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PREMIER DR RAMATHUBA TAKES THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL TO SEKHUKHUNE FOR THE LIMPOPO HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL

The Premier of Limpopo, Dr Phophi Ramathuba, is taking Members of the Executive Council to the sitting of the Limpopo Human Resource Development Council (LHRDC) at Sekhukhune TVET College, Groblersdal, on 15 April 2026.

This important provincial engagement follows the reconstitution of the LHRDC held in Phalaborwa at Letaba TVET College in the third quarter of the 2025/26 financial year, reaffirming government's commitment to strengthening skills development coordination as a driver of inclusive economic growth, industrialisation and job creation.

The LHRDC is a key institutional platform chaired by the Premier and supported by a technical committee, the Limpopo Skills Development Forum. It brings together Members of the Executive Council, Executive Mayors, higher education institutions, TVET colleges, SETAs, the Regional Head of the Department of Higher Education and Training, and representatives of civil society to coordinate skills development in line with the Limpopo Development Plan (LDP).

The Sekhukhune meeting will also focus on strategic priorities for the current term of administration, including the Sekhukhune Mining and Minerals Beneficiation Academy. This initiative was directed by President Cyril Ramaphosa following the Presidential District Development Model visit to Sekhukhune in 2023, in response to community calls for skills development opportunities to unlock local economic development.

Government has since established a technical task team and steering committee to coordinate the project, while Services SETA has agreed to support the planning and construction phases. A feasibility study is currently underway at the Fetakgomo-Tubatse Special Economic Zone, with completion expected by September 2026. A draft Memorandum of Understanding is being finalised, and work has begun to develop a curriculum for implementation in the 2027 academic year.

Premier Dr Ramathuba will use the occasion to call on all stakeholders to deepen collaboration in building a skilled, employable and economically active Limpopo.

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