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NEWSLETTER OF THE DEPARTMENT OF CO-OPERATIVE GOVERNANCE, HUMAN SETTLEMENTS & TRADITIONAL AFFAIRS

Executive members of the Limpopo House of Traditional and Khoi-San Leaders attending the Dialogue on issues affecting Traditional Leaders and rural communities.



Chairperson of the Limpopo House of Traditional and Khoisan Leaders, Hosi Pheni Ngove.



Limpopo CoGHSTA MEC Basikopo Makamu and Limpopo Premier, Dr. Phophi Ramathuba during the Dialogue with members of the Limpopo House of Traditional and Khoisan Leaders on 11 March 2025.

DIALOGUE ADDRESSES ISSUES AFFECTING

TRADITIONAL LEADERS AND RURAL COMMUNITIES.

The Limpopo CoGHSTA MEC, Mr. Basikopo Makamu and Members of Limpopo House of Traditional and Khoisan leaders (LHTKL) led by Limpopo Premier, Dr. Phophi Ramathuba engaged in a dialogue on 11 March 2025 at Bolivia Lodge. The dialogue was not only centered around pertinent issues affecting Traditional Leaders and rural communities but to relate to the speech delivered by the Premier during the Opening of the House on 29 May 2025 at Thengwe Village. Matters raised by the House ranged from:

- Reasons as to why other Traditional Councils have not been gazetted,
- Prompt response and action on appointment of headmen and women,
- Anthropology services to work directly with Senior Traditional Leaders and not headmen and headwomen,

- Reviewing the status quo for newly allocated villages,
- The filling of vacant posts in Traditional Councils and reduction of staff components from 5 to 3,
- The request for government to not support unrecognized Senior Traditional Leaders,
- Provincial Initiation Coordinating Committee (PICC)'s request to extend Initiation Schools' Season from 3 to 4 weeks,
- Consequence management for PICC members who do not attend meetings to name a few. The engagement concluded with the assurance from the Premier and MEC Makamu that matters raised will be given priority.