



UPGRADE OF INFILL HOUSING IN DIBENG AND OLIFANTSHOEK

We wish to clarify the misunderstanding regarding a communique sent out on 31 August 2020, to specific bidders who tendered on the initial **(Tender No: NC/001/2020)** procurement process of this project which was misinterpreted to mean overall project cancellation.

It should also be noted that quotations received on the initial procurement process far exceeded our budget and the quantity surveyor estimates by 32.97%, making it unaffordable.

SIOC-CDT remains committed to execute this project in a transparent, fair, and inclusive manner. As a result, **we have not withdrawn** from the housing project but reached a decision, in consultation with stakeholders affected by this project, to cancel the initial procurement process and **deploy a developmental procurement strategy**.

Issued by the

Chief Executive Officer

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