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Pulse! is the quarterly e-newsletter of the NWDC. It is distributed four times per annum to our newsletter subscriber base.

HIGHLIGHTS IN THIS ISSUE

- VTSD Retail Economy launched
- Province promoted in Switzerland & Serbia
- SMMEs participate in China Trade fair
- First Cancer Awareness Event held in Christiansburg
- Economic Data Report

SMME FEATURE:

* EARTHY COOK

* RAJOSE CONSTRUCTION

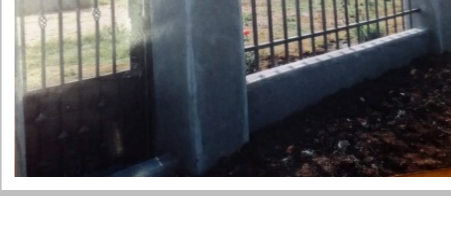


Earthy Cook manufactures hand-made, personalised or custom branded products for the home and hospitality industry. Apart from making great corporate gifts, Earthy Cook products will most certainly spice up your table this festive season.

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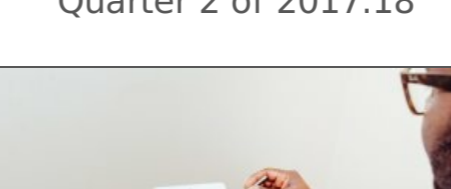
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Economic Data Report

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The pickup in global growth anticipated in the April World Economic Outlook remains on track, with global output projected to grow by 3.5 percent in 2017 and 3.6 percent in 2018.

US economic rebound improves global economic outlook while growth in Europe and China is stable.

Commodity prices showed a sharp upturn during 2016 and early 2017 period, however vulnerabilities remain, of which softer Chinese industrial production and a stronger US Dollar pose the most significant in the near term.

Growth prospects in Sub-Saharan Africa improve on the back of commodity price recovery.

South Africa faces unique challenges. Growth of 2.5% was recorded for Q2 2017. CPI of 4.6% and PPI of 3.6%.

In the North West province 978 000 people were employed with an unemployment rate of 27.2%.

The economy in the North West province has been affected positively by the increase in commodity price and increase in agricultural production.



RETAIL ECONOMY LAUNCHED

The tuckshop and retail economy of the province's VTSD areas were propelled into a new era when the first mini shopping centre and wholesale warehouse were opened by Premier Sisa Mahumapelo in the JB Marks local municipality.

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TOURISM & INVESTMENTS PROMOTED INTERNATIONALLY

Golden Leopard Resorts did the province proud by bringing home the coveted Swiss Tourism Award from the Swiss International Holiday Expo, held in Lugano, Switzerland. At the same time, NWDC CEO, Ishopo Phetla, promoted the investment prospects of our province as part of a delegation attending an investment forum in Belgrade, Serbia.

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SMMES BENEFIT FROM CHINA TRADE FAIR

NWDC participated in the 14th International SME Fair (CSMEF) that took place in Guangzhou, China. A number of promising SMMEs from Bokone Bophirima attended and benefited from valuable exposure and networking opportunities, as part of a provincial delegation, led by FEED MEC Wendy Nelson.

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CHRISTIANA RESORT HOSTS CANCER AWARENESS DAY

A first-of-its-kind Cancer Awareness Day was held at the Christiana All Seasons Resort on 25 November 2017. Events on the day included a three-kilometre fun walk, exhibitions and a gala dinner aimed at educating and creating awareness. Proceeds were donated to Cancervive.

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RETAIL BENEFICIARIES RECEIVE TRAINING

NWDC, the Office of the Premier and service provider Zooli, joined forces in fighting unemployment by training two groups of beneficiaries set to run retail outlets in the pilot VTSD Retail Economy project.

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ADD MADIKE RIVER LODGE TO YOUR BUCKET LIST

Right now is the ideal time to plan your break-away diary for 2018, or even do a last-minute booking for the coming festive season. For something truly unique and memorable, look no further than the Madikwe River Lodge. A three star hide-away situated on the banks of the Groot Marico River in the heart of Madikwe Game Reserve.

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