

## NEW PRE-STRESS PRECAST CONCRETE CAPABILITY IN KZN

Bedrock Construction, a leader in the tilt-up and precast concrete industry, is thrilled to announce the acquisition of a new yard for manufacturing pre-stressed concrete products. Located in the rapidly developing Cato Ridge Dry Port (CRDP) in KwaZulu-Natal, this facility marks a significant milestone for the company.

The new yard at Cato Ridge is strategically positioned to enhance Bedrock's operational capabilities, allowing the company to meet the growing demand for large pre-stressed concrete elements. "The need for Bedrock to acquire additional operational space has sprung from an increased demand for us to manufacture pre-stressed concrete elements. These elements are very large, such as bridge beams, which we have been contracted to build for the SANRAL work packages on the N3 and other national roads," stated David Kitching, General Manager of Bedrock Construction. "This new capability puts Bedrock at the forefront as a precast company in the region. Cato Ridge is in a prime position for such an operation, and Cato Ridge Dry Port is developing rapidly, hence our choice to invest in this growing logistics and manufacturing hub."

The operations at the new facility will focus on casting of massive precast bridge beams: Each beam is 33m long and weighs 67 tonnes. These beams are essential components for infrastructure projects like bridges and highways.

The new manufacturing yard at Cato Ridge Dry Port, signifies Bedrock Construction's dedication to innovation, community engagement, and excellence in the precast concrete industry. This strategic expansion will not only enhance Bedrock's manufacturing capabilities but also provide significant benefits to the local community and economy. With state-of-the-art facilities and a commitment to quality, Bedrock is poised to lead the industry in producing pre-stressed concrete elements for critical infrastructure projects.

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