

New Economic Horizons ploughs back to the community

Some stories can not just go untold. The New Economic Horizons (NEH) is doing wonders in the community. During the month of September to October 2009, the society undertook the Basic Economic and Financial Empowerment Programme (BEFEP). Workers from Kat River Citrus Company (KATCO) were being taught the basics about their finances and the economy. The workers who registered for the course showed amazing enthusiasm. With vision, focus and integrity NEH has seen itself rising to live for a purpose and to leave an indelible mark by yielding back to the community through such programmes as BEFEP.

On the 28th of October 2009, to mark the end of such a successful project, certificates were presented to the workers who undertook the BEFEP in recognition of their participation and attendance. This event was graced by: the Executive Dean from the Faculty of Management and Commerce - Prof Reckson Thakhathi; the Director for Community Engagement – Ms Jayshree Thakrar; Dr Ben Jordaan from the Department of Business & Management, Faculty of Management & Commerce; the facilitators from NEH and the management from KATCO; as well as the workers from KATCO to whom the certificates were being presented.

Indeed BEFEP has been a success through the combined efforts of various stakeholders. The Department of Economics in which NEH is operating under has been very supportive. Through the guidance of Prof Ncube - the deputy HOD in the Department of Economics who is the patron for NEH, the road has been made much easier to travel. Dr Jordaan from the Department of Business Management who also happens to be on the Board of intellectual sponsors (BOIS) for NEH has been assisting the society in a remarkable manner. Magnificent support has been received from many other people who have not been mentioned. Members of NEH who have sacrificed their time researching and facilitating the programme should always know that none of their efforts oozed out in vain because the light that they are shedding will illuminate the whole world.