

Capricorn District Mayors Inaugurated

Hundreds of Capricorn District residents converged at Blouberg Municipality – Ben Seraki Sports Complex, Sekiding sa Maponte Village to witness the district's joint mayoral inauguration ceremony including that of the Executive Mayor and four local municipalities' mayors. Cllr. John Mpe Executive Mayor of Capricorn District Municipality, Cllr. Thembi Nkadimeng Mayor of Polokwane Municipality, Cllr. Nakedi Sibanda Mayor of Lepelle-Nkumpi Municipality, Cllr. Edward Paya Mayor of Molemelo Municipality and Cllr. Solly Pheedi Mayor of Blouberg Municipality were inaugurated.

Among those present at the packed-to-full-capacity Sports Complex were Kgosi Ngoako Maleboho, Mme Mmakoma Makhurupetje, Limpopo MEC for Coghsta, Traditional leaders, Non-Governmental Organisations and community based organizations as well as religious leaders and the business sector.

In his speech acceptance speech John Mpe, Capricorn District Municipality Executive Mayor made a promise to the people of Capricorn that one of the things that he will deal with is the immediate provision of clean drinking water to all communities. "It can never be accepted that our people are allowed to drink water with animals twenty one years after democracy. I'm aware that there is drought all over the country, but there are certain things we can do most immediately to mitigate the challenge of water. As a start, we encourage communities to save water."

The joint inauguration ceremony was officiated by the MEC for Cooperative Governance, Human Settlement and Traditional Affairs (CoGHSTA), Makoma Makhurupetje in her speech she thanked the people of Blouberg and of the entire Capricorn district for voting during the local government elections. "We should give ourselves a big round of applause for making sure that we retain all the municipalities in this district under the leadership of the ANC. Your votes show that people are unanimous in their call for the ANC to continue implementing its programme of building people's power in every community."

She further said "The time for renewal is upon us. This is a moment of renaissance to the millions of people who call this district their home. With this inauguration, I'm hopeful to see more changes coming our way - much sooner rather than later. For the people of Capricorn district this term of office must mean something different from how we used to do things in the past."

Like eagles in the sky, let us mount our wings and soar even higher. The sky is the limit. This is a new day for all of us - there is no going backwards. Capricorn District belongs to us and together we can make it a home for all.

The joint inauguration ceremony incorporated heritage celebrations with various artists entertaining the crowd