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BUDGET SPEECH HIGHLIGHTS FOR 2018/19

THE DEPARTMENT OF CULTURE, ARTS AND TRADITIONAL AFFAIRS

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Budget Allocation

- Total budget for the financial year: R732 049 000**
- **Management and Administration: R 106 301 000**
 - **Cultural Affairs: R 293,089 000**
 - **Libraries and Archives Services: R 198 710 000**
 - **Traditional Affairs: R 133 949 000**

Audit Outcomes

We reaffirm our commitment to clean administration and financial management, and the department has in the past three successive years (2014/15 and 2015/16, 2016/17) achieved unqualified audits. The department has implemented 97% of the post-audit action plan.

VTSD Spending

In 2017/18 financial year the VTSD expenditure was at 72% of the goods and services budget. The department will in the 2018/19 financial year commission a research to determine the long term impact of the VTSD spending in our communities.

Human Resource Management

To reduce the departmental vacancy rate, the department has prioritised the filling of core and critical posts. Furthermore Madam Speaker the department has achieved the two percentage (2%) target appointment of people with disabilities. The department held public service awards to honour 118 employees for long term service in the 2017/18 financial year.

Job opportunities

The department created 2 534 job opportunities in the 2017/18 financial year. 401 of these were through EPWP, 93 through infrastructure projects, 40 learnerships and internships program and 2000 through festivals and events. We will continue to create job opportunities through a number of identified opportunities.

Transformation and Special Programmes

The department is targeting 41% women representation at Senior Management Level. Currently we are at 38.89%, which is an improvement compared to 37% of the previous year.

Arts and Culture

We are on our second of a three-year deal to host the South African Traditional Music Advancement Awards, the South African Music Awards and the South African Film and Television Awards. Benefits for local artists include promotion of local traditional music; Music Master Class Workshops. Tourism and local businesses benefited in the hosting of these events in Bokone Bophirima.

Mahika Mahikeng Cultural Festival continues to grow, with the last one being bigger and better than previous years. Nelson Mandela and Albertina Sisulu Centenary celebrations will be held through Memorial Lectures, Plays, Curated exhibitions, Film screenings, Choral Music and Traditional Dance Festivals. A budget of R2.4 million has been set aside for these activities.

The South African Film and Television Awards were held during March 2018 in Sun City. We would like to congratulate the following artists who won awards: Mr Thabang Maubane from Rustenburg for Provincial outstanding contributor award. As part of the legacy programme, he will receive a year-long support from NFVF. Mr Mandla Gaduka from Mafikeng for best actor in TV comedy show (Gauteng Maboneng) award. Reratile Mofokeng from Madibeng for the best Micro film with limited budget. (New era sessions)

In partnership with NFVF, film screenings and workshops were held at the following schools: Botoka Technical School in Dr KK, Zakheleni Secondary in Ngaka Modiri Molema, Kgapamadi Secondary in Bojanala and Sebetwane Secondary School in Dr RSM District. The screenings were intended to introduce learners to careers in film and television industry. The NFVF will further give skills development workshops to these schools on a quarterly basis for a period of a year.

The 2017 Mahika Mahikeng Cultural Festival was held from the 07th - 10th December with significant improvement from the previous two years. According to the North West tourism survey, R34m was injected to local businesses.

Arts, Culture and Heritage Facilities

During the 2017/18 financial year, three recording studios were completed in Rustenburg Recreation Centre, Mmabana Taung and Klein Marico and will be launched through arts festivals as part of the youth month celebrations. In the 2018/19 financial year 1 studio will be developed in each of the four districts.

Cultural Villages which serve as community arts centres to preserve the provincial heritage, cultures and indigenous knowledge at Dinokana, Ganalaagte, Moshana, Tseoge, Khudunkwane and Morokweng will be completed and handed over to communities in the current financial year.

Support to artists

The department has expanded its support to individual artists and existing arts, culture and heritage initiatives. In the previous financial year, a total of 61 projects amounting to two million six hundred and eighty thousand rand (R2 680 000.00) were supported. The projects range from exhibitions, touring ventures, theatre productions, conferences and music festivals.

Resistance and Liberation Heritage Route

Resistance and Liberation Heritage Route (RLHR) project seeks to position the freedom fighters at the highest pedestal through preservation and promotion of collective memory and South African history.

The Jacob Zuma Site of Arrest was developed and unveiled during the previous financial year. The second phase which includes the Museum will be completed during this financial year. To date 300 visitors have been recorded at the site. The development of the liberation walls of remembrance at Lobatla has commenced and will be completed and unveiled in this financial year.

Three major resistance and liberation heritage route projects will be implemented in collaboration with the National Department of Arts and Culture and the National Heritage Council. These are Dr

Ruth Segomotsi Mompoti Heritage Site, Ongkopotse Tiro Heritage Site and Moses Kotane Site. In honour of Dr Ruth Segomotsi Mompoti, a monument will be constructed in Vryburg and a modular dual purpose library will be constructed at Raditshane Secondary School at Tlapeng village.

In honour of Ongkopotse Tiro the department will renovate his gravesite and convert the old Dinokana middle school into Ongkopotse Tiro interpretation centre and community arts centre. In honouring Moses Kotane the characteristics of the project are a six meter statue and plaque, interpretation centre and upgrading of the memorial site.

The Department through the Lichtenburg Museum took four school learners to an exchange programme competition at Robben Island and the province obtained second position.

National and Historical Days

The Department will continue to lead and celebrate the National commemorative days in the province in order to promote national pride and create a patriotic society. The following national days will be celebrated during this financial year.

- (1). Africa Day (2). Youth Day (3). Mandela Day (4). Women's Day (5). Heritage Day (6). Reconciliation Day; and (7). Human Rights Day

Mmabana Arts Culture and Sports Foundation

The process of disestablishing NWPACC (North West Provincial Arts and Culture Council) and incorporating its functions into Mmabana Arts, Culture and Sport Foundation through the North West Provincial Arts and Culture Council Repeal Bill and Mmabana Arts Culture and Sport Foundation Amendment Bill is under way.

The bills have already been submitted before the Legislature for processing. Mmabana procured industrial machines to assist four business entities to address the industrialisation programme in the categories of textile, arts & crafts and pottery. The programme will include mentoring of the projects.

As part of professionalising the cultural and arts sector the Foundation is now officially accredited by CATHSSETA to teach Arts and Culture Administration, Visual Arts, Performing Arts, for FET certificate (NQF level 4). The scope for Sewing has been extended to level 2 i.e NQF 2. The Department has budgeted R97, 546m for the 2018/2019 financial year for the implementation of the arts and culture related programmes.

Literature

Over the past four years we have been hosting memorial lectures in honour of author and political activist Sol Plaatje. In this financial year we will honour a veteran poet and political activist, the late Professor Keorapetse Kgositsile. The department assisted 35 first time writers with editing of their manuscripts. 10 manuscripts will be published and 10 books will be launched.

Libraries and Archive Services

From 2014 to date the department has completed and handed over 11 libraries to the communities. During the 2018/2019 financial year, Lebotloane (dual purpose), Tshing (new construction), Tsetse (dual purpose), Ramatlabama 600 (modular) will be handed over to the communities. In partnership with the JB Marks local Municipality a library in Matlwang and Boikhutso will be handed over. Six libraries at the following areas will be constructed during the 2018/2019 financial year: Tsweleng, Lethabong, Southy, Dinokana, Stella and Derby.

To date 104 libraries have access to internet service and 36 of the 104 have access to WI-FI. We will continue to enhance internet connectivity in community libraries by providing 16 other libraries with internet in the current financial year.

In partnership with the National Library of South Africa to roll out the **Mzansi Libraries Online (MLO) projects**, the department will during the financial year provide 70 libraries with computers, tablets, gaming computers and the required software. Through the partnership with the South African Library for the Blind (SALB) the department has established twenty one (21) libraries that provide services for people with visual disabilities (Mini-Libs). It will be extended to additional 3 libraries at Pudmoe, Setlagole and Swartruggens.

In response to the shortage of qualified librarians in the Province, the Department has collaborated with the Ikatisong School of Governance and the Department of Education and Sport Development to provide training and developmental programmes in order to increase the number of qualified librarians and reduce the staff turnover.

Traditional Affairs

During the past financial year, the department spent about R11m on traditional leadership disputes and claims The Commission on Traditional disputes and claims that was appointed during 2016 for Bakgatla ba Kgafela, Bapo 1 and Bapo 2 and Batlharo ba Leema has resumed its work after a break following the passing on of Judge Maluleke. It is expected that the Commission will complete its work by end of June 2018.

A Commission of inquiry has been established in January 2018 for the 3 traditional authorities: Bahurutshe Ba Ga Gopane and Barolong Boo Ratlou Ba Ga Seitshiro, Bakgatla Ba Mmakau. In recognising and supporting the responsibility that the royal families carry to manage and resolve disputes, the Department has provided and will continue to provide training on dispute resolution and management to the royal families. In the 2017/18 financial year CATA procured and distributed 32 new vehicles for Dikgosi as part of the tools of trades.

In an endeavour to improve working relationships and foster effective service delivery strategies between Dikgosi and government, the department will during the year host a summit. The three traditional council offices that were constructed during the previous financial year: Batlharo Ba Ga-Masibi, Barolong Boo Ratlou Ba Ga-Phoi, Bathaping Ba Ga-Maidi will be handed over to the communities during the current financial year. The construction of the Bahurutshe Ba Ga-Suping Traditional Council office will commence during this financial year.



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