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Minister Zikalala tackles project blockages in Limpopo

Public Works and Infrastructure Minister Sihle Zikalala, MP, will on Friday, 08 March 2024, undertake a visit to the Limpopo Province, in the Vhembe District Municipality, Collins Chabane Local Municipality.

The Minister's visit to Vhembe District encompasses a number of legs with the main one being his operation Siyahlole to the Vuwani Police Station and the Magistrate's Court, a community engagement on those facilities and the engagement with the students and academics on the Expropriation Bill at the University of Venda.

The project visit to the facilities forms part of the Minister's Operation Siyahlole, wherein the Minister inspect progress or lack thereof on facilities that are being built by the Department of Public Works & Infrastructure.

The Minister has prioritised the process of unblocking projects which have been plagued by various challenges that have resulted in delays in completing the public facilities. The delays in completing this facilities inevitably lead to hobbling service delivery of essential services for the benefit of communities.

The inspections that the Minister undertake serve to deal with the snags that are delaying progress. The inspections also serve to emphasise the Minister's commitment to deliver services in line with Department's mandate as the state's leader in the construction and infrastructure sector.

The engagement with the University of Venda community ties with the on-going process of government in meeting communities about the Expropriation Bill that is being worked on by the Council of Provinces. The Minister intends to clarify and emphasise the fact that the Expropriation Bill has a clause that indicates nil compensation when it is passed into law.

The media fraternity are kindly invited to attend this event.

Details of the Event

Date: 08 March 2024

Venue: Vuwani Community Hall
Collins Chabane Local Municipality

Time: 11:00

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