



TRANSNET GROUP CE ENGAGES NORTHERN CAPE GOVERNMENT ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES IN THE PROVINCE

[Kimberley, 17 September 2020] Transnet SOC Ltd ("Transnet") Group CE Ms Portia Derby met with the Premier of the Northern Cape, Dr. Zamani Saul today, as part of Transnet's strategy to engage key stakeholders and better support economies in areas across the country where Transnet operates.

The Northern Cape forms part of the key iron ore export channel and has great potential for growth, as more mineral reserves are discovered. The engagement is part of Transnet's continued efforts to invest resources enabling growth and development across the channel, whilst supporting the participation of emerging miners and aiding transformation efforts within the sector.

The channel is the second-largest bulk export ore channel in the country, servicing 60 million tons of iron ore from Sishen/Postmasburg in the Northern Cape, to Saldanha in the Western Cape.

Tourism and heritage opportunities have also been identified as key areas for collaboration, with Kimberley being a key stop on the Blue Train's route.

"We have identified key areas which we aim to work on with the province, as part of their Provincial Growth and Development Strategy, and we are encouraged by the spirit of co-operation shown by the Premier and his office," Ms Portia Derby said.

"As Transnet we have an increasingly important role to play in improving access to the logistics chain for emerging miners, while ensuring we improve our overall rail and port capacity to service the growing customer base," Derby concluded.

The Department of Mineral Resources and Energy in the province also formed part of key stakeholders engaged by the Transnet Group CE today.

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