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MATRIC PRIZE GIVING CEREMONY

Limpopo Provincial Treasury held the prize-giving ceremony for students who excelled constantly throughout the year consistently in various schools and had to be celebrated for their dedication and commitment. The event was held in partnership with the Provincial Banker, Standard Bank of South Africa.



Ms Dikeledi Thindisa: DDG for Assets, Liabilities & Supply Chain Management was the program director for the day.



Mr Gavin Pratt: Head of the Department

HOD Mr Gavin Pratt welcomed everyone to the Limpopo Provincial Treasury. He said he knew they have been waiting for the laptops for a quiet some time and apologized for the slide delay. He congratulated all the parents for the achievement of their kids and

indeed it is very impressive to see the results that came out this year as there is a significance improvement in Limpopo. He also emphasized that it is encouraging the for students that committed themselves for achieving their best and trust that they will do the same as they further their studies at institutions of higher learning. He also welcomed the generosity of Standard Bank led by Mr Sydney Hlatswayo, the Business Head in Limpopo, who was accompanied by Mr Mathosa who is the Public Sector Banking Co-Ordinator.

He appreciated the laptop sponsorship from the bank and thanked Ms Dlodlo from the Department of Education for gracing the momentums event and everyone present.



Mr Sydney Hlatswayo : Business Head from Standard Bank

In his remarks, Mr Hlatswayo appreciated the learners and parents in attendance He said that Standard Bank is honoured to have had the opportunity to partake in the initiative which is really about building the future leaders of this country. As a previous learner, he said it is not an easy, as it takes a lot of hard work in terms of getting through your academic program and also for the parents who supported learners in achieving these results. His words of encouragement was that they need to do their best at all times for building a better South Africa.

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He further underscored that the work environment need future leaders who can make a difference in the world and beyond. He appreciated that the students were focused and he is very proud of the improvement in the matric results as the future of the province is very much brighter and promising. As a provincial banker, we remain hopeful, knowing that young men and women that will serve us in the future with enhanced and relevant skills and competencies.

He wished them well and encouraged them to check Standard Bank website for opportunities and products for learning best practices. He indicated that handing over of the laptops will assist in enhancing their performance at higher learning institutions.

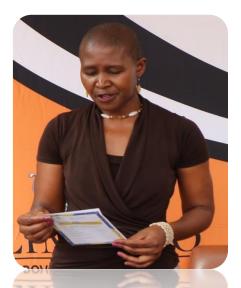
Parents and learners appreciated the gesture from both the department and the bank as they will be able to buy other key resources for their school work.



Mr Hlatswayo, Ms Dlodlo and the HOD handing over laptop to student



Ms Thindisa handing over R10 000 vouchers to the top three students per district.



Ms Rhukanani Mabunda Chief Director





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2024/25 MID-YEAR BUDGET AND PERFORMANCE ENGAGEMENTS SESSIONS

On an annual basis, Limpopo Provincial Treasury conduct mid-year and performance sessions in all districts and local municipalities with a purpose of assessing progress and adjustment of strategies for remainder of the financial year.

The benefits of regular performance engagements promote accountability and transparency where viable are discussed to solve the challenges and benchmarking with other municipalities for service delivery purposes. The sessions also assist to optimize resources and streamline processes.



Various municipalities shared their progress reports as submitted and Team Treasury shared the analysis of the reports where best practices were appreciated. Best performing municipalities were singled out for benchmarking purposes and municipal officials were encouraged to visit those municipalities for service delivery purposes.

Key challenges were identified as per assessment done by Team Treasury, were key focus areas of interventions been agreed upon with clear time frames. Proper planning at the initial stage of projects was discussed where all relevant stakeholders need to be involved to avoid delays during project implementation stage. Governance structures are critical to ensure that all municipal key programmes are attended to through scheduled meetings. All municipalities appreciated the support from Team Treasury and committed to approach MFMA colleagues for intervention on critical areas.



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PROVINCIAL AUDIT COMMITTEE STRATEGIC PLANNING WORKSHOP

Limpopo Provincial Treasury held successful two-dav Provincial Audit Committee Strategic Planning workshop focused on reinforcing the effectiveness of audit committees and strengthening their technical capacity necessary for oversight and accountability. The MEC for Finance, Mr Kgabo Mahoai addressed the attendees, which included audit committee members from various clusters, representatives of the Auditor-General of South Africa (AGSA) as well as high ranking government officials.



MEC Mahoai highlighted the importance of the workshop as government in working towards strengthening the foundations of governance for better audit outcomes and improve service delivery.

MEC Mahoai said, "Through this workshop, we are building internal capacity because robust and vibrant oversight is essential to effectively achieving our service delivery commitments through clean governance.

A capable state and all governance structures across all departments and provincial entities, are key to ensuring improved audit outcomes. I can't over emphasise enough the need to ensure that budget spending is congruent to service delivery and quality".



The Head of the Department, Mr Gavin Pratt and Provincial Accountant-General Ms Portia Semenya cited their commitment to good and clean governance as per MEC's opening remarks. They emphasised the importance of commitment of Audit Committee for ensuring that Limpopo Provincial Government comply with the set prescripts of financial management.

Provincial Audit outcomes were discussed in detail and the regression thereof was discussed in depth while members shared plans on how to improve. The meeting further discussed the planning documents that must be submitted on time and internal control units to be active for governance purposes.

The provincial risk profile was presented and all clusters made robust engagements on how further improvement can be made. All Cluster Chairpersons committed to do their best in ensuring that all set targets as per departmental operational plans are met and quarterly credible reports are submitted on time.

In closing, Limpopo Provincial Treasury was appreciated for the support given to Audit Committee Members, as valuable and progressive discussions and resolutions were made by both political and administrative leadership.

PROVINCIAL AUDIT COMMITTEE STRATEGIC PLANNING WORKSHOP

























SPIRITUAL WELLNESS & WORLD TB DAY AWARENESS

Limpopo Provincial Treasury held the Spiritual Wellness session and World TB Day awareness at Internal Audit. South Africa joined the rest of the world in commemorating World Tuberculosis (TB) Day under the **theme** "Yes! You and I Can End TB: Commit, Invest, Deliver". The day amplifies the urgency of ending of TB which is regarded as the world's deadliest infectious disease.

World TB Day is used to educate the public about the impact of TB and raise awareness on efforts to prevent the spread of the disease and available treatment. It's time to take charge of our health, get screened for TB if you have a cough that is not going away or if you know someone who has TB. As the Department, we have the role to play in ending TB. TB is a curable disease, just adhere and complete treatment. Completing treatment is critical to avoid developing multidrug-resistant TB and extensively drugresistant TB which are both very difficult to treat, life-threatening and fatal. Say NO to stigmatization and discrimination against people living with TB and protect their human rights.

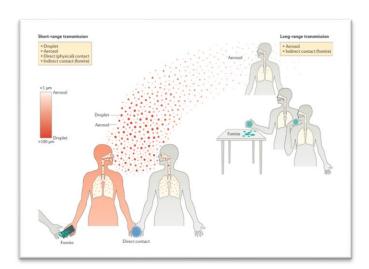
Mr K Ringane and Ms M Makhubele sharing on how TB is caused by a bacteria called mycobacterium tuberculosis and how it spread through the air to the lungs.

Tuberculosis (TB) is caused by a bacterium or germ called Mycobacterium tuberculosis. When a person breaths TB germs, the germs can settle in the lungs and begin to grow, they can move through the blood to other parts of the body, such as the kidney, spine and brain.

TB bacteria can live in the body without making you sick. This is called inactive TB or latent TB infection. People with inactive TB are infected with TB germs, but they do not have active TB disease. They do not feel sick, do not have symptoms of TB disease and cannot spread TB germs to others.

Without treatment, people with inactive TB can develop active TB disease at any time and become sick. TB germs become active if the immune system can't stop them from multiplying and growing in the body. When TB germs are active (multiplying in your body) this is called active TB disease. People with active TB disease feel sick and may be able to spread the germs to people they spend time with every day. Without treatment, active TB disease can be fatal.

How it spreads



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TB germs can get into the air when a person with active TB disease of the lungs or throat coughs, speaks or sings. These germs can stay in the air for several hours, depending on the environment. TB germs are more likely to spread in indoor areas or other places with poor air circulation (such as a closed vehicle) than in outdoor areas. People nearby may breathe in these germs and become infected.

TB germs are not spread by: shaking someone's hand, sharing food or drink, touching bed linens or toilet seats and sharing toothbrushes etc.

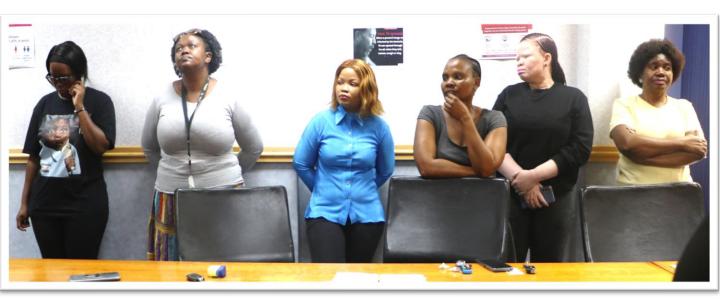
If you have inactive TB, treating it is the best way to prevent active TB disease. Without treatment people with inactive TB can develop active TB disease. People with weakened immune systems are at very high risk of developing active TB once infected with TB germs. It is important that these people receive treatment for inactive TB to prevent the development of active TB disease.

Ms Lerato Msimeki motivated staff with Psalm 91 verse 9 -10 that says Because you have made the Lord my refuge, the most High, your dwelling place, no harm will come near your tent.



Ms Lerato Msimeki preaching the word of God

The word of God says: my people perish because of lack of knowledge but it is not lack of knowledge that we hear from science, knowledge is important, it is a tricks of the enemy that is trying to destroy us and put fear among the people and the purpose God has put on us. We need to pray every morning so that when we meet people who are coughing we should know that we are protected.



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Let us not elevate this TB information more without the truth of God as it is very dangerous. The awareness of sickness and diseases are important but if not shared with the word of God they can bring stigmatization. Long time ago if you were a TB patient, they will isolate you from other people and they will also think you are HIV positive because of their immune system were weak. The word of God tells us that we got the power to lay hands on the sick and see them recover. We must wear our mask and lay hands on those who are sick.

Today, I don't want to leave this session to being more sickness countiously and I want you to be on the God's healing power, word of God, the willing power of the blood of Jesus. Isaiah 53.5 confirms what she is saying, remember Jesus He was lashed 39 times and when He was whipped the blood was flowing and He did that so that the blood can heal our sicknesses, diseases and we are told by fact of science that family of diseases were 39. It means that Jesus has covered each and every family which includes TB.

As we do awareness, let us also use the word of God, yes it is a fact that the doctors said you are sick, the word of God tells us that death and life are in the power of the tongue as she concluded.









LIMPOPO TREASURY SPECIAL SCHOOLS: SANITARY TOWELS DONATIONS



Mr M.J Motubatse
Deputy Principal : Jane Furse Special School

Limpopo Provincial Treasury visited three special schools in Limpopo to donate sanitary towels as follows: On the 29 January 2025, LPT visited the first school, Jane Furse Special School, 30 January 2025, Fulufhelo Special School in Thohoyandou, and the last one was Rivoni School for the Blind which was visited on 06 February 2025.

Management of all the above-mentioned schools appreciated the visit and support from Limpopo Provincial Treasury and indicated that they are also received support from other spheres of government and private sector. Schools management welcomed the donation of sanitary towels and how they will assist girl learners not to miss teaching and learning.

They also presented their challenges and best practices to LPT Team and it was encouraging as educators are doing their best to ensure that learners are equipped with the relevant skills in line with their respective policies and guidelines. They indicated support from private sector and community members is overwhelming as they are always visible during school key events and activities.



Ms Florence Mabunda
Chief Director: Asset and Liabilities

Senior Management members led the delegation on behalf of the HOD Mr Gavin Pratt who couldn't come because of other engagements however, they have been delegated to handover some specials gifts to the learners. They all acknowledge LPT delegation and delivered the departmental key messages professionally.



Dr Thandy Mathebula : Director for Transformation Services

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Dr Thandy Mathebula, Director for Transformation Services gave the purpose of the visit to schools by giving the background of how the initiative started. She indicated the progressive partnership between LPT and the identified schools.

As women at LPT we have kids, and we know because we were once teenagers like you, we know what they went through back during our schooling era. The initiative of supporting needy special schools was done through Public Service Women Management Week. It was resolved that that female senior managers must contribute towards sanitary pads donation. The initiative was to ensure that the girl-child does not miss school during their menstrual cycle as the research done indicated that they are not coping with their school and some are dropping out of school because of the stigma or embarrassment of menstrual cycle. Due to lack of sanitary towels periods, during breaks, some learners will make a joke about the girls who messed up their uniforms, due to lack of knowledge and understanding.

It was also difficult for parents and teachers to talk about the issue with their girl child, because it was a taboo to discuss such matters. Through that experience they thought that they want to help school girls with the sanitary towels, even if the Department of Education is donating, but that still is not enough or there are delays of delivering on time to school because of the service providers. She indicated that LPT is not only talking about the girl child but also about the boy child who should know that his sister is going through a lot and need support in all their stages of life. And that should start at home not from schools. Parents must learn to talk openly to all their children regardless of gender for mentoring them to be responsible adults. She further requested schools to introduce such programmes where parents, community members and professionals can be invited to spread the message.

All visited schools appreciated the support from Treasury and promised to do their best in partnering with other stakeholders for improving the livelihood of their learners.



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CHEKA IMPILO - FINANCE HOUSE

Transformation Services, Employee Health and Wellness sub-directorate consistently ensures that employees are afforded an opportunity to check their health matters through Cheka Impilo programme. Cheka Impilo brings health services to employees at the comfort of their workplaces. The Cheka Impilo motto: "Checking my health status is my lifestyle" Adhering on my treatment is my responsibility.

The aim of the health screening is to encourage individuals to undergo regular screening and testing services provided by various private companies such as Maremela Optometrist, Old Mutual, Podiatrist, Tsheko Dieticians, Dental Medical Aesthetics and Poverty Alleviation and Support for People Living With HIV/AIDS (PAPSWA.)



Ms Gudani Mabogo our security personnel getting screened and tested during Cheka Impilo

She was very happy to check her health since her schedule is too tight and appreciated the opportunity as she has more informed about her health matters.



Mr. Emanuel Mogofe and Ms Dikolobe and Mr Bopape

Mr Mogofe visited Dr M.B. Seopa Dental and Medical Aesthetics to check his dental status. He was assisted by Ms P.M Dikolobe and Mr Bopape. They are committed to providing excellent dental and aesthetic care led by Dr M.B. Seopa, a skilled and respected dentist, the practice offers services focused on patient-centred care and cutting-edge technology. Patients can trust the expertise and compassion of Dr M.B. Seopa and her team for exceptional results in enhancing smiles and promoting overall well-being. They are located at Redimed for further consultation.



Mr Jerry Maluleke with Ms Morongwa Ramakgola from Old Mutual

Old Mutual shared various products with employees and were given opportunities to review their policies such as insurance, investments, loans, financial planning, car and home insurance. They were encouraged to check their products frequently.



Ms Tsela Seena the Podiatrist and Ms Ivy Mkhabela

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Mr Daniel Machaka and Ms Mukhetwa Rambuda with Ms Sosa Malatjie and Ms Tshepang Manaka

PASPWA is a non-profit making entity founded in Limpopo Province in 2003. They were registered in March 2004 in South Africa with a motive to address social illnesses and implementing health programmes such as providing care and support to People Living with HIV, running health promotion programmes, implementing Integrated Access to Care and Treatment (IACT) – Adhereace Clubs, curbing the spread of the HIV, preventing new infections and poverty alleviation in communities.

As the starting point of registration, employees proceeded to do testing where they were assisted by a professions nurse.



Ms Lerato Kganyago and Ms Latoya Ramaphala

Tsheko wellness provides employee wellness interventions. Their goals is to promote productivity among employees through establishing a healthy working environment. They are found in Centurion but distance is not a barrier as they are mobile and can reach you wherever you need them. They advised employees on the importance of eating fruits daily and to know what kind of food is good for their health on a yearly basis.



Ms Precious Rapao Optometrist from Rapao Optical with Ms Betty Rakubu

An optometrist provides primary vision care. They are lincesed to practice optometry which includes giving eye examination writing prescriptions for contact lenses and glasses. Eveyone is encouraged to change his or her glasses after two years for a better vision.



Ms Loti Sepheka with Mr Dioka Mothapo from Medical Othotics & Prosthetics

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Mr Mothapo explained the difference between orthotics and prosthetics as that are designed to improve an individual's mobility. Orthotics are braces or other supportive devices that are used to correct alignment, reduce pain and/or provide additional support to any part of the body, whereas prosthetics are devices that replace a missing limb.

Both orthotics and prosthetics aid to improve movement, but each work for different types of patients.













CAPACITY-BUILDING WORKSHOPS FOR SMALL, MEDIUM & MICRO ENTERPRISES

Limpopo Provincial Treasury hosted various capacity-building workshops in the following areas, namely Phadzima, Matlerekeng and Muyexe villages. The purpose of the workshops is to ensure that existing and new service providers are equipped with latest information regarding procurement processes and procedures.

Attendees were taken through Procurement Act No.28 of 2024, with a purpose of regulating public procurement and prescription of a framework within which preferential procurement must be implement. Business opportunities were presented on goods and services as well as current methods of sourcing them out and compliance documents thereof. Online sites for accessing business opportunities given attendees were to www.etenders.gov.za for tenders for all spheres of government and www.limtreasury.gov.za for accessing provincial Tender Bulletin at Limpopo Provincial Government and public entities tenders on every Friday. They were also encouraged to check procurement plans for each department for choosing the relevant commodities and uploading on the CSD for competitive bidding.

The Central Supplier Database Request for Quotations functionality is a new method introduced from 01 April 2025 and attendees were taken through the process for easier submission of quotations. They were also advised to ensure that they adjust to the new way of procurement where they need to check their CSDs frequently.

Attendees appreciated the information sharing, support given by District officials at all times and committed to do their best in accessing government business opportunities.

The Limpopo Procurement Strategy 2030 was shared and challenges in achieving the targets were outlined, amongst others designated groups registered for commodities that are saturated such as catering, charging prices that are not market related and non-compliance with bid requirements. They were advised to be realistic and research the market for proper decision making. They were advised to do self -registration, call the district officials and visit District offices as per information given.





CAPACITY-BUILDING WORKSHOPS FOR SMALL, MEDIUM AND MICRO ENTERPRISES PICTURES









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