

STATE OF THE PROVINCE ADDRESS DELIVERED BY THE PREMIER OF LIMPOPO PROVINCE MR CASSEL MATHALE TO THE FOURTH DEMOCRATIC LEGISLATURE, LEBOWAKGOMO

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Honourable Speaker
Honourable Deputy Speaker;
Honourable Members of the Legislature and NCOP;
Members of the Executive Council;
Members of the Diplomatic Corps;
Executive Mayors and Mayors of local municipalities;
Commissioner of Police;
Director General and Heads of Departments;
Leaders of Opposition Parties;
Chairperson of the House of Traditional Leaders;
Our Esteemed Majesties and Royal Highnesses;
Former MPs and MPLs;
Provincial Secretary of the ANC Cde Soviet Lekganyane;
Stalwarts and Veterans of our struggle;
Leaders of Chapter Nine and Ten Institutions;
Leadership of various religious formations;
Leadership of Labour and Business;
Youth, women, community leaders and media representatives;
Distinguished guests;
Comrades, ladies and gentlemen

Honourable Speaker

We are meeting in this august house this morning at the occasion of the fourth official opening session of our fourth democratically elected Provincial Legislature. Most importantly, we use this occasion to present the state of the province address to the people of Limpopo in its length and breadth.

The opening of this Legislature of the people is taking place at a time when the continent's living and longest surviving liberation movement, the African National Congress, is celebrating 100 years of its existence. In 1912 representatives of various sectors of society converged in Mangaung to form the African National Congress with a clear determination to unite the people of South Africa under one banner in order to confront political and socio-economic onslaught inflicted upon them by the repressive, illegitimate and notorious settler colonial regime.

Since its formation, the African National Congress has always fought for the protection of human rights and rejected all forms of discrimination. It stood opposed to dehumanization, degradation and exploitation. The African National Congress was formed on the solid foundation guided by principles of building a united, democratic, non-racial, non-sexist, prosperous and peaceful South Africa.

The generation that established the African National Congress has given South Africans in particular the marginalized members of society, a great legacy that has the capacity to provide answers to their socio-economic difficulties whilst at the same time building a country where every person's fundamental rights are guaranteed, respected and protected.

Amongst the people who attended the 1912 launching Conference of the people's liberation movement from our province were Kgoši-Kgolo Sekhukhune II and Ntate Sefako Mapogo Makgatho who five years later (in 1917) was elected the President of the African National Congress. These two heroes, together with others, refused to

accept the developments that subjected the indigenous masses of this country to the gallows of brutal oppression, economic exclusion and racial segregation.

Last year standing on this very same platform during the opening of our Legislature, we invited all people of our province and South Africa at large, including members of the international community, to join the historic celebrations of the centenary of our glorious liberation movement, for we appreciate and understand that the African National Congress does not only belong to its card carrying members and supporters, but is the heritage of all South Africans and particularly the formerly oppressed and everyone who sympathised with them.

The ANC was formed as the true union of the people with a paramount responsibility of uniting all South Africans across the racial divide against a minority oppressive regime that was not based on the will of the masses.

The idea that brought about the African National Congress has never lost its original meaning or rhythm. We are hard at work building a united, non-racial, non-sexist and prosperous nation that is tolerant of each other and underpinned by democratic ethos. As the African National Congress led government, we understand our primary responsibility that was designed by our forefathers of representing all the people of South Africa regardless of political affiliation, religious belief, gender, race, language, culture, or sexual orientation. We have always maintained without compromise that we will redress the imbalances of the past and fight with everything at our disposal against any force that may want to sustain the *status quo* inherited from the apartheid regime.

We will continue with the responsibility of building an inspired and patriotic nation that is able to confront inequality, poverty, hunger, unemployment, diseases and all other socio economic challenges. The creation of a better life for all is a must that ought to happen notwithstanding all sorts of obstacles and other difficulties. We will never renege from our historical obligations of restoring the dignity and pride of our people.

We will forge ahead with the programme of action that improves the living conditions of our people.

Honourable Speaker

We cannot celebrate the centenary of our liberation movement without acknowledging the role that was played by the religious community in the fight for our freedom and democracy. Churches were very instrumental in educating many people who formed political organisations that fought for the rights of the oppressed indigenous masses of our country. Churches and church leaders were also in the forefront of our struggle for freedom motivated by theological teachings that humanity represent God's image and all are equal before the Almighty.

We are still counting on our faith based missions to assist in the construction of our democratic society through prayers and other interventions.

Honourable Speaker

We are also grateful of the brave contribution that was made by various traditional leaders in the fight for our liberation. Many of them were decapitated, dethroned, imprisoned and banished because of their opposition to the apartheid regime and its brutal systems. We will forever remain indebted to their dedication and commitment to the noble cause of defending the land of our forefathers. Amongst them were warrior Kings Sekhukhune, Makhado, Nghughunyani, Makgoba, Malebogo, Queen Modjadji, Mokopane and Mankopane.

Honourable Speaker

Many leaders who consolidated the opposition against the oppression of Africans were multitalented leaders who were also journalists of high quality and character. Many regional organisations such as the Native Vigilance Association, South African Native

Congress, African People's Organisation, Orange River Colony Congress, Transvaal Congress, and others, were formed by conscious journalists, some of whom inspired and sponsored the idea that led to the formation of the African National Congress.

We also had true and brave journalists who used their writing skills, cameras and newsrooms to expose all atrocious actions of the apartheid regime. Therefore, we are seizing this moment to express our sincere message of appreciation to all journalists for their enormous contribution to our struggle for freedom.

Honourable Speaker

We are pleased to announce that we have been able to improve our Grade 12 matric results by 15% in the past two years since 2009. As you may well know, in 2009 our Grade 12 learners in Limpopo obtained 48.9% pass rate in grade 12. The 2010 results showed much improvement when the pass rate scaled up to 57.9%. The 2012 grade 12 results demonstrated remarkable improvement because we managed to obtain 63.9% overall pass rate.

We salute the class of 2011 and it is appreciated that our province has been able to produce almost 13 000 matriculants who passed with a university acceptance mark in the previous school year. We are also impressed by districts such as Sekhukhune and Mopani that managed to improve their overall pass rate by almost 8% in 2011 when compared to 2010.

We also wish to appreciate the sterling work of Mukhethwa Murodovha from Mbilwi Secondary School in the Vhembe district for being identified as the top learner in grade 12 in Limpopo for the 2011 school year and the fact that he has also been listed among the country's top ten learners is a cause for great celebration, indeed.

We want to take this opportunity to thank the dedicated educators who guided and

assisted learners towards the improved achievement in Grade 12 results. We also wish to express our heartfelt gratitude to the MEC for the department of Education, Mr. Dickson Namane Masemola for his toil in the quest to improve the education system in Limpopo.

Certainly, as the people of Limpopo we are grateful for the hard work invested by learners, teachers, school governing bodies, parents and the department of education in bringing about the improved results in our matric examinations.

Our special message of appreciation is due to all teachers who are working in the remote rural areas of our province, where they walk for long distances to their respective teaching places. Limpopo is the only province with quality maths and science results produced by learners from rural areas. This exceptional league of teachers continues to remind us about the true characters of patriotism and selflessness to the agenda of educating our nation.

We also want to encourage learners who did not make it in the 2011 academic year to work harder, stay focused and use this second opportunity wisely.

Honourable Speaker

We have an obligation to intensify the fight against the spread of HIV/AIDS and curb the number of new infections. In 2009, we had only 80 health care centres with necessary facilities to offer comprehensive HIV/AIDS treatment, Honourable Speaker, now we have 483 centres accredited to offer the treatment to our people and we are determine to increase this number. This is a living testimony of our commitment to the fight against the disease and we will continue with expanding our frontiers against the disease until victory.

We will also continue devoting special attention to other diseases such as diabetes, tuberculosis, malaria and others. These diseases are affecting many of our people

and we have a responsibility to reduce and curb them.

Honourable Speaker

Infrastructure expansion has been identified as one of the key pillars that must be used to improve the living conditions of our communities, whilst at the same time, creating job opportunities for our people. We have established the Executive Council Infrastructure Coordinating Committee to monitor and evaluate the implementation of infrastructure plans in the province.

The Committee is ensuring that resources that have been allocated for infrastructure development are used to their maximum. By December 2011, we had already spent 72% of the infrastructure budget as compared to previous years where expenditure was at that time of the year. We consider this to be a significant achievement that suggests that we may not be due to surrender infrastructure grants back to the national government as compared to the other financial years.

It is worth mentioning that we have registered achievements in developing infrastructure in the province since 2009 and so far we have managed to build thirty two state-of-the-art schools that offer a desirable environment for learning and teaching. We have also constructed two thousand four hundred and thirty one classrooms as part of realising one of the important objectives of the Freedom Charter, that of opening the doors of learning for our people.

We have built seven new clinics and upgraded thirty two clinics some of which serve people in the rural areas. Siloam Hospital will be revitalised at a cost of Two Hundred and Fifty Million Rand through the Presidential Infrastructure Coordinating Commission.

We have rehabilitated roads and constructed new roads and bridges to connect our communities with economic active centres in their areas and the province at large.

On Tuesday morning we had the great pleasure of visiting Mankele Village in the Tubatse Local Municipality in Sekhukhune. For the first time since the beginning of time, we were able to pass the Olifants river without having to brave the 'segwaigwai' which is the make shift cable car that our people devised so that they could cross the river safely in that area. They transported the young and old, all luggage including food and furniture and sadly even the dearly departed. It pleases me to say that the completion of the Mankele Bridge and the connecting road will put an end to the marginalisation that was brought on by a lack of access to the amenities due to all citizens of this province. However, I asked the traditional leaders in the area, to keep the cable car tied to that tree, so that it may serve as a reminder of how far we have come as a people.

Honourable Speaker

We declared 2011 a year of job creation through meaningful economic transformation and inclusive growth. We had set a target to create 124 626 jobs by the end of the third quarter of the current financial year and today, we are delighted to announce that through various government initiatives, we have managed to exceed the said target by creating 126 500 jobs for our people by the end of December 2011. This shows that we are well on track to reach our target of creating 166,168 jobs by the end of the financial year.

Honourable Speaker

According to the quarterly labour force survey quarter 3 report released by Statistics South Africa, there was noticeable employment increases in Limpopo. Our province was the highest in terms of job creation with ninety thousand jobs created and comparatively, the province that followed us created only fifty four thousand jobs. The fourth quarter labour force survey released recently shows that there was a downward trend in the creation of jobs in our province.

This presents a strong motivation to further engage with the private sector in ensuring that more efforts are invested in creating sustainable job opportunities for our people. As government, we will continue to create a conducive environment for the private sector to offer sustainable job opportunities.

Honourable Speaker

During the State of the Province Address last year, we indicated that the scoping report for Lephalale was completed and further outlined our plans of building a new city in that part of our province. We are pleased to report that we have commenced the process of installing bulk infrastructure in Lephalale as part of actualising our resolve.

Furthermore, we are satisfied to report to this august house that the scoping reports for Burgersfort and Musina have been commissioned. This is in line with our commitment to develop the provincial high growth points into sustainable urban nodes that will also contribute to the realization of the objectives of our comprehensive rural development plan.

The reality is that Burgersfort will be one of the cities to be build by our African National Congress led government. We are certain that the people of Sekhukhune and Tubatse in particular will be encouraged to rename the city that would have been constructed by the people and for the people. We cannot afford to keep a city name that bears the name of a person who perpetuated the killing and oppression of the masses of our people without any mercy.

Honourable Speaker

We are pleased with the pronouncements made during the State of the Nation Address around the creation of bulk water and sanitation infrastructure in Burgersfort and Lephalale to aid in the creation of job opportunities for our people and unlocking

another part of our industrialisation ambitions.

This commitment is necessary to unchain water as a socio-economic driver for our economy and we are thrilled about the Olifants River Water Development Programme. The commitment of the private sector, including the formulation of strategic partnerships is very important to support this infrastructure development in our province.

We have already signed a Memorandum of Understanding with Transnet Freight Rail to create logistics and consolidation hubs for agriculture, mining products and other commodities that must be railed from the province to other parts of the country and also for export to the international markets.

The creation of the Polokwane, Musina, Burgersfort and Lephalale logistic hubs will be a significant intervention that will reduce the number of heavy goods on the roads and most significantly, an important intervention in the creation of jobs and sustainable livelihoods.

The Lephalale corridor and the plan to develop and integrate rail, road and water infrastructure, centred around Lephalale in the Western part of the province and Steelpoort in the Eastern part will attract more investment and expose our people to more job opportunities.

In the northern part of our province, the Musina to Africa Strategic Supplier Hub Initiative briefly known as (MUTASSHI) will promote and enhance the North to South trade relations whilst broadening access to our goods and services as the province and the country.

Presently, we have over 1,200 trucks crossing the Beit-Bridge border post daily to various coasts in the country and this load contributes to our high cost of doing business. Therefore, MUTASSHI as an inland port will be a strategic intervention that will also promote the cross border trading, whilst at the same time aiding in removing heavy goods from our roads.

The developments that are taking place in our country, including those that are due to take place, clearly mean we must accelerate the process of skilling our people, in particular focusing on the youth and women. The massive infrastructure initiatives that will be rolled out in the province and the sustainable usage of such infrastructure projects will require a skilled workforce that is patriotic and selfless.

Our young people who are the most affected by the issue of unemployment and the womenfolk of our province who have been sidelined for many centuries must position themselves very well in order to benefit from our new growth path.

Our Provincial Human Resource Development Strategy is aimed at ensuring that we skill many young people and women in order to claim their rightful place in the development of our economy.

We have met with various institutions to explore investment opportunities in our province. Just yesterday, we sat through a presentation by IMBS, a company that has identified mineral beneficiation as a market that must be explored in-line with our government vision. IMBS together with their Russian partners have developed a world first energy efficient technology to produce steel from waste coal and magnetite which is found in abundance in Phalaborwa(PMC). Upon completion this plant will create jobs for many of our people who are unemployed. This gives us hope that the people of Limpopo will benefit from its rich mineral resources.

Honourable Speaker

Agriculture remains one of the key drivers of our provincial economy and continues to employ a substantial number of our people. We are also using farming to ensure food security in the battle against poverty and hunger under the “Zero Hunger Campaign”. Through our Food Security Strategy, we are registering remarkable success in identifying and assisting households to use farming as a means to produce food.

In the next financial year, we will be establishing the Provincial Food Park that will

ensure that together with the private sector we deal with hunger in a co-ordinated and integrated manner. We will also be commencing with the process of developing infrastructure for 35 micro enterprise projects under the auspices of the Comprehensive Agricultural Support Programme.

We will continue to support our farmers in order to succeed in their respective efforts of producing food for our province, the country and the international community.

Honourable Speaker

We are committed to the promise of building a transparent, responsive and responsible administration that has the capacity to lead this province and improve the living standard of our people. We are committed to fulfill the promise that we made to the people of this province.

Some of these promises if not all, can only be achieved under a stable and accountable administration that is guided by good governance principles. The Auditor-General acting within the confines of the Constitution has given two of our departments clean audit reports in the name of the department of Agriculture and the department of Co-operative Governance, Human Settlements and Traditional Affairs department.

It is worth to indicate that our human settlement department is the only department in the country that managed to receive a clean audit report. These two departments should be congratulated for the good work done and we are certain that other departments will follow. Allow me Honourable Speaker while congratulating the two MECs cde Letsatsi Duba and Soviet Molapi Lekganyane to take this opportunity on behalf of the provincial administration congratulate cde Soviet Molapi Lekganyane on his election as the provincial secretary of the ruling party the African National Congress, a position which will require him to serve the movement on a full time basis. This means therefore that we will lose him to the ANC. Thank you Kgomo for your contributions, we are fully aware that you will continue to enrich our work in government through the ANC. U

famba kahle tindlela tiku basela. Hiku navelele mikateko eka tiro wa wena.

In the same vain, we would also like to congratulate the Fetakgomo Municipality, Waterberg District Municipality and Road Agency Limpopo for receiving clean audit reports.

Honourable Speaker

According to the Auditor-General our province is leading in terms of financial record keeping. In terms of the audit report, nine of our departments namely the Provincial Treasury; Road and Transport; Public Works; Office of the Premier; Safety, Security and Liaison; Sports, Arts and Culture; Economic Development, Environment and Tourism; Agriculture, and Co-operative Governance, Human Settlements, and Traditional Affairs have performed good in the area of financial record keeping. It is worth mentioning that our province is the only one that has managed to have nine departments with good financial record keeping.

Honouable Speaker

Please allow us to indicate that this achievement is not ordinary because if it was, then many provinces would have managed to have so many departments with similar audit reports in financial record keeping. These achievements were obtained because of the dedication of men and women in the public service who are committed to deliver services to the people of this province including in areas where it is not possible to reach by ordinary public transport and to account for the public funds.

We have developed a Provincial Clean Audit Strategy that will assist all departments and municipalities to meet the objectives of the 2014 Clean Audit Campaign. This means we will continue to improve our financial management systems in line with the directives and advice of the Auditor-General for that will put us in a firm position on our

voyage towards meeting the 2014 Clean Audit Campaign targets.

Honourable Speaker

Towards the end of last year, the national Cabinet took a decision to put five of our departments under administration in terms of section 100 (1) (b) of the Constitution of the Republic of South Africa. Five of our departments in the name of the department of Roads and Transport, Health, Public Works, Treasury and Education have been placed under national government administration.

The administration is primarily in relation to the overdraft which has a historical context. We have been aware of the situation and the Provincial Overdraft Strategy was developed to address this matter. At the present time, we are working with the national government administration team to implement measures aimed at addressing the situation.

We want to emphasise our commitment to any task that is aimed at assisting the province to address the challenges of the overdraft.

Honourable Speaker

The country held successful Local Government Elections on the 18th of May 2011. Our people have been afforded the opportunity to elect leaders of their choice to represent them at local government institutions. We are pleased with the manner in which the transfer of authority was made between the former and the newly elected councillors.

Once more the overwhelming numbers of the people of Limpopo have demonstrated their trust in the capacity of the African National Congress to lead them and continue improving their living conditions. The fact that all participants accepted the outcomes of the elections is a firm confirmation of our understanding of democratic processes.

The sign of maturity and leadership that was displayed by our councillors must give us confidence about the tolerance and acceptance of democratic processes in the province and the country at large. Councillors must lead communities from the front and continuously update constituencies about issues of service delivery, development, present and future challenges.

Honourable Speaker

The provision of water, sanitation and electricity remain top on our service delivery plan for we understand that the creation of sustainable livelihoods cannot take place without such essential basic services being provided to our communities. We are registering remarkable progress in increasing the number of households with access to clean running water and electricity. We know and understand the essential role that is played by water in our daily lives.

We have delivered basic water to 298 794 households in the past year. Sixty percent of our households now have access to basic sanitation facilities. The provision of electricity has been extended to more than eighty three percent of the households in the province.

Although, we are registering progress in providing more people with water, many more are still waiting to have access to clean running water at their doorstep. Many of the people without water are mostly located in the rural areas of our province and this is the reason that compels us to devote more attention to the rural places.

A person who is living in the Giyani area or Ga-Masemola in the Sekhukhune area or elsewhere where there is a shortage of water listening to us speaking about how many households have access to water may have many reasons to be concerned. We are certain that water will be provided to every household in the province as we continue with our work of delivering basic services to the people.

The rural places of our province are part of the solid backbone of our history and hope for the future. We are working very hard to ensure that water, sanitation and electricity are provided to them without any unnecessary delay.

Honourable Speaker

Our government has made a breakthrough in securing land for the development of a township in Jane Furse. Through close cooperation with Kgoši Mampuru wa Bapedi ba Mamone we have managed to secure more than 120 hectares to build a modern residential area which will have all the necessary amenities. This will revitalise the socio-economic development in the area and serve as a link between Burgersfort and Groblersdal.

Honourable Speaker

We live in a province where traditional leaders play a major in governance. The cooperation between the municipalities and our traditional leaders has been key in ensuring that services are delivered to our people. We will be implementing the recommendations of the Serite Commission on the remuneration of traditional leaders at various levels in the next financial year. Our traditional leaders deserve better, and as the ANC led government we will ensure that traditional leaders and their Indunas get what is due to them.

Honourable Speaker

As the African National Congress led government, we made a pledge to our people that we will demolish the single sex hostel structures and build modern family residential units as part of instilling the pride of our people. Consequently, we demolished the old Seshego hostels and commenced the construction of decent units suitable for family settlement. The first phase of Seshego Community Residential Units has been completed and handed over to beneficiaries. The second phase which is the final

phase of the project is about to be completed.

We are making a great difference in the lives of many people who have been waiting for years to get houses. The provision of shelter to our people is an obligation that we will continue to realise without any excuse. The programme of giving our people houses has proved to be one of the most fundamental interventions in the history of rolling out services to our people.

Since 2009, we have succeeded in providing forty six thousand seven hundred and forty three houses to our people. In the coming financial year, more than twelve thousand quality houses will be delivered to beneficiaries, on time and at the places of their choice.

Honourable Speaker

As part of unlocking access to decent affordable houses for employees who are earning below the required subsidy bracket and who would ordinarily not access loans from the banks, we have partnered with Anglo Platinum Mine to build houses for 8 000 employees of the mine in this regard. The search for other partners is continuing and we are urging members of the private sector to also come on board.

Honourable Speaker

In the last few weeks, the people of Mopani District Municipality were seriously affected by floods that left private properties, roads, bridges, other public infrastructure destroyed. Farmers were not left unaffected in that their produce was engulfed by flooding waters leaving literally nothing or very little to produce. We cannot forget that many wild animals were also affected by the said floods.

According to the preliminary reports the damage created by the floods has been estimated at more than Two Hundred and Twenty Three million Rand and as

government we will continue to do everything in our power to support those severely affected by the floods.

Honourable Speaker

We would like to express our message of gratitude to the South African Red Cross, Tiger Brands, Radio Jacaranda, public servants and most of all, members of the public for their active role in assisting those affected by floods. Their efforts have made a significant difference in the lives of many people and their contribution will forever be remembered.

Honourable Speaker

We cannot achieve the objectives of building prosperous communities in the midst of crime in the province. Although, we are registering progress in the fight against crime, more efforts must still be invested until we have freed our people from the hands of criminals. We will continue with police visibility throughout the province and most significantly, we are counting on members of the society to assist in the battle against crime.

The fight against corruption and maladministration will not stop. Corruption stalls and delays service delivery to our people. As the ANC led government, we will continue to fight the scourge of corruption. We are urging members of the society and organised formations to be partners in the fight against corruption. We are also making a humble plea to our people, including organisations to report any corrupt practices to the law enforcement agencies.

Honourable Speaker

We have a moral obligation to promote our indigenous languages and heritage. There

must be cultural activities in schools and we are also counting on our traditional leaders to continue celebrating and promoting their respective cultures and heritage. We have rich heritage in this province with diverse cultures and we must be proud of that. We should tolerate, respect and learn more about each other culture including languages.

We will continue searching and promoting various artists in order to realise our resolve of building a province that is rich in indigenous culture. We must build a united province that is focused and determined to succeed in bettering the living conditions of our people.

Honourable Speaker

The South African Human Rights Commission at the 2011 annual Golden Key Awards ceremony on the International Right to Know Day has commended Limpopo for being the only Provincial Administration that has consistently achieved 100% reporting from 2009 to the current financial year on the implementation of the Promotion of Access to Information Act.

This achievement has made the Human Right Commission conclude that, “Limpopo has set the bar with regard to compliance nationally”.

Four Departments, namely, Office of the Premier, Co-operative Governance, Human Settlements, and Traditional Affairs, Treasury and Agriculture have been acknowledged and commended for being the best in the country for implementing the Promotion of Access to Information Act (PAIA).

We are also delighted that the National Council of Provinces has commended our province for having built quality roads, bridges, houses and also for improving the matric results.

All these acknowledgments serve as a true affirmation on our conviction that we are

on the right path in changing the living conditions of our people. We must always be cautious of any statements that do not pay regard to our successes as the provincial government and the people of Limpopo.

We are a great people who descent from true heroes and heroines who always emerged victorious against all odds. We must never do anything that will defeat or compromise the course of our struggle. But we should pursue everything necessary to propel forward our objectives and aspirations as South Africans and the citizenry of Limpopo in particular.

Honourable Speaker

Every achievement we have registered as a provincial government has been through the dedication of our civil servants who serve loyally despite workplace challenges and the enormous workload. We are well aware of the difficulties facing our civil servants, such as the allocation of parking space at your work place and your housing allowance amongst others. We are busy with the process of finding amicable solutions for all these challenges so as to create a conducive environment at your place of work.

Limpopo shines today because of the dedication and commitment of the civil servants on the mandate to create a better life for all.

Honourable Speaker

We have made a promise to the people of Limpopo that we will fight crime, comprehensively develop rural areas, improve and expand health care facilities, create sustainable job opportunities, improve and broaden access to education. My fellow citizens of Limpopo, we are standing here today to vow never to break that promise. Acting together we must all love and be protective of our province.

Our forefathers fought very hard for us to be masters of our destiny. We must wake up every morning encouraged by the fact that we descent from great heroes and heroines of our struggle in the person of Kings,Makgoshi,Tihosi, Sekhukhune, Makgoba, Maleboho, Ngungunyane, Mokopane, Makhado and many others who fought bitterly for us never to be intimidated in the quest to reach our shared goals.

Thank you!

Baie Dankie!

Ndaa!

Inkomu!

Re a leboga!

