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MEC HLOMUKA TABLES BUDGET VOTES AIMED AT ENSURING PEACE, STABILITY, AND ECONOMIC GROWTH AS PART OF KZN RECOVERY PLAN

The MEC for Transport, Community Safety and Liaison, Sipho Hlomuka will on the 19th and 20th of April 2023 table departmental budgets for both the Department of Community Safety and Liaison and for Transport in the KwaZulu-Natal Legislature.

The budget votes are expected to prioritise job creation, peace, and stability as part of the implementation of the Economic Reconstruction and Recovery Plan in the province.

MEC Hlomuka will also give an account of progress made by both departments since the start of the sixth administration.

The 2023/2024 budget speeches, which are policy directions for both departments, will on the Community Safety and Liaison side detail plans to curtail escalating crime levels in the province including fighting cross-border crime and the ongoing killings of Amakhosi and Izinduna.

MEC Hlomuka will also outline a clear roadmap that will ensure a safe and stable province leading into the 2024 General Elections.

On the transport front, MEC Hlomuka will give an account of progress on infrastructural projects that have been damaged by ongoing floods and outline measures to strengthen our pothole patching programme.

In addition, MEC Hlomuka will outline all the new infrastructure projects that will be constructed in all districts in this financial year and over the medium-term expenditure framework. MEC Hlomuka will also announce completed projects that will be handed over to communities in this financial year.

The budget speeches will take place as follows:

Department of Community Safety and Liaison (Budget Vote 9): Date: 19th April 2023 Time: 14h15

Theme "Leaving no one behind in our journey of building a crime free province"

Department of Transport (Budget Vote 12) Date: 20 April 2023 Time: 13h00

Theme: "Leaving no one behind - 29 years of solid service delivery and still committed to doing more".

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