

The Best Head of Department in KwaZulu-Natal: Duma has heaped praises on the HoD of Transport, Zibusiso Dlamini, after walking away with this award at the Premier's Service Excellence Awards Ceremony.

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Inkosi Mhlabunzima Maphumulo House: Last night, thousands of civil servants gathered at the Inkosi Albert Luthuli International Convention Centre for the Premier's Service Excellence Awards Ceremony.

On behalf of all categories of staff and the people of KwaZulu-Natal, we pause to salute our very own Head of the Department, Zibusiso Dlamini, for being rightfully recognized as the Best Head of the Department.

In particular, we can attest to his unwavering commitment to clean and good governance.

Over the years, he has always displayed a rare ability to champion the needs of ordinary members of society.

We know him for ensuring that the resources of the state are used to change the lives of the people of KwaZulu-Natal.

In the Department of Agriculture and Rural Development where he served with distinction, he left a long-lasting legacy through a programme of agrarian revolution, land reform, and comprehensive rural development.

He pioneered solid initiations focusing on food security to defeat poverty and create jobs.

He is credited for ensuring sustained support for emerging farmers through the provision of mechanization and the creation of markets for their agricultural products.

The Department of Human Settlements won in the category of skills development. We acknowledge the tireless effort of Dr Mduduzi Nhlozi who walked away with this award.

We congratulate our hard worker in uPhongolo Local Office, Grace Slondiwe Zwane for ensuring the effectiveness of the Ward 7 War Room. The War Room scooped the Best Functional War Room of the Year.

We salute other workers who represented both departments in various categories

Critically, our dedicated civil servants were acknowledged during the most critical month, which is dedicated to the world icon, Tata Nelson Mandela.

As the first President of a democratic South Africa, Madiba used the state as an instrument to inspire hope for a better future. He brought hope to the less privileged and the oppressed.

In line with the teachings of Madiba we commit to ensuring that the Department of Transport works for the people in rural areas, townships, and affluent areas.

Madiba left no one behind, and we offer not to leave anyone behind.

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