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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORT
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MEDIA STATEMENT

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MEC CELE TO OFFICLLY OPENS MULTIPLE PROJECTS IN MSINGA

KWAZULU NATAL MEC for Transport, Community Safety and Liaison Mr. Bheki Cele, KZN will be at Msinga Top at the KwaGxobanyawo Sports grounds of Usizo High School at 09:00 on Saturday the 18/04/09.

D1273 was upgraded from June 2008 to March 2009 at the estimated cost of R53 million. Dicky Pedestrian Bridge was constructed between April 2006 and November 2007 at approximately R5, 2 million. Zonyama Local Road was constructed between January 2008 and August 2008 at the estimated cost of R18, 5 million. Ezingulubeni Local Road constructed between June 2007 and July 2008 to the total estimated value of R3, 3 million. Main Road P32 was upgraded at approximately R20, 2 million. The total value of these projects is estimated at R100, 2 million. The Department is injecting R5.3 million for the construction of Ezibomvini Road which will be 4, 7 km in length.

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MEC CELE TO OFFICIALLY OPEN NTETHE BRIDGE

KWAZULU NATAL MEC for Transport, Community Safety and Liaison Mr. Bheki Cele, will be at D-Section of uLundi in the Sports ground of uLundi at 09:00 to officially open the Ntethe Bridge on Sunday (19/04/09).

The opening the first phase of the construction of Intethe River Bridge was initially requested by a ward councilor in 2006. To date, an estimated cost of R1,7 million has been spent for the project. About 47 job opportunities have been created for locals – 37 males and 10 females. The number of people that will utilize the bridge after completion is huge. This includes S'khalelumuzi Primary School and Insikayendlu High School, a hospital and mobile clinics, a police station, public transport and historical sites etc., will benefit from the bridge.

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