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VOTE 02
**BUDGET
SPEECH**
2025/26
RETABLING



Speaker Hon. Dr. Makoma Makhurupetje

**LIMPOPO LEGISLATURE RETABLED BUDGET SPEECH DELIVERED
BY THE SPEAKER OF THE LIMPOPO LEGISLATURE**

HONOURABLE MAKOMA MAKHURUPETJE

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Deputy Speaker, Hon Mme Tebogo Portia Grace Mamorobela

Premier of the Limpopo Province, Hon Dr Phophi Ramathuba

Members of the Executive Council

Chief whip of the House, Honourable Essop Mmanoko Mokgonyana,

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whips of the opposition parties in the legislature**

Chair of Committees, Hon Thabo Mokone

Deputy Chair of Chairs Hon Hassani Peter Ngobeni

Chairperson of the Oversight Mechanism, Hon vhone Vho Thovhele

Prince Kennedy Tshivhase Midi ya vhathu, Aa!!

Honourable Members of this august House



Leadership of the ANC, led by the Provincial Secretary, VhaMusanda Reuben Madadzhe and all members of the of other political parties present today.

**Leadership of Traditional Leaders and Khoisan in Limpopo Province
Executive Mayors, Mayors, Speakers of our municipalities**

Secretary to the Legislature, Dr Timothy Maake and team legislature

All other invited Guests including following us on all different social media platforms

Ladies and gentlemen

Thobela , Ndi matsheloni, Avuxeni, Lotshani, Good morning, Goeie more!!!

Hon Deputy Speaker,

On the 03rd of June 2025 Hon Kgabo Mahoai , MEC of the Department of Provincial Treasury stood up in this August and said “I rise to re-table the 2025/26 Limpopo Provincial Budget following a series of developments at both the national fiscal and monetary policy levels that have impacted our provincial fiscal planning. Honourable Speaker, you will recall the events that led to the revised national fiscal framework. The Minister of Finance has re-tabled the revised national budget in Parliament on 21 May 2025 in line with the developments. Subsequent to that, I withdrew the Limpopo Appropriation Bill and related 2 documents



on 27 May 2025, which were previously presented to this House on 25 March 2025.”

Hon Deputy Speaker on that basis I stand here, this morning to present and re-table the budget of the Limpopo Provincial Legislature (Budget Vote 02) in line with Financial Management of Parliament and Provincial Legislature Act 10 of 2009 to this important august House.

Honourable members,

We present this Budget a few weeks after the burial of the former Speaker of this august House Dr Tshenuwani Simon Farisani, a liberation fighter who fought the apartheid regime and who in his lifetime suffered and paid a price for having taken a stance against the apartheid regime. This struggle icon walked past the Legislature in his journey and struggle for a better life for our people as a speaker of this very august House, where he retired in 2009 to pursue his activism. In his honor, we are dedicated to continue to strive and put our efforts towards placing the legislature as an agent in a mission towards changing our people’s lives for the better.

On the other hand, we are tabling this budget vote during the month of June, which its commemoration is linked to a series of solidarity events that overlapped beyond the 16th of June 1976. These events took place throughout the length and breadth of our country, with sporadic attacks by the apartheid police on young people who were enjoined to demonstrate their commitment and determination to defeat a stubborn regime to usher at long last, a national democratic society as long envisaged by our forebearers.

As we honor the legacy of the generation of young people and their struggle, it is very important to also remember one of our own, the son of the soil, “Lion of the North” cde Peter Ramoswhana Mokaba. On his burial our 1st ,c and late President Nelson Mandela described him as , I quote “ Cde Peter Mokaba was fiery and militant, expressing the energy and impatience of the youth. Yet he could reach out to all sectors of society including traditional leaders and an older generation.

Cde Peter rose to speak in measured and respectful tone, explaining to the King that the toyi-toyi was a chant and dance of resistance against apartheid and racial oppression. The traditional leaders, he pointed out, were not part of our oppressors and the toyi-toyi was not directed against them”. Indeed, the commitment and determination by these preceding generation of young people was not in vain. We stand here today under the democratic South Africa because of their relentless contribution to the struggle for freedom. As this legislature prepares to host the youth parliament next week , we call upon all young people to come prepared to give inputs to inform both the legislature and Provincial government on how we must ensure that legislation we put in place and programmes implemented by our provincial government guarantees them a better future. Together with our youth we are determined to eradicate the tripple challenges of poverty , unemployment, and inequality as the Constitution of the Republic of South Africa entrusts this august House with the legislative authority to make laws within its jurisdiction, but more importantly, the authority to perform oversight responsibility by ensuring that organs of state in the province are accountable to it.

In addition, the Constitution further entrusts legislature to maintain oversight of provincial executive authority as well as organs of state, and

lastly that the legislature must ensure public participation and active citizenry. We are saying to the young people of Limpopo, it is not the time to complain, or point fingers, it is the time for you to prove yourselves by bringing your resolutions to this legislature for us as members, to adopt during the youth Parliament and for Provincial Government to implement. The better future is now and it is in your hands. This legislature is your voice, use it and we are here to serve you.

In fulfilling our constitutional obligations, it must be understood that there are critical factors which have influenced resource needs and allocation for the legislature during this budgeting period. Some of these factors include the fact that the current electoral term under the 7th Legislature has seen an expansion in the size of legislature owing to the increased number of Members of the Legislature (MPLs) from 49 to 64, and an increase in the number of political parties from 4 to 6. I must therefore emphasize that increased resource allocation aligned to these key developments is necessary to ensure the ease of both members of the legislature and political parties to perform their duties in fulfilling the legislative mandate of the 7th Legislature.

Hon Deputy Speaker,

The implication of this on our urge for increased resource allocation cannot be overemphasized. Lastly, this august House must further note that we are at the tail end to reconfigure the organizational structure that will provide more administrative capacity and improve our oversight mechanism and its coordination. This shall enable us to effectively and efficiently fulfil our constitutional mandate on oversight.

Hon Members, this budget will therefore focus on some of the following key deliverables:

The freedom charter's emphatic point on public participation is embodied in a phrase "the people shall govern" which entitles citizens to take part in the administration of the country as well as democratic organs of self-government. The strengthening of both the "Taking Parliament to People" programme and our petition system demonstrate our dedication in fulfilling our constitutional obligation. Indeed, as has been maintained in the Freedom Charter, the "the people must govern".

- Taking Parliament to the people will be structured in a way that it will be held for the whole week focusing on key service delivery points in a specific district whereby all 64 members of the legislature will be in one district and we will be expecting the Premier and the collective of MECs to attend and address the community on the last day. The 1st one will be taking place in July 2025.
- Hosting the following Sector Parliaments (Youth Parliament taking place on the 26th June 2025. We encourage all political parties in the legislature to prepare their delegates while the Portfolio Committee on Quality of Life is working on other relevant sectors accordingly. Warning – No senior citizens will be allowed as young refuse to the address.
- Women Parliament, People with Disability Parliament and Men's will also be held by the legislature in this financial year
- We will be hosting the 1st Speaker's forum on the 4th of July which is the forum for us to engage on matters of oversight including at the

municipal level. The relevant standing committees will be invited to make presentations including Coghsta, Treasury, Scopa and Standing Committee on Petitions to mention the few.

- We will strengthen the administrative support to portfolio committees to ensure they implement their functions with minimal disruptions.
- We continue to explore the support of the committee on study tours (Nationally, Regionally and internationally as required by different committees)
- The Implementation of the full 2025/2026 APP and all APP'S as adopted by all standing and portfolio committee members will be fully supported.
- We will continue our regular engagements with the MEC Public works and his administration on matters relating to Maintenance of both the Legislative Chamber and Offices in Lebowakgomo, Parliamentary village as well as on the Projects including construction of new houses for members.
- Support Administration to ensure their capacity for effective and efficient support for all commitments of the 7th administration Legislature without fail
- The Legislature is designated as a critical infrastructure, previously known as a National Key Point in terms of the Critical Infrastructure Protection Act 8 of 2019. This comes with huge responsibility to make sure that the critical infrastructure is fully and properly secured. In this regard to ensure that resources are available to respond to the requirements as set out in the Act. To this end, we will upgrade our infrastructure, safety and security system to meet with the required standards.

To carry out this enormous work, the budget for the legislature in the 2025/26 financial year is R671 660 m (Six Hundred and Seventy-One, Six Hundred and Sixty Million Rands). This budget spread across all key programmes of the legislature, which are Governance and Leadership, Administration, Parliamentary Services, and Strategic and Knowledge Management Services. The complete breakdown of this budget is as follows:

SUMMARY OF PROGRAMMES	BUDGET		
DESCRIPTION	R '000		
PROGRAMMES	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28
PROGRAMME 1 : GOVERNANCE & LEADERSHIP	R 229 847	245 229	256 264
PROGRAMME 2 : ADMINISTRATION	R 199 713	197 314	206 193
PROGRAMME 3 : PARLIAMENTARY SERVICES	R 125 599	137 292	153 958
PROGRAMME 4 : STRATEGIC & KNOWLEDGE MANAGEMENT	R 7 722	41 728	43 608
DISTRICT CHARGE	R 78 779	81 305	84 964
TOTAL BUDGET	R 671 660	702 868	744 987

Honourable members, as I conclude, let me take this opportunity to thank everyone who has made our journey easy towards presenting this budget vote. My gratitude goes to the Premier, Members of the Executive Council,

the Deputy Speaker, all Members of the Provincial Legislature deployed in various responsibilities, our staff at the Provincial Legislature led by the Secretary Dr Tim Maake, Chapter 9 and 10 institutions and communities in general who continue to raise issues through the Legislature and for making contributions to our work. We reiterate the significance of your continued cooperation, collaboration and support in ensuring that legislature fulfils its Constitutional mandate.

It is my honour and privilege to table the Limpopo Provincial Legislature 2025/26 Budget Vote 2 to this august House for consideration and adoption.

Thank you

Ndo livhuwa

Kea leboga

Na khensa

Siyathokoza

Baie dankie

Ke tswatsweo!!!!!!!!!!