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WITHOUT COMPROMISING QUALITY**

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### **A CARING GOVERNMENT FOCUSSED ON RESTORING DIGNITY WITHOUT COMPROMISING QUALITY**

Premier of KwaZulu-Natal, Sihle Zikalala and MEC for Human Settlements and Public Works, Jomo Sibiya, rolled up their sleeves once again on Sunday, 12 June 2022, in Ward 7 in the Ntshongweni area in eThekweni to visibly demonstrate “a caring government focused on restoring dignity without compromising quality”. The Premier stressed these words whilst he and MEC Sibiya participated in the building of one of the Temporary Residential Units (TRUs) in the area.

This followed MEC Sibiya’s visit to Mdoni Local Municipality a day earlier to inspect recently completed TRUs.

To date, 254 TRUs have been completed across KwaZulu-Natal to relocate families who are being housed in mass care centres after the devastating April floods. Other TRUs are in various stages of construction [309 slabs; 257 at wall plate level; 366 platforms cut].

Affected families in mass care centres are being linked with possible land parcels for the construction of TRUs. Six (6) more mass care centres have been linked to 24 serviced sites. This means that 44 of the initial 64 mass care centres are catered for as far as suitable land parcels for the construction of TRUs are concerned.

The Province is expecting the first tranche (R140 million) of funding approved by the National Department of Human Settlements and Treasury soon and this will be utilised towards the construction of the required 4,983 TRUs.



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The Department has set itself a target of completing no less than 50 TRUs every week. Suitable land remains a challenge but where buildable sites have been identified, layout plans have been completed without delay.

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