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Dube Trade Port keeps the numbers coming

The flagship Dube Trade Port has signed R1.5 billion worth of investments of which R1.1 billion was secured to build seven companies. This resulted in the creation of 5000 temporary jobs and 40 permanent jobs.

Dube Trade Port, one of the government's top 30 top Economic Zones, is among the richest in the country, both in terms of infrastructure and investment. The port is located in the north of the province, providing access to a large number of export and import opportunities.

According to the provincial department of Economic Development, Tourism, and Environmental Affairs, the Dube Trade Port is strategically positioned at the intersection of global and local transport corridors.

The port has attracted a number of international flights to King Shaka International Airport, which is expected to serve as an international gateway for cargo and passenger transport. The port is also working on developing additional facilities to accommodate the growing demand for cargo handling.

The Dube Trade Port is expected to be a catalyst for economic growth, creating thousands of jobs and boosting the local economy. The port is also working on developing additional facilities to accommodate the growing demand for cargo handling.

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Special Economic Zones are engine rooms for transformation

The Department of Economic Development, Tourism and Environmental Affairs, under the leadership of Minister Sihle Zikalala, announced a major shift in strategy towards the development of Special Economic Zones (SEZs). This initiative is aimed at transforming the economy to create job opportunities and drive economic growth.

Zikalala said SEZs would be developed in strategic locations to attract investment and create jobs. They will provide a conducive environment for business operations, offering tax incentives, and other benefits to entrepreneurs.

The SEZs will be developed in partnership with the private sector and will focus on sectors such as manufacturing, tourism, and agriculture. The aim is to create a sustainable ecosystem that can support businesses and create employment opportunities.

The SEZs will also be linked to other initiatives such as infrastructure development and skills development to ensure a comprehensive approach to economic transformation.

Zikalala emphasized the importance of partnerships and collaboration with the private sector in the success of the SEZs. He encouraged businesses to come forward and participate in the development of SEZs to benefit from the opportunities they offer.

The SEZs are expected to play a crucial role in the economic development of the province and contribute to the creation of sustainable jobs. They will be developed with the aim of creating a competitive and dynamic economic landscape.

The SEZs are expected to attract investment from both local and international investors, thereby contributing to the growth of the provincial economy.

In conclusion, the development of SEZs is a key strategy in the transformation of the economy. It is expected to create significant opportunities for businesses and contribute to the overall economic growth of the province.
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KZN poised to exploit growth opportunities in maritime sector

In a successful partnership between government, the private sector and state-owned enterprises, the province will look beyond the usual measures to achieve economic growth.

The province, which recently hosted an international event in Durban, has seen a number of initiatives that will lead to economic growth. These initiatives include the establishment of the Maritime Policy and Development Centre, which will focus on the development of the maritime sector.

The province has also invested in infrastructure projects, such as the new Durban Harbour, which will enhance the province’s competitiveness.

Net closing in on poaching syndicates

The illegally killed rhinos are down by 9% from the previous year. The Department of Environmental Affairs said that the number of poaching incidents has declined in the past few years, indicating that efforts to combat rhino poaching are paying off.

Sharper focus on rural tourism

The Department of Tourism has focused on improving facilities and services in rural areas, with a particular focus on the KwaZulu-Natal region. This includes the upgrading of rural tourism facilities, such as lodges and camping sites, to meet the needs of tourists.

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From left: Giacinta Sagar, MSC Cruises Head of Global Port Development and Store Activities, Sihle Zikalala KZN MEC for Economic Development and Tourism, Shakupha Gama, Transnet Group Chief Executive and Shudzai Galwe, Chief Executive for Transnet Port Authority (TPA).