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100 MATRICULANTS AWARDED BURSARIES FOR BUILT ENVIRONMENT STUDIES

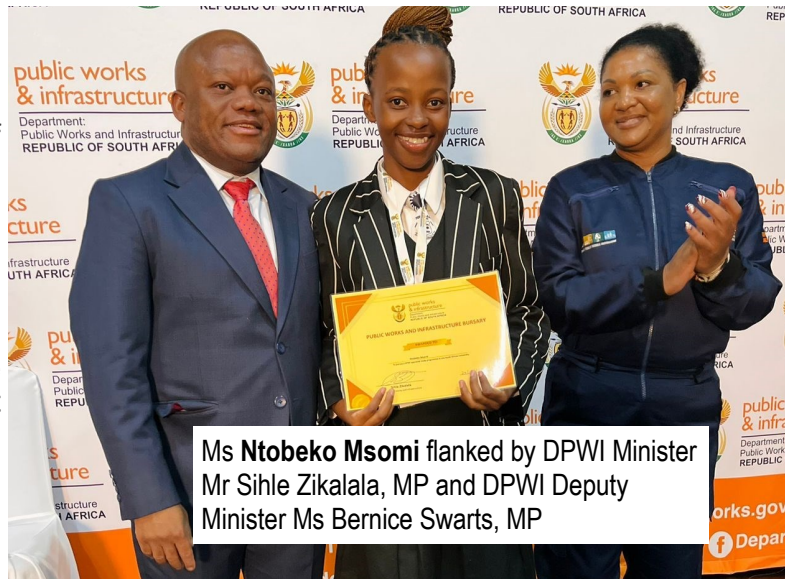
By Hope Motitimi

One of the top performing matriculants of 2023 Ms Ntobeko Msomi from Toli Senior Secondary School in Lusikisiki, Eastern Cape says she now has the opportunity to thrive academically. Ntobeko is one of the 100 learners from the class of 2023 who received bursaries from the Department of Public Works and Infrastructure (DPWI) on 25 January 2024.

Speaking during the bursary awards ceremony held in Johannesburg, Ntobeko who obtained 7 distinctions in her matric finals, said the bursaries have changed the trajectory of their lives. "Having the opportunity to pursue our academic goals without worrying about finances; the bursary has not only eased our financial burden, but has enabled us to thrive academically," she told a room full of DPWI officials, School Principals and learners.

The bursaries, awarded by DPWI Minister Mr Sihle Zikalala and Deputy Minister Ms Bernice Swarts, cover tuition, books, accommodation and a monthly allowance, among other perks. The estimated budget per student is R177 500. The amount is based on the institution and study programme.

The DPWI bursary supports Built Environment undergraduate study areas that include Engineering, Construction Project Management and Quantity Surveying, among others. The initiative is a vital step towards building a capable and an ethical public sector, specifically within the crucial realm of infrastructure development.



Ms Ntobeko Msomi flanked by DPWI Minister Mr Sihle Zikalala, MP and DPWI Deputy Minister Ms Bernice Swarts, MP



PRESIDENTIAL WELISIZWE BRIDGES HANDOVER

with President Cyril Ramaphosa

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Date: Wednesday, 31 January 2024

Time: 14:00

Venue: Ngilanyoni Sportsfield, Ward 7, Mkhambathini Municipality, UMgungundlovu District, kwaZulu-Natal

