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TABLINGS

none

COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. The Chairperson of the Economic Development Portfolio Committee, Hon. W M Matsheke, tabled the Committee's Oversight Report on the Fourth Quarterly Performance Report of the Department of Economic Development including its Entities for the 2022/2023 financial year, as attached:

COMMITTEES QUARTER OVERSIGHT REPORT ON DEPARTMENT / ENTITY PERFORMANCE

Portfolio Committee on [Economic Development Committee] Oversight Report on the [4th Quarterly Report of the [Gauteng Department of Economic Development] for the [2022/23] Financial Year

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i. ABBREVIATIONS

Abbreviation	Full Wording
APP	Annual Performance Plan
DED	Department of Economic Development
DDI	Domestic Direct Investment
FDI	Foreign Direct Investment
FY	Financial Year
GEP	Gauteng Enterprise Propeller
GGDA	Gauteng Growth and Development Agency
GPL	Gauteng Provincial Legislature
GDE	Gauteng Department of Education
GGB	Gauteng Gambling Board
GTA	Gauteng Tourism Authority
NGP	New Growth Path
HOD	Head of Department
MEC	Member of the Executive Council
PFMA	Public Finance Management Act
SMME	Small Medium and Micro Enterprises
SMS	Senior Management Service
SOM	Sector Oversight Model

Abbreviation	Full Wording
SDG	Sustainable Development Goals

ii. SUMMARY

ii. [Summary of the report]
<i>Strategic Priorities</i>
<i>High level summary of Committee's overall assessment of the Department / Entity achievement of relevant strategic priorities for the period under Review</i>
Economic transformation and job creation – on this strategic priority, the Committee observed that 100% of service providers were paid within 15 days.
<i>Department / Entity APP Achievement</i>
<i>An overall Summary of whether the Committee thinks the Department / Entity Non-Financial Performance is sound and prudent</i>
<p>The Department realised 45.24% of the set targets therefore attaining 19 of 42 against set targets, whilst entities attained 104 out of 143 planned targets thus translating into a 72% achievement. This remains concerning as the Department and entities continue to fail in attaining all targets.</p> <p>The Committee noted that in the 4th Quarter, the Department has spent an amount of R 451 743 000 (R451.7m) out of a budget amount of R497 770 000 (R497.7m), which translates to the spending of 90.75% of the allocation. It therefore resulted into 9.25% amounting to R46 021 000 (R46m) variance which is far above the 3% threshold.</p> <p>All positions that have been advertised by the entities and Department should be expediated, notwithstanding the rational that has been provided by the Department including entities in filling vacant positions before the end of the 2nd Quarter of the 2023/24 FY.</p> <p>With Departmental entities not achieving all targets, the Committee views this as unacceptable as entities are at the core of service delivery and these entities are key in unlocking potential jobs and are positioned to play an active role in the economy. Going forward, the Department should ensure that plans to mitigate the non-achievement of targets are in</p>

ii. [Summary of the report]

place and ensure the attainment of targets and in this regard the Committee will continue to scrutinize the work undertaken by all Departmental entities. The Committee is of the view that the non-attainment of targets by entities seems to be a trend, as in the previous quarter the entities failed to attain all set targets.

The Committee remains concerned on the GLB delays caused in implementing the automation system and such concerns were raised with the Department whilst scrutinizing the Annual Report for the 2021/22 FY. This was also a glaring concern when scrutinizing the 4th Quarterly Report wherein the GLB failed to finalize this process citing the following reasons which are similar to those raised previously, a tender was issued however the tender did not attract successful bids, therefore the fact that a successful bidder could not be appointed resulted in the cancellation of the tender. The Committee deems the response provided by the Department as irrational as this project has been a persistent challenge for two previous financial years.

The Committee should be appraised on all the investigations that are under way within the GGB and the GEP in order to route out any fraud or corruption, including those that resulted from wasteful and irregular expenditure

An analysis on whether (and if so, the extent to which) the Department / Entity Programmes / Projects are indeed achieving its Strategic Objectives / Service Delivery Outcomes for the period under review.

None in the quarter under review

Department / Entity Project Management

Overall Summary on management and delivery of Department / Entity Projects

Infrastructure projects by the Department have been outlined in the report submitted by the Department.

Financial Performance

An overall Summary of whether the Committee thinks the Department / Entity Financial Performance is sound and prudent

ii. [Summary of the report]

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Resolutions Management

An overall Summary of the Committee's assessment of Department / Entity Resolutions Management

Petitions Management

An overall Summary of the Committee's assessment of Department / Entity Petitions Management

No petitions were dealt with by the Department in the quarter under review.

Public Engagements

An overall Summary of the Committee's assessment of Department / Entity Public Engagements

The Department, through Consumer Affairs unit, held stakeholder engagement meetings with various bodies. Participation in Consumer Education Committee and Consumer Protection Forum and regular engagement with regulatory bodies such as CFDC, SAUS, FSCA, NCR.

Consumer Affairs conducted 68 public/stakeholder engagement sessions (webinars, face-face, and outreach activities). The purpose of sessions was to create awareness on the units' service offerings and to empower communities with their consumer rights.

International Agreements

Overall Summary on Department / Entity implementation of relevant Internal Agreements / Treaties [Only if applicable] [Applicable only to OCPOL / OoP]

None.

GEYODI Empowerment

ii. [Summary of the report]
<i>Overall Summary on Department / Entity achievement on actual GEYODI empowerment in communities</i>
Fiduciary Compliance
<i>Overall Summary on Department / Entity Compliance with fiduciary requirements</i>
Department did not report anything under this section
Capacitated Department / Entity
<i>An overall Summary of whether the Committee thinks the Department / Entity is adequately capacitated and resourced to carry out its functions and discharge its mandates</i>
The Committee has always been of the view that all Departmental vacant positions should be filled to ensure that service delivery imperatives are attained. This would then mean that the Department is not adequately capacitated to ensure that service delivery is implemented.
Any other Committee Focus Area (if relevant / applicable and Requirement)
<i>High level summary of any other area of Department / Entity performance with respect to its Quarter Report that the Committee wishes to report on, which is not already included in any of the above Focus Areas.</i>
None
Summary of Committee Findings
<i>High level summary of Committee findings. Broadly, which aspects do they relate to</i>
The Department including entities should attain targets especially those relating to job creation. There should be alignment between inputs and outputs in all Departmental programmes. GEP will be placed under considerable scrutiny and oversight as it is key in supporting SMME's Filling of crucial vacancies in including those within agencies should be finalized as many positions are under way to being filled.
Summary of Committee Recommendations
<i>High level summary of Committee Recommendations. Broadly, which aspects do they relate to</i>

ii. [Summary of the report]

The Department including entities should attain targets in particular relating job creation

There should be alignment between inputs and outs in all Departmental programmes.

GEP to be continuously scrutinized in view to support SMME's

iii. INTRODUCTION

The Economic Development Portfolio Committee exercises oversight and scrutiny over the Gauteng Department of Economic Development and its entities. This includes planning, budgeting, financial management and quarterly performance reporting by the Provincial Department of Economic Development. In line with the provisions of the Constitution of the Republic of South Africa (1996), the Public Finance Management Act (1999) which creates the basis on which oversight by Legislatures should be exercised. It clearly outlines areas of service delivery that should be reported on, including the responsibilities of officials and the role of the Legislature in cases where reports are tabled.

The Committee noted that the Department was allocated an amount R 1 796 830 000 (R1.796.8.b) for the 2022/23 financial year to ensure radical transformation, modernisation and re-industrialization of the Gauteng economy; provide an enabling policy and legislative environment policy and legislative environment for equitable economic growth and development; development of programmes that will revitalise township economies; build a new , smart, green, knowledge based economy and industries; ensure decent employment and inclusion in economic sectors; facilitate radical transformation, modernisation and re-industrialization and establish appropriate partnerships for delivery.

This report primarily focuses on examining whether the budget allocated for the Department and its entities is aligned to key government strategic priorities. Furthermore, the report assesses whether the objectives of the Department correlate with the intended outputs as well as outcomes. The Committee intends to interrogate and assess the overall departmental performance through in-year monitoring process, summary of findings per programme as well as stakeholders' submissions on the 4th Quarterly Performance of the Department.

The Gauteng Provincial Legislature's oversight methodology stipulates that when analysing the budget, the variables of the Sector Oversight Model (SOM) must be considered. Given that SOM variables are interrelated, which means that priorities, inputs (capital and current), outputs and outcomes should be considered. This report is also tabled at a time wherein the report has been developed in accordance with the Sector Oversight Model (SOM), the GPL Committees Oversight and Accountability Framework (COVAC) as part of the GPL Project on Standardization of Oversight, Accountability and Reporting in Gauteng (SOAR-GP).

iv. PROCESS FOLLOWED

In line with the GPL Standing Rules the Department submitted its 4th Quarterly Performance Reports for the 2022/23 FY including entities. The Department also reported on its financial and non-financial performance in line with the requirements of the Public Finance Management Act (PFMA) 1999. The Speaker of the Gauteng Provincial Legislature thus formally referred the 4th Quarterly Performance Report of the Department in terms of Rule 149 of the Standing Rules to the Economic Development Portfolio Committee for consideration and reporting.

The Committee convened and discussed the research analysis in the meeting that was scheduled for the 18th May 2023. In a meeting convened on the 5th June 2023, the Department presented to the Committee its 4th Quarterly Performance Report for the 2022/23 FY and this included its entities. The Committee deliberated and adopted its oversight report on the 4th Quarterly Performance Report over the Department in a meeting convened on 9th June 2023.

The report was submitted to the Proceedings Unit for tabling and consideration by the House.

1. OVERSIGHT ON DEPARTMENT / ENTITY ACHIEVEMENT OF STRATEGIC PRIORITIES

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Strategic priority: An enabled business environment

Programme 1. Administration

The purpose of the programme is to provide strategic leadership, support and transversal business solutions to enable the MEC, HOD and the DED Group effectively and efficiently deliver on its mandate.

This programme attained 2 of its 3 (66.67%) planned targets and this showed a slight improvement from 33.33% (1 of 3) and 50% (2 of 4) in the two preceding quarters which are the 2nd and 3rd quarters respectively. However, a 100% of supplier invoices have been paid within 15 days. The timeous payment of suppliers, especially for small businesses remains crucial to ensure their sustenance and this should be commended. The programme further attained 40% procurement to women owned businesses, wherein 43% was attained. This too should be commended as in the previous quarter this target was not attained. The non-attained target relates to the R50 million rand-value resources leveraged through partnerships and in responses to this the Department indicated that it facilitated the partnership between Pernod Ricard and Furntech through their strategic partnership directorate. Pernod Ricard provides funding and market access opportunities for SMMEs within the maker's programme.

In the quarter under review the programme spent 82.23% of its allocation which translated to R72 751 000 (R72.7m) from an allocated budget of R88 342 000 (R 88.3m), translating to underspending of R15 591 000 (R15.5m). This resulted in the programme spending 91% for the financial year.

The Committee noted that are various partnerships that the Department is involved in as highlighted in their reporting wherein the Department indicated partnerships with Nedbank involving three projects in the form of the Township Precinct project finance, Microgrid project development and financing and Client matchmaking to special economic zone and industrial parks and the in unpacking details around this partnership. The Department reported that Family Tree applied for R 50 000 000 (R50m) co-funding matching the R50 000 000 (R50m) with the Township Economy Partnership Fund (TEPF) contributing towards the Kasi Mnotho Fund. This has however delayed

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implementation as commercial bank is requiring 100% guarantee of their funding. The TEPF has made its approval and is awaiting Kasi Mnotho Fund to fulfil the approval conditions. A decision on this matter is expected to be reached by end of February. This fund is targeting Township retail businesses and related light manufacturing and a detailed qualification criterion has been outlined. The Committee should be furnished with all details related to this partnership, taking into how it is meant to improve change the status quo of SMME's in the retail and all the details related to Family Tree as a partner noting that on several occasions this entity has been referred to however without details. This emanated from the previous quarter and the Committee still requires further details on the partnerships.

The Department should strive to reduce the vacancy rate which remains high at 19.83% (8.85% at DED & 10.98% at GLB) including the 40 vacancies reported to be at different stages of recruitment. The Committee will continue to monitor this.

Integrated Economic Development Services

The programme creates an environment towards sustainable job creation considering the 3.1 million 2030 target. The sub-programmes are enterprise development; Regional and Local Economic Development (LED); and Sector and Industry Development. In terms of continuity, the IEDS had only 1 indicator on GEP turnaround strategy in the 2021/22 FY, and it is now part of the GEP's APP. The current indicators are inter alia, % increase in GCR GDP; % contribution to township economy and employment; %BBBEE compliance and spent on infrastructure; %GPG goods and services secured from township enterprises and %value distributed to township enterprises from infrastructure.

In the quarter under review the programme attained 2 of its 8 planned targets and this is a decline as compared to 33.33% (1 of 3) targets attained in the preceding quarters. There has been an increase in the number of indicators/targets as most were set to be attained in the 4th quarter. The Department reported that the two attained targets are among the ones that were set for the 4th quarter, which include the contribution to township economy on the GCR economy (21.2% against 10%) and on the GCR employment (27.7% against 10%). While it fell short with regards to increase in GCR GDP (2.5% against 3.5%); contribution to the 7 high growth sectors to GCR economy and 15% high growth sectors in compliant to BBBEE framework.

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On the non-attained targets, the Department reported that the non-attained targets are tracked and monitored in order to provide macro-economic intelligence that informs strategy and policy. The lack of achievement in the targets including (Gauteng GDP, and the contribution of the high growth sectors) are due to exogenous economic factors. The exogenous economic factors are beyond the Department's control, however the Department is undertaking the development and research of more detailed sector analysis to identify potential ways to assist businesses and sectors against such factors, this will lead to the development of additional economic development plans. The non-attained targets by entities are mostly infrastructure projects and the concrete mechanisms had been put in place to ensure improvement and will be implemented in 2023/24 FY. The Committee urges the Department to achieve these targets in the 2023/24 FY as infrastructure projects are crucial to employment creation for the Province.

The programme spent 100% of its R11 071 000 (R 11m) allocation and 100% was transferred to GEP.

Strategic priority: An enabled business environment

Programme 3 Trade and Sector Development

The programme aims to ensure the re-industrialisation of the Gauteng Economy targeting the ten (10) high growth sectors as levers to achieve high economic growth, jobs and infrastructure. The sub-programmes include Trade and Investment, and Sector and Industry Development. The 8 indicators include among others employment through creative industry and ICT, production of alternative/renewable energy and % increase in aerospace industry transformation.

In terms of the performance, the programme has attained 4 of its 8 planned targets. The attained include 100 megawatt production in alternative energy sources, 3% increase in aerospace transformed, 100% roll-out of the codebook and 200 SMME's trained across high value sectors. However, the Department did not attain all its jobs targets as most job targets were set for the 4th quarter such as 40 515 formal jobs (140 created) and 249 334 gig work opportunities in creative sector (325 created), 2 935 jobs across GDED (538 created) and 60 000 jobs (100 000 annual target) in global business services (0 created). The inability by the Department to create the necessary jobs as planned remains a concern for the Committee.

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The Committee noted that the programme spent 100% of its allocation for the quarter under review which amounted to R207 355 000 (R207.3m) and funding was transferred to agencies.

The Committee is further concerned that the programme failed to report on job creation initiatives on this programme including entities. This is noting that the reporting of job creation initiatives was a resolve of the Committee to be kept abreast in this regard.

Strategic priority: An enabled business environment

Programme 4 Business Regulation and Governance

The purpose of the programme is to create a seamless business regulation and good governance environment that promotes ethical conduct, transforms industry, realises sustainable revenue generation and contributes towards achievement of TMR goals. This will be achieved through increasing consumer satisfaction that secures long term sustainability and facilitates the growth of business; properly regulated liquor industry in Gauteng that generates revenue; a properly regulated gambling and betting industry that generates revenue towards the socio-economic development of the Province.

In the year under review, there were several new indicators including inter alia compliance and resolving cases at the Consumer court; empowering SMMEs; liquor industry transformation charter and liquor court judgements, however some of the excluded indicators talk to the regulatory indicators such as licenses and inspections. Under the quarter under review, the programme attained 10 of its 14 (71.43%) set targets. Furthermore, the programme spent R26 798 000 (R 26.7m) against budget of R30 231 000 (R 30.2m) for the quarter.

The Consumer Affairs sub-programme attained 4 of its 6 (66.67%) set targets. The attained include among others, 100 cases prosecuted, 250 SMME's empowered with consumer laws and 50 youth consumer champions recruited. The Department was unable to promulgate the Consumer Protection Act and that was attributed to a need for

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further public participation as it was returned by State Law Advisers. However, in the first quarter of the financial year the Department indicated that it had undertaken adequate stakeholder engagements in this regard.

Despite the Committee remaining concerned about the delays by the Gauteng Liquor Board (GLB) in implementing the automation system, the Department indicated that they were difficulties in sourcing a service provider could be attributed to the following factors, the timing of the publication of the advert, which was in the period of November / December 2022. Many aspirant service providers may have been on recess during this period. GLB will publish during the “off season / off peak” period to solicit more responses, the short period of the expected responses from bidders, which was limited to fourteen days, the period of responses to bids has been extended to twenty one days; and the specifications for SAP - certified practitioners which may have been pitched a bit high, limiting responses in respect of this requirements. The specifications have since been revised and terms of reference have been made accommodative of emerging ICT markets. The Committee notes these factors however remain unconvinced as this process has been not been concluded by the Department for lengthy period time and all the measures that are outlined to be undertaken could have been undertaken in the past 3 years. The Committee will closely monitor this going forward.

Strategic objective: Industrialization supported through localisation and government procurement.

Programme 5 Economic Planning

The programme objective is to provide thought leadership to transform and re-industrialize economic Gauteng City Region through, policy and strategy development

The programme attained 1 of its 9 (11.11%) set targets, the programmes poor performance continues from 37.5% (3 of 8) in the previous quarter. The only attained target relates to increase in township broadband coverage (40% against 20%) owing to partnering with Telkom. The unattained target relate to the percentages on budget spent related to enterprise development, socio-economic development, skills development and suppliers' development. These are attributed to the unavailability of data as yet, because they are Provincial indicators, and the Department is waiting for consolidated report from Treasury. In outlining the rational for not attaining some of the targets, the Department indicated that the approach is to use the GPG B-BBEE Act implementation budget to build the capacity of township enterprises. The implementation of the B-BBEE skills development, supplier development, enterprise development and socio-economic development with assist township enterprises to have the scale and quality of

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supply. However, it is now evident that GPG departments are unable to provide the B-BBEE Act implementation budget as prescribed in the B-BBEE Codes of Good Practice. The Department has previously escalated this matter all accounting officers in the Province, including formal presentations at HODs and CFOs forums. The GPG Preferential Procurement (PP) spend performance is dependent on the data that is generated by Gauteng Provincial Treasury. This data has some challenges that affect the performance of GPG. GDED has requested provincial departments to use their internal records to report PP spend during 2023/24FY. GDED has received very few PP spend reports from GPG departments for the month of April 2023. This is a challenge that will be addressed by Accounting Officers.

The programme has spent 83.20% in the quarter under review wherein a R133 768 000 (R133.7m) was spent against a budget of R160 771 000 (R160.7m) and the programme has been underspending in previous quarters and in turn, the annual spending is at 92.01%. This is far above the above 3% threshold at 7.99%.

Agency Oversight

In the current financial year, similarly to the previous financial year Departmental entities are reporting individually as recommended by the Committee as this would allow the Committee to interrogate their plans thoroughly. In the quarter under review, Departmental entities achieved 104 out of 143 planned targets thus translating into a 73% achievement. The Committee views this as unacceptable as entities are at the core of service delivery and these entities are key in unlocking potential jobs and are positioned to play an active role in the economy. **Going forward, the Department should ensure that plans to mitigate the non-achievement of targets are in place and ensure the attainment of targets and in this regard the Committee will continue to scrutinize the work undertaken by all Departmental entities. The Committee is of the view that the non-attainment of targets by entities seems to be a trend, as in the previous quarter the entities failed to attain all set targets.**

The below entities are housed under Programme 2 Integrated Economic Development Services and Programme 3 Trade and Sector Development even though they report individually in the current quarter.

Gauteng Growth and Development Agency (GGDA)

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The GGDA is a strategic economic infrastructure project implementer and key driver of trade and investment in Gauteng City Region. It plays an instrumental role in building capacity of township economies through expediting the refurbishment and development of new enterprise hubs. The GGDA is divided into five programmes namely: the GGDA Holdings, Automotive Industry Development Centre (AIDC), The Innovation Hub (TIH), Gauteng Industrial Development Zone (GIDZ) and Constitutional Hill (ConHill).

GGDA Holding

The Committee noted that the initial sub-programmes consisted of Trade Investment & Regulatory Enablement (TIRE) and Enterprise Project Management Office (EPMO). However, additional sub-programmes have been included as of the 2021/22 FY such as the Macro and Business Intelligence (MBI) and Special Economic Zones (SEZs). The GGDA Holdings realised 14 out of 23 planned targets (60.87%). Pertaining to investment facilitation, both the Rand value of Domestic Direct Investment (DDI) and Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) facilitated and committed was successful attained. The Committee was informed by the Department that in the quarter under review, the jobs target was 3271 and 3673 jobs were generated from investments that were facilitated. Furthermore, the annual jobs target was planned at 7 571 and 10 135 jobs were attained.

In giving an update on the construction of the Constitutional Hill Visitors Centre, the Committee was informed that the contractor is currently working on a revised construction programme with anticipated completion date is 1 December 2023. The progress on site is moving at a slow pace due to cash flow challenges from the contractor, this is a concern for the Committee as questions are raised on the ability of the contractor to raise the necessary funds to complete the project, in addition the Department should put in place mitigation measures in place that will ensure that the contractor is financially resourced so as to complete the project. Despite this, the Committee was informed that to date there is no extension of time claim that has been approved on the project and thus no additional cost have been incurred on the project. The project cost is still at R183m. To mitigate further delays on the project due to cashflow challenges, the contractor is to procure materials and claim for Material on Site (MOS) to assist with cash flow, the contractor has been put on terms and letters of lack of progress has been issued and the contractor will also be levied penalties until project reaches completion as per the JBCC.

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The Committee noted that the Department failed to attain targets on the refurbishment of the planned 3 industrial hubs. In response to this, the Department indicated that they were delays as a result of the previous two non-Responsive tenders to source contractors through the Turn-Key Solution Procurement Strategy. The DBSA aborted the previous Turn-Key Solution Procurement Strategy and reverted back to the Convectional Procurement Strategy Method. Through the Convectional Procurement Strategy, DBSA was able to appoint the Respective PRTs conducted Conditional Assessments and developed Estimated Costs for the Rehabilitation Works for the three Hubs (Sebokeng Ext 1, Sebokeng Ext 2 and Chamdor). Further delays were due to the production and approvals of tender documents taking longer than anticipated from the DBSA panel. The process of sourcing eligible bidders from the DBSA panel, which was also subject to further due diligence processes and risk concentration management which caused delays in the tenders going out to market earlier. Tenders are also prohibited from closing during the builders' break, as such the tenders were issued on the 6th Dec 2022 and only closed after the 20th of January 2023.

Upon completion of the evaluation, the appointment of contractors and contracting for the three Industrial Parks were completed and the site handover for individual sites was done as follows: Site handover for Sebokeng 1 was on the 16th March 2023 and practical completion will be on the 6th September 2023, Sebokeng 2 site handover was on the 4th April 2023 and practical completion will be on the 4th October 2023 and site handover on the Chamdor Hub was on the 20th March 2023 with practical completion scheduled for the 20th September 2023.

Automotive Industry Development Centre (AIDC)

For the quarter under review, the AIDC achieved 9 out of its planned 14 targets (64.28%). Similarly, to the previous quarter, the planned target relating to the training of unemployed youth in the automotive skills was successfully attained. Previous gaps on the inability to reskill the planned workforce in the automotive sector to ensure job retention and the candidate artisans assessed and declared competent at the trade test centre were successfully dealt with thus positively impacting the objective of enhanced skills development

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The Innovation Hub (TIH)

For the quarter under review, the performance indicates an achievement of 5 out of 7 planned targets.

The realized targets aimed at developing SMME's and empowering enterprises include demand-led innovations on projects contracted to address service delivery challenges as well as those contracted to improve competitiveness in the industry. The Committee will continuously monitor this in the upcoming quarters as the projects deal with issues of interest to the Portfolio Committee such as Green energy, solar & water purification as well as People with Disabilities. In addition to that, above that, the target on the number of new companies recruited at eKasi labs has been surpassed.

Gauteng Industrial Development Zone (GIDZ)

The entity achieved 6 out of its 10 planned targets

In the quarter under review records the realisation of the target on the ORTIA SEZ Southern Precinct top structure construction. This is a significant development when compared with the countless challenges incurred in the completion of the construction of the ORTIA SEZ top structure construction thus pointing to some ray of hope on the incessant constraints faced by strategic economic infrastructure projects under the GGDA. Furthermore, is the success in creating the number of targeted jobs due to enhanced labour-intensive activities. This is however noting that the annual target on the number of created jobs was reduced during the Department's revised APP.

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Gauteng Enterprise Propellor (GEP)

In the quarter under review the Committee noted that the entity attained realised 17 out of 19 planned targets (89%). This a much-improved achievement in comparison to the previous quarter.

GEP indicated that it is currently implementing the turn-around strategy on an on-going basis. For the 2023/24 financial year, GEP will continue to implement the turnaround strategy, with a focus to ensure that the reconfiguration of GEP is completed. The entity envisages to complete the change management process, organizational stability and culture, development of the commercialization strategy, review of the delivery model and to implement all aspect of the turnaround strategy to re-position GEP to fulfil its mandate. The Committee will keep track of this on an on-going basis.

On matters related to the incurred irregular expenditure, the Department indicated that the balance of non-compliance includes matters that are dealt with internally, of which consequence management process is in progress, the process is expected to be finalised by end of 2nd Quarter of 2023/24 FY. The material amount of R 65 000 000 (R65m), which is suspected to fraud, case is dealt with through the external process and the matter will be finalised through the court of law. **Other matters are investigated by the Special Investigating Unit (SIU) and will be finalised once the report is issued. Irregular expenditure relates to multi-year contracts (Accommodation leases), new Service Level Agreements for extensions have been been signed and this will reduce the ongoing irregular expenditure on these contracts. All contracts for services that are in use and contracts expired were identified and new Service Level Agreements were signed with the Service Providers. The Committee should be updated on all investigations undertaken relating to potential fraud and those that are investigated by the SIU.**

1.1 THE DETAILS ON Department / Entity achievement on relevant Strategic Priorities for the period under review]

Gauteng Gambling Board (GGB)

In the previous quarter, the Committee note that there are still vacant posts in top and senior management including the one of the Chief Executive Officer, which has been vacant for over a year. In response to this, The MEC has intervened in the process of the continued acting position of the CEO and appointed a new acting CEO to mitigate the exposure of the contravention of the Public Service Commission (PSC). The GGB is in the process of recruiting for the vacant positions and the Committee recommended that the filling of the position of the CEO and other positions within the entity should be filled by the 30 June 2023, in response to this the Department indicated that GGB has momentarily put on hold the filling of the funded vacant positions. GGB is currently undergoing the process of reviewing its organizational structure through a commissioned work-study and the majority of HR policies to fit the purpose and to mitigate the global technological advancement in the gambling industry in order to be competitively relevant. The finalization of the above-mentioned processes will likely lead to the integration of certain responsibilities and provide a much more focused intervention from funded vacancies available. The integration will also allow the collapse of silos and provide functioning portfolios to deal with the fragmentation of work. With regard to the CEO position, interviews have been concluded and awaiting the final approval

The Committee noted that the GGB concluded stakeholder engagements on the legislation related to interactive gambling which included internal business units, board members, relevant Government Departments and licensees. GGB was unable to conclude the draft legislation due to receiving more than 500 comments with each comment received needing to be evaluated, considered and incorporated into the process. GGB is committed to obtaining approval of EXCO by the end of 2023/24 FY due to the absence of the Board. Promulgation of the amended legislation will be dependent on the processes of EXCO and those of the Legislature

The Committee noted that on salaries and operational expenditure the GGB overspent for the 4th and in response to this the entity informed the Committee that the overspending is as a result of officials who are employed on full time basis but are also acting on positions on other positions as GGB has put five senior officials on precautionary suspension pending investigations for alleged financial misconduct and irregular expenditure and wasteful expenditure. The Committee should be updated on the outcomes of those investigations and at any given moment cases of fraud should also be referred to law enforcement agencies.

1.1 THE DETAILS ON Department / Entity achievement on relevant Strategic Priorities for the period under review]

Gauteng Tourism Authority (GTA)

In the quarter under review, of the 25 targets due for reporting, 20 (80%) were achieved, 2 were not achieved and 3 are still to be confirmed. Under sub-programme, Destination Marketing Rand value generated through supported events the target was R1 000 000 000 (R1bn) and R814 000 000 (R814m) was preliminary achieved. GTA is in the process of verifying performance information through an impact evaluation study.

The target of 300 people employed through working for tourism programme was achieved, in breaking down the numbers of the youth employed the Department reported as follows: 434 Community youth members from around the Gauteng regions: Tshwane region 77, Ekurhuleni 153, West Rand 34, Sedibeng 44 and Johannesburg 126. They were employed to provide the following basic tourism information services such as basic importance of the tourism value chain including the importance of the traveller/ visitor, importance of the travel economy, importance of Tourism Safety and basic cleanliness of the destination attractions.

The Committee was informed that the GTA Board members approved that the following 6 critical positions be advertised to reduce the vacancy rate of 41%. The following is progress made in the recruitment process, Company Secretary, The position has been vacant since January 2023 and 56 CV's were received for this post and the shortlisting process will be done on 8 June 2023. Thereafter interviews will be conducted. Manger Revenue Generations, the revenue generation post is a new position at the GTA. The manager will be responsible for Marketing Intelligence, New Business and Market positioning. 57 CV's were received and capturing has been done. Short listing process will commence thereafter. Chief Financial Officer, the CFO resigned in March 2023 and the post became available in April 2023. HR received 78 CVs and shortlisting is anticipated to sit on 9th June pending panel members availability. Executive Corporate Management, the position for Executive Corporate Management advertised in March received 131 CVs. The shortlisting process will commence in June. Executive Office of the CEO, this post was advertised for a period of 24 months and 135 CVs were captured, and shortlisting is scheduled for 12 June 2023. Head Destination Planning, with the tourism supply functions, this post was transferred to the GTA by Cradle of Humankind World Heritage Site and Dinokeng projects in 2021. 55 CV's were captured, and shortlisting will be finalised in July 2023. It is anticipated that the recruitment process for all the above posts will be finalised by end August 2023. The Committee will keep track of this through the in year monitoring system.

1.1 THE DETAILS ON Department / Entity achievement on relevant Strategic Priorities for the period under review]

Tshwane Automotive Special Economic Zone (TASEZ)

The performance of TASEZ during the quarter under review is 6 out of the 9 targets attained. Similarly, to the previous quarter, the achieved targets include the number of temporal construction jobs created, the permanent employment created by the tenants in the SEZ as well as the number of SMMEs trained in construction. Unlike the previous quarter, improvements were recorded on the rand value invested by tenants (local and foreign investment) because of Ford Motor Company SA's tooling equipment. However, limitations were encountered with TASEZ's quest to effectively deal with the additional requirement of power within the zone as delays on procurement and Power Purchase Agreement approvals ensued.

2 OVERSIGHT ON DEPARTMENT / ENTITY ACHIEVEMENT OF APP TARGETS

2 [THE DETAILS ON DEPARTMENT / ENTITY APP PERFORMANCE]

Number of APP targets relevant for this Quarter

The Committee noted that the Department of Economic Development planned for 42 targets however achieved 19 in the quarter under review. In light of the entities, planned for 143 targets and only attained 104 targets,

Number of APP targets for this Quarter that have been achieved during this Quarter

The Department attained 19 targets under the quarter under review and the entities attained 104 targets.

Percentage of APP targets for this Quarter that have been achieved during this Quarter

In percentage term the Department attained 45.24% of its targets and the entities attained 73% of its targets.

2 [THE DETAILS ON DEPARTMENT / ENTITY APP PERFORMANCE]
Percentage of APP achievement for the previous Quarter (for Comparison)
In the previous quarter the Department attained 56.52% of the planned targets and the entities attained 72% of the planned targets.
Main areas in the APP that have experienced non-achievement or over achievement during this Quarter
These are outlined in the body of the report under programme performance
Main reasons provided by the Department / Entity for non-achievement or over achievement of its APP during this Quarter
Reasons are also outlined in the body of the report under programme performance
Measures in place (with timeframes) to correct the deviation in targets for this Quarter and to prevent recurrence of such or similar deviation
The entities have developed plans to ensure that these targets are achieved in quarter 3. Plans are outlined in the body of the report.
A summarized analysis on the Department / Entity performance per Programme for the period under review
Information on this is captured on section 1 OVERSIGHT ON DEPARTMENT / ENTITY ACHIEVEMENT OF STRATEGIC PRIORITIES, the information is too large to be summarized as within the Department there are also entities.
Summarized information on any unplanned / emerging priorities reported on by the Department / Entity during the period under review
<p>52 % spend on female and above GPG planned target of 30%.</p> <p>20% spend on Youth spend and above GPG target of 10%</p> <p>0.1% spend on PWD</p> <p>88% spend on BBBEE exceeded the GPG target of 80% by 8%</p> <p>90% spend on SMME exceeded the GPG planned target by 40%.</p> <p>31% spend on TER against the GPG target of 40%.</p>
Summarized information on how the Department / Entity maintains portfolios of evidence to verify its reported performance information

3 OVERSIGHT ON DEPARTMENT / ENTITY PROJECT MANAGEMENT

3 THE DETAILS ON [DEPARTMENT / ENTITY PROJECT MANAGEMENT]

4 OVERSIGHT ON DEPARTMENT / ENTITY FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE

4 THE DETAILS ON DEPARTMENT / ENTITY FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE

Actual amount (in Rands) allocated to the Department / Entity as budget for this entire Financial Year

R 1 796 830 000 (R1 796.8b)

Actual amount projected by the Department / Entity to be spent only during the Q under review

The Department budgeted an amount of R 497 770 000 (R 497.7m) in the quarter under review.

Actual amount (in Rands) spent by the Department / Entity only during the Q under review

The actual amount spent by the Department in the quarter under review was R 451 743 000 (R451.7m)

Total actual amount (in Rands) spent by the Department / Entity (Year to Date), i.e. from the beginning of this FY to the end of this Q under review

4 THE DETAILS ON DEPARTMENT / ENTITY FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE
The amount spent to date by the Department is at R 1 750 802 000 (R 1 750.8b)
Percentage (% of total budget allocation) of budget expenditure for this Q under Review only
90.75%% of the budget for the quarter under review was spent
Percentage (% of total budget allocation) of budget expenditure (Year to Date), i.e. from the beginning of this FY to the end of this Q under review
97.44 of the budget from year to date has been spent by the Department
An analysis of how the % budget expenditure compares with the % APP achievement
The is a misalignment between expenditure and planned targets within the APP, the Committee has raised in this regard as expenditure should be align with APP targets. The nonattainment of achievements particularly resides within agencies. The Committee raises concern with this.
If there was over / under spending of greater than 3% of projection, what were the main challenges that led to the over / under spending
There was underspending in the quarter under review and that amounted to R 46 028 000.
Mitigating measures by the Department / Entity to remedy over / under expenditure
The Committee implores on the Department to align its plans with its expenditure. The Committee will closely monitor
The Department / Entity's achievement with respect to GEYODI responsive budgeting / procurement for the period under review
Percentage spend Female- GPG target 30% - GDED achieved 36,81%
Percentage spend Youth- GPG target 10% - GDED achieved 16,54%
Percentage spend PWD - GPG target 5% - GDED achieved 4,13%
Percentage spend BBBEE - GPG target 80% - GDED achieved 78,57%
The Department / Entity's achievement with respect to township economy / SMME / local procurement for the period under review
Percentage spend SMME - GPG target 50% - GDED achieved 88,96%
Percentage spend TER- GPG target 40% - GDED achieved 52,99%

4 THE DETAILS ON DEPARTMENT / ENTITY FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE

A summary for the period under review with respect to payment of service providers within 15-30 days

No of invoices paid within 15 days= 282 (15 working days)

No of invoices paid within 30 days= 0

Total number of invoices paid for the quarter = 282

A summary for the period under review with respect to fruitless, wasteful and irregular expenditure

Fruitless and wasteful expenditure –The Department did not incur fruitless and wasteful expenditure for Q4

Irregular expenditure – The Department did incur irregular expenditure and fruitless and wasteful expenditure in Q4

A summary for the period under review with respect to efficiency / value for money in all SCM / procurement processes

A summary for the period under review with respect to reduction of fraud and corruption in all SCM / procurement processes

A summary for the period under review with respect to ongoing clean audits

A summary for the period under review with respect to spending on conditional grants (where applicable)

Program / Sub Programme level financial performance

5 OVERSIGHT ON DEPARTMENT / ENTITY RESOLUTIONS AND PETITIONS MANAGEMENT

5.1 THE DETAILS ON DEPARTMENT / ENTITY RESOLUTIONS MANAGEMENT

How many Responses / Actions to Resolutions were due by the Department / Entity during the Quarter under review	With respect to any and all Resolutions that were due in the Quarter under review, how many Resolutions have been successfully responded to by the Department / Entity
7	None
What is the Committees perception of the Quality and Timeliness of Department / Entity responses to Committee Resolutions	
With respect to the Resolutions / Action due during the Quarter under review but still overdue, what reasons have been provided by the Department / Entity [with mitigating measures to submission]	
Resolutions that are due emanate from the FIS reporting processing.	

5.2 THE DETAILS ON DEPARTMENT / ENTITY PETITIONS MANAGEMENT

How many Responses / Actions to Petitions due by the Department / Entity during the Quarter under review	With respect to any and all Petitions that were due in the Quarter under review, how many Petitions have been successfully responded to by the Department / Entity
None	
What is the Committees perception of the Quality and Timeliness of Department / Entity responses to referred Petitions	
With respect to the Petitions / Action due during the Quarter under review but not yet responded to by the Department / Entity, what reasons have been provided by the Department / Entity [with mitigating measures to submission]	

6 OVERSIGHT ON DEPARTMENT / ENTITY PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT

6. THE DETAILS ON DEPARTMENT / ENTITY PUBLIC ENGAGEMENTS

The steps / measures the Department / Entity has taken to meaningfully involve the public / stakeholders in the course of its work / service delivery, during the period under review
The information required in this section has been provided in the above sections.
Summary of Public Education programmes of the Department / Entity during the period under review
The Department, through Consumer Affairs unit, held stakeholder engagement meetings with various bodies. these include engagement with industry bodies, community bodies such as Ward Committees, Councillors, Local Business Forums, Tshepo Million and etc. The office also Participation in Consumer Education Committee and Consumer Protection Forum and regular engagement with regulatory bodies such as CGSO, FPI, SARS, NCR...etc.

Consumer Affairs conducted 72 public/stakeholder engagement sessions (webinars, face-face, and outreach activities). The purpose of sessions was to create awareness on the units' service offerings and to empower communities and ensure that communities are able to access our services.

The Special project hosted a Development Finance Institutions (DFI) Masterclass on the 26th August 2022 with the intends to provide an engagement platform and deliberate on solutions that will assist Manufacturing township businesses with the funding processes, qualifying criteria and product development support. The SMMEs attendance was eighty eight (88) and the DFIs available were Old Mutual Masisizane, SEFA, GEP, WR&SETA, SEDA, NEF, Business Partners, FP&M SETA NYDA, IDF Capital , and SETA. The session aimed to provide information on:

- MME Landscape in Gauteng, challenges faced by government, Government Interventions through Local Content Framework and TEDA:
- Breaking the barrier of access to finance: Transformation to Increase Resilience, now is the Right Time
- A strategy for the participation of small, medium and micro scale enterprises in the manufacturing sector
- Understanding the collaborative approach to inclusive economy.
- The role of the DFI's in unlocking funding opportunities for Product Development - Agility to accelerate access to developmental funding and play a catalytic role in the diffusion and uptake of local manufactures

Limited access to financial services & financial ecosystem challenges - New Approaches to SMME and Entrepreneurship Financing: Broadening the Range of Instruments

Gauteng Liquor Board conducted 25 liquor awareness workshops focusing on the compliance of the Gauteng Liquor Act 2 of 2003, processes and requirements of applying for various liquor licences and other applications as per the Act.

Feedback sessions conducted by the Department / Entity during the period under review
None

7 OVERSIGHT ON INTERNATIONAL TREATISE / AGREEMENTS

7. DETAILS ON IMPLEMENTATION OF INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENTS / TREATIES [Applicable only to OCPOL / OoP]

GPG MoU

MoU between Gauteng Provincial Government and the Bavarian State Government which was signed on the 6th September 2022.

The Gauteng Premier signed the MoU between Gauteng Province and the Bavarian State Government. Within the MoU there is specific focus for Group GDED and its agencies with developing relationship in the following sectors:

- Automotive (electric vehicles)
- Trade and Investment
- Green hydrogen and renewable energy
- Development and transfer of skills
- Innovation
- Tourism (Bidding and hosting conferences and sporting events)

The objectives of the MoU is for both parties to declare their intention to establish bi-lateral cooperation in accordance with the prevailing laws and regulations of their respective countries in the fields of Economic Development, Tourism, Safety and security, promoting quality education and skills development, agriculture and environmental issues.

8 OVERSIGHT ON DEPARTMENT / ENTITY GEYODI EMPOWERMENT

8. DETAILS ON DEPARTMENT / ENTITY GEYODI EMPOWERMENT

On gender

During the quarter under review, the Department through consumer affairs had engagements with women empowerment groups and women in Business.

Gauteng Liquor Board in partnership with DIAGEO hosted its annual Women's Empowerment Seminar on the 30th of August 2022 at Silverstar Casino & Hotel in the West Rand region for women in the liquor trading sector. Through the partnership with DIAGEO the women were pampered with gifts and empowered by various women speakers in the liquor industry, law enforcement sector and financial institution.

On the disabled

The department through consumer affairs has continued engagements with organisations for people with Disability this was in partnership with the Greater Rand West City Disability Business Forum.

9 OVERSIGHT ON DEPARTMENT / ENTITY COMPLIANCE WITH FIDUCIARY REQUIREMENTS

9. [DETAILS ON DEPARTMENT / ENTITY COMPLIANCE WITH FIDUCIARY REQUIREMENTS]	
GPL	The 4 th Quarterly Report of the Department and entities were submitted to the GPL for further processing
Auditor General (AGSA)	None
Public Service Commission (PSC)	None
Compliance with relevant fiduciary Legislation [e.g. PFMA]	

10 OVERSIGHT ON A CAPACITATED PUBLIC SERVICE

10. THE DETAILS ON A CAPACITATED DEPARTMENT / ENTITY
Detailed information on the current vacancies (at all staff levels)
<p>The first draft on the proposed structure was submitted to the OOP for pre-consultation with DPSA in March 2022. A follow-up on the response on the proposed structure with the Office of the Premier (OOP) was made and informal feedback was given that the Department had not fully aligned with the 2019 feedback on the proposed structure. A meeting to seek guidance on the way forward was arranged and sat in May 2022. As part of the outcomes of the above meeting, the proposed structure was aligned to the DPSA generic model functional structure for programme 1 and sent to the OOP for an informal pre-consultation with the Department of Public Service and Administration (DPSA).</p> <p>The response on the informal pre-consultation was received on the 15 June 2022. Changes were made on the proposed structure in line with the OOP recommendations and the amended structure was presented to the DSC and the SMT meeting. A memo on the proposed structure has been approved by the HOD and submitted to the OOP. The Directorate: OE has received acknowledgement letter on the pre-consultation of the proposed structure from OOP and awaiting feedback on the revised proposed functional and organizational</p>

10. THE DETAILS ON A CAPACITATED DEPARTMENT / ENTITY

structure from the OOP. As part of way forward, the OOP supported by the DPSA will present the findings on the proposed functional and organizational structure to HoD and Management of the GDED and the date for the engagement will be dependent on the availability of the HOD and Management in the month of October 2022.

Current vacancy rate

DED 7.45%
GLB 10.9%
Overall-18.35%

Current acting positions (at all Staff levels)

There are 10 employees in an acting position in various units within the Department.

Terminations during the period under review

10 terminations within the Department in the quarter under review.

New appointments during the period under review

12 new appointments within the Department in the quarter under review.

Detailed information on the GEYODI / HDI empowerment for the period under review

The GDED will report on initiatives regarding GEYODI. These aspects refer to employment and transformation to empower the targeted groups internally.

The Department currently employs a total number of 446 staff members, the number of people with disabilities remains at 17 which represent 3.8%.

The total number of young people (i.e., employees aged 35 and below) employed by the Department is at 106, this represents 23.7 % of the staff establishment, it should be noted that this figure does not include interns and learners.

The Workplace Skills Plan (WSP) has since been approved in Quarter 1. The implementation of the WSP will assist in conducting training interventions for the empowerment of women, youth and people with disabilities in the workplace.

10. THE DETAILS ON A CAPACITATED DEPARTMENT / ENTITY

Number of employees trained in quarter 2:

- Woman trained = 36
- People with disability trained = 0
- Youth = 21

The total number of women employed by the Department is currently 281. Therefore 63 % of the GDED staff complement are women.

The percentage of women per occupational employment category is indicated below;

- Employment category level 2-8; the Department employs a total number of 216 employees; of this total number 156 are women which represents 72% of females employed in this category.
- Employment category level 9-10; the Department employs a total number of 121 employees; of this total number 69 are women which represents 57% of females employed in this category.
- Employment category level 11-12; the Department employs a total number of 68 employees; of this total number 37 are women which represents 54% of females employed in this category.
- Employment category level 13-16; the Department employs a total number of 41 employees; of this total number 19 are women which represents 46% of females employed in this category.

It should also be noted that the Department has an Approved Employment Equity Plan in place which provides guidance to the recruitment process in prioritizing the employment of the previously disadvantage groups which includes women, people with disability and Africans in an equitable manner.

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Detailed information on any suspensions for the period under review

4 suspension was recorded during period under review

11 OVERSIGHT ON ANY OTHER COMMITTEE FOCUS AREA

11. THE DETAILS ON ANY OTHER COMMITTEE FOCUS AREA [Only if relevant and applicable]

Any other area of Department / Entity performance with respect to its Quarter Report that the Committee wishes to report on, which is not already included in any of the above Focus Areas.

[Enter information here]

12 COMMITTEE FINDINGS / CONCERNS

12. DETAILED COMMITTEE FINDINGS / CONCERNS (on each specific Focus Area analysed above)
The Committee is concerned with the employees investigated on matters related to irregular, wasteful expenditure and fraud

13 COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

13 [DETAILED COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS]			
Based on the information set out herein-above as well as the Committee Concerns, the Committee therefore recommends as follows:			
Ref Number	Recommendation	Type of response expected	Due Date
EDE / Q4PR / 001	<p>The Committee recommends that the Department should update the Committee on all investigations undertaken relating to potential fraud, irregular and wasteful expenditure and including those matters that have been referred and are currently investigated by the SIU within GEP and the GGB.</p> <p>A report on all these matters should be submitted on every reporting quarter until conclusion,</p>	Written Response should be forwarded to the GPL on the resolution as adopted by the House	Quarterly basis (every reporting quarter).

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15 ADOPTION

After due consideration the Economic Development Portfolio Committee unanimously adopted the Committee Oversight Report on the Gauteng Department of Economic Development 4th Quarterly Performance Report for the 2022/2023 FY.

In terms of Rule 117(2)(c) read together with Rule 164 the Committee presents to this House and recommends the adoption of the Committee's Oversight Report on the Gauteng Department of Economic Development 4th Quarterly Performance Report for the 2022/2023 FY.