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infrastructure boost for schools

COVERNMENT'S PROGRAMME for ensuring that learners have access to quality education infrastructure is making progress.



Minister of Basic Education Angie Motshekga interacts with learners at the launch of Bhungu Junior Primary school in Libode.

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share of government's multi-billion Rand Accelerated Schools Infrastructure Delivery Initiative (Asidi) programme, with over half of the schools built as part of the programme in the province, President Jacob Zuma said.

The President was speaking at the sitting of the National Council of Provinces in East London shortly after Basic Education Minister Angie Motshekga launched Bhungu Junior Primary School near Libode built as part of Asidi. The school cost R24 million.

programme that is part of he Eastern Cape has government's Strategic Inreceived the lion's frastructure Projects effort, which aims to replace unsafe mud, asbestos and plank structures with solid struc-

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"In the Eastern Cape alone, government has to date built 130 new state-of-the-

Asidi is an R8.2-billion art schools," said President

through Asidi have computer labs with Internet access, science laboratories and resource centres. Being no-fee schools in poor areas, they also have nutrition centres.

Since September this year, the Department of Basic Education has handed over no less than seven state-ofthe-art schools to communities in the Eastern Cape, among them the R49 million Mxhume Secondary School and the R22 million Luxeni Secondary School in villages outside Lusikisiki and Mtha-

Since its inception in 2011,

Asidi has provided water to 617 schools, sanitation to 425 Many of the schools built schools and electricity to 307 schools that previously did not have access to these basic amenities.

> Speaking during the opening of Bhungu Junior Primary School, Minister Motshekga said 217 replacement stateof-the-art schools have been built and handed over to communities nationally.

> "Since 2014, we have provided electricity to 180 schools, sanitation to 167 schools and water to another 248 schools. We will not rest on our laurels until every South African learner has access to state-of-the-art school infrastructure," she said. ■



Councillors must transform communities



Gogos on the go

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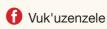


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Omasipala babuyela emuva ekusebenziseni izindlela ezinohlonze

UHLELO LWEMAZIBUYELE EMASISWENI lukhombisa izithelo ezinhle komasipala abaningi ezweni lonkana.

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olu hlelo oluyindlela yokungenelela kukahulumeni esemqoka kakhulu - olwaqala ukusebenza esikhathini esingaphezu kweminyaka emibili edlule ngenhloso yokulekelela omasipala ababhekene nobunzima - seluqala ukuthela izithelo ezinhle.

Lolu hlelo lweMazibuyele Emasisweni, olwethulwa nguMnyango Wokwengamela Ngokubambisana Nezendabuko (i-Cogta) ngoMandulo 2014, kuhloswe ngalo ukubhekana ngqo nezinselelo ezibhekene nomasipala bendawo abahlukahlukene. Lokhu kubandakanya ukungabi khona kozinzo kwezepolitiki nakwezokuphatha, ukungalungiswa kahle kwengqalasizinda ukuze igcinwe isesimweni esifanelekile kanye nezinga eliphansi kakhulu

Uhulumeni kazwelonke uhlinzeka ngezindlela ezisheshayo zokuqapha izinkomba-kusebenza ezisemqoka, ukuxhaswa komasipala ngezimali kanye nokuqinisekisa ukuthi omasipala banezinsiza-kusebenza namakhono afanelekile futhi uyangenelela nasemacaleni okumangalelwa komasipala kanye nawokudlelwa impahla.

lokubandakanywa komphakathi.

Lolu hlelo seluqala ukubonakalisa imiphumela emihle komasipala ababili baseMpumalanga Kapa okuwuMasipala Wedolobhakazi i-Nelson Mandela Bay kanye noMasipala wase-Sundays River

NgoNhlangulana, uNgqongqoshe Wezokwengamela Ngokubambisana Nezendabuko u-Des Van Rooyen wathi umbiko kaMcwaningimabhuku Omkhulu uyabonisa ukuthi izinhlelo zomnyango zokungenelela okuwuhlelo lweMazibuyele Emasisweni kanye ne-Operation Clean Audit ezenziwe kule minyaka embalwa edlule seziqala ukuthela izithelo ezinhle.

Ngowezi-2010/11, bayi-16 kuphela omasipala nezikhungo zikahulumeni ezathola imibiko yokucwaningwa kwamabhuku engenasici. Kusukela lapho, lesi sibalo sesikhuphuke safinyelela komasipala nezikhungo ezingama-72. Isibalo somasipala abathola imibiko yokucwaningwa kwamabhuku emibi kakhulu sehlile sisuka komasipala abayi-102 ngowezi-2010/11 safinyelela

Sekuthuthukiswe uhlelo lukazwelonke lokulungisa nokufezekisa lokho okuhlonzwe wucwaningo-mabhuku, okuwuhlelo oluzolekelela futhi lululeke izifundazwe nomasipala emikhakheni okumele kugxilwe kuyona kanye nemisebenzi okumele ibe seyenziwe uma kuphela ikota yonyaka ngayinye ukuze kulungiswe izinto ezingalungile ezihlonzwe wucwaningo-mabhuku.

NgoNhlangulana, bese kuqoshwe izigameko zokuqondiswa kwezigwegwe nokuxoshwa kwabasebenzi eziyizi-2 665 kwisizinda-lwazi sabasebenzi abaxoshiwe kanye nalabo abasule emsebenzini ngaphambi kokuphothulwa kwezigcawu nezinqubo zokuqondiswa kwezigwe-

Lesi sizinda-lwazi sisebenza futhi njengesigcina-lwazi esisodwa salo lonke ulwazi oluphathelene nezinqubo zokuqondiswa kwezigwegwe futhi senza kube lula komasipala ukufaka abasebenzi abaxoshwe ngomasipala ngenxa yokungaziphathi kahle, ohlwini lwabantu abangavumelekile ukusebenzela omasipala.

Enkulumweni yevoti lesabelomali somnyango wakhe ayethula ngoNhlaba, uNgqongqoshe Van Rooyen wathi sekusungulwe izinhlelo zokukhulisa ukubanda-



kanywa komphakathi ngokusebenzisa amathuluzi aqondene nesigceme ngasinye, abonisa inqubekela-phambili yokuhlinzekwa kwezidingongqangi eseyenziwe kanye nezinhlelo zokulungisa nokwenza ngcono isimo esigcemeni ngasinye (isibonelo, njengokulungisa izibani zomgwaqo ngokushesha, ukunquma utshani kanye nokuvala amapayipi amanzi nompompi abavuzayo). 🔽

Ukuhlinzekwa kwezidingo-ngqangi kubekwe eqhulwini

UKUHLINZEKWA KWEZIDINGO-NGQANGI

kubekwe eghulwini e-Nelson Mandela Bay.

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genkathi engena esikhundleni sokuba yibamba lemenenja yoMasipala Wedolobhakazi i-Nelson Mandela Bay ngo Lwezi ngowezi-2015, u-Johan Mettler wabe ebhekene nenselelo enkulukazi.

Amakomidi ezigceme abe engavamisile neze ukuhlangana, bekulahleka ugesi okhokhelwayo oyi-18% kanye namanzi angama-44% athengwa lidolobhakazi ezinkampanini zamanzi; izimali zedolobhakazi bezingaphathwa neze kahle futhi belidlondlobala nezinga lenkohlakalo.

"Leso bekuyisikhathi esinzima impela," kuvuma u-Mettler, ongomunye wabasebenzi abasha abaqashwa ngenkathi kusungulwa uhlelo ledolobha lweMazibuyele Emasisweni.

Wathi izinto sezingcono kakhulu selokhu kwaqaliswa uhlelo lweMazibuyele Emasisweni maphakathi nowezi-2015.

Manje sekuyinto ephoqelekile ukuba amakomidi ezigceme athumele kumkhandlu-dolobha amaminithi emihlangano yawo ebanjwa nyanga-zonke.

Isiyasebenza nenombolo yocingo yokubika izenzo zokukhwabanisa futhi akusensuku zatshwala aphothulwe amacala aphenywayo amathathu ahlukene abandakanya izenzo zokukhwabanisa nenkohlakalo emva kokuba imibiko ehlukahlukene ephathelene nalokhu bese ihlale isikhathi eside inganakiwe emahhovisi ezimenenja zedolobha zaphambilini.

Uma sebebonke, bangama-29 abasebenzi abasolwa ngokubandakanyeka ezenzweni zokukhwabanisa nenkohlakalo, futhi abayisithupha kulaba sebexoshiwe emsebenzini kanti futhi kunezigcawu zokuqondiswa kwezigwegwe ezimbadlwana eziqhubekayo.

Idolobha livule futhi namacala amaningana lapho limangalele khona abasebenzi bomkhandlu-dolobha kanye nabahlinzeki bempahla nezinsizakalo ngenhloso yokubuyisa amakhulu ngamakhulu ezigidi zamarandi, okuyimali abayithole ngaphansi kwezenzo zenkohlakalo.

Ukuqoqwa kwemfucuza ezingxenyeni ezithile zedolobha manje sekwenziwa njalo ngeviki, esikhundleni sokuqoqwa kwemfucuza kanye kuphela emva kwamaviki amabili njengoba bekwenzeka esikhathini esedlule. Ngaphezu kwalokhu, ukuqoqwa kwentela yokukhokhela izinsiza zikamasipala kukhuphukile kusuka kuma-88% kwafinyelela kuma-93%, futhi kwehliswe nokumosheka kwamanzi kwafinyelela kuma-37%, ngokuqikelela ukuthi kuqaliswa izinhlelo eziphusile eziqondene nalokhu. Ukumosheka nokulahleka kukagesi kuzoncishiswa ngokuthi kufakwe amabhokisi esimanje manje onga ugesi.

Sekugcwaliswe futhi nezikhala zomsebenzi eziningana ezisemqoka, kubandakanya nesikhala sesikhulu esiyinhloko yezokulawulwa nokuphathwa kobungozi, okuyisikhala ebesesivuleke isikhathi eside ngaphambi kokuqaliswa kohlelo lokungenelela kumasipala. Futhi ngoNhlaba 2016 lo mkhandlu-dolobha ugcine uwethulile umnyango wezamaphoyisa kamasipala obesekuphele isikhathi eside ulindelwe ngabomvu, njengamanje okuqashwe kuwona amaphoyisa angama-50

Ngaphezu kwalokhu, manje sekuqaliswe nohlelo lokuhlola umsebenzi wezimenenja zedolobha ezisezikhundleni eziphezulu, futhi kuqaliswe nohlelo lokuhlola amalivu abasebenzi. U

Uhlelo lweMazibuyele Emasisweni e-Sundays River

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IMenenja Kamasipala wase-Sundays River uLonwabo Ngol qo wathi umasipala umatasatasa ulungisa imigwaqo, wakha nesikhungo esisha sokuhlanza amanzi angcolile futhi wenza ngcono ukuphakelwa nokusatshalaliswa kukagesi.

Bangaphezu kwama-250 abantu abaqashwe ngaphansi koHlelo Lwemisebenzi Yomphakathi, abaqashelwe ukushanyela imigwaqo kanye nokugcina izindawo zamathuna zisesimweni esifanelekile.

Ngowezi-2015/16, lo masipala, obandakanya ikakhulukazi izindawo ezisemakhaya kanye nengxenye yesiqiwu i-Addo Elephant National Park, awuzange uthole imiphumela yocwaningo-mabhuku emihle, kodwa-ke izinhlelo zokungenelela zakamuva nje eziqaliswe kulo masipala ziyawulekelela ukuba uguqule lesi simo

"Umphakathi ubona sengathi manje uhulumeni useqalile ukusebenza nokwenza imizamo yokuxazulula zonke izinselelo obhekene nazo," kusho yena. Isibonelo, sekunemiklamo yokwakhiwa nokulungiswa kwemigwaqo eyisishiyagalolunye eqhubekayo, okuyisibalo esikhuphukile sisuka emiklamweni emibili kuphela ngowezi-2014, ngaphambi kokuqaliswa kwezinhlelo zokungenelela.

UNgoqo wathi kulo nyaka-mali, umasipala uthole imali evela eminyangweni ehlukahlukene ezosetshenziselwa ukubhekana ngqo nezinselelo eziphathelene nokuhlinzekwa kwezidingo-ngqangi.

Le mali ibandakanya isamba esiyizigidi ezingama-36 zamarandi yokufaka amanzi kanye nokwakha amapitsi, imali eyizigidi ezingama-32 zamarandi yokulungisa imigwaqo, imali eyizigidi ezingama-24 zamarandi yokuhlanzwa kwamanzi angcolile, kanye nezigidi zamarandi eziyisishiyagalolunye zokuxhunywa nokufakwa kukagesi futhi kusenenye imali ezayo eyizigidi eziyi-15 zamarandi.

Kuzokwakhiwa futhi nehholo lomphakathi elisha e-Kirkwood elizovala isikhala sehholo elashiswa ngababhikishi futhi seyiqalisiwe nenqubo yokuthola nokuvala isikhala semibhalo eyasha ngenkathi kuthungelwa ihholo ngo-

Kuzokwenziwa futhi nomsebenzi wokuthuthukiswa kwengqalasizinda kagesi yemboni yemikhiqizo esawolintshi noma isitrasi. Lokhu kuyinto esemqoka kakhulu njengoba lo masipala uyindawo yesibili ngobukhulu kuleli okhiqiza imikhiqizo esawolintshi.

UNgoqo wathi lezi zinhlelo zokungenelela zaqala ngowe-2014 emva kokusungulwa kwekomidi lokungenelela elasungulwa ngumasipala kanye no-Mnyango Wokwengamela Ngokuba-

Kwabe sekubanjwa uchungechunge lwezimbizo namalungu omphakathi, futhi kusenjalo kwabanjwa nesigcawu sababambi-qhaza esabe sisingethwe nguNdunankulu waseMpumalanga Kapa uPhumulo Masualle.

UNgoqo wathi uhlinzeka ngemibiko njalo futhi ngokuqhubekayo ekomidini elilawula umasipala, okuyimibiko ephathelene nesimo sezinhlelo zokungenelela ezahlukahlukene. Leli komidi libandakanya labo abamele iminyango nezikhungo zikahulumeni ezahluka-