

QUARTER 3 2021

NAME CHANGE CAMPAIGN

Previously known as Greefspan II, the name 'Boikanyo', was selected out of 173 applications, in a name change competition, which called for input from the construction team members.

The name meaning 'Trustworthy' and 'Dependable' in Setswana, was submitted by Mr Christopher Zakhele, from the local Douglas community. He received a prize, together with the second-place winner, at a ceremony at the solar project.

Tshepo Kgoloane, Community Operations Manager for Boikanyo Solar: "We are very pleased that this solar project will carry the name chosen by a worker, who lives in the closest community, and are thankful to the hundreds of workers who enthusiastically joined in the campaign. Boikanyo Solar is 100% owned by South African investors, so a Setswana name chosen by the people of the Northern Cape is even most fitting."



ENTREPRENEUR EMPOWERMENT PROGRAMME

Boikanyo Solar's Enterprise Development Programme launched in July 2021, with a total of 50 local small business owners enrolled in an 'Incubation Programme'.

As part of the programme, business owners receive mentoring, coaching and business support to help them establish sustainable businesses. They also received business skills training, which covered topics such as administration, communication, etiquette and compliance, all aimed at empowering and equipping entrepreneurs with skills to run and establish a sustainable business that can further impact the community through employment and offering services needed.

Of the 50 business owners, 15 entrepreneurs have been selected to receive further support in the form of funding for technical training. Two women owned SMMEs are receiving Poultry Production Training, 5 SMMEs are receiving Water and Waste Water Treatment Training and 13 SMMEs are receiving Construction Contracting, Civil and Road Construction, and Tender training.

LIFE SKILLS DEVELOPMENT PROJECT

A total of 20 youth are participating in a 4-month Accredited ICT Training course, in Technical Support, as part of Boikanyo Solar's Life Skills Flagship Project.

The group of unemployed youth, which are being supported through this project, will each receive an ICT Skills Development Training Level 4 Certificate (National Certificate in Technical Support) on completion of the course.

In addition to theory training, the course provides practical exposure, so that they are adequately prepared for national assessments, and can gain work experience. Once they've completed their training, they will be equipped with the skills such as troubleshooting hardware issues, software updates, installations and more.

Boikanyo Solar's Life Skills Flagship Project aims to empower and upskills unemployed youth, with skills needed within the local community.

Jerome Pienaar, Student at the ICT Training: "It is a great opportunity to form part of the training, I am learning a lot about computers, and I am happy to say that this course is very interesting. I might end up with my own business."





CAREER GUIDANCE

Grade 12 learners from Weslaan High School and Bongani High School have benefitted from a career guidance programme, which aims to help learners make informed choices about their career planning.

The one-day programme covered topics such as educational and occupational choices, self-knowledge, career planning and more.

Learners also received a pack with stationary needed for their final examinations.

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Rub palm to palm vith fingers



Rub each wrist





Dry your hands

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QUARTERLY SPEND (Q3 2021)



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