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REPORT BACK ON DISCUSSIONS

BY

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Presentation Outline

- ✓ Points from a presentation on Townships Economy
- ✓ Actions required to grow Townships' economies in the NWP
- ✓ Way-forward



Points from a presentation on Townships Economy

- Point of Departure: - Each Township has business opportunities – the critical question is how to turn those opportunities into successful businesses
- Its possible to grow townships economy in the NWP and link up with big businesses
- This is informed by the numerous examples of successful enterprises in other townships in other provinces in the country
- Enabling legislation is required to grow Townships economies



Points from a presentation on Townships Economy – Cont.

- Townships within the proximity of mines must benefit from the equity issues from mining houses
- A value-chain analysis of produce for markets from Townships is required to be done
- Film content produced from the NWP to support the Victoria West film festival in the Northern Cape Province
- Establishment of Townships economic (specialised) hubs is required in the NWP



Actions required to grow Townships' economies in the NWP

- Government to assist in gaining access to land for farming to Townships dwellers
- Government to assist in gaining access to land for building of hotels & guest houses in Townships to provide accommodation in relation to Tourism
- Strengthening of the LED strategy to assist Townships local economic development – (*LGHS, SALGA, Local Municipalities, DPW&R*)
- Government to ensure that local procurement is a reality – *EXCO, FEED, OOP, LG&HS, Municipalities.*



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Actions required to grow Townships' economies in the NWP – Cont.

- Municipalities to enforce by-laws and to promulgate new by-laws to support VTSD programme and enforce same
- Produce from Townships should be bought by Government
- Government to facilitate skills development for the unemployed in the Townships
- VTSD Retail Shops – Government to expand on this project and extend it to all Townships
- Capacitate the Retail operators in Townships
- Sefalana Poverty Eradication Strategy should be taken to Townships



Actions required to grow Townships' economies in the NWP – Cont.

- Funding for the VTSD retail sector should be increased. *EED, FEED,*
- Government to industrialise Townships according to the business opportunities that exist each. *FEED, PW&R, OOP*
- An industrialisation strategy to be developed in line with vision 2030 – *FEED, READ, OOP*
- Local SMME's to form the foci of Townships economy in the NWP
- Support Townships businesses to register on government central database system



Actions required to grow Townships' economies in the NWP – Cont.

- A comprehensive skills audit in all Townships in the Province should be undertaken – *OOP, FEED*
- Government to take equity for all the business it supports in the Townships - *FEED*
- Department of Public Works and Local Municipalities to provide a list of arable land in the Province
- All Townships in the province should be profiled in terms of their economic status, potential and productivity - *OOP*
- The VTSD procurement ACT should be finalised and approved – *FEED & OOP*
- Entrepreneurship education to be provided to Townships – *EED & SETA's*



Actions required to grow Townships' economies in the NWP – Cont.

- A database for film content producers should be established - *CATA*
- Establish business districts in Townships – *LG&HS, EED*
- Beef security around the business district areas in Townships – *Community Safety*
- Monitoring teams should go to the people
- Department of Rural Development to decentralise to Townships to be more accessible to the farming communities



Actions required to grow Townships' economies in the NWP – Cont.

- Establish at least one black owned financial services in each of the Townships - *FEED*
- Establish the Bokone Bophirima co-operative banks in each of the Townships - *FEED*
- Establish Funeral Parlour(s) - with capacity to produce own coffins - in each of the Townships – *Enthia Dynamics*



Way-forward

- FEED to:
 - Initiate an engagement with all the relevant role-players for each of the actions required to grow Townships' economies
 - The engagement to set realistic timelines for each of these actions.



Way-forward

- The National Department of Economic Development has under-taken to support the North West Province on the followings regarding Townships' economy:
 - Creation of an enabling legislature for Townships economy – Social Economic Assessment Team in the Presidency would assist. (DEED & Presidency) will call a meeting by January 2018 on this subject.
 - Townships to benefit from the equity issues from mining firm
 - Conduction of value-chain analysis of produce for markets
 - Film content produced from the NWP to support the Victoria West film festival being inaugurated in the Northern Cape Province.
 - Establish the Township economic (specialised) hubs



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- Thank you



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