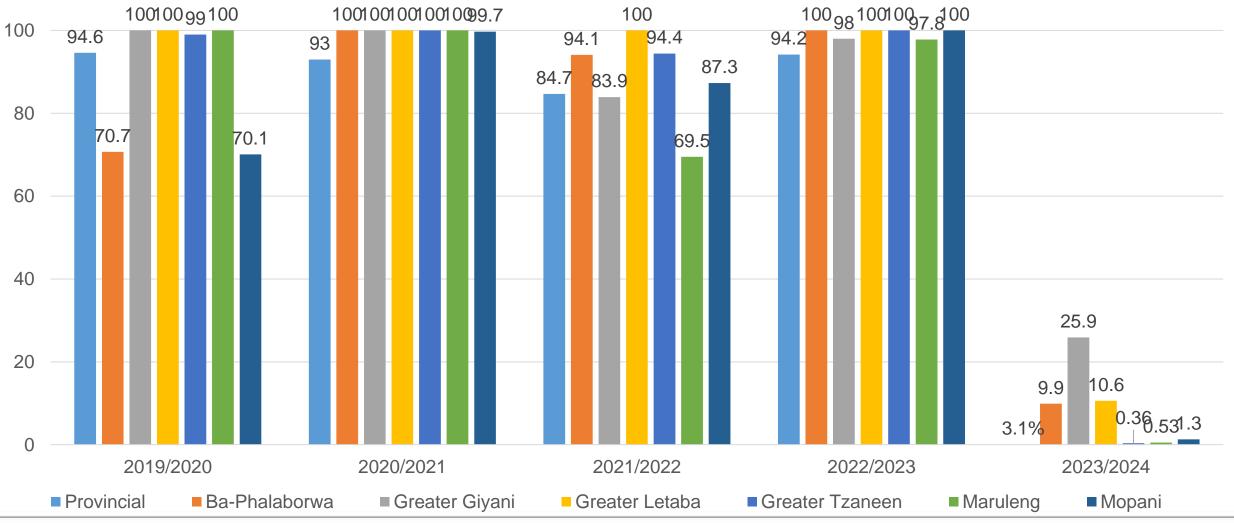
- **Mopani** allocation was adjusted down by R42 431 000 during the stopping and reallocation process from R523 460 000 to R481 029 000 for their 2022/2023 financial year allocation.
- 100% of the adjusted allocation was spent.

Allocation for 2023/24 is R548 214 000



### Provincial and Mopani municipalities – 5 YEAR expenditure comparison

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## **MIG** implementation challenges & Interventions

Challenges	Interventions
Inadequate operation and maintenance budgeting for	Municipalities to develop their asset management plans, this will
existing and new infrastructure.	assist municipality to budget appropriately for the repairs and
	maintenance of their water services infrastructure.
Implementation of large projects, taking too long to be	Implementation of the scope which upon completion, is functional.
completed and at a much higher cost than initially	The current technical report approval process by DWS ensures
projected.	that large projects are divided into manageable phases and
	approved as such. Municipalities should ensure that adequate
	financial resources are allocated to the phase being implemented.
Pressure on the existing MIG grant as existing	MIG also provides for refurbishment of water services
infrastructure fails to provide the required service.,	infrastructure, especially where the municipality has been issued
e.g., ageing infrastructure that requires	with non-compliance notice by DWS. Where no budget is available
refurbishment.	for refurbishment, municipality can utilize this opportunity.



### **Operations and Maintenance**

Lin	npopo Pr	ovincial Trea	sury Budg	eted Rene	wal and	d upgrading	g and R&M as	s a % of PPE	(Qualification of	on Assets)

No.	District	Municipality	Norm	Budgeted Perfpormance	Variance	Status	Total Renewal of Existing Assets	Total Upgrading of Existing Assets	TOTAL ASSET REGISTER SUMMARY - PPE (WDV)	Repairs and Maintenance by Asset Class	
1	Capricorn	Blouberg	10%	6%	4%	Below Norm	407,000	-	143,111,074	8,820,185	
2	Capricorn	Capricorn	10%	0%	10%	Below Norm	-	-	2,216,782,921	8,820,185	
3	Capricorn	Lepelle-Nkumpi	10%	31%	-21%	Above Norm	20,111,543	60,000,000	386,848,553	40,597,650	
4	Capricorn	Molemole	10%	8%	2%	Below Norm	15,685,619	-	386,848,553	15,630,000	
	Capricorn	Polokwane	10%	1%	9%	Below Norm	-	-	2,216,782,921	30,420,000	
6	Mopani	Ba-phalaborwa	10%	5%	5%	Below Norm	-	31,472,000	1,163,733,170	23,884,013	
7	Mopani	Greater Giyani	10%	-98%	108%	Below Norm	-	12,300,000	- 65,325,000	51,760,000	
8	Mopani	Greater Letaba	10%	2%	8%	Below Norm	2,000,000	-	1,194,417,189	22,435,212	
9	Mopani	Greater Tzaneen	10%	67%	-57%	Above Norm	3,000,000	-	143,111,074	92,997,254	
10	Mopani	Maruleng	10%	5%	5%	Below Norm	18,300,000	9,000,000	752,052,370	6,950,004	
11	Mopani	Mopani	10%	2%	8%	Below Norm	35,107,834	-	6,336,445,464	74,969,464	
12	Sekhukhune	Elias Motsoaledi	10%	11%	-1%	Above Norm	-	66,356,000	1,273,183,773	74,969,464	
13	Sekhukhune	Ephraim Mogale	10%	3%	7%	Below Norm	-	100,000	865,753,966	23,569,236	
14	Sekhukhune	Tubatse Fetakgomo	10%	9%	1%	Below Norm	152,142,610	3,826,086	2,270,946,164	42,799,360	
15	Sekhukhune	Makhuduthamaga	10%	6%	4%	Below Norm	6,000,000	8,400,000	529,675,752	17,507,199	
16	Sekhukhune	Sekhukhune	10%	4%	6%	Below Norm	5,750,000	2,660,000	2,751,035,070	88,711,859	
17	Vhembe	Makhado	10%	11%	-1%	Above Norm	58,000,000	209,582,451	2,757,938,092	38,388,050	
18	Vhembe	Musina	10%	6%	4%	Below Norm	-	18,170,988	537,099,633	13,754,802	
19	Vhembe	Collins Chabane	10%	4%	6%	Below Norm	10,000,000	23,646,000	1,295,598,986	19,538,000	
20	Vhembe	Thulamela	10%	12%	-2%	Above Norm	-	73,000,000	1,444,560,125	100,936,600	
21	Vhembe	Vhembe	10%	6%	4%	Below Norm	3,043,478	119,165,218	3,514,146,072	84,704,262	
22	Waterberg	Bela bela	10%	9%	1%	Below Norm	-	71,196,851	916,433,559	15,045,000	
23	Waterberg	Lephalale	10%	5%	5%	Below Norm	21,226,000	-	1,363,629,447	40,552,724	
24	Waterberg	Mogalakwena	10%	1%	9%	Below Norm	-	-	5,623,523,977	43,258,899	
25	Waterberg	Modimolle-Mookgopo	10%	7%	3%	Below Norm	-	51,238,052	1,480,809,287	45,062,021	
26	Waterberg	Thabazimbi	10%	70%	-60%	Above Norm	-	44,052,194	70,004,258	5,079,500	
27	Waterberg	Waterberg	10%	10%	0%	Below Norm	-	-	71,793,017	6,950,004	
	Provincial <sup>-</sup>	Total					350,774,084	804,165,840	41,640,939,467	1,038,110,947	

Poor operations and Maintenance is one of main courses for infrastructure failure. The investment in Operations and Maintenance remains below the norm which negatively affect the sustainability of water supply.

For the 2022/2023 municipal budgets, no municipality has at least budgeted above the norm of 8%, which will continue to have negative impact on sustainable provision of water.

## **Municipal Audit outcomes**

Audit Outcome Trend			Audit C	Dpinion		
Audit Outcome Trend	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	STATUS
MOPANI DISTRICT						
Ba-phalaborwa	Qualified	Qualified	Qualified	Qualified	Qualified	Stagnant
Greater Giyani	Qualified	Qualified	Unqualified	Qualified	Unqualified	Improved
Greater Letaba	Unqualified	Unqualified	Unqualified	Unqualified	Unqualified	Maintained
Greater Tzaneen	Qualified	Qualified	Unqualified	Unqualified	Unqualified	Maintained
Maruleng	Unqualified	Unqualified	Unqualified	Unqualified	Unqualified	Maintained
Mopani	Adverse	Qualified	Qualified	Disclaimer	Disclaimer	Stagnant
VHEMBE DISTRICT						
Collins Chabane	Disclaimer	Qualified	Unqualified	Unqualified	Unqualified	Maintained
Makhado	Qualified	Qualified	Unqualified	Unqualified	Unqualified	Maintained
Musina	Qualified	Qualified	Unqualified	Unqualified	Qualified	Regressed
Thulamela	Unqualified	Unqualified	Unqualified	Unqualified	Unqualified	Maintained
Vhembe	Disclaimer	Qualified	Qualified	Qualified	Qualified	Stagnant



## Key findings affecting the Municipal Audit outcomes

		Financial statement qualification areas						Findings on non-compliance								
Auditee		Current assets	Liabilities	Capital and reserves	Other disclosure items	Revenue	Expenditure	Unauthorised, irregular, as well as fruitless and wasteful expenditure	Material misstatement or limitations in submitted AFS	Unauthorised, irregular, as well as fruitless and wasteful expenditure	Asset management	Expenditure management	Consequence management	Revenue management	Strategic planning and performance management	Procurement management
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Collins Chabane	<u> </u>			<u> </u>			<u> </u>		R	B	A		A		N	R
Greater Giyani		A					A		B	В					B	B
Greater Letaba									B	В			N			B
Greater Tzaneen									B	В		N	B			B
Makhado									B		в		B	¢	B	A
Maruleng									в	B					B	N
Thulamela									A						N	
Vhembe District		A	A		в	В	A		B	B			A	в	B	N
Ba-Phalaborwa	A	в	в	N	в	В	в	A	в	B		N	A	в	N	B
Musina		N		N			N		B	B		N	B		B	B
Mopani District	в	в	в		в	в	в	B	B	B	В	B	B	в	B	B
Greater Tzaneen									B	в		N	B			B

Legends : Addressed New Repeat

### Support provided

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- Giyani LM has improved whilst Musina regressed from an Unqualified to Qualified Audit Outcome. Mopani DM remained on a Disclaimer.
- All audit action plans were reviewed to determine if the actions adequately address the root causes of the finding. Implementation of the audit action plans through ASC and AC meetings
- Audit engagement sessions were held with Musina & Mopani DM with AGSA, SALGA and LPT
- Training was provided to all municipalities on the review of the AFS,SCM, Advance Excel and Record Management.
- Municipalities were supported to develop UIFWe Reduction Strategies.



## Financial Health Assessment – 30 June 2023

Category	Mar-23		Jun-23		Observation from the NT Database
	Number	Municipality	Number	Municipality	
Bankrupt" - Solvency ratio of less than 1:1 (total liabilities exceed total assets)	0		1	Ba-Phalaborwa	The municipality's assets appear as a negative balance.
Insolvent - Liquidity ratio of less than1:1 and unable to pay creditors from available cash and investments	8	Belabela, Lephalale, Mogalakwena Modimolle-Mookgophong, Mopani, Musina Vhembe and Thabazimbi		Modimolle-Mookgophong, Mopani, Musina	Creditors net days are above two years; Debtors net days are above one year; and current liabilities more than current assets
Solvent - Unable to Pay Creditors - Liquidity ratio above 1:1 but unable to pay creditors from available cash and investments	2	Ba-phalaborwa, Sekhukhune	7	Martiado, Martiada anaga, Martiado, 1 olorwario	Net debtors and creditors days is days ratio is above a year
Short to Medium Term Viability - Liquidity ratio above 1:1 and sufficient cash and investments available to pay creditors	17	Blouberg, Capricorn, Collins Chabane Ephraim Mogale, Elias MotsoaledinLepelle-Nkumpi, Fetakgomo-Tubatse, Molemole, Greater Letaba, Greater Tzaneen, Maruleng, Polokwane, Thulamela	11	Molemole, Greater Tzaneen, Maruleng, Thulamela	Current assets are more than current liabilities and the the cash coverage ratio is above three months.

- Ba-Phalaborwa financial ratio depicts that the municipality is under serious financial distress. Ba-Phalaborwa municipality has developed a Financial Recovery Plan
- Collins Chabane, Thulamela, Greater Tzaneen and Maruleng financial ratios depict that the municipalities have sufficient cash available to pay creditors.



## Human settlements performance - Mopani

 The Human Settlements Development Grant (HSDG) Budget allocation for 2023/24 in Mopani District is R 209 003 030. The housing units delivered as at end 31 August 2023 are 627 against a target of 1 340 units translating to 53,2%

### **Other Projects**

- Talana Hostel, in the Greater Tzaneen Municipality (GTM) is one of the hostels that have been identified as a priority for upgrading. The intention is to develop a medium density development in 1 – 3 storey walk-ups with a mix of units including 2 bedroom and 1 Bedroom. The aim of the mix is to provide a choice of units linked to different rentals. Currently, procurement of Principal Agent for management of the project implementation is underway.
- Service of sites to improve access to basic services: Two projects in Giyani for i.e. Refurbishment of waste water treatment works and reticulation of water and sewer access.





## **BULK INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS**

### **Bulk Sewer Pipeline**

Project Description	Municipality	Project Budget
1. Bulk Sewer Pipeline in Giyani	Greater Giyani	R 9,307,659.60
2. Bulk Sewer Pipeline in Siyandani	Grater Giyani	R7,021,450.00
<ol> <li>Sewer pump station and Upgrading and construction of Bulk Sewer pipeline in Ha-Mawasha</li> </ol>	Greater Tzaneen	R8,091,400.00
TOTAL		R24,420,509.60

#### **Sewer Treatment Plant**

Project Description		Project Budget
4. Sewer Treatment Plant in Giyani H	Greater Giyani	R19,153,962.35
TOTAL		R19,153,962.35
SUB-TOTAL		R43,574,471.95



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## Human settlements performance- Vhembe District

The Human Settlements Development Grant (HSDG) Budget allocation for 2023/24 in Vhembe District is R 236 487 574.
 The housing units delivered as at end 31 August 2023 are 554 against a target of 2 107 units translating to 26%.

### **Other Projects**

- Tshikota Hostel, in the Makhado Municipality is one of the hostels that have been identified as a priority for upgrading. The intention is to develop a medium density development in 1 2 storey walk-ups with a mix of units including 2 bedroom and 1 Bedroom. The aim of the mix is to provide a choice of units linked to different rentals. Contractor and the Principal Agent already appointed for construction and management of the project implementation.
- There are five projects for bulk infrastructure are currently at the feasibility phase at Musina Local Municipality. The list of projects are shown on the slide below



### BULK INFRASTRUCTUTRE VHEMBE PROJECTS

#### Bulk Sewer and Bulk water Pipeline

Project Description	Municipality	Project Budget
1. Bulk Sewer Pipeline in Volgelenzang	Musina Local Municipality	R 8 ,025,238.75
2. Bulk Sewer Pipeline in Masisi	Musina Local Municipality	R 7, 673,763.75
3. Bulk engineering services for elevated Reservoir in Masisi	Musina Local Municipality	R 4, 165,011.28
4. Buk water pipeline in Nancefield	Musina Local Municipality	R 6, 309,169,22
5. Bulk water pipeline in Masisi	Musina Local Municipality	R 6, 786,116.30
Total		R 32, 959,299,00



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