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Handover of Equipment to Small Businesses in Ngaka Modiri Molema

MEC Bitsa Lenkopane officially handed over essential business equipment to small, medium, and micro enterprises (SMMEs) at the NWDC Trade Market in Mahikeng on 8 November 2024.. The event is part of the 7th administration's Thuntsha Lerole Reloaded initiative, aimed at accelerating service delivery and fostering economic growth within local communities.

Thuntsha Lerole Reloaded is an impactful program designed to support and empower local business communities. The beneficiaries had the opportunity to engage directly with the MEC, allowing her to learn more about their businesses and discuss how these enterprises contribute to the broader community.

NWDC SMME Manager, Mr. Wanzi, provided a brief overview of the businesses receiving support. The diverse range of beneficiaries includes enterprises in bakery, event management, and chemical manufacturing. In total, the equipment handed over was valued at over R1 million, designed to help these businesses grow and thrive.

During her speech, MEC Lenkopane highlighted the Premier's commitment to supporting the business community. She explained that the promise to provide equipment was part of an ongoing effort to empower entrepreneurs and ensure that they have the necessary tools to succeed. The MEC emphasized the importance of creating accessible platforms for business communities, encouraging entrepreneurs to take full advantage of the opportunities provided by the NWDC. She also stressed the need for empowerment through practical initiatives, such as using the provided equipment, taking short courses in skills development, and participating in training programs offered by the department.

Beneficiaries and the Equipment Handed Over

Diperela Projects

Tent, VIP toilets, trailer, rectangular ten-seater, gold-trimmed chairs, Wimbledon chairs, round tables (20), dome dishes, frame tent, mobile fridge

Vivi Chemicals

Multi-detergent tank, tank cover, inverter and mixer, air-controlled LED, motor storer

Katso Treats



Measuring scale, mixer, muffin pans, tables, cutter sets, cake display, double-bowl mixing station, gas double-deck oven, gas cylinder

Ma2K Projects

Dough moulder and additional bakery equipment

In her closing remarks, Grace Moiloa, one of the beneficiaries from Diperela Projects, expressed her gratitude to the department and the NWDC for their unwavering support. She emphasized how the newly provided equipment will significantly enhance their operations and contribute to the growth of their business.

This handover marks a significant step in advancing local economic development, providing essential resources that will help businesses not only survive but thrive in an increasingly competitive market.



