

President Jacob Zuma visits Nelson Mandela Bay Municipality

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President Jacob Zuma on Tuesday, 15 April 2014, undertook a monitoring visit to the Nelson Mandela Bay Municipality as part of the *Siyahlola Presidential Monitoring* programme.

The Presidential Monitoring programme provides an opportunity for the President to assess progress in governance and service delivery around the country.

The President had discussions with the provincial and local government leadership as well as various stakeholders. The President ended the visit with a report back to the community of Nelson Mandela Bay in New Brighton.

The visit looked into general issues of governance and also the delivery of basic services such as water, housing, electricity and others in the municipality.

The President's delegation comprised the following:

- Minister of Police and Acting Minister in the Presidency for Performance Monitoring and Evaluation, Mr Nathi Mthethwa.
- Minister of Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs, Mr Lechesa Tsenoli.
- Minister of Finance, Mr Pravin Gordhan.
- Minister of Water and Environmental Affairs, Ms Edna Molewa.
- Minister of Energy, Mr Ben Dikobe Martins.
- Minister of Trade and Industry, Mr Rob Davies.
- Minister of Human Settlements, Ms Connie September.
- Minister of Mineral Resources, Ms Susan Shabangu.
- Deputy Minister of Public Enterprises, Mr Magwanishe.



IGR and stakeholder engagement sessions



President addressing the audience at Nangoza Jebe Hall, New Brighton



Community members at the Nangoza Jebe during the President's report back session

In the report back session President emphasized the strengthening of partnerships, the need to work on challenges in an integrated manner as the three spheres of government. President promised government will come back to engage more with communities, giving them an assurance that issues are being dealt with. He also urged communities that they must talk to each other when protesting, not to destroy services, whilst there is still a cry for more services.



Minister Mthethwa's live interview with Bay FM on site