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KNP LEARNER CONTRACTORS RECEIVE QUALIFICATIONS

Eleven learner contractors from the Kruger National Park's highly successful Emerging Contractor Development Programme received their qualifications today at a Certificate Presentation Ceremony at Letaba Camp in the KNP.

Mr Jan Borman, the Gauteng regional manager of Ceta, presented the certificates for attending the first three training modules to the contractors (listed below), who come from communities adjacent to the Northern Region of the KNP.

On receiving the certificates, a spokesperson for the group, Mrs Dorothy Khosa said that the new qualifications that they had received would mean that they would be respected in the communities where they live.

"Through your efforts, we will produce quality work and this certificate proves that we have the skills to produce this quality work," Mrs Khosa said.

They are: Azwinndini Nephawe, Charles Nkosi, Winnie Shuma, Luka Malatji, Dorothy Khosa, Kholani Maluleke, Andries Mbungele, Edith Sihlangu, Ivy Makhado and Hezekiel Mamadi. (MJ Khosa did not attend the function).

Issued by Save (South African Value Education), their certificates endorse these contractors' ability to: apply basic business concepts, identify and develop entrepreneurial qualities, select various business opportunities, understand and apply general business plans, describe and understand the construction industry, tender for construction contracts, start and run businesses, adapt to changing business environments, manage a construction business, comply with legal requirements, manage construction resources, implement site administration procedures, apply for contract documentation, establish health and safety on construction sites, implement construction site management procedures and apply quality principles.

The KNP's Emerging Contractor Development Programme lasts for three years and involves classroom as well as practical learning experiences.

These contractors follow closely on the heels of the first seven contractors who finished the programme and are now active in the building industry, inside and outside the KNP.

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KNP technical services' Mr Derek Visage briefs emerging contractors on the way forward. These students still have plenty of work ahead of them before they can call themselves qualified contractors.



The contractors who received their certificates are, from left, Azwinndini Nephawe, Charles Nkosi, Winnie Shuma, Luka Malatji, Dorothy Khosa, Kholani Maluleke, Andries Mbungele, Edith Sihlangu, Ivy Makhado and Hezekiel Mamadi.

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