

Municipality of Walvis Bay



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RE: KUISEBMOND STADIUM GETS MAJOR REVAMP, AS EXCITING RENOVATIONS COMMENCE

The Municipality of Walvis Bay is pleased to announce the much-anticipated rehabilitation of Kuisebmond Stadium, a key project aimed at ensuring the long-term structural integrity and modernization of the facility officially commenced. Following an extensive structural assessment by the Municipality's technical team, it was determined that significant renovations are required to safeguard the future of the stadium.

Element Consulting Engineers was appointed through a rigorous procurement process and have developed a comprehensive rehabilitation plan based on their detailed structural assessment. While the report confirmed that the stadium is not at immediate risk of collapse, it emphasised the importance of remedial action to ensure the stadium remains safe and prevent further deterioration. The engineers evaluated eleven critical aspects of the structural defects, assigning varying ratings that highlighted the need for intervention.

Key areas of the renovation include reinforcing three of the main stadium frames to enhance their structural stability. Six front columns and two side columns, which have experienced varying degrees of deterioration, will also be reinforced to meet the required building standards. In addition, the deteriorating roof slabs will be demolished and reconstructed, ensuring a safer and more durable structure. All hand railings will be replaced with high-quality Grade 316 stainless steel, offering both safety and longevity.

The renovation extends beyond structural repairs to include general building upgrades, such as new bathroom accessories, door locks, kitchen sinks, timber beams above windows, wooden seating planks, refurbished entrance steps, and the revitalisation of the stadium's floodlight poles. A fresh coat of paint will also be applied, giving the facility a clean and modern appearance.

This rehabilitation project, with an estimated cost of just under N\$ 3 million, is expected to be completed by April 2025. On 10 October 2024, the site was officially handed over to Vecca Construction to begin the transformation.

The Municipality of Walvis Bay is excited to modernize Kuisebmond Stadium and looks forward to unveiling a facility the entire community can be proud of for years to come!

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