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## VAT - the poor to be buffered

**GOVERNMENT IS** ensuring that it protects the country's most vulnerable during these tough economic times.

**T**he effect of an increase in VAT to 15 percent from 14 percent is going to be buffered by South Africa's high level of social services. That's according to Finance Minister Malusi Gigaba who says the increase, which takes effect on 1 April, will also see South Africans enjoy greater relief from below inflation increases in personal income tax rebates and brackets, and steps government is taking towards free higher education.



■ Finance Minister Malusi Gigaba is delivering his maiden 2018 Budget speech in the National Assembly.

From 1 April 2018 old-age disability grants will increase from R1 600 to R1 690 and to R1 700 in October. Child support grants will increase from R380 to R400 in April, and to R410 in October.

This is a 6.6 percent annual increase. Since October 2017's Medium-Term Budget an additional R2.6 billion has been added to social grants to enable these increases.

"As highlighted by the President in the State of the Nation Address, government will ensure that social grants will continue to be paid without disruption," said Minister Gigaba.

In its budget review, National Treasury said expenditure on social protection provides social security and a safety net for low-income South Africans.

It also improves social welfare service delivery to vulnerable individuals through policy and legis-

lative reform, growing the number of social workers, improving access to Early Childhood Development

and facilitating food and nutrition initiatives.

"Spending on social protection is set to rise from R193.4 billion in 2018/19 to R223.9 billion by 2020/21, growing by an average of 7.9 percent. The number of social grant beneficiaries is expected to reach 18.1 million by the end of 2020/21."

An estimated 12.8 million people will receive the child support grant and 3.7 million people will receive the old-age grant.

### 2018 Tax proposals

- An increase in value-added tax (VAT) from 14 to 15 percent, effective 1 April 2018.
- A below inflation increase in personal income tax rebates and brackets, with greater relief for those in

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# Boingodiso ba bakgethi bo tla ba ka Hlakubele 2018

**KHOMISHENE E IKEMETSENG YA DIKGETHO (IEC)** e etsa bonnete ba hore maAforika Borwa a mangata kamoo ho ka kgonehang ka teng a ingodiseditse ho vouta dikgethong tsa 2019.



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**I**EC ya Aforika Borwa e entse tsebiso ka mafelo a beke a pele a boingodiso ba bakgethi bakeng sa dikgetho tsa 2019 yaba ya kopa hore bakgethi ba nang le tokelo naha ka bophara, ba etele diteishene tsa bona tsa ho vouta ho ilo ntjhafatsa dintlha tsa bona kapa ho ingodisetsa dikgetho.

Mohlanka e Moholo wa Dikgetho wa khomishene, Sy Mamabolo, o itse diteishene tsohle tsa ho vouta tse 22 612 di tla bulwa mafelong a beke ya la 10 le la 11 Hlakubele 2018, ho tloha ka hora ya borobedi hoseng ho fihlela ya bohloko mantsiboya, ho nolofatsa bakgethi ho ntjhafatsa dintlha tsa bona tsa boingodiso kapa hore ba ingodise.

Haeba o falletse sebakeng se setjha haesale ho tloha ha o ne o ingodisetsa dikgetho lekgetlo la ho qetela, o lokela ho ingodisa botjha seterekeng sa heno sa ho vouta.

Baahi ba Aforika Borwa ba dilemo di 16 le ho feta mme ba na le tokomane ya boitsebiso kapa karete ya smart ID semmuso, ba ka ingodisetsa dikgetho. Haeba o sa ingodisa, o ke ke wa dumellwa ho vouta ka 2019.

Bakgethi ba ingodisitseng, bao dintlha tsa diaterese tsa bona di leng siyo lenaneng la boingodiso, ba ka fana ka lesedi le batlehang diteisheneng tsa bona tsa ho vouta nakong ya boingodiso.

“Re batla hore bakgethi ba tle mme ba sebedise monyetla ona,” ho itsalo Mamabolo.

“Khomishene ya Dikgetho ha e na diaterese tsa bakgethi ba ka bang 2.8 milione.

Re na le diaterese tse ding hape tse 3.5 milione tse nkuwang e le tse sa ‘fellang’ kapa tse ‘tshwanang’. Mokgahlelo ona o batla ho sekasekwa ho

ya pele bakeng sa ho netefatsa hore na ebe ho na le dintlha tse ding hape tse teng kapa tjhe,” o ile a tlatselatsa jwalo.

Khomishene e tsomme diaterese e sebedisa mekgwa e fapaneng, ho akga le ho sheba botjha direkoto, difaele le polokelo ya ditokomane tsa kgale, ho lekola le ho boloka diaterese tseo bakgethi ba faneng ka tsona dilemong tse 20 tse fetileng;

ho bokella diaterese nakong ya dikgetho tsa bomasepala tsa 2016; esita le ho tswa letshola la ho ya tsoma diaterese pele ho mafelo a beke a boingodiso ba dikgetho tsa tlatseliso.

Moo ho hlokehang, bakgethi bao ho hlokometsweng hore ba ingodisitse diterekeng tse fosahetseng tsa ho vouta ba ile ba fallisetswa nqeng nngwe, jwaloka ha ho tekilwe ke Karolo 12 (1)

(d) ya Molao wa Dikgetho.

“Re amohetse ra ba ra sebedisa, moo ho kgonehang, deitha ya diaterese ho tswa mehloding e meng ya puso e kang Lefapha la Dipalopalo la Aforika Borwa (StatsSA), Lekala la Polokeho ya Setjhaba la Aforika Borwa (SASSA, Telkom, Kantororo ya Poso ya Aforika Borwa (SAPO) le Lefapha la Merero ya Lehae,” o ile a rialo. **U**

## Ingodise pele ho Hlakubele 2018

Ka Mphalane 2017, Khomishene ya Dikgetho e thakgotse websaete ([www.elections.org.za](http://www.elections.org.za)) bakeng sa bakgethi ba ingodisitseng ba kgonang ho fihlella inthanete ho sheba botjha le/kapa ho fana ka diaterese tsa bona. Bakgethi ba ka boela ba letsetsa Setsi sa Mehala (0800 11 8000), ho tloha ka Mantaha ho isa ho Labohlano nakong ya dihora tsa mosebetsi, hore ba thuswe mabapi le ho hlwaya moo diteishene tsa bona tsa ho vouta di leng teng, esita le dipatlisiso tse ding dife kapa dife. Bakgethi ba ingodisitseng ba ka boela ba SMSetsa dinomoro tsa bona tsa ID ho 32810 ho amohela SMS e fupere atere se ya seteishene sa bona sa ho vouta (SMS e ja R1).

## Seo o lokelang ho ba le sona

Ha o etela seteishene sa heno sa ho vouta, nka bukana ya hao ya boitsebiso (ID) e nang le baakhoutu, karete ya smart ID kapa setifikeiti sa nakwana sa ID. O tla thuswa ho tlatsa foromo ya boingodiso e batlang dintlha tsa hao tsa atere se ya moo o dulang teng. Sena se tla thusa khomishene ho o beha seterekeng se nepahetseng sa ho vouta. Bopaki ba moo o dulang teng HA BO batlehe.

Mamabolo o ipileditse ho batho ka bo mong, mekga ya dipolotiki, mekgatlo ya setjhaba, mekgatlo eo e seng ya mmuso, balwanedi, mehlodi ya ditaba, baetapele ba setso esita le mekgatlo ya bodumedi, ho netefatsa katleho ya mafelo a beke a boingodiso.

## NEWS IN BRIEF

### Isuzu Motors invest in SA

The South African economy has received a major boost with the Isuzu Motors purchase of the Struandale plant in Port Elizabeth.

Department of Trade and Industry Minister Rob Davies said the investment will save jobs.

“We know that this investment will mean that 1 000 jobs in the facility will be saved and there are 3 000 jobs in the direct supply chain and many thousands more in the supply companies. Jobs will continue to be guaranteed in the future.”

### CSIR brings technology to improve water safety, delivery

Low-cost technologies to improve the quality of water and service delivery in municipalities were displayed at the 12th National Municipal Managers Forum which took place in Mpumalanga in February.

The Council for Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR) displayed these technologies at the forum. **U**

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the lower income tax brackets.

- A 52 cent per litre increase in the levies on fuel, made up of 22 cents per litre for the general fuel levy and 30 cents in the Road Accident Fund levy.
- Increases in alcohol and tobacco excise duties of between 6 and 10 percent.

## A move towards fee-free education

Minister Gigaba said government will spend about R57 billion on fee-free higher education over the next three years.

“The largest reallocation of resources towards government’s priorities was on higher educa-

tion and training, amounting to additional funding of R57 billion over the medium term. As a result, this is the fastest-growing spending category, with an annual average growth of 13.7 percent,” he said.

Government will phase in fee-free higher education and training to students from poor and working-class families.

This means that all new first-year students, with a family income below R350 000 per annum, at universities and technical vocational education and training colleges in 2018 will be funded for the full cost of their studies.

Returning National Student Financial Aid Scheme stu-

dents at universities will also have their loans, for 2018 and going forward, converted to bursaries. **U**

## DID YOU KNOW?

**The National Treasury has launched Vulekamali, an online budget data portal that will make budget information more accessible and user-friendly. Visit: [www.vulekamali.gov.za](http://www.vulekamali.gov.za) for more information.**



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# Pholosang ditshukudu tsa rona

**MEKUTU YA AFORIKA BORWA** e kgutlisitse ditshukudu mathuleng a ho nyamela dilemong tsa bo-1960, empa diphoofole tse na di dula di le tsietsing, ka lenane la tse 20 000 feela.



## More Matshediso

**L**etona la Merero ya Tikoloho, Edna Molewa, o ntshitse tlaleho ya pele ya kgatelopele ya 2018 mabapi le katamelo ya bolaodi bo kopanetsweng ba lewa la mmuso la ho lwantsha ho tsongwa ho seng molaong ha ditshukudu.

Tlaleho ena, e boelang e akaretsa sehla sa ho qetela sa 2017, e bontsha kgatelopele lenaneng la ba tshwarwang, dipatlisisong le ho kwallweng ha ditsomi le dikgukguni esita le ho fokotseha ho seng hokae lenaneng la ditshukudu tse tsonngweng naheng ka bophara ka 2017 (1028), papisong le

2016 (1054).

Ka 2017 ho ile ha ba le dikgapo tse robedi tsa manaka a ditshukudu Boemafofaneng ba Matjhaba ba OR Tambo, mme ha tshwarwa ditsomi tse belaellwang tse 502 le dikgukguni tse belaellwang tse 16, mme lenane la theohela ho 518, e leng phokotseho e tlohang ho 680 ka 2016.

"Ka bomadimabe, bahlanka ba 21 ba tswang basebeletsing ba rona, ba ile ba tshwarwa mabapi le diketsahalo tse amanang le ho tsoma ho seng molaong ka 2017," ho itsalo Letona Molewa.

## Ho thibela ho tsoma ho seng molaong

Mmuso le balekane ba ona, o kentse tshebetsong mekgwa e fapafapaneng ya ho thibela ho tsongwa ho seng molaong ha ditshukudu, ho akga le mananeo a ho disa dirapa tsa naha tsa diphoofole le ho sebedisa thekenoloji e ka fetolang mawa.

Pakeng tsa Pherekong le Tshitwe 2017, ditshukudu tse 504 di ile tsa tsongwa Serapeng sa Naha sa Diphoofole sa Kruger (KNP), e leng 24% katlase ho lenane la 662 la 2016.

"Ka lebaka la lewa la rona la ho lwantsha ho tsoma ho seng molaong KNP, re bona ho na le phokotseho lenaneng la diketsahalo tsa ho tsoma ka hara serapa, ka lenane la 2662

le ngodisitsweng ka 2017 papisong le 2883 ya 2016. Sena se bontsha phokotseho ya 7.6%," Letona le tiisitse jwalo.

Leha ho le jwalo, lenane la ditshukudu tse tsonngweng KwaZulu-Natal, Kapa Leboya, Mpumalanga, Freistata le Leboya Bophirimela, le phahame.

## Ditlamorao moruong

Ho tsongwa ho seng molaong ha ditshukudu le ho kgukguniswa ha diphoofole tse hlahla ho thefula ntshetsopole ya moruo wa naha le tlhahiso ya mesebetsi, ho akga le ntshetsopole ya moruo wa naha wa diphoofole tse fapafapaneng o akaretsang le lekala la bahahlaudi.

"Ho lahlehelwa ke e nngwe ya diphoofole tsa bohlokwa ka ho fetisisa tse hlaha Aforika Borwa e kang tshukudu, e leng e nngwe ya tse 'Hlano tse Kgolo' ho ka thefula lenane la bahahlaudi ba etelang Aforika Borwa. Bahahlaudi ba bangata ba etela Aforika Borwa ho tla bona tse Hlano tse Kgolo, e leng tshukudu, tau, nare, lengau le tlou," Lefapha la

Merero ya Tikoloho le itsalo pehelong ya lona.

Ho tsongwa ho seng molaong ha ditshukudu ho amohetswe e le tlokotsi tshireletsong ya naha, e leng se ka thefulang lenane la" bahahlaudi ba etelang naha ena, mme mmuso o phatlaladitse sena e le tlolo ya molao e ka sehloohong naheng ena.

Diketsahalo tse seng molaong tse amanang le ho tsongwa ho seng molaong ha ditshukudu esita le ho kgukguniswa ha manaka a ditshukudu, ho tswela molemole lequlwana le fokolang la batlodi ba molao.

"Tepo ena ya botlodi ba molao e nka monyetla ka lebaka la ho rarhana ha mofuta ona wa tlolo ya molao. Ha maqulwana a dinokwane a ntse a fola mlemo, bokgoni ba mmuso ba ho tisa ntshetsopole ya moruo wa kahisano bo a thefuleha hobane maqulwana a ditlolo tsa molao tse hlophisitsweng esita le diketso tsa ona, di ja setsi ka hara metse ho phatlalla le naha," lefapha le tiisitse jwalo. ▣

## Lenane la ditshukudu tse tsonngweng



# A new Randfontein for residents

**JOB OPPORTUNITIES** in the pipeline for Randfontein residents.

**T**he Rand West City Local Municipality is changing the face of Randfontein through the Mantrose Mega City Project, which will see thousands of houses being built for locals and will bring various job opportunities to community members.

The recently launched R11 billion project includes the building of a mall, clinic, railway line and other amenities in Middelvlei, which will ensure job creation and boost investor confidence in the area.

Rand West City Local Municipality

spokesperson Tshidiso Tlharipe said the project will change the face of Randfontein.

"We are truly excited about this project and we know that it is going to bring about positive change for our people.

"Not only are we going to build 15 000 houses, we will also provide thousands of job opportunities for our locals and that's ultimately what we want. We want to absorb them in projects in their own town and we believe that this will uplift them as individuals," he said.



The houses will consist of RDP and low-cost units. "We have many business owners who will sub-contract in the development of this project, and locals who will do gener-

al work, such as brick laying, plastering and painting," said Tlharipe.

This will go a long way towards accommodating the less fortunate and those who earn

between R3 000 and R15 000 per month.

The owner and chairperson of Finsbury Middelvlei Consortium, Matshidiso Ngakane, said the project will give them an opportunity to be part of something big in their own communities.

"This is the first project of its kind in Randfontein and we are thrilled as residents. The project will provide much-needed job opportunities for locals for at least seven years and will see business owners able to sustain themselves as well," said Ngakane. ▣