

Oupa Khoabane launches three projects

By Mojalefa Mphapang

Botshabelo - Free State MEC for Agriculture and Rural Development Oupa Khoabane officially unveiled three projects in Thaba Nchu.

The first project to be launched was at Woonhuis farm on the N8, 30 kilometres outside Bloemfontein. The project entails a structure built for the milking of goats. The structure was funded by the department.

"The department has assisted me with a cooling facility, where I'm able to store vegetables that I've harvested. My market for the vegetables is the Bloemfontein Fresh Produce Market," said farmer Jacob Cangiso.

"The structure for the milking of goats has equipped with the necessary machinery. I can't wait to start turning the milk from goats into cheese," he added.

MEC Khoabane presented Cangiso with keys to a new vehicle which he will be using to transport vegetables to the market.

The second project, which MEC Khoabane launched was at Khumo Farm -

on the rural villages outside Thaba Nchu. And Robert Thekiso was assisted with a feedlot.

The MEC was awaited by a crowd of villagers who had gathered at the Bofulo Trust for the official unveiling of the Sheep Shearing facility. The facility was built at an estimated cost of R2, 5 million. This includes shearing shed handling facilities and equipment, repairs to the windmill and reservoir.

"This is a flagship project to grow the wool industry and sell the wool to the informal as well as formal market in order to promote the economy and the sheep farming in the Mangaung Metro Municipality," said Khoabane.

The department has also assisted with 205 merino ewes and 8 merino rams.

There are 10 beneficiaries in this project who are already farming with sheep and have been selected to be part of the sheep and goat value adding project in the district.

"The modernisation of the sheep business of Bofulo communal village

will put project in a higher trajectory following the support provided by the department. It is very crucial especially for the young people from this area to realise that business and job opportunities in Agricultural sector need dedicated and committed people for more opportunities to unfold, because the success of projects such as this one can attract clothing and blanket factories to come on board and open their businesses near to Bofulo village to save transportation costs.

"The fact that department has assisted you, it is upon you to ensure that you think bigger to improve the local economy and save your profit for investments. Working together to move Bofulo forward will be an investment to young people from local and near villages. Today's project symbolises that this is an introduction of good things coming," said Khoabane.

Ten community members of Bofulo village under the custody of the tribal authority of Barolong Boo Seleka has been running this project.

The headmaster and the beneficiary, Thekiso explained that this project has been operating on a small scale until the Department of Agriculture and Rural Development injected R2,5 million to expand and involve more community members.

"We are targeting informal and formal markets around Mangaung Metro. At



MEC Oupa Khoabane (orange top).

the current stage we market our business through word of mouth, we don't employ the advanced strategies yet, but with the assistance and support of the department we will definitely achieve our goal.

"This project has the potential to expand and employ more locals. On behalf of all beneficiaries, we would like to thank the department of Agriculture and Rural Development, our extension officers, including our MEC who works on weekends to ensure that our lives in rural areas are improved," said Thekiso.



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DEPUTY MANAGER: INTER- & INTRA DEPARTMENTAL COMMUNICATION

REFERENCE NO: 37/2016

SALARY: Level 11 - An all-inclusive salary package of R612 822 per annum.

CENTRE: BLOEMFONTEIN

REQUIREMENTS: A 3 year tertiary qualification in Communication or appropriate equivalent qualification and/or applicable experience. Knowledge in Policy analysis and Strategic Communication Principles. Knowledge of the public service and the South African Media. Ability to work collaboratively with internal and intra departmental stakeholders. Planning, organizing, writing and co-ordination skills. Computer literate.

DUTIES: It will be expected of the successful candidate to perform the following duties: To support and participate through the Central Communication Coordinating Unit (CCCU) to provide information, advocacy and support with Government Communication across all three spheres of government. Ensure that various policies/strategies regarding Government Communication are implemented within the FSPG. Through the Central Communication Coordinating Unit (CCCU) establish response on government communication matters across all three spheres of government. Provide an effective Secretariat Service for the CCCU by overseeing all logistical arrangements for all CCCU activities such as meetings/workshop/visits etc. Oversee all record keeping of the CCCU activities e.g. notices, agendas and minutes, resolutions. Communicate government communication matters on a regular basis to Heads of Communication, Media Liaison Officers in the FSPG and other Heads of Communication across all spheres of government in the province. To establish internal communication throughputs mechanisms and keep departments/staff informed to these i.e. speeches, media releases, info production, outreach campaigns, mutual communication, corporate communication, government marketing etc. relevant to approved annual messages, the GDS and provincial communication cycle through newsletters, e-mails, picture collages, notices etc. To assist through the CCCU where needed that various policies/strategies regarding Government Communication are implemented and co-ordinated throughout districts and

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ENQUIRIES: Mr. S. Maphalla, telephone 051 4054445

CLOSING DATE: 22 JULY 2016

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Building, Bloemfontein.

CHIEF DIRECTOR: SUSTAINABLE RESOURCES MANAGEMENT

REFERENCE NO: FSPT 014/16

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CENTRE: BLOEMFONTEIN

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