



Jaxa loses Prosper's pad

State claims ownership of contested property that actress is occupying

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THE Department of Public Works has kicked out actress Tina Jaxa from the Bronkhorstspuit house she was given by her in-laws.

The house the former *Generations* actress lived in with her two sons was assumed to belong to her late husband Prosper Mkwaiwa. He died last month after complaining of high fever while driving home from Witbank.

Jaxa and Mkwaiwa's latest conquest, Tina Dlangwana, clawed over his estate, which included the house and his fleet of cars.

KICKED OUT: Tina Jaxa has been told by government to vacate her home.



NO ESTATE: The Bronkhorstspuit house previously thought to belong to the late Mkwaiwa.

Picture: Mabuti Kali

After a series of meetings, the Mkwaiwas gave Jaxa the house, while Dlangwana was given a few household items.

This was after receiving information that Mkwaiwa had bought the house from government.

But Sunday World has learnt that Mkwaiwa died poor. The house did not belong to him and he was behind on his rent.

Jaxa received a letter from the department about two weeks ago, informing her that they owned the house and she should vacate it.

The letter, written by the department's deputy director TS Tshilwane, read in part: "The deceased, Mr Prosper Mkwaiwa, was renting the above-mentioned property from the National Department of Public Works. "The department would like to be advised

on who is administering Mkwaiwa's estate as he has outstanding rentals," read the missive.

"Furthermore, note the department will provide a three-month notice for the property to be vacated from the date of issuing this letter."

Public Works spokesperson Thami Mchunu confirmed the house belonged to them.

"He applied to rent the property and after due processes were followed, the department entered into a lease agreement with him in April 2009. He had to pay a monthly rental of R2 800 escalating by 8% annually," he said.

"His lease expired in 2012, and was currently on a month-to-month agreement with the same terms and conditions as the original lease."

Gauteng Department of Infrastructure and Development contradicted their national bosses.

Provincial spokesperson Mbangwa Xaba said the property was not owned by the state.

"The property you are enquiring about was owned by state, but sold off. It was transferred to private individuals in 1998 at the sale price of R330 000.

Jaxa, who now inherits only the two jalopies Mkwaiwa left behind, declined to comment.

"I just want to mourn the death of my husband in peace. I will talk about the rest when the mourning period is over," she said.