

ENGAGEMENT UPDATE



NLC CONCLUDES TODAY'S SUCCESSFUL STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT WITH PROJECT SITE VISIT IN ELUKWATINI, MPUMALANGA



The National Lotteries Commission (NLC) Board and Executive Management, accompanied by the Department of Sport, Arts and Culture, concluded a productive day with a visit to the Gugulethu St Benedict Home for the Aged in Elukwatini, Mpumalanga, on 19 March 2026.

The visit formed part of the Post Indaba Stakeholder Engagement (PISE) programme, aimed at strengthening accountability, ensuring effective use of grant funding, and engaging directly with beneficiaries.

Earlier in the day, the NLC Board, led by Chairperson Prof Barney Pitjana, met with members of the Mpumalanga Provincial Executive Council, including MEC for Sports, Arts and Culture, Ms Leah Mabuza, to explore partnerships that support socio-economic development in the province.

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At the project site, the NLC engaged with beneficiaries and observed the impact of funding distributed through the National Lottery Distribution Trust Fund, which supports the facility's operations and care services for vulnerable elderly residents. NLC Commissioner, Ms Jodi Scholtz, said:

“Funding from the National Lottery Distribution Trust Fund is making a tangible difference - restoring dignity and improving lives where it matters most.”

Prof Barney Pitjana added:

“Site visits like these are central to our oversight role - they ensure that funding is used responsibly and reaches those who need it most.”

The NLC remains committed to ensuring that funds generated through the National Lottery and Sports Pools continue to uplift communities and support sustainable development across South Africa.

