

Adhering to construction standards invites investment

Adhering to national and international standards helps construction companies to assure investors that they can be held accountable, because it ensures responsibility which in turn lowers risk levels.



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"Countries have various standards which have to be followed with each individual contract and specific industry body. However, there are general basic standards for the construction industry worldwide. These basic standards tie up and align to a certain extent," says Frans Pienaar of Inyatsi Construction.

It is important to adhere to these standards, because compliance invites investment. Adhering to standards assures investors that the product delivery is of good quality, which makes it easier for investors to get involved.

"Inyatsi Construction has been involved in many projects including building roads to connect members of the community to their place of work, as well as many other amenities. We pride ourselves on the infrastructure projects we have been involved in, from roads, hospitals and clinics that offer health services to communities, to schools that provide education to our future leaders. We also contribute through our CSI programmes that run in the areas where we operate," explains Pienaar.

Growing GDP

The new airport in Swaziland, for example, helped to grow the local country's gross domestic product (GDP), while upgrading the main link between the south and north of Africa through the town of Livingstone in Zambia improved traffic flow, growing revenue for the town.

Infrastructure projects such as bridges and roads in Mozambique and Swaziland also provided a foundation for local development, such as the bridge over the Great Umbeluzi River in Mozambique that stimulated growth in the border town of Goba. The dual carriage-way in Swaziland between Mbabane and Matsapha is also contributing to development in the region.

All these projects were completed by Inyatsi Construction and have a positive impact on the lives of community members in these areas, because the construction of infrastructure such as schools and hospitals contributes to economic growth in developing countries. Better facilities lead to an increase in population density while also providing markets for other businesses.

It also provides comfort to investors and stimulates the market for new developments, while the level of education around these developments increases, contributing to the availability of skills in turn. Improved infrastructure also lowers the cost of doing business. Businesses thrive on access for people and freight because it enhances the ability to reach markets in a cost-effective way.

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