

Proposed Project Summary for Public Disclosure
(concept review stage)

Project Name	Limpopo Central Hospital Project
Country	The Republic of South Africa
Type	Sovereign
Area of Operation	Social Infrastructure
Concept Approval Date	22 April 2025
Total Project Cost	ZAR 5,048 million
Proposed Limit of NDB Financing	ZAR 4,500 million
Borrower	The Republic of South Africa
Project Entities	National Department of Health The Development Bank of Southern Africa
Project Context	<p>South Africa's public hospitals face significant challenges such as inadequate infrastructure and equipment, understaffing, medicine shortages and long waiting times due to resource constraints. There are also geographical inequalities in healthcare resources amongst the provinces, with Limpopo province experiencing one of the largest deficit in tertiary care beds.</p> <p>The proposed Limpopo Central Hospital (the “Project”) in Polokwane, capital city of Limpopo Province, is a critical response to address the above challenges. The Project includes the construction of a new hospital that will provide the tertiary medical care for the province and will also be the major teaching hospital for the University of Limpopo Faculty of Health Sciences and School of Medicine.</p>
Project Description	<p>The Project comprises 488 tertiary beds medical care capacity for a range of highly specialized care. It has 17 operating theatres, including for burns, obstetrics, cardiac and trauma care, two of which will have attached teaching room. Clinical support services will include X-rays, MRIs and CTs, laboratories, blood bank, pharmacy, lodging facilities, etc. As a major teaching hospital, academic facilities for training healthcare professionals are also included in the Project.</p>
Project Objective	<p>The Project’s impact will be a contribution to the National Development Plan: Vision 2030, by improving the healthcare infrastructure, providing accessible and quality health services, and reducing health inequalities in the region.</p>