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Left to right HCM municipal councillors, KZN MEC for Human Settlement Ravi Pillay and the Tembe family of the Nkulu Ward outside Gamalakhe, who received a new house from the government on Friday.

Needy get HOUSES

R300-million to be spent on finishing poor workmanship

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KWAZULU-Natal MEC for Human Settlement Ravi Pillay has handed over 952 houses to the needy people of KwaMavundla Tribal Authority.

At a housing handover ceremony at the local Sports Field outside Gamalakhe on Friday, Pillay said that they had planned to build 1 000 houses in all amakhosi areas and pointed out that only 48 houses were outstanding for the

KwaMavundla area.

The MEC appreciated the quality of work which was delivered on time within the budget by the construction company Fezeka Business services. This is a woman-led company, and for Pillay it set an example of what is required by government.

“Last week I met Public Protector Thuli Madonsela and we discussed the poor quality of the houses that have been built by other contractors in the province. The Office of the Public Protector got

complaints from the people saying that the houses had been poorly built. We will spend R300 million to rebuild and finish their poor workmanship”.

Pillay stated poor quality, bribes and corruption would not be tolerated. “We will have no mercy for these people.”

Hibiscus Coast Mayor Cynthia Mqwebu congratulated the people who received their new houses from government stating that the government was fulfilling its promises to build houses for the poor.