



Transnet Phelophepa train I arrives in the Eastern Cape

[Johannesburg; 1 February 2021] As part of efforts to support healthcare workers Transnet's SOC Ltd ("Transnet") Phelophepa train I has arrived in the Eastern Cape Province, as it commences its annual programme to provide primary healthcare services, including COVID-19 screening and testing.

The train, which has recently undergone its annual maintenance programme, will be visiting a number of communities in the province from 01 February – 16 April 2021. Its primary focus will be on the provision of eye and oral care, screening for HIV and AIDS, psychological services and to dispense medication for minor ailments.

The services will also include health education on early detection of ailments such as cancer and Tuberculous (TB). Community members can access these services at a nominal fee.

On arrival, the train will be stationed at the Swartkops station in Port Elizabeth. Other areas the Phelophepa I will visit include Queenstown, Mthatha (Zamakulungisa), Dutywa as well as the community of Mdantsane (Mount Ruth).

Communities close to the designated stations are encouraged to visit the healthcare train and to adhere to all COVID-19 protocols such as wearing of masks and keeping a safe distance.

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SCHEDULE FOR EASTERN CAPE STATIONS

No.	Station	Duration	Schedule
1.	Port Elizabeth (Swartkops)	2 weeks	01 February – 12 February
2.	Queenstown	2 weeks	15 February – 26 February
3.	Mthatha (Zamakulungisa)	2 weeks	01 March – 12 March
4.	Dutywa	2 weeks	15 March – 26 March
5.	Mdantsane (Mount Ruth)	2 weeks	07 April – 16 April