INKULUMO KANGQONGQOSHE WEZOKUTHUTHA, UKUPHEPHA NOKUXHUMANISA UMPHAKATHI KWAZULU-NATAL UMNUZ WILLIES MCHUNU EMCIMBINI WOKUVULWA KOMGWAQO U-D96 E-NEWCASTLE MHLAKA 24 OCTOBER 2013.

Mphathi wohlelo;
Nkosi yesizwe;
Uzakwethu uMama uThusi;
UMeya wesiFunda saseMajuba;
Amakhansela wonke;
Amalungu ezinhlaka esisebenzisana nazo kwezokuthutha ama-RRTF, ama-CRSC, ama-PTPA, uVukuzakhe noZibambele;
Ubuholi bonke obukhona ngezigaba ezahlukene;
Bese ngithi emphakathini wonke ngiyanibingelela.

Ukuza kwethu lapha namhlanje kuyingxenye yomkhankaso wethu esiwenzayo njengoba kuyinyanga ka-October, okwavunyelwana ezingeni likazwelonke ukuba inikezelwe ekubeni yinyanga yezokuthutha.

Ngale nyanga yezokuthutha sisuke sigxile kuzo zonke izinto ezithinta ezokuthutha okuhlanganisa ingqalasizinda kanye nezokuphepha emgwaqeni.

Kodwa futhi ngifuna ukucacisa emphakathini walapha ukuthi ngaphandle kokuthi sisenyangeni yezokuthutha, vele njengoMnyango wezokuThutha nanjengoHulumeni waKwaZulu-Natal ngaphansi kukaKhongolose sihlale sinezinhlelo eziningi zokuya kubantu ukuze siphuthumise izidingo.

Yingakho phela sibona umama uThusi ekanye nathi lapha naye ezoqinisekisa ukuthi abantu bathola izakhiwo zamahhovisi eduze kwabo uma bedinga usizo.

NjengoMnyango wezokuThutha KwaZulu-Natal silokhu siqhubekile nombhidlango wokuqinisekisa ukuthi abantu bayakwazi ukuxhumana esifundazweni sonke futhi bakwazi ukufinyelela ezindaweni abadinga ukuya kuzona.

Yingakho-ke namhlanje sithi sihalalisela abantu balapha e-Newcastle, ikakhulukazi eNkosini uZwane ngokuthi sebezokwazi ukusebenzisa ngokukhululeka umgwaqo u-D96 njengoba sesiwufake itiyela.

Lo mgwaqo ongu-12km ubude sifake imali engu-R40.128 million kuwona. Sifisa ukubongela nabantu bakithi abakwazile ukuhlomula ngamathuba emisebenzi namakhono ngenkathi kuqhubeka lo msebenzi. Abalelwa ku-640 amathuba emisebenzi adalekile lapha kubantu bendawo.

Sihlale sikuveza nakwezinye izindawo esihamba kuzona ukuthi la mathuba esikhuluma ngawo angawesikhashana futhi nathi sisuke singathanda ukuba abe ngawanomuphela.

Kodwa ngoba asuke eqondaniswe naleyo project eqhubekayo endaweni ngaleso sikhathi, siyaye sibonge ukuthi abantu bakithi basala sebenamakhono abangawesebenzisa uma sebefuna umsebenzi nakwezinye izindawo esikhathini esizayo.

Ukuthuthukiswa kwalo mgwaqo futhi sekuzokhuthaza ukuthuthukiswa kwezomnotho emiphakathini yalapha njengoba sekulula ukuya edolobheni nasezindaweni zokusebenza. Ngosuku zibalelwa ngaphezulu kuka-300 izimoto ezisebenzisa lo mgwaqo.

Esiyaye sikuthande ngale migwaqo esiyakhayo ngaphansi kwalo hulumeni ngukuthi njalo uma siyihlela siyaye senze isiqiniseko sokuthi umgwaqo uba nokuxhumana ngandlela thile nemizila emikhulu yezomnotho, ngaphansi kohlelo lwe-Provincial Corridor Development Programme.

Uma sikhuluma ngalona nje, kukhona u-P39 oxhumanisa wona u-D96 nalo mzila esithi i-Provincial Corridor SC12 ohlanganisa i-Greytown – Msinga – Madadeni, okungumzila futhi obheka eSandlwana.

Amanye ama-corridor esinawo esifundazweni axhumanisa amadolobha kukhona u-PC1 eThekwini - Umhlathuze, SC1 Umhlathuze – Ulundi – Vryheid, SC5 Lebombo SDI, PC2 eThekwini – Mgungundlovu ne-Port Shepstone – St Faiths – Ixopo.

Kodwa futhi ukuthuthukiswa kwale migwaqo emiphakathini yasemakhaya kuphinda kulekelele kakhulu kwezokuphepha emgwaqeni njengoba namaphoyisa ethu omgwaqo esuke esekwazi ukuhlale eqaphile.

Nophiko lwethu lwezokuphepha emgwaqeni luzobe seluqhuba imikhankaso yezokuphepha ngokusebenzisana nohlaka lwe-Community Road Safety Council.

Njengoba sibala le ntuthuko-ke namhlanje, akhona namanye ama-project aqhubekayo kule ngxenye yesifundazwe.

Ngalo nyaka wezimali ka-2013/2014 sifake imali engu-R14.4 million ekwakheni nokugcina imigwaqo isesimweni lapha eMajuba.

Kuleyo misebenzi silindele ukuthi kugcine kudaleke amathuba emisebenzi abalelwa ngaphezu kuka-420 bese kuba noZibambele abangaphezulu kuka-1000 abazosebenza imigwaqo engenela emiphakathini, ama-access road.

Nangonyaka ozayo ka-2014/2015 sizophinda siyifake kakhudlwana khona njengoba sihlele ukuyenyusa iye ku-R 51.3 million.

Kule misebenzi emikhulu esithi ama-capital project khona sesihlele ukuthi kule minyaka emithathu kusuka ngalona kuze kube u-2015/2016, sizofaka imali engu-R137.6 million.

Kule misebenzi singabala iMbabane Pedestrian Bridge, u-P296, iThuthuka Bivane Pedestrian Bridge neJiyane Buffels Vehicle Bridge.

Konke lokhu esesikubalile lapha kusho ukuthi uma ungakaboni mnyakazo endaweni yakho, usuzokwazi ukuthi kusho ukuthi siyogcina sifikile.

Mangiphethe ngokuthi konke-ke lokhu esikuchazayo sikwenza ngoba kubalulekile phela ukuze abantu bakithi bazi ukuthi kungani njengoHulumeni sihlale sibabonga ngokusibekezelela kwabo.

Siyazi ukuthi kuningi esesikwenzile kodwa futhi kusekuningi okusamele sikwenze, yinqobo nje uma sibambisene.

Ngakho-ke siyaninxusa ukuba njengomphakathi niqhubeke nibambisane noHulumeni ngezinhlelo zentuthuko ezilethwa kunina. Siyazi ukuthi yinina eningabavoti enisinike amandla okusebenzisa izimali zenu njengabakhokhi bentela sivale igebe lokungalingani silwe nobuphofu ngendlela evulelekile ebonwa izwe lonke.

Phela uma izimali zingafinyeleli emiphakathini emazingeni aphansi zenze umehluko ezimpilweni zabantu abampofu kuyobe njengohulumeni sehlulekile emsebenzini esithunywe wona ngabantu baseNingizimu Afrika.

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