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## "TRANSFORMATION IS WHAT WE ASPIRE TO ACHIEVE," SAYS MINISTER ZIKALALA



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"Transformation is what we aspire to achieve." These are the words that Public Works and Infrastructure Minister Sihle Zikalala used to introduce his address at the Property Sector Conference, held in Cape Town International Convention Centre (ICC) in the Western Cape on 23 November 2023.

The purpose of the conference was to engage stakeholders on various challenges facing the Department when it comes to delivering on its legislative mandate of being the real estate agent of South Africa. The gathering also sought to address property industry players on the key role they ought to play in collaboration with the Department.

During the conference, Minister Zikalala requested stakeholders to partner with the Department. "We must work together to transform the property sector, by ensuring that property becomes affordable not only to tenants but to all South Africans," he said.



Before attending the conference, Minister Zikalala conducted an inspection at Elwyn Court in Vredehoek, Cape Town and at the Castle of Good Hope, some of the Department's unlawfully occupied properties. He used his address at the conference to also outline various strategies currently being developed by the DPWI to optimise the utilisation of state-owned buildings and curb illegal occupation and hijacking of buildings.

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