

Nxesi highlights importance of facilities management in property sector

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Public Works Minister **Thulas Nxesi** on Thursday emphasised the importance of proper [maintenance](#) and facilities management in the property sector.

In a speech delivered during the Department of Public Works' inaugural Real Estate Capacity [Building](#) colloquium, in [Pretoria](#), he cited the newly opened Booyens Magistrate's Court as an example of the importance of [proper facilities management](#).

He noted that it was good to have a new, high-quality [building](#), but, if the facilities management is neglected, chaos will reign; which he lamented was a problem that was confronting government.

Further, Nxesi extolled that the court had been built within budget and on time. He also pointed out that it had been built by a 100% black-owned company.

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Nxesi said he highlighted this to dispel the perception that black-owned companies are corrupt, especially in the property and [construction](#) sectors. He stated that "corruption knows no race".

Nxesi mentioned that, following the colloquium, ideas and discussions at the event should be built on.

The two-day colloquium aimed to provide valuable information to guide and direct the department's scope of [real estate management](#) for the [construction](#) and property sectors. 

