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## **MAYOR THAMAGA BREAKS GROUND ON NEW STATE-OF-THE-ART PINKIE SEBOTSE SPORT COMPLEX**

Blouberg Local Municipality Mayor, Her Worship Cllr Maria Thamaga has called on the community of Pinkie Sebotse and the surrounding communities to look after their sport facility and jealously guard it against vandals as it is a great asset for all residents.

Today, 18 January 2022, Mayor Thamaga officiated a sod-turning ceremony marking the commencement of the construction of a R10million inclusive state-of-the-art Pinkie Sebotse Sport Complex funded by the Department of Sport, Arts and Culture through Municipal Infrastructure Grant (MIG).

The Mayor introduced the project engineer and the contractor to the Matlala Traditional Authority, local headmen, Pinkie Sebotse and Ward 21 community.

The new Pinkie Sebotse Sport Complex will be erected along the main road - a strategic location to be easily accessed by all.

The sport facility will accommodate a range of ages from pre-school kids, club level athletics and elders. It will feature among others; Football, Rugby and Softball fields, Athletic Track and a grand stand, an outdoor gym, kids play area, indigenous games section, a combo court comprising; tennis, netball and basket ball.

Delivering a keynote address, Mayor Thamaga indicated that sport is not just about exercise but builds character and is essential part of growing up. She indicated that, the new sport facility will provide much needed recreational opportunities for both young and old and provide economic opportunities by creating jobs to locals.

"We are here today to introduce the engineers and the contractors of the project to our traditional authority and the community and to conduct a sod-turning ceremony for this brand new sport complex. We are happy as the municipality that, this is an inclusive sport facility that will cater the young and the old and also play part in poverty alleviation by creating temporary jobs. Our appreciation to the Department Sport, Arts and Culture for funding this beautiful project.

Kgoshigadi Matlala has welcomed the development to the community and expressed gratitude to the municipality for a continued working relations with the traditional authority.

Mayor Thamaga thanked Matlala Traditional Authority, local headmen and the community at large for welcoming the municipality and supporting government programmes.

The project is scheduled for six(6)months.

The Mayor was accompanied by Council Speaker, Cllr Blanco Boloka, Executive Committee members; Cllr Dan Mosena, Cllr Agnes Raseruthe, Ward 21 Councilor, Rosalia Thema and Ward 22 Councillor, Tlou Magwai and representatives from the Department of Sport, Arts and Culture.

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