

THE NEW VENTURE CREATION PROJECT IS MAKING A GOOD PROGRESS

The recently launched New Venture Creation in Water and Sanitation Project is living up to its dreams and the learners are now getting the feeling of being entrepreneurs. This was witnessed when they made presentations to the Department of Human Settlement and ESETA on the 11th of March 2011 at Komatipoort. They were further assured that the programme will be sustained up until they are ready to stand on their own. Prior to the presentations, they were given working gear (safety helmets, gloves, safety boots, overalls, t-shirts and hats) to ensure that safety and compliance is observed.

The benefits are expected to be significant in terms of both employment and the effectiveness of implementation of infrastructure services related to water services, rural sanitation and operation and maintenance of current waterworks under Nkomazi LM to meet DWA Standards and regulations. This will lead to longer term benefits in terms of the development of marketable skills and services that will support ongoing economic development within Nkomazi LM and beyond by the selected FORTY (40) LEARNERS funded by the ESETA.

Overall the programme seeks to achieve the following.

- Culture of entrepreneurship will prevail
- Nkomazi Infrastructure projects will prioritize entities from the FORTY (40) learners
- More funders and investors are expected
- Youth and women involvement is associated with long-term sustainability and pride for their area
- Replication and best practice will be shared with both private and public entities
- Enhance green environment, river cleaning, working for water, operation and maintenance, water metering, water quality testing and setting up laboratories, rural sanitation and public works initiatives can be used for experimental learning and placement strategy until March 2012
- Municipal Supply Chain Management and related Policy will be reviewed to support youth, women and people living with disabilities to benefit from government infrastructure projects.

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