

GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT SUMMIT AGREEMENT (GDSA)

GOVERNMENT CONTRIBUTION

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INTRODUCTION: FOUR THEMES

- More Jobs, Better Jobs, Decent work for all
- Addressing the Investment Challenge
- Advancing Equity, developing skills, creating economic opportunities for all and extending services
- Local action and implementation for development



More Jobs, Better Jobs, Decent work for all

- Public Investment Initiatives (PIIs)
- Expanded Public Works Programme (EPWP)
- Sector Partnerships and strategies
- Local procurement
- Small enterprise promotion
- Support for cooperatives
- Jobs impact and monitoring



Public Investment Initiatives (PIIs)

- R370bn allocated to infrastructure Development. (ASGI-SA)
- A framework in place and is being monitored and reviewed on a regular basis.
- State owned enterprises are championing the infrastructure development projects.
- Code of good practice for PWPs gazetted after discussions and Agreement at Nedlac.
- Various projects launched using labour intensive methods in road construction and rehabilitation.
- A task team has been set up to identify projects that fit the framework.



Sector Partnerships and strategies

Sector summits in the following:

- Metals and Engineering
- Chemical
- Construction
- Auto
- ICT (held)



Local procurement

- * Label of origin legislation has been promulgated.
- The PSA Board continues to prioritise support for local procurement through initiatives such as the Cape Town Fashion festival.
- * The TIC is discussing the proposed BBBEE scorecard and the Preferential Procurement Policy, with a view to evaluating support for local procurement.
- Targeted procurement to support Small Enterprise development
- Small and Micro enterprise finance enhanced (Apex, Khula)



enactment of the National Small Business Act of 1996



Support for cooperatives (Italy, Kenya, Japan and Spain) during September/October 2004 by all social partners

- A draft Co-operatives Bank Bill has been published for public comment
- The NEDLAC co-operatives task team is working on educational material.



Jobs impact and monitoring

Some work is being done on a sector by sector basis.

- SOEs and departments are reporting on job trends.
- Nedlac is engaging with the JSE to explore the practicalities of using the JSE Sustainability Index in this respect.



Addressing the Investment Challenge

- Import Parity Pricing
- Pension and provident funds
- Housing
- Financial sector summit
- Review of Competition Legislation

