



GEPF INVESTING IN THE TRANSPORT NETWORK THAT UNDERPINS OUR DAILY LIVES

Our transport network is much more than a transportation system. It underpins our daily lives, connecting people and communities to jobs and services, businesses to markets, and facilitating trade and travel.

We need a nation connected through a safe, efficient, reliable transport network to the north, south, east and west and across our borders into our continent.

We need a transport system that is accessible, that promotes independent living, and removes barriers that prevent vulnerable groups from fully participating in mainstream society.

That is why transport infrastructure is a key investment sector for the Government Employees Pension Fund (GEPF), and as the largest pension fund in Africa, the fund has become a leading investor in infrastructure development in various African countries.

Why is it important to invest in transport infrastructure?

Transport infrastructure is a crucial engine for economic growth and social development. A country with well-developed transport infrastructure has a leg up to achieve global industrial competitiveness, and investing in this sector is a priority because the ongoing and effective planning, building and operating of infrastructure is crucial to any country's economic success.

What has GEPF invested in transport infrastructure?

- R782 million in N3TC, which made a significant contribution towards the design; construction, financing, operation and maintenance of a 420 km portion of the N3;
- R444 million in Bakwena Platinum Corridor Concession, to design, build, finance; operate and maintain the 385km Platinum Toll Highway;
- R376 million in the South African Toll Road Company (SATRC) to build a 95km section of the N1 and 290kms of the N4 from Tshwane westwards to the Botswana border;
- R378 million in TRAC to help build the 570km long N4 Toll Route's road and
- R728 million into the construction of Lanseria Airport, which is the second largest airport
 in Gauteng and the fifth largest in the country, making a significant impact in the ease
 of travel and tourism.

All of these infrastructure projects have significantly improved our national roads which are needed to connect the people and the flow of trade between our cities and the global markets.

