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## PLEASE DO NOT IGNORE SAFETY REGULATIONS AT RAIL LEVEL CROSSINGS, URGES DEPARTMENT

**PEDESTRIANS, motorists and cyclists often ignore booms and warning signals at railway level crossings, sometimes with fatal consequences.**

In August 2010 ten school children died when the driver of a minibus allegedly passed nine waiting vehicles at the Buttskop crossing in Blackheath and collided with a train. In October 2010 a woman died when the car she was travelling in collided with a train at a crossing near Paarl. Both incidents allegedly happened because safety regulations had been ignored.

The Western Cape Department of Transport and Public Works, in co-operation with the City of Cape Town and Metrorail, called a level crossing mini-summit in November last year to address fatalities at such crossings. A task team was established to look at what measures could be implemented to ensure greater safety.

In its report the task team said the most important thing was for people to change their attitudes and take responsibility for their actions. The team identified

six dangerous crossings and categorised them according to risks. The report said the education of users was one of the first things that had to happen. Other recommendations made by the team include technical and engineering changes, as well as enforcing safety regulations diligently.

Three of the crossings are situated in the Cape Town Metropolitan area and three in the Cape Winelands district. The metropolitan crossings are in White and Military Roads in Steenberg,

and Buttskop Way in Blackheath. The others are at Kromme Rhee near Koelenhof, Vlaeberg Road near Lynedoch, and Muldersvlei Road near Muldersvlei.

The Task Team is exploring private sector funding options. Interested parties can contact the Ministry of Transport and Public Works at 021 483 2200 or email [info@safelyhome.co.za](mailto:info@safelyhome.co.za). Interventions such as booms and access control barriers will be dependent on receiving funding assistance from the private sector or national government.



People's flagrant disregard for safety rules at railway crossings is one of the major reasons for accidents and fatalities at such spots. At this crossing people are ignoring a boom that goes down when a train approaches. (Photo: *The Independent Cape*)



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## EDITORIAL

**The financial year of the Western Cape Department of Transport and Public Works ended on 31 March 2011. In 2010/2011, the Department made significant strides to provide a better life for all in the Western Cape, while trying to create an open society so that all can live lives that they value.**

The Safely Home Campaign which aims to reduce road deaths by 50 percent by 2014 started in 2009/10 and major successes were achieved in 2010/2011. The campaign focuses on a number of strategies, ranging from tougher actions against those who speed, targeting those who drive while drunk, to targeting drivers of vehicles that are not roadworthy.

The department started to name and shame those who had been caught and convicted of driving drunk. It started to play an active role to ensure that users of railway crossings obey safety rules. The department's aim to contribute towards quality education in the province continued unabated and it built a number of primary and secondary schools in 2010.

Through road construction the department created thousands of jobs. In the process it provided motorists and commuters with safe passages to carry them to work and home, and to other destinations.

Hundreds of jobs were created through the building of hospitals. In 2010 the Department handed

over the emergency unit at the Paarl Hospital to the Department of Health. In Mitchells Plain and Khayelitsha construction is on schedule to complete hospitals in those areas.

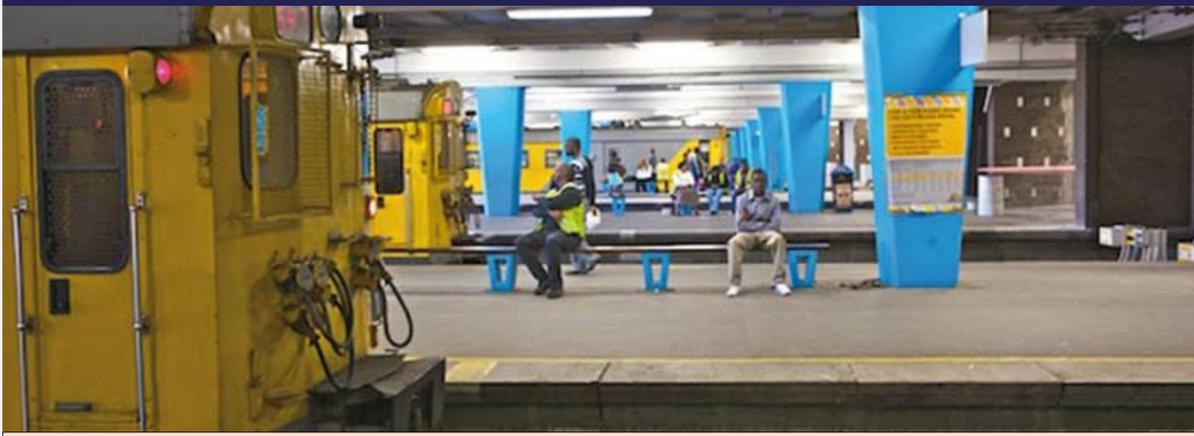
The technical skills shortage that is prevalent countrywide is hampering economic growth. Eight diesel mechanical apprentices employed by the department started their practical training in 2011 after completing their foundation phase in 2010.

In September 2010, the public transport business unit of the department that was based at Goulburn centre in Goodwood relocated to the Vangate Shared Service Centre in Athlone. Since relocation, the staff of the unit received numerous accolades for improving their service.

A new Head of Department was appointed in December 2010 and through his appointment the department and its staff members redirected their efforts to provide a quality service by being accountable and competent, showing integrity and responding to the needs of those they serve.

The department will continue to strive for an open opportunity society for all in the Western Cape so that people can live lives that they value.

## LATER TRAINS FOR CAPE TOWN SOUTHERN SUBURB COMMUTERS



On Monday 28 March 2011, Metrorail introduced extended commuter train services between Cape Town and Simon's Town. The existing afternoon services have been supplemented with three additional trains departing from Cape Town Station. Twenty of these afternoon trains stop at Retreat, eighteen stop at Fish Hoek and nine operate as far as Simon's Town. The trains will stop at all stations en route. The six month pilot is collaboration between Metrorail, the Provincial Ministry of Transport & Public Works and the City of Cape Town. For more information call 0800 65 64 63, or view the time table at [www.capemetrorail.co.za](http://www.capemetrorail.co.za).

## ENTHUSIASM AND 'TO GO THE EXTRA MILE' IS THE RECIPE OF THE NEW HEAD OF DEPARTMENT



Johan Fourie, the Head of Department of the Western Cape Department of Transport and Public Works.

**"After four decades in the civil service I am as enthusiastic as when I started, straight from university, to contribute towards the improvement and construction of our country."**

This is the view of Mr Johan Fourie, recently appointed Head of Department of the Western Cape Department of Transport and Public Works. Mr Fourie was appointed in December 2010 after acting for approximately 12 months.

He said the successes of his career in the civil service were based on a simple philosophy which is to do the small things right, and with enthusiasm. If you can do that, according to Mr Fourie, the big or difficult things will follow with ease.

He said his objective for the next five years was to see that his colleagues and staff perform competently. In his opinion it is not enough to expect competent performance as those who lead should also ensure their members

of staff are trained to become competent.

His daily objective is to share some of the knowledge he acquired over forty years with any staff member, as well as listening to and learning from them. According to him, successful service delivery will only happen if all civil servants abandon

the attitude that they should only do what is agreed to in their job descriptions. Mr Fourie said he would continue to encourage his colleagues and staff members to go the extra mile.

The highlight of his career was to be part of the transformation of the civil service that took place in 1994.

"It was something that only happened once in a lifetime and I was privileged to have been part of it" he said.

Mr Fourie joined the civil service in the Cape Province in 1970 and has been employed in the province since then. He listens to U2 and his favourite dishes are *braaivleis* and *potjiekos*. He is an avid reader of technical magazines that focus on transport and public works. A strong believer in the benefits of technology, Mr Fourie has great concerns about global warming.

He prefers being stuck in a lift with Amy Winehouse, rather than with Tiger Woods or Tony Blair.



The Western Cape Minister of Transport and Public Works, Robin Carlisle convened a mini summit in 2010 to address accidents at railway crossings. Here Mr. Carlisle is seen stopping a motorist who ignored safety rules at a railway crossing. (Photo: The Times)

## SAFELY HOME CAMPAIGN GETS DIVINE SUPPORT

Religious leaders from all the major faiths in the Western Cape have endorsed the Safely Home Campaign. The leaders are members of the Western Cape Religious Leaders Forum (WCRLF).

The religious leaders say their different faiths emphasised that all life is sacred and that the safety of all South Africans, drivers, passengers and pedestrians is some of their greatest concerns. They endorsed the ongoing efforts by the Western Cape Department of Transport and Public Works and traffic authorities to counter speeding and drunk driving effectively. They supported the Safely Home's message, "If you speed or drive drunk, you are a killer"



Clerics of the major faiths in the Western Cape gave their support to the Department's Safely Home Campaign. The Western Cape Minister of Transport and Public, Robin Carlisle (front, second right) with the clerics in Cape Town where they gave their support.

## SAFELY HOME: GETTING MORE WESTERN CAPE RESIDENTS HOME SAFELY



The Safely Home Awareness Drunk Operational War Room (Shadow) was launched in George last year. From left is Robin Carlisle (Minister of Transport and Public Works), Lionel Esau (Deputy-Mayor of the George Municipality), Albert Fritz (Minister of Community Safety) and Vincent Maphai (Executive Director Corporate Affairs and Transformation of SAB Miller, the sponsor).

The Safely Home Campaign aims to reduce road deaths in the Western Cape by 50 percent by 2014. Every day, on average, five people die on our roads. The campaign was officially launched during the 2009/10 budget speech of the Western Cape Minister of Transport and Public Works (DTPW), Robin Carlisle. Safely Home targets those who speed and drive while drunk. These two offences are responsible for 80 percent of deaths on our roads. That is why the campaign's message is so stark:

**IF YOU DRINK AND DRIVE OR SPEED, YOU ARE A KILLER.**

The campaign is a partnership between the DTPW, the Western Cape Departments of Health and Community Safety, the South African Police Services (SAPS), the South African National Rail Agency Limited (SANRAL), the City of Cape Town and other municipalities in the province.

DTPW has established two Safely Home Anti Drunk Driving Operations War Rooms or SHADOW. The two facilities are in Cape Town and George. Suspects caught driving drunk will be taken to one of these SHADOWs where their alcohol blood levels will be read with a machine called Dräger. They will be prosecuted if found to be over the legal limit.

## GOODBYE GOULBURN! HELLO VANGATE SHARED SERVICE CENTRE!



Albert Davids, Mitchells Plain.



Xoliswa Lamani, Nyanga.



Vanessa van der Walt, Goodwood.

Service Delivery at the Provincial Operating Licencing Board (POLB) at the Vangate Shared Service Centre is getting thumbs up!

This was the feeling among clients at the Athlone Shared Service Centre who visited the facility for transport business. Since moving from Goulburn Centre in Goodwood to Athlone in September 2010, staff indicated they too are adapting well.

The convenience of the location of the centre and business-like approach of the staff are recognised by clients as the two main features of service delivery improvements. Besides the convenience of location, clients identified, the cleanliness of the facility, the fast and efficient service, as well as the punctuality and friendliness of the staff as other improvements. However, not all were happy with the relocation. To some it meant the inconvenience of having to travel further, while others regard the new approach to clients as cold and impersonal. Here are some of their comments.

- I am very satisfied with the service at the Vangate. This

type of service is long overdue. Travelling from Lakeside to Goulburn in Goodwood was a tiring journey and the traffic made it even worse. At Goulburn I often had to wait the whole day to get service as the queues were very long. The new type of cubicles at Vangate is ideal for the improvement of services – **Toyer Cozyn, Lakeside (T Cab CC).**

- I live in Gugulethu and the new centre is much nearer to us than Goulburn was. Goulburn was too congested and one often did not know if you were coming or going. I definitely prefer Vangate to Goulburn – **Norman de Beer, Gugulethu (Ipi Ntombi Tourism).**

- I prefer Goulburn to Vangate. Vangate is cold, impersonal, the waiting room is too big and it is bare. Just to get inside the centre is so impersonal. Goulburn was convenient as I lived close to it – **Vanessa van der Walt of Goodwood.**

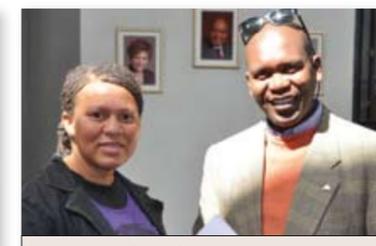
- I definitely prefer Vangate. The service has improved and the place is much nicer, not smudgy as Goulburn. I live in Goodwood and Goulburn was conveniently situated but, in spite of that convenience I would still prefer Vangate – **Ricardo Dirkse, Goodwood (Minibus Taxi owner).**

- The service definitely improved since the move to Vangate. Service is up to date, punctual, and friendlier. There is a vast difference between Vangate and Goulburn. My only concern is the lack of parking. It was shortsighted not to consider a practical aspect like parking – **Albert Davids, Mitchells Plain.**

- Service at Vangate is very bad. Goulburn was better as I could walk straight into an official's office and get service. Here we have to check in, get photographed and cannot get that personal service from officials – **Xoliswa Lamani, Nyanga.**



Toyer Cozyn, Lakeside (T Cab CC) and Mario Ruiters (Department of Transport and Public Works).



Norman de Beer, Gugulethu (Ipi Ntombi Tourism) and Melinda Japhta (Department of Transport and Public Works).



The Shared Service Centre in Athlone

## DRUNK DRIVERS BEWARE! IF CAUGHT, YOU'LL BE NAMED AND SHAMED.

If you get caught driving drunk, you will be named and shamed! This is the latest tactic used by the Department of Transport and Public Works to end road deaths. If you get caught driving while drunk, are convicted of culpable homicide or are disqualified for applying for a learner's, the department places your name on a list of offenders who committed those offences. The list is frequently published in newspapers. Below is a list of offenders who had their names published:

October 2010

First name	Surname	Date of birth	Town where offence committed	Court where prosecution took place	Penalty 1	Penalty 2
Sandile	Mombuwu	6/10/1977	Ceres	Villiersdorp	Licence suspended for 12 months	12 months in jail
Natasha Sarah	Fourie	6/23/1976	Mossel Bay	Mosselbaai	Licence suspended for 18 months	2 years in jail 3 years in jail
Mxolisi	Bolly	8/18/1962	Grabouw	Worcester	Licence suspended for 36 months	3 years in jail
Ntikaya	Zengethwa	12/1/1976	Mosselbaai	Mosselbaai	Endorsement and suspended for 24 months	3 years in jail
Livingstone Sonwabo	Langeni	11/25/1967	Rivier-sonderend	Rivier-sonderend	Licence suspended for 30 years	6 Months in jail
Diederick	Visser	11/16/1982	Rivier-sonderend	Rivier-sonderend	Licence suspended for 9 months	6 Months in jail
James William	Liberty	1/31/1959	Bellville	Kuils River	Disqualified for applying for learners or drivers licence, suspended for 24 months	R8000.00 or 24 months in jail
Lunga	Msebenzi	3/26/1969		Knysna	Licence suspended for 2 years	Periodical jail sentence of 2000 hours
Edwill	Timm	2/22/1986	Worcester	Worcester	Licence suspended for 6 months	R1000.00 or 6 months in jail
Thabo	Mbi	3/15/1969	Cape Town	Swellendam	Licence suspended for 6 months as well as Endorsement	R10000.00 or 2 years in jail
Henrico	Smit	8/15/1980	Kuils River	Bellville	Endorsement	R12000.00 or 12 months in jail
Saul	Swart	1/21/1961	Elsies River	Bellville	Licence suspended for 6 months	R12000.00 or 18 months in jail
Windsor	Dash	9/11/1968	Belhar	Bellville	Licence suspended for 6 months	R12000.00 or two years in jail
Veli Zolile	Moyile	12/6/1983	Worcester	Worcester	Licence suspended for 6 months	R1500.00 or 8 months in jail
Cassien	Trenose	12/9/1966	Worcester	Worcester	Licence suspended for 6 months	R1600.00 or 8 months in jail
Titus	Van Rooy	10/4/1963	Belhar	Worcester	Licence suspended for 6 months	R2000.00 or 6 months in jail
Frederick	Le Grange	7/17/1987	Mitchells Plain	Bluedowns	Licence suspended for 5 years	R2000.00 or 6 months in jail
Aubrey	Klaasen	4/29/1967		Montague	Licence suspended	R2400.00 or 12 months in jail
David Gerald	Flink	7/14/1976	Worcester	Worcester	Disqualified for applying for learners or drivers licence, suspended for 24 months	R2500.00 or 12 months in jail
Stephanus	Agenbacht	4/1/1964	Worcester	Worcester	Licence suspended for 6 months	R2500.00 or 8 months in jail
Daniel	Rosenkrantz	9/23/1972	Worcester	Worcester	Licence suspended for 6 months	R2500.00 or 8 months in jail
Vuyo	Tsholiba	5/21/1981	Worcester	Worcester	Licence suspended for 6 months	R2500.00 or 8 months in jail
Siyabonga	Mabizela	4/4/1989	Worcester	Worcester	Learners Licence suspended for 24 months	R2500.00 or 9 months in jail
Dawid	Witbooi	4/29/1965	Swellendam	Swellendam	Endorsement	R3000.00 or 1 year in jail

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Edmond	Mitchell	10/16/1964	Worcester	Worcester	Licence suspended for 6 months	R3000.00 or 12 months in jail
Andrew	Hannie	8/26/1964	Worcester	Worcester	Licence suspended for 6 months	R3000.00 or 12 months in jail
Koos	Devlam	11/28/1972	Barrydale	Swellendam	Endorsement	R3000.00 or 30 months in jail
Steven	Andrews	4/16/1972	Kraaifontein	Kuils River	Endorsement, and cannot apply for drivers licence for 6 months	R3000.00 or 6 months in jail
Maxon	Makeleni	3/5/1979	Worcester	Worcester	Licence suspended for 12 months	R3000.00 or 8 months in jail
Leon	Skova	11/17/1968	Worcester	Worcester	Disqualified for applying for learners or drivers licence, suspended for 6 months	R3000.00 or 8 months in jail
Henzil	Vorster	6/6/1982	Piketberg	Piketberg	Licence suspended for 4 years	R3000.00 or 9 months in jail
Jolan	De Koker	4/3/1977	Worcester	Worcester	Licence suspended for 2 years	R3500.00 or 12 months in jail
Antonie	Van Zyl	10/18/1945	Touwsrivier	Worcester	Licence suspended	R5000.00 or 18 months in jail
MP	Mbenyane	9/8/1973	Mossel Bay	Swellendam	Endorsement	R6000.00 or 12 months in jail
Themkosi	Mvoto	1/26/1980	Cape Town	Swellendam	Endorsement	R6000.00 or 12 months in jail
David	Sowambi	3/21/1974	Cape Town	Swellendam	Licence suspended for 12 months	R6000.00 or 12 months in jail
Johan Paul	Rheeder	1978/03/0	Mossel Bay	Mossel Bay	Licence suspended for 3 years	R6000.00 or 12 months in jail
WM	Gouws	5/25/1957	Brackenfell	Worcester	Licence suspended for 12 months	R6000.00 or 18 months in jail
Delmaine Wesley	January	4/8/1978	Cape Town	Wynberg	Disqualified for applying for a learners or drivers licence for 6 months	R6000.00 or 6 months in jail
AN Musa	Qinisile	11/1/1982	Langa	Bishop Lavis	Licence suspended for 12 months	R7000.00 or 7 months in jail
Gerswin Peter	Schaffers	10/10/1983	Elsies River	Bellville	Endorsement	R8000.00 or 18 months in jail
Vivian Steven	De Waal	12/23/1985	Parow Valley	Bellville	Endorsement	R8000.00 or 24 months in jail
Shaun	Varrie	3/18/1964	Strandfontein Village	Wynberg	Licence suspended for 4 months	R8000.00 or 8 months in jail
Gideon Vincent	Jones	6/1/1982	Mitchells Plain	Wynberg	Licence suspended for 6 months	R8000.00 or 8 months in jail
Johannes Petrus Nicholas	Van Rensburg	4/4/1982	Bellville	Bellville	Endorsement	R8000.00 or 8 months in jail
Kapache	Victor	1/18/1968	Belhar	Bellville	Endorsement	R8000.00 or 8 months in jail
Patrick Edward	Cupido	9/17/1953	Belhar	Bellville	Endorsement	R9000.00 or 31 months in jail

November 2010

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Jaquiline	Smit	4/6/1968	Velddrift	Laaipek	Licence Suspended for 6 months	R3000.00 or 6 months in jail
Christopher	Scheffers	4/7/1958	Velddrift	Laaipek	Licence Suspended for 6 months	R3000.00 or 6 months in jail
Aubrey	Steenkam	9/3/1962	Kwanonqaba	Mossel Bay	Licence Suspended for 5 years	2½ years in jail

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Charles Piet	Aarons	9/12/1980	Vredendal Noord	Lutzville	Licence Suspended for 6 months	R6000.00 or 15 months in jail
Dennis	Hendricks	2/3/1974	Lavender Hill	Bluedowns	Disqualified from obtaining a learners or drivers licence for 6 months	
Celeste	Jacobs	8/28/1977	Eersterivier	Bluedowns	Disqualified from obtaining a learners or drivers licence for 6 months	R2000.00 or 6 months in jail
Adenaan	Solomons	3/31/1989	Hanover Park	Wynberg	Disqualified from obtaining a learners or drivers licence for 6 months	R8000.00 or 12 months in jail
Harold	Februarie	2/15/1961	Blackheath	Bluedowns	Disqualified from obtaining a learners or drivers licence for 6 months	R4000.00 or 12 months in jail
Ivor Roger	Fraser	5/28/1968	Mamre	Atlantis	Licence Suspended for 6 months	R6000.00 or 12 months in jail, 12 months house arrest with 24 hours per month community service
Daniel Wilfred	Slinger	8/3/1984	Mossel Bay	Mossel Bay	Disqualified from obtaining a learners or drivers licence for 24 months	R4000.00 or 6 months in jail
Willie Johannes	Adendorf	3/2/1969	Ashton	Swellendam	Disqualified from obtaining a learners or drivers licence for 6 months	R3000.00 or 6 months in jail
Marelize	September	10/5/1984	Swellendam	Swellendam	Endorsement	R6000.00 or 12 months in jail
Sidney	Gertse	12/17/1970	Swellendam	Swellendam	Endorsement	R10000.00 or 24 months in jail
Jan Johannes	Du Bruyn	3/7/1968	Swellendam	Swellendam	Endorsement	R6000.00 or 12 months in jail
Peter Eduardo	Phillander	3/25/1987	Riversonderend	Swellendam	Endorsement	R6000.00 or 12 months in jail
Willie	Huisamen	3/20/1961	Parow	Goodwood	Licence Suspended for 6 months	R8000.00 or 8 months in jail
Daniel Johannes	De Villiers	7/9/1964	Parow Valley	Goodwood	Licence Suspended for 5 years	R15000.00 or 300 days in jail
Ricardo	Mongo	6/30/1991	Swellendam	Swellendam	Disqualified from obtaining a learners or drivers licence for 12 months	R4000.00 or 12 months in jail
Joseph Andre	Jonkers	11/30/1979	Belhar	Belville	Endorsement	R5000.00 or 9 months in jail
Tanya	Best	10/17/1965	Belville	Belville	Licence Suspended for 6 months	R8000.00 or 18 months in jail, 18 months house arrest with 16 hours per month community service
Emmanuel Jackson	April	1/12/1982	Delft	Belville	Disqualified from obtaining a learners or drivers licence for 6 months	R7000.00 or 18 months in jail
Cithonica Mildred	Monty	8/26/1958	Stellenbosch	Bellville	Disqualified from obtaining a learners or drivers licence for 6 months	R4000.00 or six months in jail
Samuel	Van Der Berg	2/4/1949	Ravensmead	Bellville	Amendment	R10000.00 or 10 months in jail
Dylan Velcro	Coetzee	12/7/1979	Durbanville	Bellville	Endorsement	R10000.00 or 10 months in jail
Thomas	Plaatjies	4/25/1963	Suurbraak	Swellendam	Licence suspended for 12 months	R14000.00 or 36 months in jail
Hans	Hendricks	11/10/1959	Mitchells Plain	Athlone	Licence suspended for 12 months	R4000.00 or 6 months in jail

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Nico	van Wyk	4/14/1971	Stellenbosch	Villiersdorp	Licence suspended for 2 months	6 months in jail
Wilfred	Suswana	8/17/1981	Onrus	Villiersdorp	Disqualified from obtaining a learners or drivers licence for 24 months	6 months in jail
Dawid Johannes	Kroukamp	3/16/1967	Riversonderend	Riversonderend	Licence suspended for 1 month	R1000.00 or 2 months in jail
Jeffrey	Josef	12/6/1973	Swellendam	Swellendam	Disqualified from obtaining a learners or drivers licence for 12 months	R6000.00 or 12 months in jail
Sikhum-buzo	Matshikwe	12/23/1973	Bonnievale	Swellendam	Endorsement	R6000.00 or 12 months in jail
Sarienus Stephan	Ockers	4/25/1963	Swellendam	Swellendam	Endorsement	R6000.00 or 12 months in jail
Ettiene	Williams	8/7/1979	Abbotsdale	Malmesbury	Disqualified from obtaining a learners or drivers licence for 6 months	R8000.00 or 8 months in jail
Joseph Rutatso	Ponoene	3/3/1977	Bloekombos	Malmesbury	Disqualified from obtaining a learners or drivers licence for 12 months	R6000.00 or 18 months in jail
Ndumiso Jereph	Jan	2/15/1965	Darling	Malmesbury	Disqualified from obtaining a learners or drivers licence for 12 months	R9000.00 or 18 months in jail
Frans	Matroos	9/27/1956	Mitchells Plain	Swellendam	Endorsement	R6000.00 or 12 months in jail
Edwin	Jonker	11/20/1988	Villiersdorp	Villiersdorp	Disqualified from obtaining a learners or drivers licence for 24 months	6 months in jail
Josias Marthinus	Booi	8/4/1961	Caledon	Caledon	Disqualified from obtaining a learners or drivers licence for 6 months	R2000.00 or 6 months in jail
Fredrick Jacob	Pheiffer	7/23/1964	Hawston	Villiersdorp	Licence Suspended for 2 months	6 months in jail
Lucas	Lebenya	3/15/1959	Sexfield	Swellendam	Endorsement	R4000.00 or 20 months in jail
Marcelle	Windvogel	4/12/1984	Swellendam	Swellendam	Disqualified from obtaining a learners or drivers licence for 12 months	R6000.00 or 12 months in jail
Randall	Pietersen	4/12/1984	Swellendam	Swellendam	Endorsement	R6000.00 or 12 months in jail

December 2010

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Saul Jonathan	Facolyn	2/15/1962	Atlantis	Atlantis	Licence Suspended for 6 months	R8000.00 or 12 months in jail
Ronaldo	Meyer	20/12/1986	Atlantis	Atlantis	Licence Suspended for 6 months	R6000.00 or 12 months in jail
Mbulelo	Hlalukana	1/27/1984	Worcester	Bellville	Endorsement	R8000.00 or 8 months in jail
Jermaele	Johnson	10/20/1985	Belhar	Bellville	Disqualified from obtaining a learners or drivers licence for 6 months	R6000.00 or 6 months in jail
Nandisiwe	Kema	6/3/1977	Gugulethu	Bellville	Endorsement	R6000.00 or 6 months in jail

## BEWARE! SPEEDING CAN COST YOU YOUR LICENCE AND YOU COULD END UP IN JAIL!

If you speed and are caught, don't be surprised if you get arrested and then prosecuted. In the process you can also lose your licence.

Section 35 of the National Road Traffic Act was amended to introduce stricter and more drastic penalties for speeding offences. Those penalties will support the Western Cape Department of Transport and Public Works' Safely Home Campaign, which aims to reduce deaths on the province's roads by 50 percent by 2014.

According to the changes drivers who drive more than 30km/h over the speed limit in urban areas, and 40km/h over the speed limit outside urban areas, can have their licences automatically suspended.

The new penalties for speeding are part of section (35) of the National Road Traffic Regulations. Other changes to the Road Traffic Law are:

- It is an offence to cheat during a learner's licence test.
- Vehicles registered before 1 August 2010, must have their number plates fitted with pop rivets or screws and not with two-sided tape.
- If you obtained a driver's licence for heavy vehicles before 1 February 2011, you will still be allowed to drive a light motor vehicle, using the same heavy vehicle licence.
- The law requires that there should be prescribed forms for road accident reports.
- All minibus and midibus vehicles transporting paying

passengers will have to be fitted with a directional stability control device that minimises the risk of the vehicle losing control when drivers brake suddenly. However, this requirement will only be enforced once the technical specifications for the equipment have been approved.

- All roadworthy certifications for bought vehicles will only be valid for 21 days instead of six months.
- The period of validity for roadworthy certificates for all buses with licences that expire after 30 November 2010 will be six months. In other words, those buses will have to undergo a roadworthy test every six months.



A Provincial Traffic Police Officer explaining to a motorist how the changes to the National Road Traffic Act will be enforced.

## REVAMPING OF PAARL EMERGENCY CENTRE A LIFESAVER FOR PEOPLE OF THE PROVINCE

People from all over the province who are in need of emergency medical services will now be able to get lifesaving treatment at the Paarl Hospital's emergency centre. The centre was built as part of the upgrading of the Paarl Hospital. The upgrading cost R18.2 million. The centre serves as an entry point for anyone with a life-threatening injury and it was completed last year.



The Minister of Transport and Public Works, Robin Carlisle (far right), officially opened the Emergency Unit at the Paarl Hospital. He was joined by staff members of the Hospital and officials of the Western Cape Department of Health.

Staff at the Paarl Hospital treat approximately 35 000 emergency patients every month. The emergency centre was designed to include durable low maintenance fittings that can take the strain. Besides attending to critical patients, the centre will provide gynaecological, internal

medicinal, paediatrics, surgery and dermatological (treatment of skin) services.

The centre also hosts a separate ambulance and walk-in entrance,

a decontamination room and a divided area for minor, major and resuscitation patients, as well as a separate waiting area for patients and families.

## CAPE FLATS HOSPITALS ON TRACK TO BE COMPLETED AS PLANNED



Mitchells Plain hospital.

The construction of the Khayelitsha and Mitchells Plain hospitals in Cape Town is progressing steadily and the Khayelitsha facility can be completed as early as June 2011. The combined cost of construction of the two facilities is over R1 billion.

Construction at the Khayelitsha Hospital started in February 2009. When completed, the hospital will provide health services to more than 3.9 million people. More than 75 percent of the construction budget has been spent and this

percentage amounts to more than R340 million. The final cost to complete the hospital is going to be approximately R541 million.

Approximately 1894 unskilled employment opportunities have been created, approximately 1451 skilled opportunities, approximately 230 opportunities for women, 1841 for the youth, 22 for people with disabilities, approximately 24 opportunities for those released from prison and eight opportunities for those who went through drug rehabilitation programmes.

Nearly 41 percent of the work at the Mitchells Plain Hospital has been completed (approximately R121 million of the construction budget). The estimated cost to complete Mitchells Plain Hospital is approximately R506 million. Construction started in January

2010 and it is expected the hospital will be completed in December 2012.

The new Mitchells Plain Hospital will provide healthcare services to the communities of Mitchells Plain, Phumlani, Mandalay, Brown's Farm and Cross Roads.

Approximately 1735 skilled and unskilled employment opportunities have been created at the Mitchells Plain Hospital.



Khayelitsha Hospital.

## DEPARTMENT SUPPORTS UPCOMING CONSTRUCTION ENTREPRENEURS



One aspect of the department's Contractor Development Programme focuses on Women in Construction. Women who own construction companies receive extensive support from the department to ensure their businesses benefit from the many departmental projects.

### Are you an artisan or worker in the building industry but would now like to start your own company, compete for government tenders or sub-contract on big projects? If so, read on!

The Western Cape Department of Transport and Public Works is driving a Contractor Development Programme aimed at helping upcoming contractors in the building industry. Special focus is given to woman in construction. To be part of the programme you must have a registered business. You must also be registered with the Construction Industry Development Board (CIDB).

Your registration at the CIDB and your subsequent grading depends on your experience at managing a business coupled with the type

of contracts and projects you have completed. Your grading increases as you acquire more experience. After the registration of your business and the registration with the CIDB, the department will assist you with training. Before the training starts information sessions are held in April and May each year for those who want to be part of the programme.

The information sessions are done through municipalities in the province. The sessions last between one and three days. Those sessions give the department an opportunity to determine what the needs of participants of the programme may be.

After the information session the department provides those who participate in the programme with support. During the course of one

year they are taught how to manage cash flows, how to complete tender documents and what they need to do to properly apply for tenders. They are also taught about legal issues such as occupational safety, as well as labour law.

During this training period special attention is given to businesses owned by women. They are given a special programme of participation, some of them will receive assistance with the roll-out and implementation of their business plans, and they receive support to develop marketing strategies. Women-owned construction companies can also compete for the annual women in Construction Awards.

**For more information about our Contractor Development Programme, please call 021 483 2412.**

## APPRENTICES NOW APPLYING WHAT THEY HAVE LEARNT

Eight apprentices who were placed in the Bellville Workshop Apprenticeship Programme are now doing their practical training within the Department of Transport and Public Works. "The Apprenticeship Mechanical Training School has been operating for the past 50 years but had to close down for two years because posts were placed on moratorium in 1994 and we could not get a training officer", said Mr Rodney Oliver, Manager at Bellville Workshop.

The school was re-opened in April last year and eight students aged between 18 and 21 were placed as apprentices. At the beginning of this year all eight apprentices started with their practical training and placed within the department as follows:

- 1 Ceres DRE office
- 1 Oudtshoorn DRE office
- 2 Bellville Workshop
- 1 Overberg
- 1 George
- 1 Central Karoo and
- 1 West Coast.

The apprentices are placed on the apprenticeship programme which includes foundation, technical and practical training to become qualified artisans. They are then



Jason Standish, one of the diesel mechanic apprentices, at the Bellville Workshop.



Elnico Louw and Aubrey Ruiters applying the knowledge they acquired in the foundation phase of their apprenticeships.

placed on a four year contract with the Department of Transport and Public Works in which they have to complete the training. In the fourth year they are required to do a trade test and when successful they will be able to work anywhere in the world as artisans. After the programme they can study engineering at any university or technikon of their choice.

"I feel that we have been trained very well and I believe I can tackle any task at hand, as I have a better understanding of the technical aspects of the job and I do everything at the best of my ability," said Jason Standish one of the apprentice placed at the Ceres DRE office.

"In the programme each apprentice has to make a G-Clamp (G-Clamp is a fastening device to hold or secure objects tightly together to prevent movement or separation through the application of inward pressure). This has developed my hand skills and was a boost to my

confidence in working with different types of tools," said Elnico Louw placed at the Bellville Workshop.

When asked whether they would recommend the programme, the reply was a resounding 'yes'. "In today's life it is hard to find a job, and I commend the Department of Transport and Public Works for offering this programme to matriculants. It gives us a stepping stone in building our future," said Aubrey Ruiters also placed at Bellville Workshop.

Every year the department is planning to recruit eight apprentices. "We have advertised for the eight apprentices to join the programme. We are only taking eight because the State Information Technology Agency (SITA) allows us to only take eight per year", said Mr Oliver.

## DEPARTMENT IN THE FOREFRONT OF BRINGING EDUCATION TO THE PEOPLE



Left picture: Learners at the Bardale Secondary School in Mfuleni during a break. Right picture: Learners in a classroom at Bardale Secondary School in Mfuleni.

The Western Cape Department of Transport and Public Works aims to deliver 37 schools between 2010 and 2014. At the beginning of 2011 the Department handed over three schools to the Department of Education.

The three schools are Bardale Secondary in Mfuleni, Wallacedene Secondary in Kraaifontein, and Claremont Secondary. All three schools are situated in Cape Town. In 2010 the Department completed Tafelberg Primary in Bothasig, Bongoletu Primary School in Nyanga, and

Naphakade Secondary in Malmesbury. Schools planned for Blue Downs, Delft and Westlake are expected to be completed in 2011.

Other schools planned for construction are: Citrusdal Secondary, Khayelitsha Secondary, Wellington Primary, Parklands Secondary, Melkbosstrand Secondary, Khanya Primary, Heidevallei Primary, Northpine Secondary, Fisantekraal Secondary, Hout Bay Primary and Grabouw Secondary.



Left: Wallacedene Secondary School in Kraaifontein. Right: Entrance to the school hall at Wallacedene Secondary School in Kraaifontein.

## UPGRADED ROAD BRINGS GREATER SAFETY TO PNIEL RESIDENTS



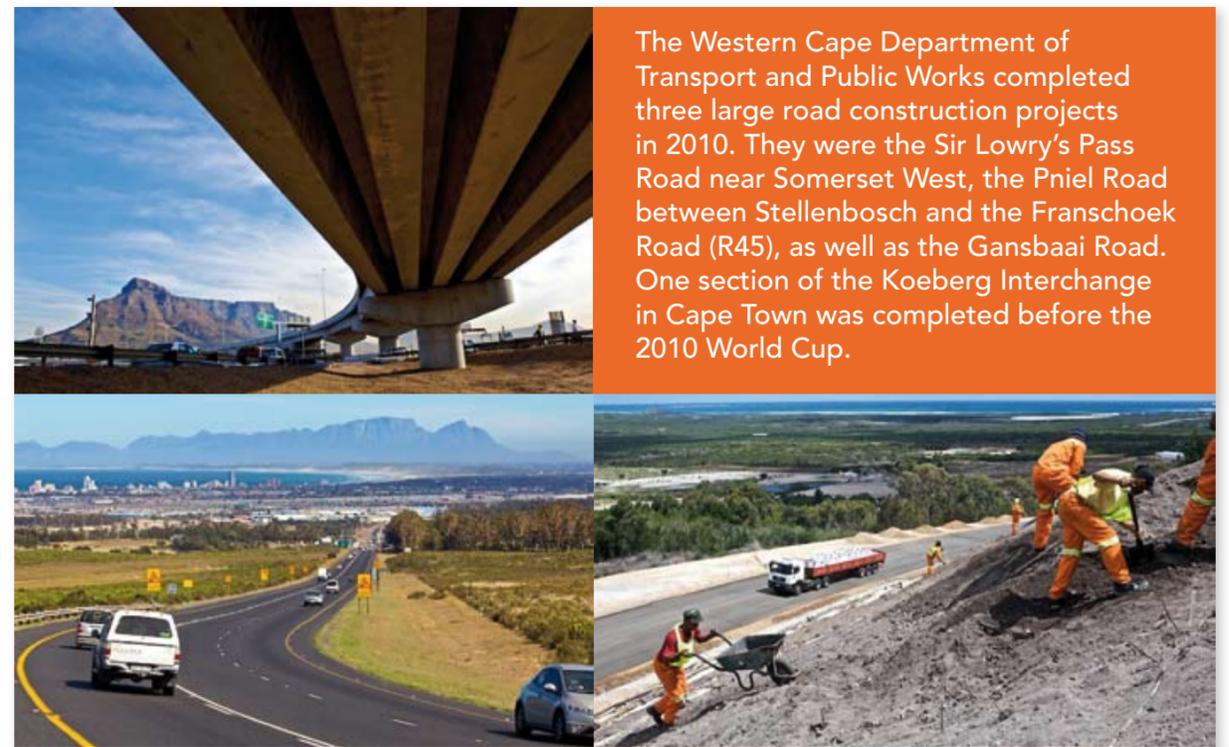
The Pniel Road.

The Pniel Road that runs from Stellenbosch through Helshoogte via Pniel to the Franschoek-road (R45) has been upgraded by the Western Cape Department of Transport and Public Works. The R80-million project was completed in December 2010.

The project provided employment and training opportunities for people from the area and 136 people benefited. The project also provided opportunities for Small, Medium and Micro Enterprises (SMMEs) and Black Economic Empowerment (BEE) contractors.

The original road was very narrow with gravel on the shoulders. The upgrading included improvements such as increase in width, specially coloured road shoulders, raised pedestrian crossings, paved sidewalks, bus and taxi bays, improved drainage, road signs, road markings, and street lighting.

The upgrading has improved traffic flow, provided safer conditions for pedestrians, and enhanced the way the area looks. Approximately 4 200 vehicles use the 5.8 km road daily.

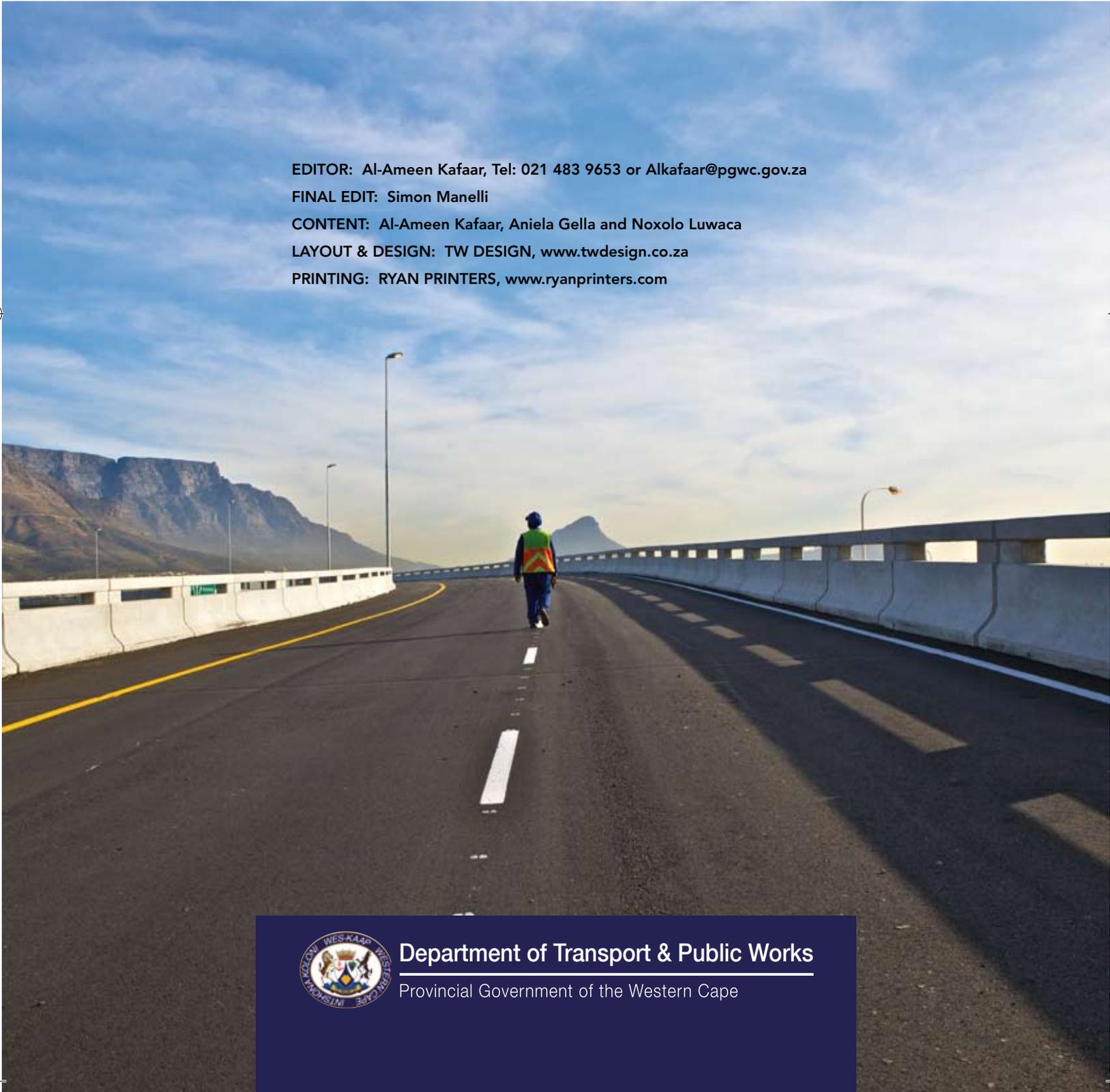


The Western Cape Department of Transport and Public Works completed three large road construction projects in 2010. They were the Sir Lowry's Pass Road near Somerset West, the Pniel Road between Stellenbosch and the Franschoek Road (R45), as well as the Gansbaai Road. One section of the Koeberg Interchange in Cape Town was completed before the 2010 World Cup.

Above right: Koeberg Interchange. Bottom right: Sir Lowry's Pass. Bottom left: Construction of the Gansbaai Road was labour intensive and provided employment for the community of that town.



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