



Bidding farewell to Ndlovu and Zakwe

2022



Mr Mzikayifani Simon Ndlovu during his farewell party.

A sharp dresser with a heart of gold, Mzikayifani Simon Ndlovu retired from the Office of the Premier after serving in the public service for more than 40 years.

Gatsheni as he is fondly and respectfully called, joined the Public Service on 4 July 1979. His hard work and dedication saw him progress through the ranks to the level of Senior Manager for Labour Relations. His leadership and vision made him a great manager guided by integrity, respect, and compassion.

An approachable, and humble leader, who was always willing to help. He was described as a fair and impartial colleague. His knowledge and years of experience, along with his calm, however, firm temperament was a rare quality.

Mr Ndlovu helped the Office of the Premier and KwaZulu-Natal Government in maintaining good working relationships with Organised Labour. A hard work with unmatched education and contributions to public service. We wish him well as he leaves the Office of the Premier to enjoy his well-deserved retirement.

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Public servants Ndlovu and Zakwe exits



Sindisiwe Zakwe is leaving the Office of the Premier to join the National Department of Justice and Constitutional Development with effect from February 2022.

Sindisiwe said: "Thank you for all the support and co-operation that you have given me over the years. Our interactions have contributed to my learning and growth in the Public Service.

A special thank you to the SHRM/HRS Team for their continuous commitment and dedication in ensuring that we serve everyone in the Department to the best of our ability."

She expressed gratitude to all other Branches and entire Management within the OTP for their support and co-operation given to her over the years." I wish everyone the good year ahead."





Premier Zikalala hands over three houses to deserving elderly residents in Dundee



Three families received new homes, thanks to the direct intervention of the KZN provincial government. The three homes were delivered by Premier Sihle Zikalala during Operation Sukuma Sakhe visit in the Endumeni Local Municipality.

Zikalala was accompanied by MEC for Human Settlements and Public Works Jomo Sibiya as he handed homes to the joyful Ngwenya, Xaba and Sikhakhane families.

Zikalala said: "We came here in June and upon assessment we identified three families in urgent need of houses. We promised to return, and six months later we have delivered decent accommodation to vulnerable families. Gogo Thoko Ngenya, Mandla Xaba and Gogo Sihakhane were the elders that received the houses.

Zikalala said: "The Ngwenya, Xaba and Shabalala families received their homes and we are pleased that we have changed their lives for ever. We urge the community to look after these elderly citizens, protect them and look after their properties. We will go to every needy community regardless of which political party is in charge."

MEC Sibiya whose department constructed the houses said they were responding to the Premier's call to speed up service delivery.

"The Premier gave us a directive, and we have responded with speed and efficiency by building these homes for our vulnerable people in Ward 1 Endumeni Local Municipality. We are part of Provincial government that does not sleep. Every day is a day for the delivery of much-needed services."

Celebrating long-service employees within the Office Of The Premier

It is natural to appreciate and recognise the long service of employees, who have dedicated their efforts public service career in government and have reached between 10 years and 40 years milestones in their careers.

An employee qualifies for a long-service award if he or she has served uninterruptedly as a permanent, full-time member of staff for the period for which the award is granted.

Directorate Human Resource Support takes this opportunity to recognise the commitment of these colleagues' efforts, in the Department.

All of you are great team players, it takes a team player to be a good public servant. If you did not possess traits of team players, you would have felt frustrated and left the Department long ago.

What you have done is an embodiment of passion, dedication and perseverance that will surely serve as an excellent role model for other colleagues entering the public service. You have sacrificed so much, working long hours for the good of our province and our government.

We would like to thank you from the bottom of our hearts for the contributions you made to transform government into what it is today.

LONG SERVICE AWARD 20 YEARS



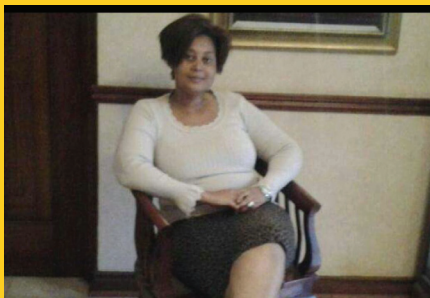
T.Naidoo- Legal Services



J.M. Ngwenya- Administration Support



L.Q. Shamase- King Support Services



N.A. Buthelezi- Royal Household Operations



R. Slaughter: Human Resource Support

SG Ngubane: Branch Head Corporate Management Services
SB Ngubane
JC Thethwa
ML Mabaso
K Hunkin
A Lutchman and P. Pillay (30 years)

LONG SERVICE AWARD 30 YEARS



C.T.Zulu- King Support Services



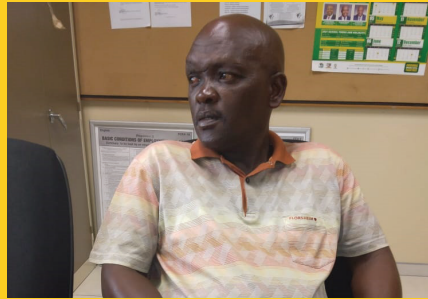
M.Milne- Provincial Planning Policy and Research



T.M.Mthembu- Office Support and Auxiliary Services



A.S.Mncube- Protection of Human Rights



L.M.Zungu- Royal Household Operations



M.C. Zulu- Royal Household Operations



M.G.Ntsele- Royal Household Operations



M.J Pienaar- Protection of Human Rights



O.F.Msweli- Labour Relations



S.T.Ngobese- King Support Services



Z.R.Ndlovu- Office Support and Auxiliary Services



G.K.Kotze- Information Technology

We would further like to thank all those colleagues who heeded the call for their photos to make this article possible.



Premier intervenes in a land claim dispute that threatens tourism in Pongola



On 28 January Premier Sihle Zikalala visited Nkunzana in Pongola to resolve a land claim, which posed a major threat to the Big Five private Mkuze Falls game reserve, a leading tourist attraction for both the province and South Africa.

The land claim was a bone of contention between the Nkunzana Communal Property Trust and the Nkunzana Concerned Group. The land in question stretched between the Nkunzana River and Magudu, Ward 1 of Pongola Municipality.

The land claim caused conflicts among the beneficiaries which had impacted negatively on the productive

use of the land and undermining the land restitution programme of government. Zikalala's intervention was intended to resolve the conflict among beneficiaries.

This intervention would rescue the private Mkuze Falls game reserve near Pongola. The game reserve still continued to be a major source of income for many families and the dispute threatened to destroy the livelihood of the community.

The Mkuze Falls game reserve is an international tourist destination putting the province and country on the map.



Zikalala guides in a land claim dispute



Premier Sihle Zikalala meets with residents of Nkunzana in oPhongolo, in an effort to resolve a prolonged land dispute which posed threat to the local economy and tourism in the area.

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- You choose how you want to be counted; you can complete the Census questionnaire online or telephonically- where a Stats SA staff member will contact you.
- Those who are unable or choose not to register online will have a Stats SA fieldworker visit their household to complete the Census questionnaire using a digital device.
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