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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.

The 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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Go ikwadisetsa ditlhophho go tla simolola ka Mopitlwe 2018.

KHOMIŠENE YA DITLHOPHO E E IKEMETSENG (IEC) e dira bonnete jwa gore bontsi jwa maAforika Borwa ba ikwadiseditse go tlhopha mo ditlhophong tsa 2019.



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IEC ya Aforika Borwa e goeeditse mafelo a beke a ntlha a go ikwadisetsa ditlhophho tsa 2019 mme e ro-tloeditse batlhophi ba ba du-meletsweng go ralala naga go etela ditešene tsa bona tsa go tlhophela go tlabolola dintlha tsa bona mo lenaaneng la batlhophi kgotsa go ikwadisetsa ditlhophho.

Motlhankedimogolo wa ditlhophho Sy Mamabolo o rile ditešene tsotlhe tsa go tlhophela di le 22612 di tla bulwa mo mafelong a beke a di 10 le di 11 tsa Mopitlwe 2018 go tloga ka ura ya borobedi mo mosong go fitlha ka ura ya botlhano maitsiboa, go dira dilo bonolo le go siamela gore batlhophi ba tlabolole dintlha tsa bona tsa ikwadiso kgotsa ba ikwadise. Fa ele gore o fudugetse kwa lefelong le le ntšhwa e sale

ikwadiso ya gago ya go tlhopha e e fetileng, o tshwanetse go ya go ikwadisa gape mo kgaolong e ntšhwa ya go tlhophela.

Baagi ba Aforika Borwa ba ba dingwaga di le 16 kgotsa go feta mme ba na le lekwaloitshupo kgotsa karataitshupo tsa semmuso ba ka ikwadisetsa go tlhopha. Fa o sa ikwadisa, o ka se letlelelwe go tlhopha ka 2019.

Batlhophi ba ba ikwadisitšeng bao dintlha tsa bona tsa bonno di sa tlhageleleng mo lenaaneng la batlhophi, ba ka tlamela ka tshedimotsetso e e tlhokegang kwa ditešieneng tsa bona tsa go tlhopha ka nako ya go ikwadisa.

“Re tlhoka gore batlhophi ba tlhagelele mme ba dirise tšhono e” go bua Mamabolo.

“Khomišene ya Ditlhophho e santse e tlhabela diaterese tse di ka nnang dimilione di le 2.8 tsa batlhophi. Re na le gape le dimilione di le 35 tsa diaterese tseo e leng gore di kaiwa di sa felela kgotsa di tlhagelela gantsi ka nako e le ngwe. Karolo

eno e tlhoka tshetshereganyo go netefatsa gore a mme go na le dintlha tse dingwe tse di leng teng” a tlaleletsa.

Khomišene e dirile dipatlisiso ka ga diaterese tse, e dirisa ditsela tse di farologaneng go akaretsa tekolo ya direktoto, difaele le diakhaefe go netefatsa le go boloka diaterese tseo batlhophi ba tlametseng ka tsona mo dingwageng di le 20

tse di fetileng; go kgobokanya diaterese ka nako ya ditlhophho tsa bo Mmasepala tsa 2016; le go tsena ntlo le ntlo pele ga mafelo a beke ya ikwadiso tebang le go tswelletsa ditlhophotlaleletso. Fao go tlhokegang, batlhophi bao go fitlhelwang ba ikwadisitse mo mafelong a go tlhophela a a fosagetse ba ne ba suthisiwa go ya

ka Karolo 1 2(I) (d) ya Molao wa Ditlhophho.

“Re amogetse le go dirisa, fao o tlhokegang, diaterese go tswa mo metsweding e mengwe ya naga jaaka, Lefapa la Dipalopalo la Aforika Borwa, Setheo sa Tshireletso ya Loago sa Aforika Borwa, Telkom, Kantoroposo ya Aforika Borwa le Lefapha la Merero ya Selegae” a rialo. **V**

Ikwadise pele ga Mopitlwe 2018

Ka Diphlane 2017 Khomišene ya Ditlhopho e tlhomile webosaete (www.elections.org.za) gore batlhophi ba ba ikwadisitšeng mme ba na le inthanete ba lebeseswa kgotsa ba neelane ka diaterese tsa bone.

Batlhophi ba ka letsetsa mo nomorong ya mogala ya (0800 11 8000) go tloga ka Mosupologo go fitlhelwa ka Labotlhano ka diura tsa tiro go bona thuso mabapi le mafelo a bona a diaterese tsa go tlhopha kgotsa dipotso dingwe le dingwe.

Batlhophi ba ba ikwadisitšeng ba ka romela nomoroitshupo ya bona ka molaetsakhutswe go 32810 gore ba amogele molaetsakhutswe o o na leng aterese ya seteišene sa bona sa go

tlhopha. (Ditshenyegelo tsa molaetsakhutswe ke R1)

Se o tlhokang go tsamaya le sona

Fa o etela seteišene sa gago sa go tlhophela tsaya bukanaishupo, karataitshupo kgotsa setifikeiti sa nakwana sa boitshupo.

O tla thusiwa go tlatsa foromo ya ikwadiso e e tlhagisang aterese ya bodulo. Se se tla kgontsha khomišene go go baya mo lefelong la go tlhophela le le maleba. Bosupi ba bodulo GA BO tlhokege. Mamabolo o kopile makoko a dipolotiki, mekgatlo ya selegae, mekgatlo e e seng ya puso, batsosolosi, bobegadikgang, baeteledipele ba setso le mekgatlo ya sedumedi go netefatsa katlego ya mafelo a beke a ikwadiso.

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. **V**

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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. **V**

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 for more information.



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Boloka ditshukudu tsa rona

MAITEKO A AFORIKA BORWA a busitse tshukudu mo dintshing tsa go nyelela ka bo 1960s, fela ditshedi tse di santse di iphitlhela di le mo kotsing ka boagi jwa 20 000 fela.



More Matshediso

Tona ya Merero ya Tikologo, Edna Molewa o rebotse pegelo ya ntlha ya kgatelopele ya 2018 ka ga tsamaiso ya puso ya togamaano e e tswaragane-tsweng ya go lwantsha go tsoamiwa ga ditshukudu.

Pegelo, eo gape e akaretsang kotara ya bofelo ya ngwaga wa 2017, e bontsha kgatelopele mo palong ya ditlathelo, dipatlisiso le katlego ya go bonwa molato ga batsomi ba ditshukudu le batlodiathoto ka bokhukhuntswane le kwelotlase e nnye ya palo ya ditshukudu tse di tsomilweng naga ka bophara ka ngwaga wa 2017(1028), fa go bapantshwa le ngwaga wa

2016(1054).

Ka ngwaga wa 2017 go nnile le diphamolo di le 8 tsa dina-ka tsa ditshukudu kwa boemafofane ba OR Tambo mme go tlathlhetse babelaelwa ba batsomi ba ditshukudu ba le 502 le babelaelwa ba bagwebi ka dinaka tsa ditshukudu ba le 16, seno se tlisa palo go 518, kwelotlase go tswa go 680 ya ngwaga wa 2016.

“Ka maswabi batlhankedi ba le 21 go tswa mo badiring ba rona ba tlathlhetse mabapi le ditiro tse di amanang le go tsoamiwa ga ditshukudu ka 2017” go bua Tona Edna Molewa.

Se, se ama jang moruo wa naga

Puso le badirisanammogo le

yonona e tsentse tirisong ditse-la tse di farologaneng tsa go fokotsa go tsoamiwa ga ditshukudu go akaretsa manaane a go tlhola gangwe le gape ga ditsha tsa diphologolo tsa bosetshaba ka tiriso ya thekenoloji ya maemo a a kwa godimo.

Magareng ga Ferikgong le Sedimonthole 2017, go tsoami-lwe ditshukudu di le 507 kwa setsheng sa diphologolo tse di tlhaga sa Kruger National Park, palo eo e leng kwa tlase ka diperesente di le 24 go na le 662 ka ngwaga wa 2016.

“Ka ntlha ya togamaano ya rona ya go lwantsha go tsoamiwa ga ditshukudu kwa KNP re bona kwelotlase ya go tsoamiwa ditshukudu mo ditsheng tsa diphologolo tse di tla-

ga, ka 2662 e e rekotilweng ka 2017 fa go bapantshiwa le 2883 ka 2016. Seno se bontsha kwelotlase ya diperesente di le 7.6” go tlhomamisa Tona.

Le fa gontse jalo, palo ya ditshukudu tse di tsomilweng kwa ditsheng tsa diphologolo tse di tlhaga tsa kwa KwaZulu Natal, Kapa Bokone, Mpumalanga, Foreisetata le Bokone Bophirima e ile kwa godimo.

Se, se ama jang moruo wa naga

Go tsoamiwa ga ditshukudu le go gweba ka diphologolo tsa kwa nageng go ama kgolo ya ikonometri ya naga le go tlhamiwa ga ditiro, go akaretsa kgolo ya ikonometri e e farologaneng ya tikologo eo e tsenyeletsang ya lephata la bonajanala ka tsela e e sa siamang.

“Tatlhegelo ya Aforika Borwa ya nngwe ya ditshedi tsa naga tse di botlhokwa tse di jaaka tshukudu eo e leng nngwe ya diphologolo tse tlhano tse di kgolo e ka nna le ditlamorago tse di sa siamang mo palong ya bajanala ba ba etelang Aforika Borwa.

Bajanala ba bantsi ba etela Aforika Borwa go tla go bona Diphologolo tse Tlhano tse di Kgolo e leng, tshukudu, tau, nare, nkwe le tlou” Lefapha la Merero ya Tikologo le buile jalo.

Go tsoamiwa ga ditshukudu go bonwe jaaka selo se se masisi mo nageng, seo se ka amang palo ya bajanala ba ba etelang naga mme puso e kaile seno jaaka tshenyo ya maemo a kwa godimo mo nageng.

Ditiragalo tse di seng mo molaong tse di amanang le go tsoamiwa ga ditshukudu le go gweba ka dinaka tsa ditshukudu go ungwela fela segongwana se sennye sa dirukhuthi.

“Mafaratlhatlha ano a basenyi ba dirisa tlathlharuane ya mofuta ono wa tshenyo. Fa digongwana tsa bosenyi tsona di tswela pele go ungwelwa, bokgoni jwa puso jwa go netefatsa kgolo ya ikonometri ya loago bo a kgoreletsega gonne digongwana tsa bosenyi le ditiro di nna morwalo mo magetleng a baagi go ralala naga” go tlhomamisa lefapha. **V**

Palo ya ditshukudu tse di tsomilweng



A new Randfontein for residents

JOB OPPORTUNITIES in the pipeline for Randfontein residents.

The 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 Munic-

ipality 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. **V**