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Limpopo Premier, Dr Phophi Ramathuba, outlining a presentation at the International Infrastructure Investment and Construction Forum in Macao, China.

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Limpopo Premier, Dr Phophi Ramathuba, has expressed her satisfaction with the business relations established with investors during the 116th International Infrastructure Investment and Construction Forum (IIICF) and Exhibition, held in Macao, China, from Sunday 8 to Sunday 15 June 2025.

The IIICF is a globally recognized platform that promotes international cooperation in infrastructure development, cross-border investment opportunities, and showcases the latest innovations and technologies in the construction and infrastructure sectors. This year's forum drew participation from senior

government officials, business leaders, development financiers, and global investors from over 70 countries. Limpopo Province used the opportunity to position itself as a key investment destination in South Africa, highlighting the potential of the Musina-Makhado and Fetakgomo-Tubatse Special Economic Zones (SEZs).

These SEZs are strategically located and rich in mineral and agricultural resources, presenting prime opportunities for infrastructure development, beneficiation, and sustainable industrialization. Premier Ramathuba expressed her appreciation for the opportunity to participate in the forum, stating that she was encouraged by the level of interest in Limpopo's

development agenda.

"Attending the IIICF has been a significant milestone for Limpopo. We have had meaningful engagements with global investors who have shown great interest in our province's infrastructure and tourism potential. Our SEZs are catalytic projects, and partnerships formed in Macao will accelerate economic growth and create sustainable jobs for our people. We have left China energized and hopeful for the future. This is just the beginning of a new wave of investment into Limpopo," she said.

Ramathuba indicated that the province looks forward to strengthening ties with the investors and institutions met in

China.

"Follow-up engagements are being scheduled to further explore opportunities in infrastructure development, tourism, energy, digital economy, and skills development, all aimed at driving Limpopo's economic transformation and job creation agenda," she said.

During the visit, Premier Ramathuba was accompanied by a provincial delegation that included MEC for Limpopo Economic Development, Environment and Tourism, Tshireke Matibe, MEC for Public Works, Roads and Infrastructure, Ernest Rachoene, and Fetakgomo-Tubatse Local Municipality Mayor, Cllr Eddie Maila.