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PROVINCE OF KWAZULU-NATAL



BUDGET VOTE

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“Breaking the grimy restraints for a United, Healthy, Safe, and Prosperous KwaZulu-Natal.”

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Speaker;
Deputy Speaker;
Members of the Provincial Legislature;
Mayors and Councillors of Local Government Present;
Amakhosi Present;
Director-General;
Heads of Departments and other Senior Officials;
Excellencies, Members of the Diplomatic Corps;
Members of the media
Distinguished Guests;
Ladies and Gentlemen;



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PREMIER OF THE PROVINCE
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Almost a month ago, on the 28th of June 2019, we gathered in this august Legislature and took guidance from our chosen theme of the State of the Province Address (SOPA) under the title: **“Breaking the grimy restraints for a United, Healthy, Safe, and Prosperous KwaZulu-Natal”**.

The State of the Province Address presented an opportunity to detail our plans on the pressing challenges facing the province of KwaZulu-Natal, and to reflect on the possible solutions over the term of our Sixth Administration.

As we execute our legislative mandate and the task of coordinating, planning, monitoring and evaluation, working together with the entire provincial government, we are now set to roll out a comprehensive programme to address the restraints identified during SOPA.

We are acutely conscious that ours is not a short term programme, but an ongoing struggle towards the creation of a National Democratic Society (NDS) anchored on the principles of non-racialism, non-sexism, unity of all people, and prosperity for all. This society as idealised by the Freedom Charter will be attained through the current transformative programme that is guided by the National Development Plan (NDP) and the Provincial Development and Growth Strategy (PGDS).

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Once again, we pledge our utmost commitment that we will expedite the transformation agenda, knowing that the electorate gave the mandate to the ANC not just out of sheer love but because of the commitment made by the party in its Manifesto. Among these is to fast-track and intensify progress towards ensuring the following:

- Economic transformation and job-creation;
- Education, skills and health;
- Consolidating the social wage through reliable and quality basic services;
- Spatial integration, human settlements and local government;
- Social cohesion and safe communities;
- A capable, ethical and developmental state;
- A better Africa and World.

Honourable Speaker;
Honourable Members;

The Budget Vote of the Office of The Premier is therefore an important occasion during which we link the programmes that are planned for the 2019/2020 financial year to concrete budgetary allocations.

At the outset we must say that while we have the greatest intention of making the largest impact, we face the reality of diminishing financial resources.

In spite of this reality, we certainly speak on behalf of the entire provincial government when we say that we stand firm in our resolve to continue delivering a progressively better KwaZulu-Natal that is united, non-racial, non-sexist, peaceful and prosperous.

Honourable Speaker,

Among the many programmes presented during the State of the Province Address was the centenary of the distinguished author Professor Sibusiso Nyembezi, the golden economy of arts and culture, and the tourism industry, all which hold huge potential for our country and KwaZulu Natal in particular.

Together with the Department of Arts and Culture, the Department of Education, as well as Tourism KZN, we will use part of the Heritage month to celebrate the legendary contribution of Nyembezi.

We have expressed our strongest concerns about the current state of local government and through section 106 of the Constitution, we will continue our support of all municipalities to perform optimally.

Therefore, the Premier's Coordinating Forum will lead support to municipalities with a view to beefing up their financial, administrative and delivery capacity. This will take the form of training, monitoring, intervention as well as addressing weaknesses that have tended to undermine service delivery at this critical sphere of government. We must all ensure that there is an uninterrupted provision of services to the people.

Honourable Speaker,

We have been called upon by the people of KwaZulu-Natal to hasten the pace of entrepreneurial development and job-creation. This is the task we do not take lightly, particularly given the obvious dearth of employment opportunities among Black Africans and the Youth in general.

Having launched the KZN Provincial Youth Business Development Fund with an initial R50 million from the Premier's Office and R20 million from the Department of Economic Development Tourism and Environmental Affairs, this fund will again receive an added R50m in 2019/2020.

We are pleased to announce that ABSA has already set up a R70-million loan facility for young people, and a further R500-million for Small and Medium businesses. More funding is expected from the private sector once negotiations have been finalised.

As we allocate the 2019/2020 budget, we also wish to reiterate our stance that the Sixth Administration will put in place tight measures to fight and stop all forms of fraud and corruption.

During this financial year, the Office of the Premier will mobilise society and all stakeholders to ensure that the anti-fraud and anti-corruption movement grows and gathers speed. In this regard we will launch a Toll-free number where people will report acts of fraud and corruption. This platform will also process complaints from people who are not happy with the delivery of services.

PROGRAMMES

Honourable Speaker and Honourable Members;

The programme structure of the Office of the Premier is as follows:

- **Administration**
- **Institutional Development**
- **Policy and Governance**

For the 2019/2020 financial year the total budget for the Office of The Premier is **R 714,004 million**. The allocation of the budget to programmes and sub-programmes is detailed below as follows:

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PROGRAMME 1 **ADMINISTRATION**

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PROGRAMME 1: ADMINISTRATION (R 138,137 million)

Honourable Speaker;

The purpose of this Programme is to provide administrative support to the Premier, Executive Council (Cabinet) and the Director-General in fulfilling their executive functions, promoting co-operative governance and ensuring sound financial management support and advisory services within the Office of the Premier.

There are five Sub-Programmes that support this programme, namely: **Premier Support, Executive Council Support, Director-General Support, Financial Management and Inter-Governmental Relations.**

- **The Premier Support Sub-Programme has been allocated a budget of R 28,570 million** to provide technical, administrative and advisory support to the Premier in executing his constitutional mandate.
- **The Executive Council Support Sub-Programme has been allocated a budget of R 8,482 million** to render secretariat support services to the Executive Council, Cabinet Izindaba, Clusters and key provincial committees.
- **The Director-General Support Sub-Programme has been allocated a budget of R 15,171 million** to provide administrative support to the Director-General in strategically managing the Province.
- **The Financial Management Sub-Programme has been allocated a budget of R 53.562 million** to provide sound financial management support and advisory services for the entire department.
- **The Inter-Governmental Relations Sub-Programme has been allocated a budget of R 32,352 million.**

Honourable Speaker;

The 2019/20 Medium Term Expenditure Framework (MTEF) will see the international strategy oriented towards supporting KwaZulu-Natal's success domestically through an active role as a geo-political and economic player at the global level.

The Office of The Premier has a responsibility to promote patriotism through public education and promoting the awareness and respect for our country's symbols. For 2019/20, KwaZulu-Natal will place an even stronger emphasis on co-operation with provinces that are part of the **BRICS (Brazil, Russia, India, China and South Africa) bloc as well as member states of SADC (Southern African Development Community) and the African Union.**

We will strengthen our collaboration through Memoranda of Understanding with our counterparts in China in particular with a view to further strengthen existing economic relations.

Our International Relations Strategy is intended to enhance coordination between stakeholders and to encourage collaborative and coherent links with global counterparts. This approach will ensure that the province's global partnerships promise substantial outcomes and return on investment for concerned parties.

In pursuit of **“Creating a Better South Africa and Contributing to a Better and Safer South Africa in a Better World”**, we will foster closer friendly relations and support among various relevant stakeholders, including the foreign diplomatic corps and the Department of International Relations and Cooperation (DIRCO).

We will further identify opportunities for political co-operation, collectively pursuing climate change initiatives, as well as promoting KwaZulu-Natal's socio-economic development.

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PROGRAMME 2

INSTITUTIONAL DEVELOPMENT



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PROGRAMME 2: INSTITUTIONAL DEVELOPMENT (R 362,365 million)

Honourable Speaker,

The purpose of this Programme is to improve service delivery through institutional capacity-building and pursuing the goal of transformation in the Province.

This Programme consists of the following **Sub-Programmes: Strategic Human Resources, Legal Services, Information Communications Technology, Communication Services, and Special Programmes.**

Sub-Programme: Strategic Human Resources (R 90,754 million)

This Sub-Programme co-ordinates and monitors the customisation, development and implementation of human resource policies, systems, programmes and plans for the Province of KwaZulu-Natal.

The Office of The Premier will continue to facilitate, integrate and monitor the implementation of human resource strategies, policies and projects through the hosting of relevant strategic forums. Working through the Human Resource Development Council, we will pursue an education and training system for our province that re-orientates learners especially the youth, to the demands of a modern economy and the Fourth Industrial Revolution.

There will also be greater focus on the objectives of the HR turnaround strategy, including repositioning human resource management as a strategic partner in achieving the strategic goals of the province and the Provincial Growth and Development Plan.

The implementation of the provincial Human Resource turnaround strategy will be rolled out during 2019/20. Focus will be on training that is geared towards empowerment in all areas of the Human Resource (HR) function in order to minimise all HR audit related challenges.

The Office of The Premier will also develop a provincial strategy to improve equity targets in all departments through targeted programmes for women, youth and employees with disabilities. Furthermore, the Office of The Premier, will work with all Provincial Departments and other relevant structures such as the Provincial Cluster Audit and Risk Committee, Department of Public Service and Administration and Department of Labour to improve the currently low levels of compliance with health and safety prescripts to the desired and acceptable levels.

Sub-Programme: Information Communication Technology (ICT) (R 87,454 million)

The Sub-Programme was established to coordinate Provincial Government Information and Communication Technology (ICT) in the Province as well as to manage Information Technology in the Office of the Premier. The Sub Programme has been allocated R 87,454 million).

Sub-Programme: Legal Services (R12, 439 million)

The Province of KwaZulu-Natal currently follows a decentralised model in respect of the provision of legal services. The State Law Advisory Services is intent on playing a meaningful role in establishing the legislative framework for public service delivery, good governance and administration in KZN.

New policies and programmes will, of necessity, be given expression in new legislation and this unit is responsible for the legal editing and certification of legislation before introduction in the Provincial Legislature.

The Office of The Premier continues to lead in the country in the Rationalization, Audit and Compliance with Laws working with the KZN Public Sector Lawyers' Forum.

The KwaZulu-Natal Public Sector Lawyers' Forum (KZN PSLF) functions as an intra-governmental structure within the administration of the KwaZulu-Natal Provincial Government to co-ordinate the provision of legal services across provincial departments.

The Office of The Premier receives Quarterly Provincial Legislative Programme Reports from departments and also submits to the Committee of Heads of Departments (CoHoD) and the Governance & Administration Technical Cluster. Given the decentralised system of legal services in the administration of the Provincial Government, we are working on an ***Electronic Legislation and Litigation Management System (ELLMS)***.

This will assist in obtaining up-to-date information in respect of legislation and litigation and critical information in respect of the implementation of the Promotion of Access to Information Act (PAIA) and the Promotion of Administrative Justice Act (PAJA) in the Province.

The new *Electronic Legislation and Litigation Management System* will integrate fully with the Provincial Nerve Centre and authorised users will be able to access the system and draw reports from the database immediately. Included in this will be detailed information on the status of litigation in the Province, including costs, trends and briefing patterns. The Sub-Programme receives an allocation of **R12, 439 million**.

Sub-Programme: Communication Services (R 63,699 million)

The Communication function is responsible for sustaining and enhancing the three principal elements of governance responsiveness, effectiveness and accountability.

Communication assists in the creation of an empowered citizenry by providing timely two-way communication channel between government and the citizens it serves.

The Provincial Government Communication Strategy allows KZN citizens and other stakeholders to realise their constitutional right to access information through all opportunities available at the disposal of Government. Such a strategy should allow the provincial government to set the agenda for an active and participating citizenry. **The Sub-Programme: Communication Services has been allocated R 63,699 million**

Sub-Programme: Special Programmes (R 108,019 million)

As we indicated during SOPA, ethical conduct will become the basic requirement for all public servants. The Sub-Programme will continue facilitating the integrity seminars and workshops in departments, municipalities and public entities to create awareness and promote ethical culture among public servants, with the aim of enhancing trust and confidence from the citizens of this province.

The one-on-one meetings with the Departments and Municipalities to deal with Service Delivery Complaints will continue as this will help in resolving the complaints and to reduce the backlog.

The staff in the Service Delivery Complaints Management has been trained to ensure that they are able to use the IT System which is used in updating the status of cases and also close the cases after resolutions.

The Office of The Premier will also promote and monitor the implementation of human rights-related policies by all government departments and municipalities.

This includes the roll-out of Human Rights Awareness campaigns such as national Human Rights Day, 16 Days of Activism, Albinism Awareness campaign. The Office of The Premier will also conduct inter-generational dialogues and child ambassador programmes, as well as co-ordinating gender-based violence campaigns, women empowerment programmes, etc. All these programmes are aimed at achieving one of government's main goals, namely ensuring that the quality of life of the vulnerable is improved. This Sub-Programme is allocated **R 108,019 million** for the financial year.

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PROGRAMME 3
POLICY AND GOVERNANCE

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PROGRAMME 3: POLICY AND GOVERNANCE (R 213,502 million)

The purpose of this Programme is to initiate province-wide development and implementation of strategies and policies to achieve a co-ordinated approach towards sustainable provincial growth and development.

There are three Sub-Programmes supporting this programme, namely, **Provincial Policy Management, Premier's Priority Programmes and Royal Household.**

Sub-Programme: Provincial Policy Management (R 54,928 million)

The purpose of this Sub-Programme is to initiate, facilitate, provide support to, coordinate implementation of, as well as monitor and evaluate provincial policies and plans to ensure sustainable provincial growth and development.

The Office of The Premier, with the support of the Provincial Planning Commission ensures that the implementation of the NDP and our PGDS, remains relevant through the annual review of the Provincial Growth and Development Plan.

The Provincial Growth and Development Strategy (PGDS) remains our compass towards achieving inclusive growth, through our KZN Vision 2035.

We will also continue to guide, monitor and develop our action workgroups, officials and stakeholders in the research, development and implementation of our policies and plans, with a focus on expediting service delivery.

With regard to the Provincial Planning Commission (PPC), key focus areas will be the ongoing implementation of the PGDS and PGDP. The PPC will continue to support line function departments in pursuing key interventions, such as the formalisation of rural settlements, the establishment of community service centres, the implementation of the provincial HRD strategy and renewable energy opportunities, etc.

A review of the KZN situational analysis will be done in preparation for the review of the PGDS which will be initiated in 2019/20. This will include sourcing desktop information on the 25-year review of the Medium Term Strategic Framework, 5-year review reports of departments and sourcing updated statistics. The Provincial Planning Commission works closely with the Department of Planning, Monitoring and Evaluation (DPME) at national level.

In terms of Strategic Planning, the department will provide support and guidance to all provincial departments and entities for the development of their 2019/20 Annual Performance Plans for tabling. Further support will be provided for the development of the Five-Year Strategic Plans 2020-2025 following the May elections, as well as the APPs for 2020/21.

The department will continue to provide guidance on, and co-ordinate the implementation of the Government Wide Monitoring and Evaluation system in the province. The Quarterly Performance Reporting system, and its alignment with performance information hosted in the Nerve Centre, will be further refined to improve the system and credibility of performance reporting.

We will also improve access by oversight entities such as the Department of Monitoring and Evaluation (DPME), the Provincial Legislature (Portfolio Committees), Provincial Treasury and the Auditor-General.

Honourable Speaker,

The immediate priority for the Nerve Centre in 2019/20 will be to broaden access to the system by training and capacitating all relevant stakeholders on using the system. Examples of these are Action Work Groups (AWG) conveners/deputy conveners, IGR co-ordinators, as well as planning, monitoring and evaluation co-ordinators.

Further enhancements to the Nerve Centre will be driven by user-demand and will focus on processes to improve the monitoring, evaluation and reporting capabilities of the province.

Sub-Programme: Premier's Priority Programmes (R 91,855 million)

The Office of the Premier will focus its resources mainly on the functionality of war-rooms in as far as equipment is concerned to support ward teams.

The War Rooms are the basic building blocks of Operation Sukuma Sakhe and our stakeholder engagement programme that links government directly with the communities.

The Office of the Premier has audited the requirements of 143 war-rooms, and will assist five war-rooms to align their activities with the Poverty Eradication Master Plan (PEMP). The department will also assist additional war-rooms with redundant furniture and equipment from within the department.

With regard to the Inkululeko Development project, the focus for 2019/20 will be on the second phase, now called the Inkululeko Development Project Phase 2 in the uMzinyathi and uThukela districts. This will include the Umvoti Local Municipality, Weenen and Muden.
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Sub-Programme: Royal Household (R66,719 million)

The Office of the Premier, is the department responsible for the Royal Household Trust. The department will give support to the Royal Household Trust and funds will be transferred accordingly.

His Majesty, the King serves as the symbol of unity in KwaZulu-Natal and continues to be the custodian of Zulu culture, an important defining character of this province.

The King will be supported during various important ceremonies and traditional functions of the province. These include the Official Opening of the Provincial Legislature and the opening of the KwaZulu-Natal House of Traditional Leaders. In addition, it will involve hosting various traditional events, such as the Reed Dance, First Fruit ceremony (*Umkhosi Woselwa*), *Amaganu ceremonies*, *Umkhosi woMama* and the *installation of Amakhosi*.

In addition, a revenue generating plan has been developed for the Royal Household Trust that will be implemented in 2019/20. This plan will take advantage of public-private partnerships as catalysts for revenue generation in the long-term.

REVENUE (R 1,176 million)

Finally, **Honourable Speaker, the Revenue Sub-Programme** comprises revenue from commission on PERSAL deductions such as insurance premiums, garnishee orders and tender fees. It has been allocated **R 1,176 million**.

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PREMIER OF THE PROVINCE OF KWAZULU-NATAL



CONCLUSION



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**Honourable Speaker;
Honourable Members;**

We wish to reiterate the call for the consolidation of a united front of all stakeholders across sectors towards building a better KwaZulu-Natal. Together we must confront the culture of violence, lawlessness, fraud and corruption.

Together we can defeat the threat of social ills including domestic and child abuse, xenophobia and racial intolerance.

Together we must tirelessly work for peace, growth, development and transformation of our economy so that we can create much-needed employment to the benefit of all the people of our province.

Let us join forces for the building of a united, healthy, peaceful and prosperous KwaZulu-Natal.

May I take this opportunity to also thank the Director-General Dr Nonhlanhla Mkhize and all members of staff in the Office of the Premier for their commitment, dedication and hard work.

I also thank the ANC, the Alliance, Leagues and all stakeholders who continue to provide support and guidance to our programme.

As we present this programme, we are under no illusion that the road ahead will not be easy, but we remain committed to ensure our modest contribution to the creation of a National Democratic Society.

Former President Thabo Mbeki once said that:

“Those who complete the course will do so only because they do not, as fatigue sets in, convince themselves that the road ahead is still too long, the inclines too steep, the loneliness impossible to bear and the prize itself of doubtful value.”








Surely, because we share this conviction and our vision is noble and supreme, we will never fail.

May I now formally table the Vote 1 budget of **R 714,004 million** before this august Legislature.

I THANK YOU!

KZN Vision 2035

“By 2035 KwaZulu-Natal will be a prosperous Province with a healthy, secure and skilled population, living in dignity and harmony, acting as a gateway to Africa and the World”.

STRATEGIC GOAL	No	STRATEGIC OBJECTIVE
 1 INCLUSIVE ECONOMIC GROWTH	1.1	Develop and promote the agricultural potential of KwaZulu-Natal
	1.2	Enhance sectoral development through trade investment and business retention
	1.3	Enhance spatial economic development
	1.4	Improve the efficiency, innovation and variety of government-led job creation programmes
	1.5	Promote SMME and entrepreneurial development
	1.6	Enhance the knowledge economy
 2 HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT	2.1	Improve early childhood development, primary and secondary education
	2.2	Support skills development to economic growth
	2.3	Enhance youth and adult skills development and life-long learning
 3 HUMAN AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT	3.1	Eradicate poverty and improve social welfare services
	3.2	Enhance health of communities and citizens
	3.3	Safeguard and enhance sustainable livelihoods and food security
	3.4	Promote sustainable human settlements
	3.5	Enhance safety and security
	3.6	Advance social cohesion and social capital
	3.7	Promote youth, gender and disability advocacy and the advancement of women
 4 STRATEGIC INFRASTRUCTURE	4.1	Development of seaports and airports
	4.2	Develop road and rail networks
	4.3	Develop Information Communication Technology (ICT) infrastructure
	4.4	Ensure availability and sustainable management of water and sanitation for all
	4.5	Ensure access to affordable, reliable, sustainable and modern energy for all
	4.6	Enhance KwaZulu-Natal waste management capacity
 5 ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY	5.1	Enhance resilience of ecosystem services
	5.2	Expand the application of green technologies
	5.3	Adapt and respond to climate change
 6 GOVERNANCE AND POLICY	6.1	Strengthen policy, strategy coordination and Inter-Governmental Relations (IGR)
	6.2	Build government capacity
	6.3	Eradicate fraud and corruption
	6.4	Promote participative, facilitative and accountable governance
 7 SPATIAL EQUITY	7.1	Enhance the resilience of new and existing cities, towns and rural nodes, ensuring equitable access to resources, social and economic opportunities
	7.2	Ensure integrated land management use across the Province, ensuring equitable access to goods and services, attracting social and financial investment

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