



OR TAMBO SEZ PRECINCT 2 CONTINUES TO ADVANCE TOWARDS INVESTMENT READINESS

The OR Tambo Special Economic Zone (SEZ) is a strategic industrial development programme located within the Eastern Corridor of the Gauteng City Region. The SEZ is developed, owned and operated by the Gauteng Industrial Development Zone (GIDZ) Company, a subsidiary of the Gauteng Growth and Development Agency (GGDA).

Following the successful completion of OR Tambo SEZ Precinct 1, which became fully operational in 2024, the SEZ has demonstrated tangible progress in advancing its industrialisation mandate. To date, Precinct 1 has attracted approximately R1 billion in private sector investment and facilitated the establishment of manufacturing operations and created over 3,000 operational jobs. These achievements demonstrate the SEZ's contribution to investment attraction, industrial development, export-oriented manufacturing and employment creation within Gauteng.

Building on the successful delivery and operationalisation of Precinct 1, the SEZ has embarked on the next phase of its expansion programme through the development of OR Tambo SEZ Precinct 2, where construction commenced in March 2025. This expansion seeks to increase the SEZ's industrial capacity, diversify its manufacturing base and accommodate further private sector investment in priority sectors.

Overview of OR Tambo SEZ Precinct 2

Strategically located approximately 3 kilometres north of OR Tambo International Airport, with access from Atlas Road in Kempton Park, Precinct 2 comprises approximately 29 hectares of industrial land, with the potential to accommodate approximately 200,000 m² of gross lettable space.

The precinct is positioned as a competitive industrial location for export-oriented manufacturing, particularly businesses producing high-value, low-mass products that benefit from proximity to international air freight infrastructure. Its priority sectors include pharmaceuticals, medical devices, electronics and fresh agro-processed products.

The development adopts a cluster-based industrial development approach, aimed at establishing an integrated manufacturing ecosystem that promotes collaboration, operational efficiency and competitiveness among investors. This approach enables businesses operating within the precinct to benefit from shared infrastructure, common services and specialised facilities, thereby reducing operating costs and supporting industrial growth.



A particular focus is the establishment of a pharmaceutical and medical devices manufacturing cluster, supported by specialised infrastructure such as laboratories, cold-chain facilities and other shared services required by businesses operating in these sectors. The cluster-based approach is intended to strengthen manufacturing capabilities, encourage industrial linkages and enhance the competitiveness of locally manufactured products for international consumption.

Precinct 2 Infrastructure Development Progress

The development of OR Tambo SEZ Precinct 2 continues to advance, with significant progress achieved in the construction of bulk infrastructure and internal reticulation services. This construction is critical to establishing a fully serviced industrial precinct capable of accommodating investors and supporting large-scale manufacturing operations.

The infrastructure development programme, which commenced in March 2025, is over 75% complete, with completion targeted for June 2027.

During the second quarter of 2026, progress was recorded across several key infrastructure components, including internal roads, water reticulation, sewer networks and electrical infrastructure. These works are progressively establishing the essential services required to support future industrial facilities and tenant operations.



Notable progress has also been achieved in the preparation of development platforms for future manufacturing facilities. These platforms will provide serviced sites for investors, enabling the phased establishment of industrial operations as the precinct's infrastructure becomes available.

Outlook and Strategic Significance

With infrastructure development progressing towards its targeted completion in June 2027, OR Tambo SEZ Precinct 2 represents a significant expansion of Gauteng's industrial infrastructure and export manufacturing capacity.

The precinct is expected to strengthen the OR Tambo SEZ's investment proposition by providing strategically located, serviced industrial land for high-value manufacturing activities. Its proximity to OR Tambo International Airport, combined with its cluster-based development model, provides an opportunity to attract domestic and international investment, facilitate technology transfer, deepen local industrial value chains and create sustainable employment opportunities.

The immediate priority is to maintain momentum in infrastructure delivery while advancing investor commitments and the development of the pharmaceutical and medical devices manufacturing cluster. This will be critical to translating infrastructure investment into operational manufacturing facilities, increased industrial output, exports and employment creation.

The continued development of Precinct 2 reinforces the OR Tambo SEZ's strategic role in advancing Gauteng's re-industrialisation agenda and positioning the province as a competitive destination for export-led manufacturing and investment.

