

# EEPWP ENVIRONMENT AND CULTURE SECTOR FIGHT UNEMPLOYMENT AND UNDERDEVELOPMENT

The Environment and Culture Sector's contribution to the EPWP involves employing people to work on projects to improve their local environment through programme spearheaded by various departments.

The sector builds South Africa's natural and cultural heritage, and in doing so, dynamically uses this heritage to create both medium and long term work and social benefits. The overarching objective of the sector is to generate useful outputs in the areas of environment, heritage and tourism, biodiversity and land care.

One of the projects implemented by the sector is Tshivhase Tea Estate drive employment creation through Public Private Partnership in Tshivhase village, Limpopo

Government, working with the private sector, is fighting unemployment and underdevelopment in the rural communities of Limpopo. Through the EPWP, the Limpopo Department of Agriculture and Rural Development has partnered with Venteco (Pty) Ltd to provide residents of Tshivhase village with work opportunities at the Tshivhase Tea Estate farm.



Residents in the village state that the tea-manufacturing programme has not only contributed to the alleviation of poverty and unemployment through provision of work opportunities, but has also brought about the much-needed development.

## The objectives of the sector are as follows:

- Creating jobs and providing training through these jobs to facilitate long-term employment.
- Linking the marginalized people with opportunities and resources to enable their participation in the developed "main stream economy".
- Integrating sustainable rural development and urban renewal.
- Creating land-based livelihoods.
- Promoting community-based natural resource management.
- Developing the natural resources and cultural heritage.
- Rehabilitation of natural resources and protection of biodiversity.
- Promoting tourism.

Environment and Culture Flagship programmes

- Sustainable Land-based Livelihoods
- Waste Management
- Tourism and Creative Industries
- Parks and Beautification
- Coastal Management
- Sustainable Energy.



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