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PROVINCIAL OVERSIGHT VISIT TO FLOOD-AFFECTED AREAS IN LEPHALALE

Limpopo MEC for CoGHSTA, Mr Basikopo Makamu alongside Health MEC, Ms Dieketseng Mashego together with the Acting Executive Mayor of Waterberg District Municipality, Cllr Dipuo Moatshe and Lephalale Local Municipality Mayor, Cllr Aaron Mokgetle joined by the Disaster Management Team, have concluded their day long Disaster Management Provincial Oversight Visit to disaster (Floods) affected areas in Lephalale on 21 January 2025.

The team started their day with a briefing session at the Municipality, followed by an on-site assessment at the D1836 in Witkop to evaluate the damage caused by the heavy rains.

The entourage proceeded to Tambotie River Bridge and Witpoort Hospital where a walkabout was conducted to assess the extent of the damage caused by the recent heavy rains and flooding.

They concluded their activities at Thabo Mbeki Township, where they took a tour of the residential area and conducted a one-on-one session with members of the affected communities.

In his remarks, MEC Makamu said that the Waterberg District is the most affected by the floods which left infrastructure damaged, families displaced, adding that his office and the Lephalale Local Municipality will establish a plan to permanently relocate the affected families whose houses are located next to the Palala River bank to avoid future damage during floods.

He applauded the Local Disaster Management Team, Gift of the Givers, SAPS, Red Cross and all sector departments for all their hard work and the donations which includes food parcels, toiletries and other necessities.

Amongst the entourage was the Speaker of Council, Cllr Grace Marakalala, Chief Whip, Cllr Joseph Machaba, EXCO Member, Cllr Ratah Modiba, Municipal Councillors and officials from various sector departments.

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