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CGE To Launch Report on State of President's 40% Procurement Promise for Women's Businesses



On Monday the Commission for Gender Equality (CGE) is set to launch a report titled: A Promise without Commitment: Overview of state Compliance with President's 40% Procurement Allocation. The report is a product of a study done by the CGE to assess the extent to which the President's promise is being turned into reality by state departments at the national and provincial levels through the necessary preparations, planning, and allocation of resources towards this goal.

In a virtual address to mark National Women's Day in 2020, President Cyril Ramaphosa announced the government's Plans to expand women's access to economic opportunities by setting aside 40% of public

procurement for women-owned businesses. This study was carried out during the 2021/2022 financial year as part of the CGE's focus on women's economic empowerment. Due to the nature of this study and time constraints, this study relied heavily on quantitative and descriptive secondary data provided by the National Treasury on expenditure patterns relating to the procurement of goods and services at national and provincial levels.

South Africa has subscribed to local and international frameworks aimed at improving women's economic conditions. The need for women's empowerment is stated in the National Development Plan (NDP 2030), which is a blueprint of the country's developmental agenda. South Africa is also a signatory to the Sustainable Development Goals (SDG) 2030, founded on the premise of "leaving no one behind", including addressing issues that affect women.



On Tuesday, Statistics South Africa released the findings of the Gender Series volume 6 on Women Empowerment. The report's main objective was to assess gender disparities and equality progress in women empowerment.

ABOVE: Stats SA's latest report of the Gender Series, looking into the state of women empowerment in SA.

OCTOBER

BREAST CANCER

AWARENESS MONTH



Women's healthcare is a critical part of public health

Breast cancer is one of the most common cancers among women in South Africa. Early detection can lead to effective treatment & a positive prognosis. About 90% of patients survive after diagnosis if it's detected early.

Regular self-breast examination and regular mammograms are key to early detection. Presenting yourself early for treatment may result

in more effective treatment, leading to a reduction in pain and suffering and a significant decrease in the loss of life.

The designation of October as "Breast Cancer Awareness Month" in South Africa reflects a nationwide drive by public and private healthcare structures to raise awareness of this debilitating disease across all races and class structures.

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