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Stutternheim Taxi Rank receives eight taps to ensure good hygiene

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The community of Mlungisi township were on could nine when the MEC for Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs (Cogta), Xolile Nqatha handed over eight foot operated taps, park homes and health and hygiene material to them on Friday, 20 November 2020.

The event held at Stutterhiem Taxi Rank was held to mark and commemorate the annual World Toilet Day.

MEC Nqatha says the handing over of the taps is part of his Department's Programme Management Unit (PMU) in partnership with Development Bank of South Africa (DBSA) and National Business Initiatives to enhance service delivery at municipal level.

"PMU has targeted municipalities around the province and we started at Amahlathi and Enoch Mgijima to hand over foot operated taps and handwashing basins to fight the scourge of coronavirus that attack our communities. We are doing this with the hope that these taps will help communities around this area to adhere to hygienic practices. We urge you to ensure that these taps are protected at all times and it is your responsibility to ensure that they are not vandalised", he said.

Rank Manager, Zuka Soyaphi was very welcoming and embraced the initiative and assured MEC that they will take the responsibility of ensuring that the taps are utilized optimally to ensure good hygiene at their rank. In addition, he emphasised the importance of ensuring that commuters wash their hands regularly when they get to the taxi rank ensure minimum spread of viruses.

Meanwhile, National Business Initiative official, Carlise Lewis said the partnership they have with government needs to be strengthened to ensure further collaborations in the future as they acknowledge that not everything should be left to government, instead, the business sector needs to come on board and lend a helping hand. She further encouraged people of Stutterheim to wash hands regularly while also ensuring that there is no water wastage.

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