



**Foreword by
SANTACO President**



Dear Members and Stakeholders,

I am writing to express my heartfelt appreciation and pride as the President of SANTACO, following the recent awarding of the new bus contract to a taxi industry-linked business by Harmony Gold Mine. This landmark achievement marks a significant milestone in our journey towards economic empowerment and diversification of income streams for our members in the Lejweleputswa Region of the Free State Province.

This groundbreaking initiative sets our province apart as a trailblazer in taxi industry value chain diversification, showcasing a unified effort towards economic upliftment. By supporting a business rooted in our industry, Harmony Gold Mine has demonstrated a commitment to empowering local entrepreneurs and stimulating economic growth.

This contract award will have far-reaching benefits, enabling our business men and women to tap into new revenue streams, create jobs, and contribute meaningfully to the regional economy. It is a testament to the power of collaboration and the potential for success when industry operators work together towards a common goal.

We applaud Harmony Gold Mine for their visionary approach and pledge to continue working together to ensure the success of this venture. We also extend our gratitude to all stakeholders who have supported us in this journey.

As we celebrate this achievement, we remain committed to our mission of promoting economic empowerment and unity within the taxi industry. We look forward to replicating this model and exploring further opportunities for growth and development.

Thank you for your continued support.

M.A Tsebe

Sincerely,

Motlhabane Abnar Tsebe – SANTACO President