

# Platinum making a difference

## Getting to know Impala Rustenburg

Impala Rustenburg is a platinum producer and a subsidiary of Implats, which is a South African company listed on the Johannesburg Stock Exchange.

The management of Impala are pleased to inform key stakeholders about a series of initiatives that have been planned to inform our communities, employees and shareholders about the positive impact our operations have had, and continue to

have, in and around Rustenburg. We also want to showcase how platinum and the contribution of our people – everyday – makes a difference.

In the coming weeks *Platinum Weekly* will be liaising with the mine management. Impala Rustenburg will share information, so readers can get to know more about the mine, its impact on the surrounding communities and local businesses, as well as its contribution to the people and

economy of Rustenburg and surrounds, the province, and South Africa as a whole.

Impala is also sponsoring a weekly drive-time slot at 6.10pm every Friday on Radio Mafisa FM 93.4 - where various senior managers and specialists share their knowledge in mining, career development, health, skills development, community engagements, as well as the various projects the mine is involved in.

Impala Rustenburg will also highlight outstanding achievements, such as graduating bursary students and safety achievements, as well as what the company is doing, over and above compliance with the requirements of the law, to make a difference in the lives of our employees and community members.

The company has a dedicated stakeholder engagement department, which works closely with the team at the mine to make sure the operation has an on-the-ground presence to engage with elected community leadership representatives and local government structures, and to provide the true meaning to “Platinum making a difference”, which these series of articles will highlight. We will regularly update you on the progress made with the many community projects currently underway.

Impala is the largest employer in our region. This operation encompasses a 10-shaft mining complex with three concentrators and a smelting operation with three furnaces. The mine currently employs more than 27 000 employees as well as more than 10 000 contractors. It is a well-known statistic that each employee supports, directly or indirectly in many cases, up to 10 dependents – which means more than 270 000 people rely on Impala Rustenburg for their wellbeing.

Now, one must also take into account that the mines as far as possible use local companies to provide supplies, goods and services needed for its operations – anything from supplying milk and sugar to strategic commodities and services such as scraper winches and contract mining, among others, are procured locally. In turn, these suppliers also employ people from our local communities, so the impact of the mines is much, much greater than the people we employ.

Look out for further updates in forthcoming *Platinum Weekly* publications and remember to tune in to Radio Mafisa FM 93.4 on Fridays at 6:10pm to find out how platinum truly does make a difference.



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Impala  
mines



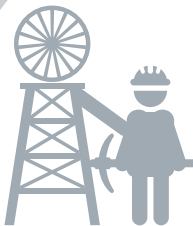
PLATINUM GROUP

METALS (PGMs)

Production  
started on

22

JULY 1969



580 800

OUNCES

of refined platinum  
were produced in

FY2018

### THE MINE COMPRISES:



10 shafts

27 000 employees

10 000 contractors



3 concentrators

3 furnaces

### IMPALA RUSTENBURG HAS:

- The biggest tailings dam in the Southern Hemisphere

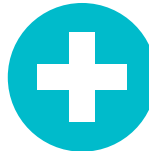


- The biggest concentrator in South Africa



- Approx. 90 km privately-owned railway track circuit

- Fully functioning hospital and clinics



### KEY FACTS AND FIGURES:



- The 6 precious metals that make up the **Platinum Group Metals** family are ruthenium, rhodium, palladium, osmium, iridium, and platinum. PGMs occur together in PGM-bearing ore



- The platinum industry provides work for **many occupations** including miners, engineers, finance specialists, human resources practitioners, doctors, nurses and lawyers



- The most important use of platinum is in vehicles, as a **catalytic converter**, facilitating the complete combustion of unburned hydrocarbon passing through the exhaust.



- Platinum is used in **jewellery, decoration and dental work**. The metal and its alloys are also used for **electrical contacts**, fine resistance **wires** and **medical / laboratory instruments**



- PGMs are **recyclable**

