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MASSIVE DOT PROJECTS BRINGS MORE THAN THOUSAND LOCAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES TO NKANDLA

MEC for Transport, Community Safety and Liaison Mr. Willies Mchunu will tomorrow (09/10/2012) officially open two major roads P15 and P50 and hands over two major pedestrian bridges, Nsuze River Pedestrian Bridge and Mposa River Pedestrian Bridge at Nkandla.

As part of the on-going October Transport Month series of activities, the DOT continues to bring service to people and thousands of jobs are created in the process. Many community members have benefited in the construction of these multimillion projects.

The construction of Main Road P15 is in the corridor between Kranskop, Eshowe and Nkandla and provides an important economic and tourist mobility route connecting these centres. This road serves different communities around the area and also links several schools, clinics, stores, police stations, Thusong centres and pension pay-points.

The project commenced in August 2006 and has now been successfully completed at a total cost of R289 673 476 million. Five thousand eight hundred and twenty six (5826) local employment opportunities were created and 7153 man days of employment.

Main Road P50 is located between Eshowe and Nkandla, in Empangeni. This road serves the surrounding communities by providing access to schools and clinics.

The Nsuze River Pedestrian Bridge situated close to the president's homestead serves the community by providing access to retail stores, several schools, Power Sports field, the Pension Pay-point, mobile clinic and the Traditional Council.

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The Mposa River Pedestrian Bridge serves the community by providing access to retail stores, also to several schools, mobile clinic and the Traditional council.

Mchunu is expected to be accompanied by traditional leaders, members of the KZN legislature, senior government officials, CRSC, RRTF and the community of Nkandla.

Details of the event are as follows

VENUE : uMnyakanya Sports Ground (Nkandla)

DATE : 09 October 2012

TIME : 09H00

Media is invited

Transport to the event will depart from The Playhouse (Durban) at 6:30am

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