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Media Statement

HIGHLY ANTICIPATED POOL SET TO OPEN SATURDAY

Work on the highly anticipated Fitzroy Crossing swimming pool has been completed by leading WA construction company Pindan, with the grand-opening set for Saturday March 27.

The completed \$3.9 million State Government aquatic facility includes a 25-metre lap pool, adjoining wading area, kiosk, administration building, first aid room and change rooms.

Pindan's contracting division managing director Tony Gerber said there was a sense of achievement and anticipation from the team and community alike as the centre prepared to open its doors.

"Bringing this pool to life has been a fantastic project for us to be involved in as it's an initiative that will mean a great deal to the local community for many years to come and offer potentially huge health and wellbeing benefits for all children in the area, especially in preventing eye, ear and skin disorders" he said.

"We're proud to see the finished result and know this is going to become a vibrant hub of activity – we're so pleased to be able to hand this finished complex to the community."

As well as the Fitzroy Crossing pool, Pindan are on the verge of completing another government contract in the area – forward earth works for the new Derby prison.

Delayed by severe cyclones in December and January, the team will return to the site in April to complete remedial works and repair damage left by the harsh weather.

"Our contract involves forward works at the 20-hectare West Kimberley Regional Prison site, including taking care of access roads, earthworks, civil foundations and in-ground services," Mr Gerber said.

"This is a significant contract for our team, being awarded \$11 million of the approximate total of \$150 million invested into this development."

The site is located south of the Gibb River Road and Derby Highway intersection, about six kilometres from the town of Derby, and once completed will house approximately 150 beds.

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