

6TH EPWP SUMMIT RESOLUTIONS (2018)

The Summit notes the achievements of EPWP and supports the continued contribution of the Programme to Government's goals of alleviating poverty, developing local communities, providing work opportunities and enhancing social protection.

Resolution 1: The Summit notes progress made in developing a national EPWP policy and resolves that it should be finalised by 30 November 2019.

Resolution 2: The Summit resolves that Executive Authorities be workshopped on EPWP prescripts and strategic documents by 30 September 2019.

Resolution 3: The Summit resolves that protocols for EPWP phase 4 be signed by 31 October 2019 by National, Provincial Departments and Municipalities. Protocols are to be implemented and monitored.

Resolution 4: The Summit notes the progress made with the adoption of EPWP policies. The Summit resolves that Provincial Departments and Municipalities will develop and/or review EPWP policies to align with the EPWP phase 4 requirements by 30 September 2020.

Resolution 5: The Summit notes the progress made in appointing dedicated officials by public bodies at appropriate level of seniority for EPWP and resolved that all spheres of government should ensure that there is dedicated capacity to coordinate and implement EPWP.

Resolution 6: All public bodies should have EPWP targets in their Annual Performance Plan, as aligned to the Medium Term Strategic Framework (MTSF) by 31 July 2020. Public bodies should ensure that EPWP targets are incorporated in the performance agreements of Accounting Officers and all relevant Senior Managers.

Resolution 7: The Summit acknowledges progress made in the establishment of EPWP Governance Structures. The national Department of Public Works, Provincial Departments and lead sector departments must continue to ensure that EPWP governance structures meet on a regular basis, at least quarterly to address key challenges with regard to programme implementation.

Resolution 8: The Summit resolves that the Provincial EPWP Coordinating Departments ensure the mainstreaming of EPWP to the Provincial Inter-governmental Structures (Political Oversight Structures and Administrative) and the inclusion of EPWP as a standing agenda item at these structures by 30 September 2019.

Resolution 9: The Summit resolves that joint MinMecs should be convened with the EPWP lead sector Departments.

Resolution 10: The Summit notes the lack of full compliance by public bodies to the Ministerial Determination on their EPWP projects and resolves that all Public Bodies must adopt EPWP Standard Operating Procedures in this regard.

Resolution 11: The Summit resolves that public bodies should set aside part of their budgets to fund the training of participants on their projects. The National Department of Public Works and all lead sector departments will continue to liaise with relevant stakeholders to source additional funding for training and ensure that quality training is provided to EPWP participants, in-line with EPWP sector training strategies.

Resolution 12: Public bodies need to customise and adopt the approved recruitment guidelines to ensure that fair and transparent processes are followed in the recruitment of EPWP participants.

Resolution 13: The Summit resolves that the National Department of Public Works, Provincial Coordinating Departments and all Lead Sector Departments will continue to provide technical support to all spheres of government to promote the implementation of the EPWP.

Resolution 14: The Summit resolves that in the pursuance of EPWP objectives, coordinating departments and public bodies shall establish partnerships with state and non-state actors including the private sector taking into consideration commitments made at the Jobs Summit 2018.