



# TWENDE MBELE PARLIAMENTARY CAPACITY BUILDING WORKSHOP

## What Was It About?

- A 3-day hands-on training to strengthen parliamentary
- oversight through monitoring and evaluation (M&E)
- Co-hosted with South Africa's Department of Planning, Monitoring and Evaluation (DPME)
- the workshop promoted evidence-informed governance through peer learning.
- Minister in the Presidency, Ms. Maropene Ramokgopa, addressed participants, reinforcing the role of M&E in strengthening democratic accountability



## Why Was It Held

- To build practical skills in:
- Evaluating and using evidence in committee oversight
  - Asking the right questions of government departments
  - Identifying credible data for better decision-making
  - Applying M&E tools in real parliamentary work

## What Was Covered?

- Role of M&E in accountability and governance
- Integrating evidence into planning, budgets, and policy
- Theory of Change for tracking outcomes
- Distinguishing credible vs. weak evidence
- Hands-on exercises in evaluation and stakeholder analysis

## What Came Out of It?

- 92% said the workshop was highly relevant
- All participants committed to using what they learned
- Participants shared country-specific strategies and tools
- Drafted real questions to be used in upcoming committee meetings
- Strengthened cross-country support networks



## What's Next?

- Hybrid follow-up session – to deepen skills in evidence visualization and stakeholder mapping
- Continued engagement via APNODE and Twende Mbele platforms
- Support to parliaments to institutionalize M&E practices and embed learning into daily work

