

Select Committee on Public Services

Chairperson: Mr. RJ Tau

Session Report: January to April 2006

1. Secretariat Support to the Committee

- 1.1 Committee Secretary: Phumla Nyamza
- 1.2 Committee Assistant: Koliswa Pasiya
- 1.3 Secretary to Chairperson: Nadima Jackson
- 1.4 Control Committee Secretary: Nontuthuzelo Nonkelela

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2. Mission, Vision and Core Objectives

2.1 Mission:

To play an effective and strong oversight role on the ministries and the departments of housing, public works and transport portfolios as well as public or state entities falling within our scope of operation in such a way that we contribute towards the improvement in the quality of life of all South Africans.

2.2 Vision:

To ensure the delivery of services and/or services by enabling people to provide for themselves, their communities and to better life for all through the ministries, the departments, and public, or state entities as encapsulated by the mission statement.

2.3 Core Objectives:

- Core Objective 1: Process New Legislation
- Core Objective 2: To process amendments of existing/obsolete legislation
- Core Objective 3: To facilitate oversight functions over national, provincial and local government, state institutions and by ensuring that enacted laws are being adhered to.
- Core Objective 4: To consider international treaties and protocols.

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**3. List of Entities Reporting to the Committee**

**3.1 Housing**

National Housing Finance Corporation (NHFC)  
National Urban Construction and Housing Agency (NURCHA)  
Servcon Housing Solutions (SERVCON)  
Social Housing Foundation (SHF)  
People's Housing Partnership Trust (PHPT)  
Thubelitsha Homes  
National Home Builders Registration Council (NHBRC)

**3.2 Public Works**

Agreement Board (AB)  
Construction Industry Development Board (CIDB)  
Independent Development Trust (IDT)

**3.3 Transport**

Airports Company of South Africa (ACSA)  
Airport Traffic and Navigation Services (ATNS)  
Cross-Border Road Traffic Agency (CBRTA)  
Road Accident Fund (RAF)  
Rail Safety Regulator  
South African Civil Aviation Authority (SACAA)  
South African Maritime Safety Authority (SAMSA)  
South African National Roads Agency Limited (SANRAL)  
South Africa Rail Commuter Corporation

**4. Legislation, International Agreements and Other Papers**

**4.1 Legislation Dealt with:**

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- 4.1.1 National Land Transport Transition Act
- 4.1.2 Prevention of Illegal Eviction from and Unlawful Occupation and Land Amendment Bill
- 4.1.3 Government Immovable Asset Management Bill

**4.2 International Agreements and other Papers referred to the Committee:**

- 4.2.1 Ratification And or ACCESSION to the Convention for the Unification of certain Rules for International Carriage by Air
- 4.2.2 Convention on International Interests in Mobile Equipment Bill, 2005

**5. Oversights; and Promotion of Public Participation**

**5.1 Oversight Visits:**

As part of the Committee's oversight responsibility over the department and its institutions, the committee is looking at visiting provinces which will be identified at a later stage, the research work is in progress concerning provinces to be visited informed by NCOP 2009 Programme.

**5.2 Oversight Briefings:**

The committee intends to call Entities after the Budget Votes and Strategic Planning of different Departments that the committee oversees.

**5.3 Public Participation Activities:** The committee has a planned a critical if not a central role during the programme of taking parliament to the people. The recent visit to the Northern Cape allowed the common opportunity to interact with the community or Kgalagadi in the Northern Cape during the public hearings the committee was able to directly engage our people with issues that are particularly related to housing, public works and transport.

6. General Summary of Meetings (and Other Activities - like workshops, conferences) Held

Agenda of the Meeting	Date & Venue	Attendance (by party)	Resolutions Taken & Issues to be Followed-up	Cost Implications (This includes costs on oversight briefings)
Adoption of 15 November 2005 minutes and consideration of draft committee programme 2006/2007	15 February G26 New Wing Parliament	ANC 5 and IFP 1	Committee Section should give members the copies of the Annual Report and the Committee Budget for their perusal. It was also agreed that the copy of the briefing document on National Land Transport Transition Act be distributed by the committee secretary to members to familiarise themselves with its content.	Catering (tea, coffee, etc)
Workshop to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Identify issues relevant to the SC on Public Services on NCOP 2009 Programme</li> <li>Analyse the Provincial Departmental Strategic Plans and Budget Votes</li> <li>Identify challenges from previous year's Departments Budget Votes and</li> <li>To scrutinise the achievements of the department in fulfilling their goals</li> </ul>	7 March, V 227 Old Assembly Building, Parliament	ANC 5, DA 1 and IFP 1	The committee agreed to get provincial budget votes and budget expenditures. This information would be used to get information that would be useful for the targeted provinces to be visited.	Breakfast snack was served and Finger Lunch was also served.
Adoption of the Committee Annual Report, Adoption of Minutes and Consideration of Draft Committee Programme	15 March, Committee Room E444, Fourth Floor New Wing	ANC = 2 and IFP 1		Breakfast snack was served

7. Chairperson's Remarks on the Level of Support Received during the Session

**7.1 Support from the Secretary to Chairperson:**

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Nadiema Jackson (Newly appointed) 1 April 2006  
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**7.2 Support from the Committee Secretary:**

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Only started on 1 March 2006  
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**8. Financial Statements For March 2005 – 31 March 2006**

Budget allocated to Committee	R327 335.00
Income	R113 915.26
Balance (Funds Available)	R410 903.80

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