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AfriSam hands over newly renovated community hall to Haniville

AfriSam recently completed the renovation of the Haniville community hall which was formally handed over at a celebratory function, hosted this by leading black-controlled construction materials group. The function was attended by representatives of the Department of Mineral Resources and the Msunduzi municipality as well as local community members.

"This facility was given to the community by a donor some years ago but had deteriorated, both structurally and hygienically, over the years making it unsafe for the community to occupy," Daniel Dlamini, Corporate Social Responsibility co-ordinator for AfriSam in KwaZulu-Natal, says.

At the time of AfriSam's intervention the community still used the hall for gatherings such as funerals, weddings and other community meetings as there was no other central meeting place which could accommodate them.

Work on the project commenced in December 2009 and involved renovation of the hall including a well equipped kitchen and ablution facility at a total cost of almost R900 000.

“We firmly believe in making a positive contribution to communities living in areas within which we operate and are proud to have been able to bring this dream to life for the people of Haniville and to share in their celebration,” Dlamini says.

Councillor Henry Ngubane of the Msunduzi municipality attended the function and expressed the gratitude of the community towards AfriSam. “I don’t have words to express my gratitude to AfriSam for this intervention. Their involvement has been beyond my expectation, and I would like to express gratitude on behalf of the Haniville community to AfriSam,” he says.

ABOUT AFRISAM (PTY) LTD

Founded as Anglovaal Portland Cement Company Limited in 1934, AfriSam is today the leading black-controlled building construction materials group in southern Africa. With operations in South Africa, Botswana, Lesotho, Namibia and Swaziland, the company has nearly 2 000 employees and an annual production capacity of over four million tons of cement. It has six cement production facilities, eight cement depots, 16 quarries and aggregate operations, 40 readymix concrete plants and a Ground Granulated Blast Furnace Slag (GGBFS) milling plant. The company also has a 62.5 percent interest in Tanzania-based and listed, Tanga Cement Company.

CAPTION FOR HANIVILLE 01: The Haniville community hall was officially opened by the Chief Director of the Department of Mineral Resources, Rebone Nkambule and the Major of Msunduzi Municipality, Mike Tarr.

CAPTION FOR HANIVILLE 02: Community members at the official opening of the Haniville community hall.

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