



## **EASTERN CAPE PROVINCE HOSTED THE LAST HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT PROVINCIAL COORDINATION FORUM (HRDPCF) MEETING OF 2016.**

The quarterly meeting of the Human Resource Development Provincial Coordination Forum (HRDPCF) met on 08 December 2016 at the Premier Regent Hotel in East London.

The HRD Provincial Coordination Forum was established with the mandate of creating a link between the Human Resource Development Council (HRDC) and activities at provincial level. The forum is a platform where Provinces provide feedback on the implementation of the HRD strategy.

The Department of Higher Education and Training made a presentation on Technical Vocational Education and Training Management Information System (TVETMIS). The system manages information relating to TVET colleges as part of the department's efforts to ensure a credible institutional mechanism for skills planning in line with Outcome 5. As part of their HRD provincial reporting relating to TVET colleges, provinces were encouraged to access data from TVETMIS through the Department of Higher Education and Training.

The Eastern Cape Province, reported that, in terms of its HRD initiatives, their focus is on the youth through Artisan development and Graduate placements. The two maritime high schools are focusing on skills related to, oil and gas, marine governance, marine protection and port development around the Eastern Cape. The Province has increased funding for training and placing of interns, as a result the intake of interns will be increased from 1000 to 3000 interns.

The Limpopo Province highlighted the training of air traffic controllers some of whom will be placed at the East London Airport. Limpopo is also piloting a project on placement of interns across various skills both within government and industry.

The Northern Cape key focus is to ensure that young people in the province have adequate information with regards to career development and placements. The other key focus of the Northern Cape is growing the Economy within the green economy sector. This project is linked to the Strategic Infrastructure Projects in the province.

The KZN Province stated that the ETDP SETA has allocated some funds to the Durban University of Technology in contributing towards the Production of Academics (New Generation of Academics Project).

The forum will sit again on 06 April 2017 and the host province will be the Free State.

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