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SEKHUKHUNE - The Sekhukhune District Municipality (SDM) executive mayor, Cllr Minah Bahula, joined the Limpopo premier, Dr Phophi Ramathuba, for the official handover of state-of-the-art traditional council offices to the Bakwena ba Matsepe Traditional Authority in Ga-Matsepe Village on October 3.

The project was commissioned by the Limpopo Department of Co-operative Governance, Human Settlements and Traditional Affairs (Coghsta) under the leadership of MEC Rodgers Basikopo Makamu. The new facility includes spacious boardrooms, a Kgoši's office, a social worker's office, and cleaners' rooms, among others, bringing dignity and operational capacity to the traditional authority.

The Department of Public Works, led by MEC Enerst Rachoene, served as the implementing agent for the construction of traditional offices across the province.

The event was attended by several traditional leaders, including representatives of the Local House of Traditional Leaders



Premier Phophi Ramathuba and Kgošigadi Mologadi Matsepe during the handover of the offices. **Photos: Supplied/SDM**

and Khoisan leadership structures led by Kgoši Phaahla Rammupudu.

Kgošigadi Mologadi Matsepe of the

Bakwena ba Matsepe expressed gratitude.

"From organising our council meetings under trees, we really are honoured today as Bakwena. The office will restore dignity and have a lasting impact on our communities."

Bahula praised the premier for her continued support of the Sekhukhune people.

"From hosting the Provincial Heritage Day in Tšate, Mhlaletse, last week, to today's handover of this facility, the premier continues to honour our communities and traditional leaders. We are truly grateful for her leadership and the building, as well as the handing over of these offices".

Bahula said she is considering establishing a satellite office within the same facility, in consultation with the traditional authority, to bring services closer to the community.



The newly built offices at Ga-Matsepe.