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# MARITIME LEGISLATION AND POLICY FRAMEWORK

The National Commercial Ports Policy (“**NCPP**”) 2002, Government recognizes the strategic value of the commercial ports system in South Africa, in the context of international trade initiatives and the changing global transport environment.

This culminated in the adoption of the Comprehensive Maritime Transport Policy (“**CMPT**”) 2017 which now serves as South Africa’s policy on maritime transport affairs. The central aim of the CMPT is to facilitate growth, development and transformation of South African Maritime transport sector in support of National Development Plan 2030 for transformed and inclusive economy whilst contributing to international trade. To promote local entrepreneurship in the shipping industry, along with marine manufacturing and related services.

National Ports Act No 12 of 2005 mandates the Port Authority to plan, provide, maintain and improve port infrastructure.

Recent implementation of African Continental Free Trade Area (AfCTA) Agreement.

On 26 August 2024, the President signed proclamations which, in terms of Section 97 of the Constitution of the Republic of South Africa of 1996, transfer the administration, powers and functions entrusted by the specified legislation of the following State Owned Entities to the Minister of Transport: South African Airways (SAA), South African Express and Transnet.



# MARITIME TRANSPORT INFRASTRUCTURE AS THE BACK OF OCEANS ECONOMIC GROWTH

Underpinning the role of government as an enabler for business is to:

- ❑ The development of South Africa's Maritime transport system in support of socio-economic development of the country and international trade.
- ❑ Building infrastructure that drives inclusive and sustainable development for all is a crucial element;
- ❑ Infrastructure development that meets the needs of present and future generations and is efficient and affordable.
- ❑ Equity of access interventions to reduce barriers to entry and transform the highly concentrated nature of many economic sectors in South Africa should include those guided by competition policy, industrial policy masterplans, and procurement policies.
- ❑ Infrastructure maintenance ensuring safety, reliability and promote long term vitality of network transport.
- ❑ Creating enabling environment that is attractive to markets and conducive for business.



# Operation Phakisa Government program

## Coastal line

- ❑ The South African coastline is approximately 3000km, stretching from Namibia in the west to Mozambique in the East and its economic potential has not been fully unlocked.
  
- ❑ In 2014 Focused Labs convened to discuss how to unlock economic opportunities in the oceans economy and the 4 subsectors were identified
  - ❑ Aquaculture & Fisheries
  - ❑ Oil and Gas
  - ❑ **Marine Transport Manufacturing and Repair**
  - ❑ **Marine Protection Services and Oceans Governance**
  
- ❑ Marine Transport Manufacturing and Repair (Initiatives)
  - ❑ Investment unlocked in new and existing port infrastructure
  - ❑ Maintain and refurbish existing port ship repair facilities
  - ❑ Establish purpose-built oil and gas port infrastructure
  - ❑ Continental Maritime collaboration
  - ❑ Localization (preferential procurement policy)
  - ❑ Grow South African Flag (Ship registry)
  - ❑ National Shipping Company
  - ❑ Consolidate government fleet procurement

# Opportunities in Maritime manufacturing & marine engineering

## Marine Transport, Manufacturing & Repair

- ▶ Boat building;
- ▶ Ship repair;
- ▶ Ship recycling;
- ▶ Ship ownership;
- ▶ Maritime Transport
  - ▶ Digitalization
  - ▶ Security
  - ▶ Green energy
  - ▶ Innovation
- ▶ Small harbours development
- ▶ Training –partnering with institutions of higher learning and promotion of carriers in the Maritime sector

## Partnerships

- ▶ SAIMI
- ▶ SAMSA
- ▶ Private sector
- ▶ DTIC
- ▶ DFFE
- ▶ CSIR

Way forward – Finalization and adoption of the overarching Oceans Economy Master Plan



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