



## **PROVINCIAL LEGISLATURE OF THE FREE STATE**

**Report of the Portfolio Committee on Public Works,  
Infrastructure, Roads, Transport and Human Settlements to the  
Free State Legislature with regard to the Second Quarterly Non-  
Financial Reports for 2024/25 financial year of the Departments  
of Public Works and Infrastructure**

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## **REPORT PROFILE**

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## **1. Introduction**

The Portfolio Committee on Public Works, Infrastructure, Roads, Transport and Human Settlement met with the department of Public Works and Infrastructure, to consider their Second Quarterly Non-Financial Reports for 2024/25 financial year.

## **2. Members of the Portfolio Committee**

The Portfolio Committee comprises of the following Honorable Members:

Van Vuuren, D	<b>(Chairperson)</b>
Cloete, A	(Member)
Foko, M. J	(Member)
Gaorekoe, N. J.	(Member)
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Ndungane, N.	(Member)
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Tshabalala, A. M.	(Member)

### **3. Procedure of the Committee**

The Portfolio Committee on Public Works, Infrastructure, Roads, Transport and Human Settlement met with MEC for department of Public Works and Infrastructure, Hon. D. Mance and her officials on the 11<sup>th</sup> June 2025 to consider the Second Quarterly Non-Financial Report for 2024/25 financial year.

### **4. CONSIDERATION OF SECOND QUARTERLY NON-FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE 2024/25 FINANCIAL YEAR.**

#### **4.1 The Departments of Public Works and Infrastructure**

The Acting HOD, Mr. Mtolo presented their Second quarterly non-financial report for 2024/25 financial year and outlined the core functions of the department as follows: -

- (a) Planning, design, construction and maintenance of infrastructure.
- (b) Management of Provincial Government owned properties and facilitation of rented property.
- (c) Provision of Provincial Government with office accommodation.
- (d) Coordination, implementation, monitoring and compliance with the EPWP principles.
- (e) Security management for provincial buildings.

#### **4.1.1. Functions are organized into three budgeted programmes: namely:**

- (1) Programme 1: Administration.
- (2) Programme 2: Public Works Infrastructure.
- (3) Programme 3: Expanded Public Works Programme.

#### **4.1.2 Challenges reported to the Portfolio Committee**

1. The Department could not pay all the suppliers within 30 days.

2. The Department could not achieve on number of capital infrastructure projects awarded.
3. The Department could not achieve on number of renewable energy / backup system projects completed.

#### **4.1.3 Observations by the Portfolio Committee:**

After deliberations, the Portfolio Committee made the following observations and / or findings: -

1. The is still failing to pay service providers within 30-days as per the prescribed period in terms of section 38 (1) (f) of the Public Finance Management Act (PFMA).
2. The department could not achieve their targets on capital projects.
3. The Committee is concerned that the department could not achieve on number of renewable energy / backup system projects. The department should submit a detailed report thereof which should include a contingency plan to achieve this backup system.



## **5. RECOMMENDATIONS**

5.1 The Portfolio Committee recommends as follows:

### **Department of Public Works and Infrastructure**

1. The department is required to develop an intervention plan (within 30 days after tabling of the report in the House) to ensure service providers are paid, in accordance with section 38(1)(f) of the Public Finance Management Act (PFMA). The Department is required to report on the 30-day payment compliance quarterly to the Portfolio Committee.
2. A contingency plan must be established to meet the targets for capital projects within 30 days after being tabled in the House.
3. The department should also create a contingency plan to achieve its goals related to renewable energy and backup system projects within 30 days after being tabled in the House.
4. The department should address the concerns and observations raised by Members of the Portfolio Committee and should provide a progress report within 30 days of the report after being tabled in the House.
5. The Departments must report back to the Portfolio Committee with regard to the implementation of the resolutions 30 days after the tabling of the report.
6. The report must be formally adopted by the House.

