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MEDIA STATEMENT

KWAZULU-NATAL PUBLIC WORKS AND INFRASTRUCTURE LAUNCHES ITS DIGITAL LEAVE AND SUBMISSION SYSTEM

The KwaZulu-Natal Department of Public Works and Infrastructure has officially gone live with its eLeave and eSubmission system. The launch of the system is part of the department's plan to go completely paperless in three years' time which translates a cost save of approximately R4 million.

The digital system, which went live this week, is designed to ensure the department staff are accountable and the management of human resources is effective to benefit people, including reducing turnaround times for the initiation, start and end of projects and processes. This will help streamline the work process by eliminating the loss of important documentation.

Turnaround time is also expected to be significantly improved, meaning project implementation begins sooner which will translate to the communities of KZN benefitting earlier from infrastructure.

The system will allow department staff and officials to make submissions for:

- Leave
- Requests and approval for purchases
- Memorandums
- Circulars
- Reports

This proudly marks the first phase of KZN Public Works and Infrastructure's digital migration process and cost containment measure.

The new KZN Public Works and Infrastructure aims to execute its mandate in a smart way while embracing technology and ensuring security and accountability. This will allow the department to remain ahead of the curve when it comes to building today for tomorrow.

The next coming phases of the department's digitization move will result in tender applications being done electronically which will save both travel time and money for those applying. This will also remove the all-too often element of submission documentation going missing which leads to disqualification.

This latest initiative further cements KZN Public Works and Infrastructure into a new era, one of doing things differently, for the future.

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