

Provincial push to eradicate poverty

The KwaZulu-Natal provincial government visited Maphumulo local municipality on Tuesday where a poverty eradication project was launched. It involved planting vegetables for food security at the Jikijela Agricultural cluster, which comprises nine co-operatives that are funded by the KZN Department of Agriculture and Rural Development with Ilembe District Development Enterprise, and Ilembe District Municipality. The project involved funding of fencing of R1 million, irrigation of R1 million, boreholes of R1 million and a goat project of about R400 000. It currently provides over 30 temporary jobs for over two years in the area, a statement said. At the launch were (from left) KZN MEC for Health Dr Sibongiseni Dlomo, KZN MEC for Education Peggy Nkonyeni, KZN MEC for Agriculture and Rural Development Cyril Xaba, KZN Premier Senzo Mchunu and Ilembe District Municipality Mayor Welcome Mdabe.

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