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**3099. Ms N R Mashabela (EFF) to ask the Minister of Tourism:**

What plans has her department put in place to include municipalities in the execution of the tourism mandate beyond the District Development Model initiative? NW3223E

**REPLY:**

The Department of Tourism has partnered with the Department of Cooperative Governance (DCoG), South African Local Government Agency (SALGA), and Municipal Infrastructure Support Agency (MISA) to implement the following programmes:

- (a) Integrated Urban Development Framework (IUDF) and Municipal Infrastructure Grant (MIG);
- (b) Co-creation and implementation of regional economic development plans such as the ones in the Karoo Region Development and Eastern Seaboard Development programmes;
- (c) Municipalities' participation in tourism investment facilitation and niche tourism programmes; and
- (d) Destination planning capacity building programmes of municipal officials through customised bilateral programmes, as well as Local Government Tourism Peer Learning Networks (LGTPLN).

The Department has also formed partnerships with Public Entities and Municipalities to implement the tourism infrastructure, community, and maintenance programme through the Expanded Public Works Programme (EPWP) mechanism.

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