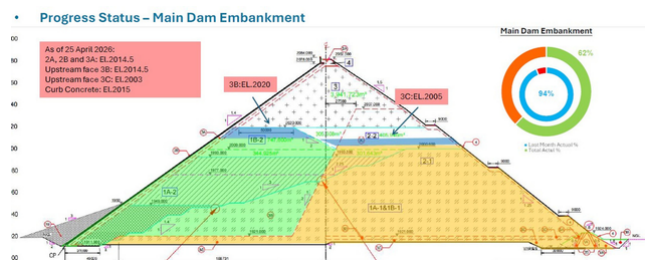


POLIHALI DAM CONSTRUCTION REACHES KEY MILESTONES AHEAD OF CONCRETE FACE SLAB WORKS

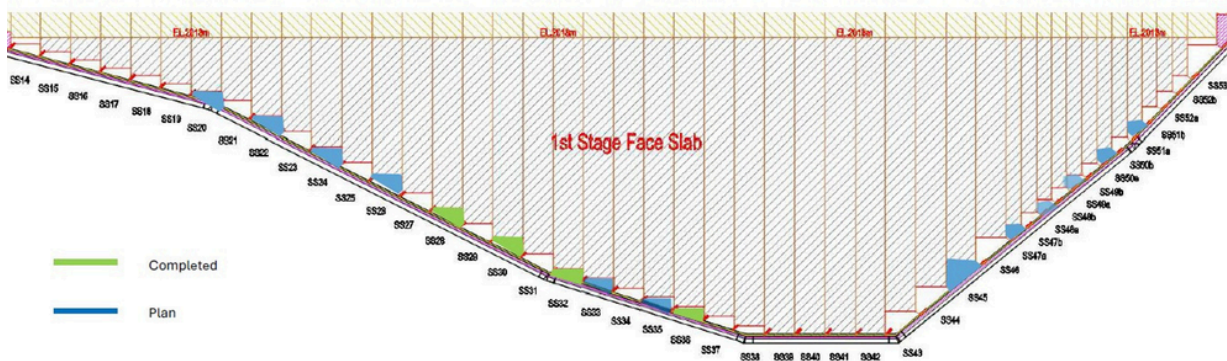


The construction of the Polihali Dam continues to gather momentum, with significant progress recorded on critical components of the dam wall structure. These developments mark an important step forward in the broader implementation of the Lesotho Highlands Water Project's Phase II.

As part of the ongoing works, the construction team has successfully advanced the placement of key embankment materials, including 2A, 2B, and 3A materials, which form part of the upstream structure of the dam wall. These materials play a vital role in ensuring the strength, stability, and durability of the dam.

Measurable progress has been achieved across multiple material zones. The 3B material has now reached an elevation of 2014.5 meters above sea level (masl), while the 3C material stands at 2003 masl. In addition, curb concrete works have progressed to an elevation of 2015 masl, reflecting steady and coordinated construction efforts on site.

• Progress Status – Starter slab concrete (Pre-Impoundment Works)



These milestones are particularly significant as they pave the way for the next major phase of construction—the pouring of the Dam Concrete Face Slab as the Starter Slab is currently in progress. This critical activity is scheduled to commence in June 2026 and will represent a defining moment in the construction of the dam, as it contributes directly to the impermeability and long-term performance of the structure.

The progress achieved so far is a testament to the commitment, technical expertise, and collaboration of all stakeholders involved in the project. As construction advances, the Polihali Dam remains on course to deliver on its objectives of enhancing water security and supporting socio-economic development in Lesotho and the region.