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## **SACP Launches The People's Red Caravan to Drive Grassroots Development and Socialism in Practice, in Motlhabé Village.**

The South African Communist Party (SACP), led by General Secretary Comrade Solly Mapaila, officially launched ***The People's Red Caravan***—a nationwide initiative grounded in the theme: **“The People's Movement for Self-Reliance and Sustainability.”**

This campaign marks a major step in the SACP's commitment to grassroots development and deepening the Party's ties with communities. The Red Caravan will serve as a dynamic platform for mobilising the working class, advancing local democratic power, and promoting socialist values through practical, community-based action.

### **Building Socialism from the Ground Up**

The rollout took place in Motlhabé Village, where the SACP and local community members collaborated on a week-long programme of high-impact development projects. These included:

- Renovation of the local clinic and healthcare centre
- Repairs to a damaged bridge and local roads
- Cleaning and painting of the village's Multipurpose and Information Centres
- Planting vegetables at the community farm to promote food security
- Hosting a sports tournament featuring local soccer and netball teams

The week concluded with a well-attended Community Imbizo at the community hall. The SACP officially handed over the completed projects to the Motlhabé community in a ceremony led by Kgosi Nyalala Pilane and members of the Bakgatla-ba-Kgafela traditional authority. Also in attendance were Kgosi Mabalane, Deputy Chairperson of the North West House of Traditional and Koi-San Leaders, and North West MEC for Agriculture and Rural Development, Mr. Madoda Sambatha and members of the royal family.

### **Focusing on Critical Needs**

The Red Caravan initiative targets key areas vital to sustainable rural development and community empowerment, including:

- Food security, food sovereignty, and local food production
- Public health, education, and community safety
- Arts, culture, and recreational activities
- Infrastructure improvements: water, sanitation, and access roads
- Economic self-reliance through revitalised, community-based productive activities

Through these efforts, the SACP demonstrates a practical and people-centred vision for socialism—one rooted in everyday life and community solidarity. This is what building socialism looks like—hands-on, people-led, and driven by the working class.