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Mpumalanga Provincial Executive Committee engages with Gert Sibande District municipalities

During the Provincial Executive Committee (PEC) meeting held on the 22nd of March 2017, it was resolved that the PEC meetings be held in District Municipalities on a rotational basis. The aim of rotating the PEC meetings is to provide a platform for municipalities to engage with the SALGA Provincial Executive Committee (PEC) members.

On the 15th of August 2019, the SALGA Mpumalanga Provincial Executive Committee had an engagement with Executive Mayors and Municipal Managers within the Gert Sibande district (Gert Sibande District Municipality and its local municipalities - Mkhondo, Msukaligwa, Chief Albert, Dipaleseng, Govan Mbeki, Pixley ka Isaka Seme and Lekwa) in order to better understand and take stock of where we currently are since the beginning of the local government term began and to determine further support programmes that the organisation provides to municipalities.

This engagement is guided and focuses on the 5 Pillars of the Back-to-Basics Programme which are:

- 1) Putting people and their concerns first;
- 2) Supporting the delivery of municipal services to the right quality and standard;
- 3) Promoting good governance, transparency and accountability;
- 4) Ensuring sound financial management and accounting;
- 5) Building institutional resilience and administrative capability

As part of his Opening Remarks, the Mpumalanga Provincial Chairperson Cllr. Muzi Chirwa said, "This is a crucial time for us to reflect on our ability to provide ethical leadership and good governance".

The district and all the local municipalities presented on their progress thus far, based on these 5 Back-to-Basics Pillars.

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