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Help for small businesses

GOVERNMENT will be giving entrepreneurs a boost which also opens a gap for job creation.

President Cyril Ramaphosa says government will this year focus on expanding the small business incubation programme.

The incubation programme provides budding entrepreneurs with physical space, infrastructure and shared services, access to specialised knowledge, market linkages, training in the use of new technologies and access to finance.

"The incubation programme currently consists of a network of 51 technology business incubators, 10 enterprise supplier development incubators and 14 rapid youth incubators.

"As part of the expansion of this programme, town-



ship digital hubs will be established, initially in four provinces, with more to follow," said the President when delivering his second State of the Nation Address, in Parliament recently.

The President said it was expected that the hubs will provide most-needed entrepreneurial services to small and medium enterprises in the rural areas and townships - but more especially

to young people who want to start their own businesses.

The specific focus on the small business incubation programme was due to the role small businesses play in stimulating economic activity and employment and in advancing broad-based empowerment.

"Our greatest challenge is to create jobs for the unemployed of today, while preparing workers for the jobs of tomorrow," he said.

Tax Incentive

"We have come up with great plans, platforms and initiatives through which we continue to draw young people in far greater numbers into productive economic activity through

initiatives like the Employment Tax Incentive.

"This incentive will be extended for another 10 years," said President Ramaphosa.

Government will also intensify the "buy South Africa" programme.

"..We will pursue measures to increase local demand through, among other things, increasing the proportion of local goods and services procured both by government and the private sector."

He said increasing local demand and reducing the consumption of imports is important because it increases the opportunities for producers within South Africa to serve a growing market. ■

Vuxokoxoko byo humelela bya n'wamabindzu

NTOKOTO WA NTIRHO wu nyikile n'wamabindzu wa le Kapa Vuhumadyambu vuswikoti lebyi a byi lava byo aka vumundzuku lebyi tiyeke bya yena na bya vatirhi va yena.

Siya Miti

Khale ka mulawuri wa xitolo xo xa-visa nhundzu ya vuakatindlu Anele Peti sweswi i n'wini wo tinyungu-byisa wa khamphani yo foroma switina swa khonkhiriti leyi tholeke vanhu va 32.

IncaPeace Trading, leyi kumekaka endhawini ya mugodi wa maribye egondzweni ra R61 exikarhi ka Mthatha na Libode, yi phakela switolo swo xavisa nhundzu ya vuakatindlu eMthatha, Libode na Qumbu.

Peti u kumile ntokoto kusuka eka xiyenge xa vumaki loko a tirha tanihi mulawuri eka Build It eQumbu eku sunguleni ka malembe ya va2000 kutani a ya tirha emugodini lowu a wu xavisa swilo swimbisi swo tiya. Hi ku angula eka swilaveko swa

makete, u tsarisile IncaPeace Trading hi 2013. Yi sungurile ku tirha hi 2015.

Peti (35) u vurile leswaku khamphani yi sungurile ku tirha hakatsongo, yi foroma ntsena 3 000 wa switina leswiku hi siku yi ri na vatirhi va nhungu, kambe yi sungurile ku ndlandlamuka eka malembe yambirhi lama hundzeke. U kunguhata ku ndlandlamuxa bindzu ra yena na swikumiswa swo hambanahambana ku ya emahlweni na ku tumbuluxa mitirho yo tala.

"Xikongomiso xa hina sweswi i ku foroma switina swa 14 000 hi siku. Enkarhini lowu, hi foroma switina swo tlula 12 000 hi siku," u vurile. "Kwalomuya ka 94 wa mitirho ya nkarhi hinkwawo yi ta tumbuluxa tanihileswi hi nga ta tumbuluxa tixifi timbirhi hi siku hi tlhela hi xava muchini

wa vumbirhi. Leswi swi ta ndlandlamuxa andziso na swikongomiso swa hina."

Bindzu ra yena ri nyika mikateko ya vuleteri na mitirho eka vanhu va laha kaya. "Hi tinyiketerile eka nhluvukiso wa dyondzo eka vanhu va laha kaya naswona hikokwalaho ka mhaka leyi, hi nyika tibasari leti pfunaka eka dyondzo ya vana va vatirhi va hina," a vurile.

IncaPeace yi na ntirhisano na mugodi wa maribye lowu kumekaka endhawini yin'we, lowu phakelaka swilo swimbisi swo tala swa khamphani leyi.

Nhloko ya Nhundzu ya Nxungeto ya Khoporexini ya Nhluvukiso ya Kapa Vuhumadyambu (ECDC) Phakamisa George u vule leswaku kwalomuya ka R700 000 yi nyikiwile IncaPeace tanihi mali yo sungula ntirho. IncaPeace yi tlhela yi endla



■ Anele Peti sweswi u thole vanhu va 32 eka khamphani ya yena ya ku foroma switina.

ntwanano na Build It na Buffolo Timber wo phakela switina.

Ntsengo lowu wu humaka eka IDC wu tirhisiwile ku pfuna khamphani leswaku yi fikilela swilaveko swa ntwanano wa vona lowuntshwa na Build It na Buffalo Timber.

N'waxemu, ECDC yi nyikile khamphani R1 miliyoni hi ku tirhisa xitirhisiwa xa nhundzu ya nxungeto, leswi pfumeleleke IncaPeace ku xava michini yo cela na tilori to chulula misava

ku tleketla maribye lama fayeriweke ku ya efemeni ya le Libode.

"Ku ndlandlamuka ka tikhamphani to fana na IncaPeace swi vula leswaku xitirhisiwa xa nhundzu ya nxungeto xa ECDC xi le ku fikeleleni ka xikongomelo xa xona tanihi bindzu ra vuvukisi bya ejensi. Nseketelo lowu nyikiwaka tikhamphani leti wu tipfumelelela ku kuma timali kusuka eka vanyiki van'wana va timali." ■

Khemisi yo sungula i xintshuxo exidorobanini



■ Mukhemisi Vumile Mzizi u cincile vutomi bya vaaki hi ku pfula khemisi exidorobanini xa le Kapa Vuhumadyambu.

XIDOROBANI XA MOUNT FLETCHER, lexi tumbuluxiweke hi 1882, a xi nge se tshama xi va na khemisi ku kondza n'wamabindzu lontsongo a pfula tinyangwa ta yena.

xa le kusuhi, lexi nga ka mpfhuka wa 62km – ku fikelela vukorhokerhi bya khemisi.

Loko ku nga se pfuriwa Khemisi ya Ithalomso, vukorhokerhi bya mirhi eMount Fletcher a byi kumeka ntsena Exibedhlele xa le kusuhi xa Taylor Bequest, naswona mirhi leyi a yi nyikiwa vavabyi ntsena.

Mzinzi u thwaserile tidyondzo ta yena hi 2010 naswona a karhi a tirha tanihi mukhemisi eNelson Mandela Central Hospital eMthatha loko a nga se teka 'xiboho lexi cinceke vutomi bya yena' xo pfula bindzu ra yena eMount Fletcher.

U vule leswaku ku pfula khemisi a swi lava ndzavisiso lowukulu na switsundzuxo leswaku bindzu

ra yena ri humelela. U hlaurile Mount Fletcher hikuva a ku ri hava khemisi ekusuhi na leswaku u vonile ndhawu leyi yi ri leyi nga ndlandlamukaka.

Hi ku endla vuvekisi eMount Fletcher, mukhemisi loyi wo tswariwa eNgcobo u tumbuluxile mikateko ya mitirho eka vaaki va nhungu vo huma emigangeni ya le kusuhi.

Khoporexini ya Nhluvukiso ya Kapa Vuhumadyambu (ECDC) yi pfunetile hi timali na ku n'wi endlela pulani ya bindzu ra yena, leswi swi n'wi pfumeleleke ku ya eka mavandla yan'wana ya timali ku kuma pfuneto wa swa timali.

Nhloko ya ndhundzu ya nxungeto Phakamisa George u vule leswaku xitirhisiwa xi pfuna

van'wamabindzu hi nhluvukiso wa miehleketo ya mabindzu ya vona ku kondza va kota ku fikelela swilaveko leswi nkarhi wun'wana swi tikaka swa ku kuma mpfuneto wa swa timali.

“Nseketelo lowu wu teka xivumbeko xo fambisa, mindzavisiso yo vona loko bindzu ra muxaka lowu ri ta humelela, nhluvukiso na vukamberi bya mindzingeto, xinawana xa mixavo yo landzelela yo fana na Vuhleri bya Nkhumbo wa Ndhawu, tilayisense ta mati na tipulani ta mabindzu. ECDC yi tsakile ngopfu ku vona leswaku yi fikelerile swilaveko swa Ithalomso, leswi pfumelelaka khemisi ku kuma timali eka swiyenge swa le handle,” ku vule George. ■

Siya Miti

Mukhemisi lontsongo u endlile matimu hi ku pfula khemisi yo sungula exidorobanini xa Mount Fletcher eKapa Vuhumadyambu hi 2017. Hi ku endla tano, u tisile ku cinca ka rihanyu ra vaakatiko lava vo tala exidorobanini lexi.

Muthwasi wa Yunivhesithi ya Kapa Vuhumadyambu, Vumile Mzinzi u vule leswaku hambiloko xi ri xintsongo, xidorobani lexi xi na vanhu vo tala naswona xi korhokela matikoxikaya yo hluya. U hlamuserile leswaku enkarhini lowu hundzeke, vaaki a va fanele ku humesa R70 ya thekisi ku ya ni ku vuya exidorobanini xa le kusuhi xa Maclear – xidorobana

Squeaky clean success for Mthatha entrepreneur

AMINA CHEM is an example of how good marketing and support from government can give birth to brilliant business success.

Siya Miti

Growing and nurturing a business is what cleaning company founder Siviwe Mnyaka is all about.

He decided to leave the corporate life of marketing behind and ventured into producing, marketing and distributing cleaning products through his company.

Mnyaka's company, was founded in 2012 and is based in Mthatha in the Eastern Cape.

The company has the ability to produce about nine tons a day of a range of different cleaning products which are

used for laundry, automotive, bathroom and kitchen cleaning products. This company has a variety of 60 different cleaning materials.

“We specialise in the manufacturing and marketing of quality cleaning detergents and equipment for both industrial and domestic cleaning and maintenance,” said Mnyaka.

He added that Amina Chem has grown over the years with its turnover being more than a R1 million.

He added that in the inception stages of the company he only had two employs but this has grown to 17 people.

Amina Chem's success

can also be attributed to the support it received from the Eastern Cape Department of Economic Development Environmental Affairs and Tourism (DEDEAT).

The company received a boost of R1.5 million for equipment. Along with R600 000 from the Small Enterprise Development Agency (Seda) which also was ploughed into purchasing equipment.

“Since 2012 we have grown from manufacturing products by hand in 200 litre drums to semi-automated stainless steel tanks. Our growth has been organic as it has been purely led by customer base growth and new product de-



■ Producing about nine tons of cleaning materials is all in a day's work for Siviwe Mnyaka.

velopment.”

The growth led us to move from a 150 square meter factory flat to a 483 square meter factory.

Currently Amina Chem has a client base of over 200 regular customers and supplies clients including several hos-

pitals, Walter Sisulu University as well as funeral parlours, car wash businesses and bus company AB350.

Mnyaka said the experience he received in the marketing industry helped him in growing his business to what it is today. ■