

PM visit to Polihali - 2024




On March 22nd, the Right Honourable the Prime Minister paid a visit to the project site in Polihali to take stock of the ongoing implementation of Phase II of the project.

The PM was received by LHWC delegates, the Chairperson of the LHDA Board of Directors, DM Phase II, POB team and management, as well as project engineers and contractors on site.

The Primary objective of the PM's visit was to receive comprehensive updates on the work already accomplished under Phase II, and to discuss some of the pertinent issues of public interest for the project, as it relates to Phase II.

The visit began at the newly completed Polihali Operations Center, where the Prime Minister was welcomed and thanked by the Board Chairperson, Stephen Phakisi, for making this important visit at such a crucial time of the project. He was further briefed on some of the key components of Phase II by Phase II Divisional Manager, Ntsoli Maiketso.

Briefings were followed by a detailed tour of the Polihali Operations Building, the Polihali Lodge, Polihali Village, followed by detailed visits to the Polihali Dam construction site and the Polihali Transfer Tunnel where progress is moving steadily towards key milestones.



In his remarks after the tour, Prime Minister Matekane thanked and commended the LHDA and its teams of consultants, engineers and contractors for the stellar work and progress he had just witnessed. He emphasized the importance of the Lesotho Highlands Water Project as the backbone of Lesotho's economy and future, and impressed on the fact that it should benefit Basotho particularly in a very significant way.

The Prime Minister concluded his remarks by reiterating the government's support to the project and its future, and cited that the sentiments are the same from his counterparts in the South African government, as the joint parties in the

