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ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT OF THE PROPOSED, **COMBINED MINING OPERATIONS:** PILANESBERG PLATINUM MINES' TUSCHENKOMST PIT **EXTENSION; SEDIBELO PLATINUM MINE'S INFRASTRUCTURE AMENDMENT; AND THE** MAGAZYNSKRAAL PLATINUM MINE

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Location of the proposed project: the farm Magazynskraal 3 JQ in the Moses Kotane Local Municipality of the Bojanala District in the North West Province.

Name of consultant to contact

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MEC set to take drastic action

Russel Molefe

THE Limpopo department of agriculture has vowed to take drastic action against the Mam-phoku-Makgoba Community Trust after a forensic report showed that it was respon-sible "for the deterioration of 42 farms and assets worth more than R121-million".

The forensic audit report shows that the trust illegally changed the provisions of the original trust deed, thereby giving unprecedented powers to only four trustees to formulate and implement decisions which have now left the 42 farms in a state of disrepair.

Department spokesman Kenny Mathivha said MEC Dipuo Letsatsi-Duba had been instructed by the Department of Rural Development and Land Reform to rectify the situation. The report, compiled by the SAB&T, Indyebo and PricewaterhouseCoopers consor-

tium, revealed that trustees had removed assets from the farms, let out some of the land and houses for free and entered into contracts involving the payment of huge commissions to

The trust also failed to prepare annual financial statements from 2004 to 2009. The annual financial statements prepared for the year ending February 2010 by an unregistered audit firm showed only R80 net profit from a R121-million asset base.

But the trust's chairman, Thupane Makgoba, blamed the government for the collapse of the farms, which include a tea estate at the picturesque Magoebaskloof Valley.

He said the government was reluctant to assist and had also encouraged the changing of

provisions in the original trust deed. The trustees did not get the chance to give their version before the report was made public.



PROVINCIAL PRAYER FOR THE CLASS OF 2012

Education and Moral renewal -The ingredients of a successful nation

The Gauteng Provincial Legislature calls all stakeholders in the education sector, religious communities, political parties, trade unions, and communities; to dedicate January 29, 2012 as a prayer day for provision of quality teaching and learning this year.

The call by the Gauteng Legislature is based on the belief that education is the key to success. In turn, the achievement of this success is dependent on the partnerships between government, educators, trade unions, learners, parents, political parties, and religious communities working together to ensure that our children achieve the best results and success in their lives.

Success without instilling the best morals in our children is a waste of resources and time. In the future we cannot boast of thousands of doctors, engineers and other skilled people and if they are devoid of the right moral values; all efforts would have been in vain. Without values those we educate can turn out to be champions of white collar crimes and other heinous deeds.

It is therefore important that parents, teachers, communities and other role models behave and inculcate positive moral values to their children. This will lay a good foundation for our education.

Gauteng Legislature calls all denominations and religious groups to assemble and say a word of prayer for the success of our education system this Sunday, 29th January 2012

The main service will be held in Pretoria at Mamelodi's Assemblies of God.

"Your view - Our vision"

Victor Hlungwani and **Russel Molefe**

MORE than 800 Mopani district municipality workers lined the streets in Giyani yesterday and on Wednesday after they discovered they had not been paid their salaries.

The affected employees were those transferred from the Department of Water Affairs and Forestry to the municipality in November

2009. Mopani district municipality mayor Joshua Matlou said the problem was caused by a computer error at Absa. He said the employees would get their salaries by yesterday.

"This can happen to anyone. I was also not paid because I use a different bank. I was only able to get my salary today, like every-one else," Matlou said.

In Polokwane more than 100 staff members at the

Limpopo Business Support Agency also went home empty-handed on

Wednesday.
Some of the workers spent the day loitering around ATMs, hoping to withdraw the cash, but eventually went home with long faces after they were advised that they had not been paid.

'It was scary because we were neither informed nor forewarned about the nonpayment," one worker said.

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