

News Flash

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Minister awards best performing province



Minister for Public Works T.W. Nxesi during Kamoso Awards

The Minister for Public Works T.W. Nxesi, held the 2012/13 Expanded Public Works Programme (EPWP) Kamoso Awards ceremony on the 17th October 2013 at Emperors Palace in Gauteng. Through these annual ministerial

awards, the National Department of Public Works (NDPW) in its role as the lead and coordinator of the Programme, encourages, motivates, recognises and rewards the best performing government departments, municipalities, provinces and public bodies for their significant contribution in creating work opportunities for the unemployed.

The 2012/13 Kamoso Awards Ceremony was significant as its aim was to mobilise implementers of the Programme to increase their efforts in making the socio-economic impact among communities and individual EPWP beneficiaries. The Programme will also showcase its progress, impact and successes as a government flagship programme aimed at alleviating poverty and unemployment through the creation of labour intensive work opportunities and communicate the way-forward beyond 2014.

Since the implementation of EPWP Phase 2 in 2009, the Programme has created over 3 million work opportunities towards achieving the cabinet mandated target of 4.5 million work opportunities by March 2014. awards: The Limpopo Department of Public Works as the coordinator for EPWP in the province also took part in the 2012/13 National Kamoso Awards and it has scooped the following awards:



Infrastructure sector

First position in Best Local Municipality:

Polokwane Local Municipality

First position in Best Public Supporting Contractor Development: Polokwane Local Municipality: Construction of sidewalk at Mokgokong Village



Social Sector

First position in Best Programme: National School Nutrition: Limpopo Department of Education



Environment and Culture Sector

*First position in Best Provincial project:
Limpopo Department of Agriculture:
Mookgopong Landcare Project*



Non-State Sector

*First position in Best Province
Non-profit organisation: Limpopo
Province*

Service delivery continues



MEC for Public Works, Namane Dickson Masemola Welcomed by Mr. Mokobodi MD at Makgwale High

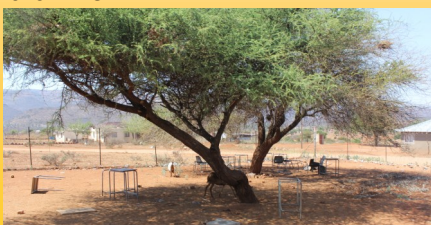
Public Participation an opportunity for government to strengthen partnerships with the public. Limpopo Provincial government continues with its monthly interaction with community in the province. As part of the programme the MEC of Public Works, Namane Dickson Masemola visited a remote Makgwale High School in the heart of Sekhukhune District under Tubatse Local Municipality at Ma Seven Village. This is in line with service delivery outputs assessment and checking the infrastructure of the School. Makgwale High School has 426 learners with 12 teachers and in the 2013 school programme has 38 learners doing matric.



MEC , motivating grade 12 pupil ahead of exams



Maths teacher at Makgwale High showing an under tree classroom to the MEC



The school under Principal Mr. Mokobaki MD had tremendously achieved a high matric pass rate of 92.1% in 2010 and 54% in 2012. According the principal the school is faced with challenges of accommodation wherein learners study under trees, relocation of mobile classes, promotional posts and rural incentive that affects the educators. In his respond the MEC for Public Works Namane Dickson Masemola, said “*All your concerns will be directed to the relevant department for immediate response and we apologise on behalf of the government to both principal and the SGB for having delays in getting mobile classes from near by school as the community took initiative in relocating the classes and assured that issue will be addressed*”. He also committed priority list of construction programme for the financial year 2013/14 if Makgwale is included to address accommodation challenges.

PUBLIC SERVICE DAY SPORT ACTIVITIES

Department of Public Service Administration (DPSA) declared the month of September as Employee Health Public Service Day across the country. As part of the Public Service Month activities the Office of the Premier organized a Provincial Employee Health and wellness Sports day for public servants in the Province. The Provincial Sports day took place on the 11th of October 2013 at SANDF Base Polokwane Airport.

Public Works as part of Provincial department took part during the Public Service Sport, the departments were Premiers Office, Statistic South Africa, Sports, Health, Agriculture, Economic Development, Local Government and Housing, SAPS, SANDF, Rural Development, Education, Treasury, Correctional Service and Road and Transport, Old Mutual, Virgin Active, Avbob and MGM Motors. Sport activities for the day were volley ball, netball, soccer, tug of war (men and women), running, ladies soccer and aerobics.



LDPW Ladies Soccer Team

FINAL RESULTS

ACTIVITIES	
NETBALL	1 ST TUT 2 ND AGRICULTURE 3 RD COGSTA
SOCCER	1 ST ROAD & TRANSPORT 2 ND LEDET 3 RD AGRICULTURE
LADIES SOCCER	1 ST LAND AFFAIRS 2 ND PUBLIC WORKS
TUG OF WAR (WOMEN)	1 ST AGRICULTURE 2 ND PUBLIC WORKS
VOLLEY BALL	1 ST TUT 2 ND SANDF 3 RD COGSTA
TUG OF WAR (MEN)	1 ST SANDF 2 ND EDUCATION 3 RD AGRICULTURE



LDPW Volley Ball Team



LDPW Men Soccer Team



LDPW Netball Team playing

EVACUATION DRILL

The primary purpose of the emergency evacuation exercise is to empower staff members on what they should do in case of emergency and also expose staff to real life situations. A disaster refers to a progressive or sudden wide spread or localised, natural or human caused occurrence which might result on death, injury or disease.

Simulated fire and bomb threat which involved Polokwane Disaster Management, SAPS bomb Unit, Fire Department, Traffic Department, and Emergency Ambulance Services.

The Department has established Occupational Health and Safety structures (Evacuation Team) who have been trained on how to deal with various emergencies e.g. fire, bomb, threats, explosions, armed robbery and strike action.

Duties of the Evacuation Team:

- ♦ Assist employees to evacuate the building
- ♦ Help your disabled colleagues (those who have been trained **Mapheto, Matsi, Mushi**)
- ♦ Assembly point at the Polokwane Information Centre next to Jack Botes Hall
- ♦ Also take along time/attendance register /first aiders to take along FA boxes
- ♦ Make sure all your colleagues have evacuated the building and you will be the last one to leave



LDPW Staff Members during the Evacuation Drill exercise





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PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT

REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

VISION

A leader in the provision and management of land and buildings.

MISSION

Optimal utilization of resources in the provision and management of provincial land and buildings and the coordination of Expanded Public Works Programme.

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Professionalism"

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