

5. Hon. R Jankielsohn (DA) asks the Hon. MEC responsible for Education: Dr. M Maboya.

In view of the slow progress to complete the Breda Farm School Hostel outside Fouriesburg:

1. What are the time frames for the completion of this project?
2. What is the budget to complete this project?
3. Has a contractor been appointed to complete the project? If not, why not? If so:
 - a. Who is the appointed service provider?
 - b. Were tender processes followed for this appointment? If not, why not? If so, (i) when was the tender advertised, (ii) in which publications was the tender advertised, and (iii) which respective companies applied for the tender and for what respective amounts?

RESPONSE 23/04/2026

1. The appointment of the main contractor has been terminated. As matters currently stand, there is no replacement contractor appointed for construction works on site. The remaining professional appointment in place is that of the Principal Agent, namely Phethogo Consulting Engineers.

2. The completion of the project is dependent on the appointment of a new contractor through the applicable procurement processes. Once a replacement contractor has been appointed and has taken possession of the site, the remaining works are estimated to require approximately six (6) months to complete, subject to normal construction conditions, availability of materials, and the absence of unforeseen delays.

3. A comprehensive technical assessment will first need to be undertaken to determine the current condition of the partially completed works and the extent of any remedial interventions required, particularly in light of the project having been inactive for more than a year. The cost of completing the project will depend on the outcome of that assessment, including the value of outstanding works still to be executed, any deterioration or defects requiring rectification, updated market-related construction rates, and the final scope necessary to achieve completion. Accordingly, the budget required to complete the project cannot be accurately determined at this stage.

4. No contractor has been appointed as yet to complete the project. As already delineated in the response to the preceding question, the appointment of a replacement contractor is dependent on the finalisation of the necessary technical assessments, confirmation of the remaining scope of works, determination of the required budget, and the completion of the applicable procurement processes in accordance with prescribed supply chain management requirements. Accordingly, no tender process has yet been concluded for the appointment of a contractor to complete the outstanding works.

65 Hon. R Jankielsohn (DA) asks the Hon. MEC responsible for Education: Dr. PHI Makgoe.

In view of the fact that work has ceased on the construction of a Hostel at Breda farm School outside Fouriesburg:

65.1 Whether any funds have been paid out for this construction, if so, (a) to whom and (b) whether these funds have been used for the purposes they were allocated for, if so, what are the relevant details, if not, (a) why not, (b) what remedial action is being taken in this regard, and (c) who will take over the project from the previous contractor?

65.2 What is the total cost of the project per line item respectively?

65.3 What are the time frames for completion of this project?

RESPONSE 30/09/2019

The Department of Education appointed GT Molefe Construction on the 8th of February 2019 to construction a new hostel for farm school learners at Breda Farm School through the Department of Public Works and Infrastructure acting as an Implementing Agent to the value of R 71 126 721.23 **(see attached appointment letter)**. To date an amount of R 5 175 685.87 or 7,3% of the contract value has been paid in three invoices as indicated in the table below: **(Attachment forwarded: 31/10/2019: 10H18)**

Payment Number	Date of Payment	Amount
1	3/28/2019	R 1,027,633.77
2	3/28/2019	R 2,027,848.86
3	7/15/2019	R 2,120,203.24
Total paid to date		R 5,175,685.87

The above payments / invoices are for site Preliminary General Items such as site establishment and earth works / civil works. All of the above invoices where paid directly to the main contractor since none of the works where ceded to a third party. According to the information received from the Implementing Agent (DPW&I), the main contractor sub-contracted some of the earth works to **Lemac Construction** who in turn hired construction machinery from **L&L Plant Hire** to execute this service. This according to the IA resulted in a dispute between the main contractor and the sub-contractor. If the two parties entered into a formal JBCC sub-contracting agreement, the matter can be taken to the dispute resolution board. The Department of Education of Education will however, mediate in this matter.

The total cost of the project is **R 71 126 721.23**.

The time frames for completion of the project is **twenty months**

Financial Investigations were conducted by the Thabo Mofutsanyana education District: Finance Unit. The report detailing the findings has been sent to the Director: Employee Relation for further investigation and necessary disciplinary action.

No criminal charges were laid against the principal. The procedure stated in 99.1 was however followed.

The matter has been referred to Employee relations for possible institution of misconduct charges. The action taken by the District is a recommendation to the HOD for the suspension of the principal while the investigations and possible disciplinary action are being finalized.

415. Hon. R Jankielsohn (DA) asks the Hon. MEC responsible for PW&I: Ms. D Mance.

In view of delays in completion of the Breda School Hostel at Fouriesburg:

1. Who are the respective contractors who have been contracted to work on the project since its inception?
2. What were the respective (a) budgets, (b) amounts paid, (c) starting dates, (d) proposed completion dates, (e) dates of abandonment and (f) reasons for abandonment of each respective contractor on the project?
3. Is there currently a contractor on site? If not, why not? If so, (a) who is the contractor, (b) what is their budget, (c) what has been paid to the contractor, (d) what are the respective services meant to be provided by the contractor?
4. What is the latest proposed date for completion of the contract?

NO RESPONSE

RESPONSE 01/08/2025

GT Molefe construction

What were the respective (a) budgets, (b) amounts paid, (c) starting dates, (d) proposed completion dates, (e) dates of abandonment and (f) reasons for abandonment of each respective contractor on the project?

Since the inception of the project on 29 February 2019, GT Molefe Construction was contracted as the main service provider. The total allocated budget for the project stands at R83,883,327.33. To date, GT Molefe has received payments amounting to R27,318,632.80. Additional payments were made to entities to which portions of the work were ceded, including Kaykaysim (R4,195,716.22), Abeco (R496,660.00), Ikhepu (R421,365.29), Frela (R417,055.32), and Hardware Mecca (R1,125,942.59). While the project was initially slated for completion by 27 February 2026, GT Molefe ultimately ceded the works to Namcon Construction, effectively marking the date of abandonment. The cession arrangement was the primary reason for the discontinuation of direct involvement by GT Molefe and its cession recipients.

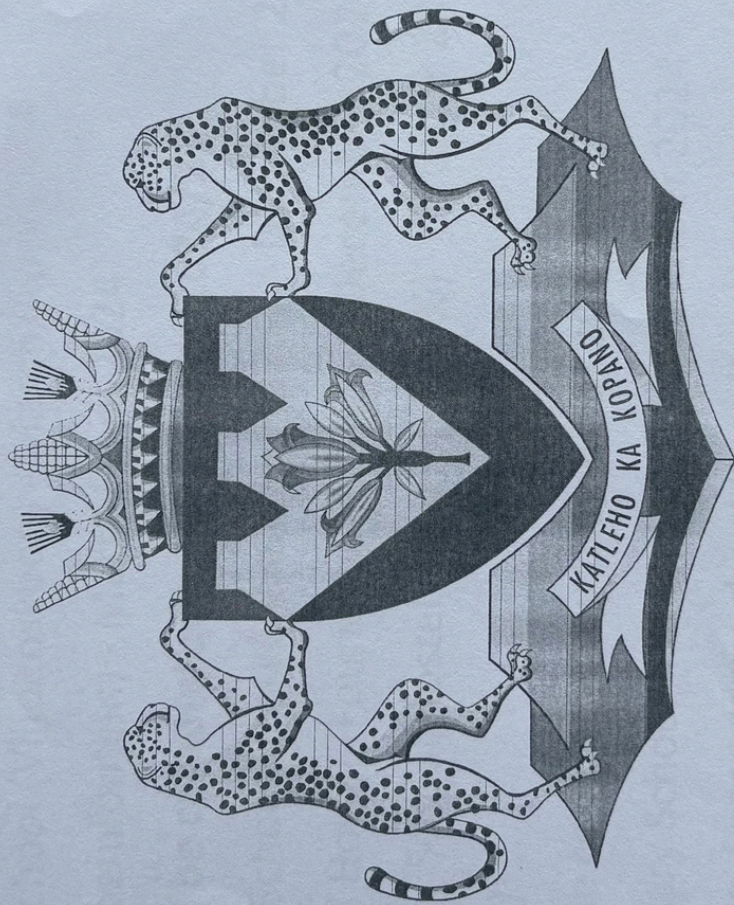
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Yes, there is currently a contractor on site Namcon Construction responsible for executing the remaining scope of the project. With an allocated budget of R33,842,232.87, Namcon has already received R31,326,352.55 in payments for their ongoing work. Their services encompass a wide range of activities including mechanical and electrical works, joinery and sanitary ware installation, paint and flooring, as well as external stormwater drainage systems.

What is the latest proposed date for completion of the contract?

The anticipated completion date for the project is 28 February 2026.

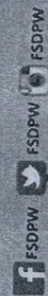
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Summary of Project Implementation

Two education facilities were completed in 2024/25

Dr Sello Primary School (Viljoenskoon) - March/April 2024

Eureka Hostel (Bloemfontein) - March/April 2024

Three hostels will be completed by the end of 2024/25

Leboneng Special School Hostel (Welkom) (97%) - December 2024

Breda Farm School Hostel (Fouriesburg) (85%) - December 2024 - 2019 - R5 175 685,87

Oranjekrag Primary School Hostel (Xhariep) (98%) - October 2024 (Completed ahead of schedule)

Two schools will be completed by the end of 2024/25

Father Balink Primary School (Parys) (72%) - December 2024

Katleho Mpumelelo Secondary School (Sasolburg) (92%) - November 2024

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Closed farm School

Total R71m
24 months
Complete: 2021