

## OUTLINE OF THE MEC UKHOZI FM SCRIPT 13 December 2020 Standard Opening and Closing BIBLE VERSE



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## 1. The role we envisage KZN Treasury to play in the face of a shrinking purse and increasing poverty levels

- More work lies ahead as we still battle the triple challenges of inequality, poverty and unemployment. All stakeholders and our social partners in fact do agree that these triple challenges need urgent attention from policymakers to whom the society look up to.
- Even in the face of Covid-19, KZN Treasury is well-placed and stands in a stronger position in that it has the skills, ability, expertise and experience to offer decisive interventions in some of these challenges. KZN Treasury has the ability to turn its policies into meaningful societal development through the skilful use of the public purse, monetary policy and skilled personnel.
- KZN Treasury has the ability to set the wheel of preferential procurement into full motion. As a custodian of the Supply Chain Management, KZN Treasury, with a sizeable complement of financial and budget experts, accountants and economists has the ability to turn things on their head to see to it that a new social contract is devised and implemented for the greater benefit of our people.

## 2. Financial year 2021/22 Pre-budget Roadshow in Amajuba: Spend Wisely

- The Executive Authority to announce our visit to Newcastle as part of the Pre-budget Roadshows
- KZN Treasury runs a "Spend Wisely" and we will be targeting the Big Christmas spenders on how to save money ahead of January school re-openings and a difficult 2021
- Targeting taxi ranks and those who are set to divide their endof the year stokvel dividends