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during the month of the child***

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## 1. Project Executive Summary

Project Title	<b>EPWP SOCIAL INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT</b>					
Project	<b><i>EPWP Social Sector Support to Early Childhood Development Centers during the month of the child</i></b>					
Sector	Expanded Public Works Programme.					
Sub-sector	EPWP SOCIAL SECTOR					
Name of SPO/ Implementing Agent	Limpopo Department of Public Works- Expanded Public Works Programme					
Type of Organisation	NGO	CBO	Trust	CC	PTY	<b>Government</b>
Existing Mgmt Structures			<u><b>Management Committee</b></u>	<b>Social Sector Coordinating Directorate</b>	Other	
Key Training Needs Identified	NOT APPLICABLE					
Accreditation	Service Provider			Training Materials		
	NOT APPLICABLE			NOT APPLICABLE		
Overall Project Objective	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>🚧 The overall project objective is to support needy rural area ECD sites with material in support of the month of the child and beyond.</li> <li>🚧 To brand the sites as part of expanded public works programme implementation and awareness creation</li> <li>🚧 Support the sites with materials for their work as captured in the sector plan</li> </ul>					



Intended Beneficiaries	Direct: Estimated 2,500 ECD children from almost 50 Needy ECD sites in the Blouberg Municipality					
	DISTRICT		BENEFICIARIES (ECD PUPILS)		ECD SITES	
	Blouberg Municipality					
	Total number of three thousand children (2,500)					
Geographical Coverage & Project Site	Limpopo Province, Blouberg Municipality					
Duration	Month of November 2007.					
Project Start Date	06 November 2007					
Project Financing	Total Project Estimated Budget = R 390,000 00					
Budget Line Item		Materials (ECD aprons)	Educational toys	Stipend	Training/ Capacity Building	Marketing/ Advertising
Budgeted Amount		R 190, 000.00	R 200,000.00	N/A	N/A	N/A

## 2. Executive Summary

Are the planned outcomes of the project consistent with the organisation's mission, goals, objectives and experience? Explain how?	Yes, the objectives and the outcome are the same as the objectives of the EPWP Social Sector Plans.
Does the organisation have a management structure that includes board, staff leadership and involves young people in decision making? Explain how?	The department has EPWP officials stationed at head office that will run the project while the ECD sites have got the ECD staff, ECD committees and ECD coordinators to assist.



Does the project provide support and learning programs that are comprehensive and enable young people to access economic opportunities? Explain how?	Yes, ECD practioners have been trained in the programme to run the sites on a professional and cost effective basis.
Does the organisation have the systems to collect, analyse and disseminate information about participants? Is the information sufficient to assess the impact of services? Explain how?	The programme has been developed in such a way that it enables close working partnership between all stakeholders. EPWP head office official will work with the ECD coordinators at district level under Education and Social development and of course also work with ECD"s themselves and their committees.



### **3. Introduction**

Limpopo Province has the 4<sup>th</sup> largest population in South Africa at 5.6 million (12%). Women make up to 55% of the adult population while the youth constitute about 35% of the population. The bulk of the economically active population is unskilled or semi-skilled and the overall level of poverty in the Province is relatively high currently estimated at 60%. The unemployment rate is estimated to be 49% and is the second highest in the country. Women, youth and people with disabilities are the most affected and make up the larger portion of the poor in the Province. In addition, due to mainly historical imbalances, basic infrastructural services are in a deplorable state coupled with massive backlogs in construction and maintenance of public infrastructure. These pose significant socio-economic challenges to the province.

The National and Provincial governments initiated several development projects in the Province aimed at mitigating the above challenges since the establishment of the democratic dispensation in 1994 and launch of the Expanded Public Works Programme in 2004. One of the most significant ones is the Expanded Public Works Programme (EPWP). The EPWP is a Government's strategic initiative aimed at addressing unemployment and improving the livelihoods of the poor; mainly women, youth and people with disability. The programme covers all spheres of government and state-owned enterprises.

In line with the above overall National Government policy and with due consideration of the socio-economic situations of the Province, the Limpopo Cabinet in January 2005, outlined and approved the Provincial EPWP strategy. It also mandated the Limpopo Department of Public Works (LDPW) to coordinate the implementation of the programme in the Province.

The LDPW through its EPWP Directorate is coordinating programme activities in four sectors namely, Economic, Environment, Infrastructure and Social. It is also offering assistance and guidance to the implementing agencies (the government departments, municipalities and other public bodies), in terms of the identification, planning and implementation of projects according to the EPWP principles, guidelines and procedures.

Given the fact that November month is declared the month of the children, the LDPW has through the EPWP directorate decided to support the month by supporting needy ECD'S in the rural area of Blouberg Municipality by supplying them with educational toys and aprons for the children.

The Blouberg Municipality was chosen because it is a rural and a poor municipal area.



#### **4. Project Description**

The project is located in the Capricorn district of the Limpopo Province.

The chief objective of the project is to provide 50 ECD sites with toys and aprons thereby creating a conducive learning environment for the children and to begin to ratchet the ECD programme in the Province.

#### **5. Current Situation**

The Social Sector is implementing the Early Childhood Development Programme is part of the premier programme of the EPWP Social Sector project.

#### **6. Policy Implications**

The Deputy President has issued a directive to the EPWP to ratchet the ECD programme as part of goal realisation for children development.

#### **7. Beneficiary Details**

- Beneficiaries are estimated at 2,500 pupils from different ECD sites in the Blouberg Municipality.
- There are 50 ECD sites expected to benefit from this initiative.

#### **8. Implementation Plan for EPWP Projects**

Implementation of the project will be carried out as a normal EPWP project whereby the LDPW procures goods for the ECD sites as per the supply chain management framework.

##### **9.1 Project Design**

The LDPW will purchase all the aforementioned goods on behalf of the ECD sites.

- Social facilitation with ECD sites committees.
- The ECD sites will ensure that all goods purchased are recorded in their asset registers and they remain the property of the site.
- An official handover of the goods will be conducted by LDPW.

##### **9.5 Programme Management**

The EPWP Social Sector Coordinating Directorate will be responsible for the purchase of the toys and the aprons. They will also do the overall management and coordination of the project including the official hand over of the purchased goods.



The ECD sites will see to the safe keeping and looking after the goods which are part of EPWP support to implementing agents of the programme.

#### **9.6 Roles and responsibilities**

<b>Partner</b>	<b>Roles and Responsibilities</b>
<b>LDPW</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Oversee overall project implementation through the EPWP unit</li><li>- Provide funding for the goods.</li><li>- Provide transport for the beneficiaries on the day of the official hand over</li><li>- Manage the logistics pertaining to the hand over event.</li><li>- Identify beneficiaries through working with sector Department of Education and Department of Health and Social Development.</li></ul>
<b>ECD committees</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- The ECD committees will ensure r the safe keeping of the goods.</li></ul>
<b>Sector Departments.</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Both Education and Social development departments will assist in identifying beneficiaries.</li><li>- The two departments will also be expected to supply statistics of beneficiaries.</li></ul>

#### **10. Sustainability of the Programme**

This Early Childhood Development Programme is a sustainable programme supported by National Treasury and the Presidency. As long as South Africa has children

#### **11. Monitoring & Evaluation**

- The Department of Education and the Social Sector Coordinators will do monitoring and Evaluation of the project..
- The ECD district coordinators will also assist in ensuring the safe keeping of the goods when they do inspection and site visits.

#### **12. Project Budget**

The total budget for the purchase of educational toys and aprons for the ECD children will be R 190,000.00 for aprons and R200, 000.00 for educational toys, to be defrayed from Vote 9 Programme 3 EPWP I which represents the direct inputs in reorientation of budgets to meet objectives of EPWP.





NB: WORK PROJECTIONS ATTACHED AS ANNEXURES A AND B

Description	Expenditure type	Total Budget (R'000')	November Month
Educational Toys		R 200, 000	
Aprons		R 190, 000	
Total		R 390, 000	

### 13. Time Plan

<b>PURCHASE OF THE GOODS</b>	The EPWP directorate will submit the business plan and liaise with the Supply Chain Management for the procurement of the goods. This process must be started and finalized before the 16 <sup>th</sup> November 2007.
<b>OFFICIAL HANDOVER</b>	An official handover event must take place before the end of November 2007. The EPWP directorate will liaise with the MEC's office pertaining to the matter.



## **15. Special Conditions/Conditions precedent**

The specification of all the goods to be purchased must comply with the specifications as prescribed by the Department of Education for Educational Toys and learning materials. It will further have to comply with the Supply Chain Management Framework.

### **1. Recommendation**

The Limpopo Department of Public Works EPWP Programme recommends that the business plan for the purchase of educational toys and aprons for ECD sites in the 5 districts be approved for implementation under Programme 3 of the Departmental Vote 9 of the Limpopo Provincial Administration.

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*EPWP social Infrastructure, 5 ECD sites refurbishment in all ldpw districts*