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OUTCOME 1: IMPROVED QUALITY OF BASIC EDUCATION.

AVBOB Foundation donates school library

By Livhuwani Todani: GCIS, Mpumalanga



Besilindile Primary School learners during the handover of the library by the AVBOB Foundation.



AVBOB CEO Frik Rademan handing over library keys to Principal Joshua Mabogwane.

As part of AVBOB's 100 years celebration, the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of AVBOB Foundation, Frik Rademan, handed over a fully equipped library worth R500 000 to Besilindile Primary School in Hlalanikahle, Emalahleni Local Municipality, on 6 February 2019.

"This is our 51st library donation across the country as the AVBOB Foundation. We urge the community, the school governing body, teachers and learners to take care of this library as it will bring a lot of changes in this community," said Rademan.

Principal Joshua Mabogwane welcomed the gesture by the AVBOB Foundation. "I am happy as we used to have this little corner at our school that we called the library but now we have a state-of-the-art-library that our learners and teachers can use. Staff members and community members, let us be the ears and eyes of this library, we know our area has a lot of criminal activities so we urge you to report crime that you suspect at our school. We are one of the best performing schools in Emalahleni, so the library will also assist the school in achieving a 100% pass rate and thank the AVBOB Foundation," he said. During the event, the Government Communication and Information System distributed various government information products to the audience.



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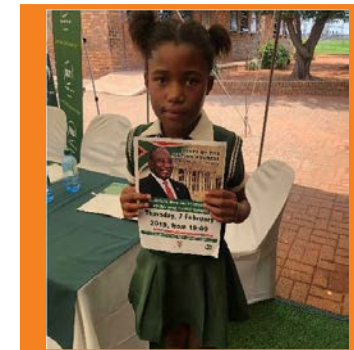
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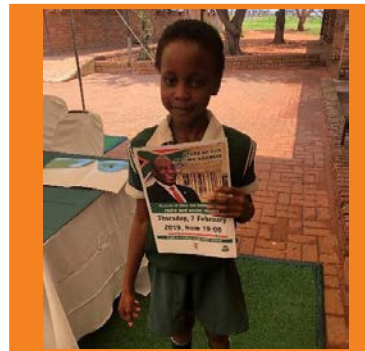
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Besilindile Primary School learners inside the new library.



Sanelisiwe Ledwaba said:
"I am happy that we have a library as it will help us to learn more because it has many books."



Mbali Dladla said:
"I am so happy that the AVBOB Foundation donated the library at our school. We will be able to read different books."



Pertunia Sibanyoni said:
"I am happy that private companies are coming on board to assist our rural school to develop."



Laukazi Toss and Puleng Lakaje said:
 “The commission discussed important and fruitful issues. It made us aware of the processes and requirements of applying for different funding in government.”



Jacky Botes said:
 “Government must not always give opportunities for funding to NGOs/NPOs who have already applied and are being funded.”



Ephraim Mosoeunyana said:
 “Funded NPOs must be encouraged to buy from the local funded NPOs. This will boost local economy.”

OUTCOME 12: AN EFFICIENT, EFFECTIVE AND DEVELOPMENT ORIENTED PUBLIC SERVICE AND AN EMPOWERED, FAIR AND INCLUSIVE CITIZENSHIP.

Free State holds dialogue

By Lehlohonolo Manoto: GCIS, Free State



The panel members that participated at the dialogue.



Acting Free State Premier Tate Makgoe addressing delegates.

A social sector dialogue was held in Bloemfontein on 14 to 15 February 2019, in preparation for a national summit with President Cyril Ramaphosa. The dialogue came as a result of the key matters raised by the President during the 2018 State of the Nation Address. The dialogue was split into four commissions, which deliberated on topics such as resource mobilisation, capacity building, regulatory framework and transformation of the sector.

The Acting Premier of the Free State, Tate Makgoe, said, “We are facing many challenges and unfortunately they are damaging the moral fibre of our society. We need each other to condemn and attack acts of crime, discrimination, racism, sexism and violence. We must work together to eliminate poverty, illiteracy and the scourge of diseases.”

The dialogue was held under the theme: “Strengthening Partnership with the Social Sector towards Poverty Alleviation” and was attended by more than 300 delegates from different civil societies in the community. Only 120 of the attendees will represent the Free State at the National Summit with the President this year.

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Service delivery outreach and SoNA live broadcast

By Willem van Dalen: GCIS, Northern Cape



The local soccer team received donations from the district municipality.



Johan Alexander said:

“It was good to hear the President telling us what government is planning for our country. I am grateful that I could be here tonight.”



Cedric le Roux said:

“It was very interesting to listen to the President speaking. I hope that government delivers on all the promises.”



Door-to-door campaign to market the SoNA.



Community members watching the SoNA.

The Government Communication and Information System coordinated a service-delivery outreach and the live broadcast of the State of the Nation Address (SoNA) in partnership with the Namakwa District Municipality, Karoo Hoogland Local Municipality, the Department of Social Development, South Africa Social Security Agency, Independent Electoral Commission, the South African Police Service and the Department of Home Affairs at Fraserburg on 7 February 2019.

While the main event focused on the SoNA, the stakeholders used the opportunity to provide services and information to the community of Fraserburg who reside 300km from other service delivery points. Both service delivery and live broadcast events were preceded by a door-to-door outreach event, which was intended to sensitise the community about the SoNA live broadcast and encourage community members to listen to the President’s address.

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Media networking session boosts relations

By Thulaganyo Gaserotse: GCIS, North West



Attendees listening to presentations at the event.



Stakeholders and media houses representatives at the media networking session.

The North West Development Corporation (NWDC) in collaboration with the Government Communication and Information System (GCIS) hosted a media networking session in the Dr Kenneth Kaunda District Municipality, Potchefstroom on 19 February 2019. The event was attended by local media houses such as Aganang FM, Platinum News Online, Platinum Chronicle, Platinum North West TV, Puk FM and the Office of the Premier, represented by Bonolo Mohlakoana.

Annemarie Marx highlighted the role of the NWDC and its flagship projects. Kagisho Meremetsi from the GCIS presented on media reporting on the State of the Nation Address of 2019 versus that of 2018. The networking session was aimed at strengthening relations between government and community media to boost work relations.