



LIMPOPO GOVERNMENT OFFERS A TRACTOR, FOUR (4) COWS AND A BULL TO TRADITIONAL LEADERS

As the Limpopo House of Traditional Leaders officially opened for the 2021/22 financial year, Premier of the Province, Chupu Stanley Mathabatha highlighted the value that Traditional Leadership added to the development of communities in the Province.

“I cannot over stress the point that in Limpopo most of government's development programs and initiatives take place on a land that is under the jurisdiction of Traditional Leadership and I always interact with this House with the full awareness of the strategic role which Traditional Leaders occupy in our communities,” said Premier Mathabatha.

Premier Mathabatha presented that there will be an allocation of R57 Million and R5 Million this financial year for the construction and refurbishment of traditional council offices and procurement of furniture for 21 traditional council Offices respectively.

The Premier of the Province further acknowledged that Traditional Leaders were the ones responsible for feeding the poor in their communities. “As the Premier of the province, I decree that, all Traditional Leaders to be appointed from now moving forward, will receive a brand new and fully equipped tractor for ploughing, added with four cows and one bull. This initiative is aimed at making sure that traditional councils revive their culture of feeding the poor in our communities.” He concluded.

While welcoming the programs scheduled for the 2021/22 financial year, Chairperson of the Limpopo House of Traditional Leaders, Kgoshi Malesela Dikgale expressed how some cultural practices that the House oversees such as the operation of Initiation Schools have been suspended due to the Coronavirus Pandemic this winter season.

“The Coronavirus Pandemic has not only hindered some cultural practices in communities but has also taken the lives of several Traditional Leaders. We would like to send our deepest condolences to all traditional councils, communities and families who lost their loved ones,” he said sadly.