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As part of the KZN Department of Human Settlements' push towards the promotion of home ownership, MEC Ravi Pillay and officials from the department have travelled the length and breadth of the province to issue title deeds to qualifying beneficiaries. About 18 000 title deeds have been delivered in the past five years. In the coming three months, 16 227 more title deeds, which are already in the possession of municipalities, will be handed out. A team of officials is currently visiting all the identified housing units to complete the verification questionnaires and compile a schedule of title deeds to be handed over to their rightful owners.

RAY NKONYENI LOCAL MUNICIPALITY



Residents of Ray Nkonyeni Local Municipality proudly show off their title deeds shortly after receiving them from MEC Ravi Pillay and Mayor Cllr Nomusa Mqwebu.



President Cyril Ramaphosa issued title deeds in Franklin, which falls under the Greater Kokstad Municipality. On receiving her title deed, Kokstad resident Selina Mtole said: "I am beyond happy. This is a day I will never forget. We have suffered with my child living in farm compounds earning R10 a week. Our prayers have been answered. We are thankful to our government".



Eighty-two-year-old Zuleka Fakir officially acknowledges receipt of her title deed in KwaDukuza. "This moment has finally come and I am so overjoyed. I have waited for so long, but now I can say that I own a home," she expressed joyfully.

THE KwaZulu-Natal Department of Human Settlements offers a housing subsidy to reduce or supplement your approved home loan - making it possible for you to afford your own home!

You too can benefit from the Finance-Linked Individual Subsidy Programme or FLISP.

To be considered, you must:

- Have an approved home loan from a South African lender;
- Have a monthly household income of between R3 501 and R22 000;
- Be acquiring a residential property;

- Never have benefited from a government housing subsidy scheme before;
- Be a South African citizen or legal permanent resident;
- Be at least 18 years old and competent to legally contract;
- Be married/ co-habiting/ single with financial dependants; and
- Must have never owned property before.

For more information, contact the FLISP Helpdesk:
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Email: flisp@kzndhs.gov.za; or
Visit www.kzndhs.gov.za



KZN Department of Human Settlements officials were on hand at the recent KZN Construction Expo to provide valuable information on housing programmes - the Finance Linked Individual Subsidy Programme (FLISP) in particular. Thabiso Tenza explains the qualifying criteria.



The KZN provincial leadership inspect the Inkululeko Development Projects.