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**MEC BHEKI CELE TO OFFICIATE THE SOD-TURNING CEREMONY AND OPENING OF A
MULTI-MILLION BRIDGE**

KwaZulu-Natal MEC for Transport, Community Safety and Liaison, Mr Bheki Cele will officiate the sod-turning of Tulwane road and opening of a Pedestrian bridge at Nkandla. The event will start at **9am at eTholamnyama High School on Tuesday (03/02/2009).**

The construction and the sod-turning is due to a lack of access roads and bridges in the Nkandla area, the communities experience a lot of incidents which cost them loss of their beloved ones. KZN government has embarked on an aggressive campaign of rural development to eradicate poverty and create job opportunity by providing communities, especially in rural areas with roads and bridges for them to access basic needs easily. Tulwane Road, will be approximately 11 kilometres in length. The total estimate for both projects will coast R 37,5 million.

"Since our Liberation in 1994 we as the government have fully committed ourselves to bettering the lives of our people, hence we as the department of Transport are dedicated not only with the construction of the road to better the lives of people but also to create jobs for the local people , especially those in the rural areas. The KZN Department of Transport continues vigorously to defend the weak at all levels of society," said Cele.

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