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MINISTER ZIKALALA AIMS TO UNLOCK STALLED CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS IN GAUTENG

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Minister Sihle Zikalala conducted an oversight inspection of the Mamelodi Magistrate Office complex in Pretoria on the 3rd of August 2023. The site inspection forms part of the Department's Operation *Siyahlola (*an isiZulu word that means 'We monitor/ We inspect'). The Minister has done inspection on the progress report of the facility which provides essential services.

The inspection also served as the Department of Public Works and Infrastructure's commitment to deliver essential services in line with the Department's mandate as the state's leader in the construction and built sector. Minister Zikalala has prioritised the process of unblocking projects which have been plagued by various challenges, resulting in unforeseen delays. He aims to fast track progress in essential services for the benefit of the communities.

Minister addressed the media on the key infrastructure issues pertaining to the complex. "We appreciate community councillors who have committed to work with us to address the issue of community concerns and the issue of building forum. We will also support small contractors, but it must be done legally and within the prescripts that we use as the country," said Minister Zikalala.



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