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LIMPOPO LEGISLATURE PORTFOLIO COMMITTEE ON COGHTA'S VISIT TO MONITOR PROJECTS IN LEPHALALE

The Limpopo Legislature's portfolio committee on Co-operative Governance, Human Settlements and Traditional Affairs (CoGHSTA) conducted an oversight visit to the Community Residential Unit (CRU) located in Marapong Township in Lephalale and the Altoostyd informal settlement on 21 May 2021.

The aim was to evaluate the overall advancement of the Altoostyd informal settlement project, concentrating on the upgrade of sanitation facilities, the provision of permanent homes for eligible beneficiaries, and the building of Marapong Community Residential Units project.

The group headed by Chairperson Hon. Champ Sepuru began the day with a briefing in the Municipal Council Chambers, which was attended by committee members, Coghsta officials, and the Municipality, led by Mayor Cllr Aaron Mokgetle and Cllr Sybil Nieuwoudht. The stakeholders were informed about the advancements in the project, obstacles encountered, and upcoming strategies.

The delegation conducted a site visit to the two projects to evaluate the current status and to pinpoint areas for enhancement.

In the refurbishment of the Altoostyd ablution facilities, the total progress stands at 65% completion, and two new temporary ablution containers have been installed and linked for reticulation to the septic tank. Regarding the delivery of permanent homes to eligible beneficiaries, two designated contractors are present on-site for the building of 200 units, and the verification of beneficiaries has been finalized.

The Marapong Community Residential Units project includes, among other tasks, the building 514 residential units, aimed at creating secured housing for low-income individuals who cannot enter the formal private rental and social housing markets in the region.

The project is in line with the government's promises for sufficient housing for everyone as stated in section 26 of the Constitution and it is vital that the project is finished to support those in need

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