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# Building a better life for all

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**P**resident Jacob Zuma says government is working hard to protect South Africans against the effects of the negative global economic downturn on the local economy.

He emphasised that despite the economic challenges, government remains pro-poor and intent on making life better for all, especially for the poor and the working class.

“We have taken concrete measures to reduce the negative impact of the economic downturn of our economy and to prepare for robust growth when the economic cycle turns positive.”

“We are also working hard to remove domestic impediments to growth.”

The President said this during The Presidency Budget Vote in Parliament recently.

## GROWING THE ECONOMY

Part of government’s efforts to reignite growth and build a better life for all includes implementing the Nine-Point Plan which aims to boost economic growth and create jobs.

“Energy is high up on the agenda. During last year’s Presidency Budget Vote debate our country was facing an acute energy challenge. We have made remarkable progress since then,” said President Zuma.

He added that the Ingula power plant will soon add 330 megawatts of electricity to the national grid and in five years’ time South Africa will have surplus electricity. A renewable energy project for South Africa worth US\$180 million was recently approved by the BRICS Development Bank, which will have its African Regional Centre in Johannesburg.

“Most importantly, there has been no load shedding for close to a year now. It is clear that the decisions and steps we took are beginning to bear fruit.”

## DEVELOPING INFRASTRUCTURE, CREATING JOBS

Government is also using infrastructure as a key instrument to create jobs and to build a better life for all.

“Through the Presidential Infrastructure Coordinating Commission, we have made tremendous strides in fast tracking infrastructure across the country.

“In the past year, we can count the building of 160 new schools, 29 new clinics, the connection of 245 000 houses to electricity and building close to 150 000 new houses. The construction of three universities, 12 technical colleges as



President Jacob Zuma says government is committed to making life better for all.

well as courts is on-going,” said President Zuma.

He added that the construction of economic infrastructure is also continuing through the delivery of rail, road, dams, bus rapid transit systems, refurbishing ports, building boats and also the three new power stations.

“South Africa is a nation at work, with government leading the way, in building a better life for all.”

## PROGRESS ON OPERATION PHAKISA

Government launched Operation Phakisa in the Oceans Economy in Durban in 2014, followed by Phakisa projects on the Ideal Clinic and basic education, focusing on information and communication technologies. Phakisa Mining will be launched soon.

Through Operation Phakisa government aims to implement its policies and programmes better, faster and more effectively.

To date much progress has been made. “In less than two years we have invest-

ed billions of rands in infrastructure development.”

These investments include: Transnet’s National Ports Authority’s R7 billion allocation for port infrastructure, R3.6 billion investments in boat-building and a fuel storage facility in Cape Town, the R80 million allocation for rehabilitating and maintaining proclaimed fishing harbours, and the establishment of three new harbours that will provide opportunities for local and rural economic development.

Phakisa Education has delivered electronic administration infrastructure to over 22 000 schools and over 1 500 schools now have internet connectivity, to the benefit of over a million learners across South Africa.

## WOMEN EMPOWERMENT

The President added that billions of rands have been set aside to support women-owned businesses.

He said the Status of Women in the South African Economy Report, which was produced by the Ministry in The Presidency

responsible for Women, exposed gaps and showed that more must be done to empower women in the economy.

“In September 2015, I issued a directive to economic cluster departments to place the empowerment of women centrally in their plans and in particular, in the Nine-Point Plan to further grow the economy.

“Progress is being made. The departments of Human Settlements, Public Works and Small Business Development are utilising the approach of set-asides to enhance women’s empowerment,” he noted.

President Zuma said women contractors were allocated over R3 billion of the Human Settlements Development Grant for the 2014/2015 financial year alone.

“This allocation was shared by over 112 female-owned enterprises.”

As the country prepares to commemorate the 60th anniversary of the women’s march to the Union Buildings, the President pointed out that a lot has been done to empower women.



# Go šoma go dira ditšhaba tše di bolokegilego

Amukelani Chauke

**S**eteišene sa maphodisa sa go thetha se se mpsha le makala a go ikgetha di tla tšebišwa ngwaga wo o latelago, go thuša go oketša ponagalo le go tloša bosenyi ditšhabeng.

Se ke mokgwa wo mongwe woo Ditirelo tša Maphodisa a Afrika Borwa (SAPS) di tla lwantšhago bosenyi wo o tsebišitšwego kgauswinyane mo Polelong ya Tekanetšo ya Ofisi ya Tona ya Maphodisa.

Tona Nkosinathi Nhleko o re SAPS e abetšwe tekanetšo ya R80.8 bilione ya ngwaga wa ditšhelete wa 2016/17.

Ditshenyegelo tšeo di nepišago nako ya magareng di akaretša:

- Go šogana le dithakgolo tša bjale tša sa ruri.
- Go dira ditirelo tša maphodisa go ba tša seprofesionale ka tlhabollo ya mabokgoni.
- Go tšwela pele go matlafatša mokgwa wa toka wa bosenyi ka go tšea karolo mpshafatšong ya karolo ya toka ya bosenyi le ka lenaneong la phetogo.
- Go matlafatša bokgoni bja mothopo wa Lekala la Maphodisa la Taelo ya Setšhaba. Palomoka ya R1.957 bilione e abetšwe go diragatša se.

“Ngwageng wo wa ditšhelete, re okeditše methopo ya Ofisi ya Molaodimogolo ya Dinyakišišo tša Bosenyi tše Bohlokwa (Hawks) ka thekgo ya R1.431 bilione, yeo gape e tla akaretšago makala a go ikgetha a mafsa. Sephe-tho se tšerwe go hloma ka lefsa makala a Biro ya Tirišo ya Diokobatsi le Taolo ya Dinyakišišo tša Dithunya ka lebaka la tlhokego le boipelaetšo bja badudi ba rena,” Tona a tlaletša.

## DITŠHABA TŠE DI BOLOKEGILEGO

Motlatšatona wa Maphodisa Maggie Sotyu o re thakgolo ya diteišene tša maphodisa tša go thetha go selaganya naga ka moka di tla thuša go godiša ditšhaba tše di bolokegilego, mola di bile di buša boitshepo bja setšhaba mo maphodiseng.

“Thakgolo le thakgolo ya go latela ya diteišene tša go thetha tša maphodisa di tla thoma ka maatla ka Mopitlo 2016, e thoma ka Site C go la Khayelitsha, ya latela Lavender Hill, motseng



Ditirelo tša Maphodisa a Afrika Borwa di tla šoma go oketša ponagalo ya maphodisa go kgonthiša ditšhaba tše di bolokegilego.

wa Crossroads go la Peddie, Botshabelo ka Freistata, le ka mafelong a mangwe ao a lego godimo ka bosenyi, go selaganya diprofense tše senyane,” a tlaletša.

Thekgo ya ditšhelete ya diteišene tše tša maphodisa e tla tšwa tekanetšong ya SAPS ya setšhaba.

Motlatšatona o tsopotše gore diltšistikiki tša go aga seteišene sa maphodisa di akaretša dikgoro tše dintši, seo se ra gore di tla tšea nako ye ntšhi gore di fele.

Maemo a tikologo ya dinaga tše dintši tša dinagamagae tša Afrika Borwa le ona a gapeletša gore mmušo o thakgole diteišene tša maphodisa tša go thetha, a tlaletša.

Motlatšatona gape o gateletše bohlokwa bja go ba le maphodiša ditšhabeng tša dinagamagae.

“Re swanetše go kgonthiša gore ditšhaba tša dinagamagae ga di kwe o ka re di amogela ditirelo tša maphodisa tše di sarego selo ge ba di bapetša le tša toropong.

“Re swanetše go tšwelapele go fediša disenyi tšeo di ipeakantšego tšeo di nepilego go utšwa maruo a bohlokwa go tšwa ditšhabeng tša dinagamagae.”

Motlatšatona o re bosenyi mo ditšhabeng tša dinagamagae e be e se fela ka leruo, eupša

le ka khuduego ye e lebanego le bong, dihlophana tša basenyi, khuduego le tšhomišompe ya diokobatsi mo dikolong tša dinagamagae.

Mokgwa wa tlhohlo wa maphodisa a dinagamagae, bokgole gare ga metse le mokgwa wa go hlokomologwa ga ditšhaba tše dintši go ka dira gore go be le kotsi le letšhogo le le golago la bosenyi, a lemoga.

“Protšeke ya seteišene sa maphodisa sa go thetha e tla matlafatša Lenaneo la Kabo ya Ditirelo la Ka pele la Kgoro. Se ke lenaneo la go ikgafa leo le akaretšago leloko la maphodisa la profesele leo batho ba Afrika Borwa ba le nyakago go ba abela ditirelo; setšhaba se se fihlelegago le mafelo a kabo ya ditirelo tša maphodisa tšeo di amogelegago; tirelo ya profesele gape ya maikarabelo yeo maphodisa a swanetšego go e aba; le tlhomo ya dikamano tše dibotse tša batšekarolo le go kgatha tema mo kabong ya ditirelo tša maphodisa,” a realo.

## GO ŠIRELETŠA DIHLOPHA TŠE DI LEGO KOTSING

Motlatšatona o tlaleditše ka gore SAPS gonabjale e na le dinetweke tše pedi, tšeo di šomišwago go thekga ditokelo tša dihlopha tšeo di lego kotsing kudu mo setšhabeng, kudu

dinagamagaeng.

O re Netweke ya Basadi ya SAPS e be e swaragane le mananeo a ponelopele mo dinagamagaeng ao a bontšhitšego mošomo wa go ikgetha ka ntle ga maphodisa gomme wa tliša mafolofolo a moswananoši setšhabeng sa maphodisa.

“Netweke e thekgile batšwasehlabele ba bagolo ba go katwa go go šoro, ba kgonthiša gore badiri ba bosenyi bjo bjo bobo ba a swarwa gomme ba otlwa ka molato.

Go feta moo Netweke ya Basadi le Banna ya Diphetogo ya SAPS e tla ba e swaragane le lenaneo la go fihlelela ditšhaba leo le tla bago le šogana le bothata bja ukuthwala ya bana ba ba nnyane, mo dinagamageng tša rena, kudu ka Kapa Bohlabela.”

Motlatšatona o gateletše gore le ge mmušo o hlomphele ditšo, ditiro tše dingwe di be di sa amogelege.

“Re hlomphe ditšo tšeo di agago naga, eupša ga re kgahlanong le seo se bitšwago setšo sa go gatelela, go hloriga, go thopa ka kgang, le go kata bana ba rena ka leina la setšo.

“Re tla swara batlhorishi ba bana bao ba thopaga bana ba rena ka kgang ka leina la 'lenyalo la setšo’, a realo.

# Afrika Borwa e holega go tšwa peeletšong ya mananeokgoparara

Amukelani Chauke

**M**aAfrika Borwa ba buna difoka tša dipeeletšo tše dintši tša mmušo ka mananeokgoparara ka dikolo tše difsa, phihlelelo ya meetse, go tsenyetšwa mohlagase le mešomo, gare ga tše dingwe.

Se se utollwetšwe ke Tona ya Tlhabollo ya Ekonomi Ebrahim Patel mo Polelong ya gagwe ya Tekanetšo.

Mo boikgafong bja yona bja go thuša go godiša ekonomi le go hlola mešomo, mmušo o beeletša R1 bilione ka letšatši le tee la mošomo mo go mananeokgoparara go selaganya dikarolo tše mmalwa.

Tona o tsopotše peeletšo ye e dirago khuetšo ye botse mo maphelong a maAfrika Borwa ao a tlwaelegilego.

Tšhelete e thušitše mmušo go aga dikolo tše 160 le dintlo tše difsa tše 100 000; ya tsentšha mohlagase dintlong tše 245 000 gomme tša tliša dimekawate tše 1 700 tša mohlagase wo mofsa mo kriting ya setšhaba.

Peeletšo e kgontšhitše gape mmušo go beakanya dikilometara tše 100 tša diphaephe tša meetse tše dikgolo tšeo di ka abago dibilione tša dilitara tša meetse ka beke mo ditšhabeng le dikgwebong; go aga dikliniki tše difsa tše 29 le bookelo bjo bofsa le go fetša meago ye meraro mo Yunibesithing ya Mpumalanga le bodulo bjo bofsa bja baithuti ba 4 210 nageng ka bophara.

“Re dirile tšwelopele ya go swana le go dira dipese, dithekisi le ditimela; ditsela tše

di mpshafaditšwego, ditsela tše difsa tša dipese di agilwe le mafelo a mafsa a Wi-Fi mo toropong le dinagamagaeng. Mošomo wa thwii o hlomilwe ka peeletšo ya mananeokgoparara e lekanyeditšwe go 291 000 le mešomo yeo e sego ya thwii le ye e dirilwego, go be go na le mešomo ye 715 000 yeo e thekgwago ke lenaneo la mananeokgoparara la mmušo,” a realo.

## GO HLOLA MEŠOMO

Le ge go na le kgolo ya ekonomi ya go nanya, mešomo ye dikete e hlotšwe mo ngwageng wa go feta, Tona a tlaletša.

“Palo ya mešomo le ge go le bjalo, e gotše mo ngwageng wa tšhupamabaka ka mešomo ye mengwe ye 700 000, eupša go na le dikgatelelo tše dintši kudu ka mepong le dikarolo tše di amanago le yona tšeo e lego tlhobaboroko go rena,” a realo.

Tona Patel o rile AB InBev, khamphani ya ka ntle yeo kgauswinyane e kopanego le khamphani ya tagi le dinomaphodi SAB Miller, e dumetše go šomiša R1 bilione mo boikgafong bjo bo tla thušago balemi ba bafsa ba 800.

AB InBev e gafile R1 bilione boikgafong bja go hlagašaga balemi ba gae mmogo le baabi ba bangwe ba go ba le mosola.

Tekanyetšo ya R610 milione ya se e tla šomišwa go thekga tlhabollo ya balemi ba bafsa ba 800 le balemi ba kgwebo ba 20 go tšweletša bali ye ntši ya gae, dihopo, le-



Peeletšo ya mmušo go mananeokgoparara e hlotše mešomo mo dikarolong tše mmalwa.

fela le dithoro, ka taetšo ya leano la go hlola mešomo ye mofsa ye e ka bago 2 600 ya temo, a tlaletša.

“Re dumelelane gore khamphani e tla gafa R200 milione mo tlhabollong ya kgwebo ye e akaretšago go beakanya senolofatši sa kgodišo ya kgwebo, go godiša ditšweletšopele le go thekga kgwebo ya dinolofatši tša tlhahlo ya dikgwebo tše dinyane.”

## MANANEO A THUTO

AB InBev e gafile R190 milione go mananeo a go swarelela le thuto ao a akaretšago tlhabollo ya methopo ya enetši ya tlhatlolano ya tirišo ya dikhamphani tša bona, kgafo ya go fokotša

ditshenyego le go hlohleletša tšhomišogape le go babalela meetse.

“Re na le dikarolo tša naga tšeo di hlaelago meetse, e sego fela ka dinako tša komelelo eupša mo nakong ye telele. Ba ikgafile go mananeo a bafsa, go dira dithekggo tša mašengane a dithuto tša baithuti ba boentšenerere...le go fa dithutelamešomo tša tlaletšo tše 200.

“Ke nagana gore se bohlokwa ke gore khamphani e šome le mmušo go kgonthiša gore mo mengwageng ye mmalwa, gore re fetolele naga go tloga go hwetša dihopo ka ntle go ya go romela dihopo le dithoro,” a tlaletša.