Revamp to set groundwork for NHI

PRESIDENT Jacob Zuma said in his State of the Nation address that the government had identified "critical" social infrastructure projects in addition to its drive to build other infrastructure to boost the economy. These include projects aimed at laying the basis for the National Health Insurance system such as the refurbishment of hospitals and nurses' homes. R300m has been allocated for the preparatory work towards building new universities in Mpumalanga and Northern Cape. Finance Minister Pravin Gordhan is expected to indicate in his budget speech later this month whether or not more resources would be dedicated to the NHI.

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