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TOURISM RECOVERY PLAN TO BE PRESENTED TO CABINET SOON

- When South Africa implemented lockdown restrictions, one of the sectors that was most affected by this was tourism, with businesses remaining shut even when economic activity resumed.
- When Deputy President David Mabuza appeared before the National Assembly to respond to oral questions on Wednesday, he said a plan aimed at reigniting growth in the sector would soon be presented to Cabinet for approval.
- "As mentioned earlier, the COVID-19 pandemic had a major impact on the tourism sector.
- "As a response, the Department of Tourism, in partnership with the private sector, has developed a Tourism Sector Recovery Plan, which will soon be presented to Cabinet for approval," he said.
- The Deputy President said the plan outlines a set of interventions to ignite the recovery anchored on three strategic themes, namely protecting and rejuvenating supply, reigniting demand and strengthening capacity for long-term sustainability.
- "We are confident that with this intervention, the sector and its entire value chain will be resuscitated.
- "We admit that under the current environment of fiscal constraint, the reduced budget tabled by the Minister of Finance can never be sufficient to address all the socio-economic challenges facing our country and further compounded by the COVID-19 pandemic.
- "However, we do believe that the interventions will go a long way towards mitigating the negative socio-economic impact of the pandemic on the lives and livelihoods of South Africans," said Mabuza. For the full article visit: https://www.sanews.gov.za/south-africa/tourism-recovery-plan-be-presented-cabinet-soon



