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MEC HLOMUKA TO OPEN COMMUNITY HALL IN KWANONGOMA AND OFFICIALLY ROLL OUT THE ZIBAMBELE ROAD SHOW

In an effort to provide service delivery to the public, MEC for Transport, Community Safety and Liaison, Siphso Hlomuka will open the hall constructed in KwaNongoma under Ward 6, Odushwini. The hall was constructed by one of the contractors of the subsidized public transport services that has a contract with the Department due to the request that was made by the community of Edushwini.

The official name of the hall is Ezethembeni and is estimated to hold more than 300 people. When the arrangements for the construction of the hall was made, a decision was that the hall would be registered as an asset of Nongoma Municipality, however, this decision has been reviewed. The hall will become one of the assets of the Department of Transport.

The total amount of the budget injected to the construction of the hall is R1,8 million and has created 16 work opportunities.

Hlomuka will proceed to the roll out of the Zibambeke road show at Nongoma Local Municipality. The key objectives of the Programme is to provide ongoing and sustainable work opportunities for destitute households in an effort to break the poverty cycles and to provide exit strategies in an endeavour to create other sustainable work opportunities inside or outside the Programme for beneficiaries who complete the training programmes.

Under the leadership of MEC Hlomuka, the Zibambeke wages were increased in R1000 per month, which translates to R125 per day worked. The Department allocated an estimated budget of R400 million to the programme annually.

DETAILS OF THE LAUNCH FOR THE TWO PROJECTS

First Project: The Opening of the Community Hall in KwaNongoma

Date: 16 May 2024

Time: 09h00

Venue: Ethembeni Hall, Edushwini

Second Project: Roll out of Zibambeke Roadshow

Date: 16 May 2024

Time: 14h00

Venue: Mona Sports field, Nongoma Local Municipality

Media are invited to cover the events.

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