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Johannesburg is as ready as it will ever be for the G20 Summit

Johannesburg, South Africa's vibrant economic hub, is gearing up to host the historic 2025 G20 Leaders' Summit, marking the first time this influential global forum convenes on African soil. This momentous occasion positions Johannesburg not only as a political and economic centre but also as a beacon of urban innovation, inclusive development and international cooperation. The City's readiness reflects a comprehensive effort encompassing infrastructure upgrades, security measures and economic opportunities that promise to leave a lasting impact on the city and continent at large.

Hosting the G20 Summit unlocks a wealth of economic prospects for Johannesburg. The event is expected to attract high-profile delegates, global investors and international media, providing a platform to showcase the city's burgeoning markets, technological innovations and entrepreneurial spirit. Increased investment during this period is anticipated to stimulate local economies, create jobs and foster new business partnerships across sectors such as finance, technology and tourism.

Moreover, the summit is poised to significantly boost tourism. With hotels, shopping malls, improved transport infrastructure and enhanced public spaces, Johannesburg aims to offer a memorable experience for visitors. The international exposure will also elevate the city's status as a premier destination for tourism, encouraging longer stays and repeated visits post-summit.

A cornerstone of Johannesburg's readiness has been extensive infrastructure enhancements across key sectors. The Johannesburg Roads Agency (JRA) has intensified maintenance efforts, especially along high-profile routes like Sandton, Alexandra, Lanseria, M1, M2 and Soweto, ensuring smooth traffic flow and safety. Road resurfacing, pothole repairs and beautification initiatives are ongoing, complemented by vegetation control and cleanliness drives in partnership with Johannesburg City Parks and Zoo (JCPZ) and Pikitup.

Stormwater management has been prioritised through clearing stormwater inlets and outlets, particularly in flood-prone areas, to mitigate risks during the rainy season.

The Johannesburg Metropolitan Police Department (JMPD) has devised a dual strategy focusing on securing the summit area and elevating city-wide safety. This includes specialised traffic management plans for high-security motorcades, strict perimeter controls and increased patrols to combat crime and ensure compliance with city bylaws.

City Power has undertaken a major overhaul of the electricity network, with over 30 substations undergoing maintenance and upgrades to ensure a reliable power supply. Streetlighting has been rehabilitated along strategic routes, enhancing both safety and visibility. Critical water infrastructure, including Rand Water's Eikenhof Pumping Station, has received reinforced power supply systems to prevent disruptions during the event.

Johannesburg Water has completed comprehensive checks and maintenance on key water infrastructure, ensuring uninterrupted supply during the summit. Emergency contingency measures, including mobile water tanks and sanitation services, are in place to address any unforeseen incidents swiftly.

Johannesburg's comprehensive preparations reflect its determination to host a successful G20 Summit that underscores its growing stature on the global stage. By investing in infrastructure, security and economic development, the city is not only ready to welcome the world but also to position itself as a leading African city capable of hosting future international events. The summit promises to be a pointed milestone, nurturing economic growth, tourism and international collaboration that will benefit Johannesburg for years to come.

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