



LIMPOPO

PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT

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MEDIA STATEMENT

Attention: All Media

30th March 2017

Post Executive Council Media Statement

The Limpopo Province Executive Council met yesterday, Wednesday March 29th 2017 at the Executive Council boardroom, 4th Floor, 40Hans Van Rensburg here in Polokwane and the following issues were discussed with:

Amendment of Adjustment Estimates of Provincial Receipts and payments for 2016/17

The Executive Council approved the budget adjustment of R200 million with funds transferred from the Department of Education to the Department of Health for payment of the Doctors programme in Cuba at R109.0 million, R18.9 million for refunding UNDP and R72.1 million for payment of outstanding invoices.

This amount became available after the expenditure analysis was performed in Departments and a saving of R200 million has been identified in the Department of Education From compensation of Employees budget.

Freedom Day Celebration: 27th April 2017

The Executive Council approved the nature and character of the Freedom Day Celebration scheduled to take place in the Districts .i.e. Waterberg, Sekhukhune, and Capricorn during 20th – 27th April 2017.

The events are aiming at attracting participants and benefiting the Citizens of the Province in the Districts, the Private Sector, Small and Medium Business Enterprises, Local, Performing artist and the media.

G and A Cluster, Quarter 3 Reports for 2016:

The Executive Council also approved the 2nd and 3rd quarter progress report for 2016/17 as presented. The programme of Action highlighted areas of over and under performance during the period under review, including interventions that will be implemented to address the areas of underperformance.

Social Cluster POA Quarter 2 and 3rd quarter report:

The Executive Council has noted the Programme of Action. The programme of Action highlighted areas of over and under performance during the period under review, including interventions that will be implemented to address the areas of underperformance. That the Department turnaround Strategy should be presented to Exco on Monthly basis. The Executive Council also approved the 2nd and 3rd quarter progress report for 2016/17 as presented.

Economic Sector Cluster:

The Executive Council also approved the 2nd and 3rd quarter progress report for 2016/17 as presented. The programme of Action highlighted areas of over and under performance during the period under review, including interventions that will be implemented to address the areas of underperformance.

Recognition of Langa Hans Malesela of Mapela Community

The Executive Council approved the recognition of Langa Hans Malesela as the Senior Traditional Leader of the Mapela Traditional Community in terms of Section 12 (1) (b) of the Limpopo Traditional Leadership Institutions Act no 6 of 2005.

Head of Department: Sports, Arts and Culture

The Executive Council approved the appointment of Mr K.C.M Maanya as the Head of Department with effect from 1st April 2017. He is a seasoned administrator at his peak and the Executive Council wish him well in his new responsibilities.

Learner Teacher Support Material (LTSM)

The Executive Council has noted the report on LTSM. The Department of Education has commenced with the procurement of LTSM for 2018 in order to ensure that delivery is made before the closing of Schools in December 2017;

The LTSM Task Team comprising of officials from the Office of the Premier and the Department of Education has been established to monitor and provide oversight on the procurement and delivery of LTSM to schools;

In terms of the Procurement Process Plan, the schools are expected to complete the requisition forms by the end of May 2017, the placing of requisitions for the generation of official orders for textbooks stationery packs and workbooks is expected to be done by the 31st July 2017, and the packaging and delivery of textbooks to schools is expected to be undertaken during September – November 2017.

Vuwani

The Executive Council has noted the report on Municipal Demarcation Board. We have also noted the statement by Senior Traditional Leaders. The Executive Council has endorsed the MDB on Lim345. The government is appealing for calm and cooperation in the areas of Vuwani.

Implementation of the Incentive Policy Framework by Provincial Departments

The Executive Council has resolved as follows:

The Executive Council resolved that the four Departments that have not paid their personnel in accordance with the PMDS Policy Framework should recover the unauthorized expenditure. The Executive Council resolved that the Labour unrest in Departments should be dealt with in terms of the Law and departments should have accurate record of attendance and implement the No Work No Pay principle without variation. The Executive Council resolved that the MEC: Community Safety should inform the SAPS Provincial Commissioner on the EXCO's serious concern with respect to the Police's failure to enforce the Court Interdicts obtained against the striking Officials. The Office of the Premier has written letters to the HODs of LEDET and CoGHSTA to gather further information on the reasons that led the said departments to disregard the Guidelines on the Incentive Policy Framework.

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