



Parliamentary Pandemic Committee Visits Polihali Project to Review Health Initiatives



The Lesotho Highlands Development Authority (LHDA) hosted the Parliamentary Pandemic Committee at the Polihali Project site as part of a public hearing focused on health challenges in the region. The visit provided an opportunity for the committee to assess how the LHDA supports ongoing efforts to address critical health issues, including HIV/AIDS, tuberculosis (TB), and teenage pregnancy, in collaboration with the Ministry of Health.

The committee received a presentation from the Mokhotlong Health Department on the local health landscape, followed by an overview of the LHDA's role in supporting public health initiatives. Gerard Mokone, the Polihali Branch Manager, shared details of the LHDA's contributions, which include raising awareness, conducting health education campaigns, and providing logistical and financial support to the Ministry of Health.

"While the Ministry of Health takes the lead in providing medical services and treatments, the LHDA plays a supportive role through community outreach and awareness programmes. Our focus is on ensuring that the communities surrounding the project are informed and empowered to make healthy decisions," explained Mokone.



The Parliamentary Pandemic Committee commended the LHDA for its proactive stance in supporting the Ministry's health efforts. Committee Chairperson Hon. Mathealira Ramoele said, "The collaboration between the LHDA and the Ministry of Health is a model of how partnerships can enhance public health outcomes. We encourage LHDA to continue its strong support in raising awareness and empowering local communities."

As Phase II of the Lesotho Highlands Water Project (LHWP) progresses, the LHDA remains committed to working closely with the Ministry of Health to promote a healthy environment for both workers and the surrounding communities. Through education and ongoing support, LHDA ensures that its efforts contribute to improved public health in Mokhotlong and beyond.

This partnership underscores the LHDA's dedication not only to infrastructure development but also to creating a positive impact on the health and well-being of the people in the highlands region.

