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MORE NORTH WEST RESIDENTS STAY IN FORMAL HOUSING – SEVERAL MORE HOUSING PROJECTS ON THE CARDS.

Mahikeng: The North West Province has experienced unprecedented levels of development in the last 30 years, with the number of households increasing from 591 145 in 1996 to over 1.14 million in 2022.

When delivering the State of the Province Address Acting Premier Nono Maloyi revealed that this depicts an upward trend of eighty eight percent (88%) of formal housing in the province.

Since 2019 the provincial government has built over 19 000 houses. And in 2023 alone over 2700 we handed over to beneficiaries.

He maintains, the focus will now be centered on eradicating mud houses.

"R198 million has been allocated to eradicate 1 356 mud houses in the province, with 579 of these units already delivered" said Acting Premier Maloyi.

Furthermore, efforts to eradicate mud houses have been strengthened by the Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between the provincial government and the Chinese National Import and Export Corporation to build gas to electricity power stations in the province.

As part of their project investment the Chinese have made a commitment to invest further resources to assist eradicate mud houses in the province by building 500 houses every year, for the duration of the project. The project is expected to create a minimum of over 10 000 jobs.

Providing an update on the Deelpan Floods intervention programme, Acting Premier Maloyi announced that the provincial government has cleared all the hurdles that delayed the project and that 104 houses will be completed by end of March 2024.

A further 317 houses will be built following the donation of land by Kgosi Kogodi Molete of Bakolobeng and his Traditional Council.

In addition, the provincial government will be launching the R2.6 billion N14 mixed development project in Ventersdorp.

This development will see installation of bulk services for 4000 sites and create over 600 jobs for local people through the construction of Breaking New Ground, Social Housing and bonded stock.

This is part of ongoing efforts by the provincial government to change the lives of the residents of North West and restore their dignity.

Acting Premier Maloyi added that the provincial government will continue to ramp up the title deeds restoration programme by handing over title deeds to rightful owners. To date 6 283 title deeds have been handed over to beneficiaries across the province.

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