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Former EPWP Participant Launches Nail Technician Business in Mahikeng

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Former Expanded Public Works Programme (EPWP) participant Ms Lesego Mosadi from Lotlhakane, Mahikeng, has successfully transitioned into entrepreneurship after exiting the programme.

Ms Mosadi joined the EPWP in April 2024 as a Child Minder at Mosenogi Primary School, through a partnership between the EPWP and the North West Department of Basic Education (NWDBE). She exited the programme in March 2025.

In 2025, she became the founder and owner of Lees Classy Clause Nail Technician, making her one of 18 former EPWP participants who have successfully exited the programme to establish their own businesses.

Ms Mosadi revealed that she completed a five-day nail technician training programme in Mafikeng, which played a pivotal role in shaping her entrepreneurial journey. She explained that the training ignited her passion for the beauty industry and inspired her to start her own business. Her service prices vary depending on the treatment, with gel overlay services ranging between R200 and R300.

She further highlighted the positive impact the EPWP has had on her life, noting that the skills, discipline, and work experience gained through the programme have enabled her to generate income and support her family.

"I encourage young people to join the EPWP, as it is a life-changer. I am a living testimony. Take care of the skills you receive and nurture them, so that they can take care of you," she said.

