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## 2015 - 2016 Budget Speech

**Vote 14: KwaZulu-Natal Department of Public Works  
Address to the Provincial Legislature by  
The Honourable Mr Ravigasen Ranganathan Pillay MPL,  
Member of the Executive Council, KwaZulu-Natal**

**12 May 2015**

Honourable Speaker  
Honourable Members  
Their Worships the Mayors  
Speakers, Chief Whips and Councillors  
Amakhosi  
The Head of Department and Officials Present  
Community, Religious, Business and Academic Leaders  
Representatives of professional bodies and government institutions  
Members of the media  
Distinguished Guests  
Comrades and Friends

### **1. “The Tempo Quickens!”**

“The Tempo Quickens!” These words are borrowed from our Nobel Peace Laureate, Isithwalandwe Inkosi Albert John Mvumbi Luthuli, President-General of the African National Congress writing the postscript to his autobiography, Let My People Go.

He wrote those words in the wake of the 1960 Sharpeville Massacre and the State of Emergency. He was energised by the Potato Boycott where our people were fearless in standing up to the brute force of the apartheid state. The struggle for freedom was gathering momentum. The tempo was quickening.

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*Inkosi Albert and Nokukhanya Luthuli departing to Oslo, Norway to receive the Nobel Peace Prize.*

Already in 1955 in his message to the Congress of the People, Inkosi Luthuli noted, “Generations to come, who I trust will then be enjoying freedom, will thank the Almighty for this occasion of June 25 and 26, 1955 at Kliptown .... It is my hope and belief that the inspiration of this unique and most significant [event] will give a very strong momentum to our liberatory movement... The freedom will be consolidated and strengthened as never before by this great assembly, the Congress of the People.”

I dedicate this address to the memory of Inkosi Luthuli, the great icon of non-racialism,

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social cohesion and internationalism. I also want to recognise the ordinary men and women who fearlessly gathered in Kliptown to advance the great cause of South African freedom. Among them was K. Swaminathan Gounden aged 87, a seven decade veteran of the SACP, Natal Indian Congress and the ANC who joins us in the gallery this afternoon.

I table this budget vote of the Department of Public Works as an expression of our quickening tempo to advance radical socio-economic transformation. Our work is single minded in pushing back the triple challenges of poverty, inequality and unemployment which continue to affect the lives of millions among our people.

This year we celebrated the 21st anniversary of our democracy. We have matured. We have learnt. We have achieved. There are now new challenges to confront. Our strategic focus remains that of rebuilding and developing our country for the benefit of all South Africans.

The state is the key instrument in advancing radical socio-economic transformation. The National Development Plan Vision 2030 details massive industrialisation and infrastructure programmes. We want to build an inclusive economy. Public Works is central to the realisation of that vision. Contractor development, a skilled workforce, and job creation are key outcomes.

Infrastructure development and economic growth are inextricably entwined. Our former Premier, the Honourable Sibusiso Ndebele was fond of quoting that historic line, *"It is not our wealth that builds our roads, but it is our roads that built our wealth"*. So too, with our schools, our clinics, dams, and hospitals.

Accordingly, the National Infrastructure Plan [NIP] and the Government's Strategic Infrastructure Programmes [SIPs] have an extremely vital role to play in the further growth of our country's economy.

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## 2. Implementing Agent of Choice

Three years ago Public Works was mandated to become the “Implementing Agent of Choice” for all government departments. We have advanced significantly in this pursuit. Our assessment is that we have reached 70% of our target.

The Department does not only deliver social infrastructure such as schools, clinics and hospitals, but it has also recently been tasked with chairing the Provincial Infrastructure Work Group. This is exciting work that seeks to achieve coordination of all infrastructure delivery in the province. For the first time we have not only provincial departments, but also key stakeholders such as Eskom, Transnet, Water and Sanitation, Umgeni Water, and the Provincial Planning Commission serving on the Work Group.

Against this backdrop, Honourable Speaker, please allow me to take the House through each of the Department’s programmes.

## 3. PROGRAMME ONE: ADMINISTRATION: R 350,737m

This programme underpins the strategic leadership and management of the Department. It renders financial management, human resource management, legal, security and logistics, communications, risk management, strategic planning and monitoring and evaluation support.

### 3.1 Good Governance

The Department again prides itself in having received an unqualified audit report from the Auditor-General. Good governance and the integrity of all our processes and procedures is an ideal we consistently strive for. Public Works runs a tight ship but uncompromising good governance requires eternal vigilance. We believe we are quite close to a clean audit.



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In relation to fighting fraud and corruption, I am pleased to inform the House of the following interventions:

- An Anti-Corruption Unit focusing on detection, investigation and resolution of all reported cases of alleged fraud and corruption is in place. Investigations now commence within 30 days of receipt of information;
- Fraud awareness workshops were conducted to sensitise officials and to provide channels for reporting alleged fraud and corruption. This was aimed at promoting a culture of zero tolerance of corruption;
- The Department conducted 21 internal investigations and 19 disciplinary cases were finalised by the end of the 2014/15 financial year;
- The Department participated in five “I Do Right” roadshows hosted by the Office of the Premier to create general public awareness about integrity, fraud and corruption and channels for reporting alleged fraud and corruption;
- The Department conducted a comprehensive assessment of potential risks. The potential for fraud and corruption were among those identified. This resulted in the development and adoption of a Fraud Prevention Plan to enhance control measures. Forty-six operating risks within Public Works were identified. Of these, 43 have been dealt with. The remaining three will be addressed by May 2016;
- In line with the announcement by the national minister of Public Works, the Department is re-launching “Operation Bring Back” to reclaim state properties that have been misappropriated or unlawfully occupied. This involves investigating and recovering misappropriated state properties and drawing on property transfer information identified in the process of compiling the Immovable Asset Register;
- Operation Bring Back will use the National Anti-Corruption Hotline and launch a campaign to encourage the public, and current and former government employees, to report unlawful transactions. The message to wrong-doers: “Nothing stays hidden forever”.

## 3.2 Communications

Communicating the programme of action of government to our people in credible, informative and accessible ways is increasingly important. The Department’s communications footprint, including use of the new media and community media, has grown discernibly. This is incidentally the third budget speech that is being live-streamed on the internet.

### 3.3 Bursary Programme

Bursaries were awarded for the 2014 academic year to applicants in professional disciplines such as civil, electrical and mechanical engineering. Female applicants from rural areas were prioritised. The Department awarded internal bursaries to 23 candidates. The budget in respect of external bursaries was centralised under the Office of the Premier [OTP] in 2014/15.

### 3.4 Internship Programme

In 2014/15, the Department employed 59 interns in fields such as architecture, quantity surveying, as well as mechanical, civil and electrical engineering.

## 4. PROGRAMME TWO: PROPERTY MANAGEMENT: R 630,089m

The objective of this programme is to provide and facilitate the provision of office accommodation and integrated property management services to client departments.

This includes a planned property life cycle[acquisition, management, maintenance and disposal], optimal utilisation of immovable assets, land valuation, maintenance of the fixed asset register, and payment of property rates.

### 4.1 Property Rates

Honourable Speaker, in the last financial year the budget allocation for property rates was R 484,955,000. An additional R 28m had to be secured due to new or improved building valuations coming into the assets register. The additional funds were sourced through reprioritisation from other items within the Department. I am pleased to announce all 51 local municipalities were paid in terms of invoices submitted during the financial year. In 2015/16 financial year the budget allocated is R507m. It must be pointed out that this is no longer a conditional grant. It has to be allocated from the Equitable Share provision.

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## 4.2 Leases

The Department manages 160 leases in the Province costing approximately R270m. This raises two critical issues:

- The demographic profile of the lessors is a matter of extreme concern.
- The continued imperative for a Government Precinct in Pietermaritzburg in the long term financial interest of the Province.

As we advance the empowerment imperatives of radical socio-economic transformation, our procurement processes must be geared towards a beneficiary profile in fair proportion to the demographics of our Province.

This House will also be mindful of the stranglehold in which government is held by a cartel of landlords. There is no balance between supply and demand. The market is distorted. A careful and sustained effort is required to correct this.

In the near future, the Office of the Premier will convene a Procurement Indaba aimed at reviewing our procurement processes. The simple truth is that current processes are not achieving our transformation objectives. Public Works will provide greater detail on possible new instruments at the appropriate time. The plan includes a targeted procurement system that dovetails with the Infrastructure Master Plan.

An amount of R600m for the government office precinct project, which was expected to commence in 2016/17, was removed from the Department's baseline. This is an unfortunate delay. The project will nevertheless be pursued. Alternative funding mechanisms will be explored. The Premier has appointed an Infrastructure Task Group, chaired by Public Works, to take this project forward.

Later in this address when I refer to the Eyesizwe Contractor Development Programme under Programme 3, I will expand on yet another empowerment intervention that the Department has not only conceived but is actively implementing in advancing radical

economic transformation.

## 4.3 Fixed Asset Register

### **Full migration of PREMIS data into the new Immovable Asset Management System**

The first phase of the installation of the new system, the Fixed Asset Management Tool, namely KwaZulu-Natal Integrated Archibus System [KIAS], was finalised. The second phase is in progress, and it consists of migration, quality control processes, maintenance systems and other IT related programme developments and enhancements.

The Fixed Asset Register Steering Committee [FARSC] was established to facilitate the integrated system. FARSC ensures that the system is fully developed to address issues related to project management, financial reporting on infrastructure expenditure, infrastructure maintenance, facilities management, planning, financial disclosures and interface with other systems, such as BAS. The system will be implemented in 2015/16.

## 4.4 Finalisation of Property Valuations

The main purpose of this project is to ensure that all properties are valued and the value is disclosed in the Annual Financial Statement, which is one of the key elements in the disclosure note for assets. This is work in progress.

## 4.5 Condition Assessments

Condition assessments of hospitals will be undertaken in 2015/16 and maintenance plans developed for these facilities. This will ensure that state facilities are maintained at optimal level to support the services delivered by them. This will be done in consultation with the Department of Health, as it will ensure that user-specific requirements are addressed and that the project yields beneficial results to the user department. The Department will also finalise the condition assessments of the Department of Social Development offices.

It must be mentioned that the success of any maintenance plan will also depend on the relevant department budgeting appropriately for same.



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## 4.6 Izandla Ziyagezana Programme

In 2014/15, the Department successfully sustained 470 work opportunities through Izandla Ziyagezana from the previous financial year, and a further 59 beneficiaries were appointed, thereby ensuring that the programme is sustainable and contributing positively to poverty eradication.

Izandla Ziyagezana is a Departmental initiative aimed at poverty alleviation and job creation focusing on labour intensive methods for manual clearance of vacant provincial land.

The programme has a special emphasis on women and youth and seeks to instil a sense of pride and ownership in the community through keeping a safe and clean environment.

## 5. PROGRAMME THREE: PROVISION OF BUILDINGS, STRUCTURES AND EQUIPMENT: R 408,840m

The main objective of this programme is the construction and/or acquisition of buildings, structures and engineering works and the maintenance of buildings to client specifications. This programme will cover additional expenditure of approximately R 2.5 billion on behalf of client departments. The exact quantum is still under negotiation.

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*An old government shed converted into a modern government conference facility*

The core services of this Programme are:

- Improving integrated service delivery in the provision of buildings and structures
- Creating job opportunities through the Expanded Public Works Programme
- Creating an enabling environment for advancing empowerment imperatives
- Co-ordinating and aligning operational activities in line with municipal demarcations

## 5.1 2014/2015 Infrastructure Expenditure and Delivery

The Department executed work totalling R2.25 billion on behalf of client departments.

Infrastructure budgets were spent in full except in Education which achieved 86% expenditure due to changes to the award conditions.

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Maintenance is a priority in the Province. A total of R 132.6m was spent on maintaining Government's Immovable Assets, which is 7% of the total budget spent.

It is imperative that we prioritise the maintenance of state assets on a defined cyclical basis with an agreed minimum percentage that is set aside. Failure to undertake scheduled maintenance has severe short and long term repercussions.

The following table is instructive in terms of expenditure per client department:

Repairs and Maintenance per Client Department	Expenditure Per Client R/m
Agriculture and Rural Development	3,702,851
Arts and Culture	611,552
Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs	3,199,563
Education	74,208,099
Health	11,177,086
Office of the Premier	1,629,947
Legislature	1,985,336
Public Works	12,283,144
Social Development	16,687,060
Transport	7,158,882
<b>Total</b>	<b>132,643,520</b>

## 5.2 Storm Damage

For the 2011/12 and 2012/13 financial years, 269 schools were evaluated and repaired due to storm damage at a total cost of R198m.

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For the 2013/14 financial year, 197 schools were evaluated by Public Works and submitted to the Department of Education. Instructions were received to proceed with only 78 of the most urgent projects due to budgetary constraints, at a total cost R 92.3m. These projects will be completed by September 2015.

With regard to the balance of the 119 schools, bills of quantities have been prepared and the estimated cost is R 324m. We await funding approval from the Department of Education before advertising the tenders.

A further request was received from Education on 13 May 2014 to evaluate an additional list of 222 storm damaged schools. This project is on hold until funding is approved by Education. It should be noted that Public Works is an implementing agent and that we can only proceed with projects if the budget is made available.

### 5.3 Noteworthy Projects

Some of the noteworthy projects executed on behalf of our client Departments in the 2014/15 financial year include:

- Completion of the Forensic Mortuary on behalf of the Department of Health
- Prince Mshiyeni Hospital Central Laundry
- Thirty Early Childhood Development Centres [In the previous year 60 were completed]
- COGTA Disaster Management Centre

### 5.4 Infrastructure Delivery 2014/2015

In the 2014/2015 financial year, R2.25 billion was budgeted for expenditure as implementing agent on behalf of client departments. Infrastructure capital projects targeted for completion in this financial year include 11 for Education, 14 for Health, 2 for Social Development, 3 for Agriculture and 1 for Transport.



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## 5.5 Revitalisation Projects

There are 42 hospital revitalization projects at seven provincial facilities in the Draft 2015-2016 Infrastructure Programme Implementation Plan [IPIP] with a total budget of R 249m.

These are multi-year projects and the contractors are on site.

Institution	Projects	Budget 2015-16
Edendale Hospital	7	47,905,000
King Dinuzulu Hospital	21	44,505,000
Rietvlei Hospital	2	4,366,000
King Edward VIII	6	31,940,000
Lower Umfolozi Memorial Hospital	1	51,369,000
Madadeni Hospital	1	12,852,000
Ngwelezane Hospital	4	56,077,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>249,014,000</b>

## 5.6 Inkululeko Development Project in Ndumo

The upgrade and additions projects to the Maphindela, St Philips and Thelamama Primary Schools have been completed. The New Ndumo Model High School is at 53% progress with the completion date targeted for 31 March 2016.

Honourable Speaker, I am pleased to report that the Ndumo New Library and the Ndumo Clinic have been completed. The irrigation scheme fencing is completed. The irrigation scheme itself is at an advanced stage, with completion projected for July 2015. The Department of Social Development Community Service Centre project has achieved 32% completion.

Three other projects for Social Development are at award stage awaiting confirmation of funding.

The Human Settlements rental stock project targeting civil servants is at tender stage closing in May 2015.

### 5.7 Public Employment Programme



*Young people enthusiastically involved in the Richmond Community Development Programme*

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The Department implements the following public employment programmes:

- Expanded Public Works Programme [EPWP]
- KwaZulu-Natal Integrated Greening Programme
- National Youth Service Programme
- Maintenance Programme – Education
- Richmond Community Development Programme, and
- Construction Education and Training Authority [CETA] Funded Skills Programme

Honourable Speaker, I will dwell momentarily on the co-ordination and monitoring of EPWP.

As of April 2015, the provincial co-ordination of EPWP has moved from the Department of Transport to Public Works. Please allow me to record my appreciation to the MEC, the Honourable TW Mchunu, MPL for his able and astute stewardship of this programme. EPWP is an important component of our government's commitment to facilitate 6 million job opportunities over the term of this administration.

The training provided by the programme will increase the capacity of the beneficiaries to earn an income. EPWP targets youth, women and people with disabilities that are unskilled, semi-skilled and unemployed.

The main objectives of the co-ordination function are:

- To ensure that the provincial co-ordination and support function is extended to departments and municipalities in KwaZulu-Natal in order to achieve the provincial EPWP work opportunity targets;
- To provide support to public bodies to ensure that their set EPWP targets are attained.

The questions we challenge ourselves with are: "What does the co-ordination of EPWP translate into on the ground?", "What kind of value are we adding?", "Are we making a discernible impact in lifting the most vulnerable of our people out of inequality, poverty and unemployment?"



EPWP must not just be about digging holes and cutting grass in as much as those are very important job creation interventions critical at this stage of our development. EPWP must manifest itself as a programme that is empowering and upskilling, actively creating work experience so that after a period of time the beneficiaries can be confident enough to compete in the open job market or set up sustainable small businesses in diverse industries where they can make the conceptual leap from job seekers to job creators.

I am encouraged by the successes that the programme has notched up and congratulate those beneficiaries who have used the opportunities created by government to better their lives and move our country forward. By the end of March 2015, 1.24 million work opportunities have been created nationally – against a target 1.04m – in other words a 119% achievement.

Addressing Parliament last week, Deputy Minister Cronin quoted data recently released by StatsSA which found that, “In 2014, seven out of ten of those who participated in the EPWP and other job creation programmes were employed.” This was up from 56.9% in 2011. The survey also found that 4 out of every 5 participants who were employed had a formal sector job. These are very encouraging indicators.

### **5.8 KwaZulu-Natal Integrated Greening Programme**

This is a partnership programme led by the Office of the Premier which focuses on greening activities through employment creation for unskilled people. It includes:

- “Tree-preneurs” – growing and planting indigenous and edible plants;
- “Waste-preneurs” – collecting recyclable waste;
- “Green-preneurs” – trading bicycles, water tanks, solar energy devices;
- “Reforestation Projects” – restoring community forests and rivers.



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## The outcomes have included:

- 829 people have been employed to participate in the programme from April 2014 to February 2015, 739 women and 90 men;
- 279,907 trees have been planted, against a target of 212,000;
- 3,903,293 kg of waste was sorted, against the target of 1,000,000 kg;
- 220,407 trees were propagated against the target of 212,000.



*Ms Celumusa Nsele, a beneficiary of the Wildlands Conservation Trust Partnership EPWP*

*Programme –trained as a nursery caretaker*

## **5.9 National Youth Service [NYS] Programme**

In the 2013/14 financial year, the Department implemented the NYS Phase 3 where 100 learners were selected to be trained on the National Certificate: Building and Civil Construction at NQF Level 3. The Programme sustained 84 learners who completed their training on the 2014/15 financial year. Certificates from CETA have been issued to the learners during March 2015. NYS has reached the poorest of the poor communities in remote areas with limited access to opportunities and resources. It continues to provide means of reconstructing society whilst building skills through service and learning.

In the 2014/15 financial year the Department implemented the NYS Phase 5 across all 4 regions. A total of 109 learners were trained on the National Certificate: Construction Plumbing – at NQF Level 3. Training was completed in March 2015.

## **5.10 Maintenance Programme**

The Maintenance Programme is implemented in partnership with Education. The programme involves the manual clearance of school sites using unemployed youth. The Programme focuses directly on poverty alleviation through identification of unemployed people from the poorest of the poor rural communities as beneficiaries. One-hundred-and-thirty-seven beneficiaries are on site and 39 sites are active in Umzinyathi and Umkhanyakude district municipalities.

## **5.11 Richmond Community Development Programme**

The Richmond Community Development Programme is a Cabinet flagship programme approved in October 2013. The Department received funding of R 44.5m, to be used in Richmond Municipality for job creation in line with Operation Sukuma Sakhe. The Programme has created 889 employment opportunities for youth, women and people with disabilities tabulated as follows:

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Programme	Targets	Actual on site
National Youth Service	100	95
KwaZulu Natal Integrated Greening	210	195
Maintenance	150	146
Sanitation	500	453
<b>Total</b>	<b>960</b>	<b>889</b>

## 5.12 Construction Education and Training Authority [CETA] Funded Skills Programmes

The Department secured once-off funding of R 14m from CETA to train unemployed people in accredited technical skills. This was to improve their employability through providing opportunities of work experience, skills development and support.



### 5.13 Eyesizwe Contractor Development Programme



*Delegates at the launch of the Contractor Development Forum*

Honourable Speaker, please allow me to now turn to an empowerment and transformation intervention that we are justifiably proud of in that it links directly with the core objectives of the National Development Plan. The Construction Industry Development Board [CIDB] in conjunction with National Public Works developed the National Contractor Development Policy [NCDP] in 2012.

KwaZulu-Natal Public Works used the provisions of the NCDP to develop a KwaZulu-Natal Contractor Development Policy entirely in-house. This has now become a creative model for the rest of the country.



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The main aims of this policy are to:

- Enhance job creation and eradicate poverty through infrastructure development;
- Stimulate wealth creation amongst historically marginalized persons;
- Strengthen and develop Small, Medium and Micro Enterprises [SMMEs] that will be able to participate meaningfully in the mainstream economy;
- Extend a database of KwaZulu-Natal contractors over the range of CIDB Gradings able to undertake and deliver construction, maintenance and refurbishment works.

Contractor Development Forums at the district and provincial level were elected during April and May 2015. This was preceded by adverts for registration on the database which closed at the end of December 2014. The response was good with 816 applications received. Of these 202 applicants did not meet the admission criteria. The remaining 614 contractors were admitted to the programme.

This is a three-year programme. The contractors will receive the benefit of training and mentoring in various disciplines [tendering, costing, financial and project management]. In addition and most importantly, they will also get business opportunities through one of the following mechanisms:

- Direct targeting
- Rotation
- Joint ventures
- Sub-contracting

The second phase to admit additional contractors on the programme will be advertised by 30 July 2015.

Honourable Speaker, please allow me to thank the Chair of the Portfolio Committee for having presided over the provincial launch event a week ago and for the consistent support of the Portfolio Committee for this critical empowerment initiative.



*Contractor leadership of the newly-elected Contractor Development Forum*

### **5.14 Professional Service Providers**

The Department is in the process of finalising the Professional Service Provider's Policy that will:

- Offer services including those relating to the design and supervision of construction work, for limited period without any obligation of permanent employment;
- Benefit from specialised knowledge, transfer of skills and upgrading of knowledge base while executing projects;
- Provide independent advice on the most suitable approaches, methodologies and solutions of projects;
- Ensure that Historically Disadvantaged Individuals [HDIs] and emerging consultants benefit in the infrastructure projects within the Province.

The policy will be finalised by the end of June 2015.

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## 5.15 Energy Saving Project

In line with the Premier's announcement on energy saving, the Department is in the process of compiling a list of payments made for electricity services related costs at all provincial facilities.

In terms of the retrofitting of government buildings, ESKOM previously used to pay service providers, provided that interventions saved 500KW of electricity. Service providers undertook changes to government buildings at no cost to government. This ESKOM process is no longer operational.

Government has two financial options for retrofitting. The first is to pay service providers from its own budget. The second, creative model is to source service providers who will do the retrofitting and agree to be paid on a negotiated basis from savings achieved through reduced electricity consumption.

A tender on the second option will most likely be advertised at the latest by September 2015 to rectify all government buildings. We are simultaneously in discussions with ESKOM on further proposals they may have in this regard.

Going forward all new government building will need to meet the minimum requirements of the Green Building Council of South Africa four star rating. Public Works is currently developing a protocol in this regard.

Agreed standards and benchmarks for green buildings allow the Council to objectively assess just how "green" a building is. Rating systems provide a menu of green measures that can be used in the design, construction and management of a building to make it more energy efficient and sustainable.



### 5.16 KwaZulu-Natal Provincial Infrastructure Master Plan

The Department through the Provincial Infrastructure Coordination Work Group and with support from the Provincial Planning Commission is developing the KwaZulu-Natal Provincial Infrastructure Master Plan. The objective of this Master Plan is to ensure that strategic infrastructure is developed to support the realisation of the Provincial Growth and Development Plan.

Professional service providers have been appointed to assist the Department in the development of the Master Plan. The target is to provide the first draft of the Master Plan by the end of June so that a refined version can be presented to the KwaZulu-Natal Cabinet Lekgotla in August 2015.



*National, provincial and local leaders at the launch of the Bridge City Infrastructure Development*



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## 6. CONCLUSION

Honourable Speaker, we are confident that the Department has achieved demonstrable and credible outcomes in meeting national policy imperatives and very importantly in meeting our electoral mandate. We are focused on radical socio-economic transformation. The tempo quickens.

Please allow me to acknowledge our Head of Department and the team he leads. I must also thank our client departments, Mayors and municipalities who share our policy, fiscal and financial responsibilities and have contributed significantly to the achievement of these goals.

I must again thank the Premier, my colleagues in the provincial executive council, the Chair and members of the portfolio committee and members of this House for their guidance, support and wise counsel.

I cannot repeat often enough that I draw great encouragement, support and understanding from my wife and family in the discharge of my responsibilities for which I am eternally grateful.

I am honoured to table the following Budget for Vote 14 for 2015/2016 for the consideration of this House and to reaffirm our commitment to work together with all South Africans to move our country forward.

Programme	2015/2016 R/m
1. Administration	R 350,737
2. Property Management	R 630,089
3. Provision of Buildings, Structures and Equipment	R 408,840
<b>Total Budget</b>	<b>R 1,389,666 bn</b>

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