

**Assessing the Extent to Which the South African RDP
(Reconstruction and Development Programme) has Achieved
its Objectives in the Implementation of RDP Housing
Assignment: The Case of 2011-2013 Golf Course Study in
Eastern Cape**

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ABSTRACT This study sought to assess the extent to which the national RDP policy has achieved its objectives of housing provision with a case study of Golf Course 2011-2013 study. The study triangulated both qualitative and quantitative approaches with the qualitative as the dominant approach, while the quantitative was less dominant. The quantitative design took the form of a mini survey while the qualitative took the form of a case study. The study was exploratory, explanatory and descriptive in design. The findings from this study indicated that RDP houses were both indecent and never met humane standards; they lacked social services such as schools and hospitals around them; were positioned outside the town's mainstream development; beneficiaries were not driving the project; and RDP estate lacked security services. These findings prompted these researchers to recommend to the government to consider filling all the identified gaps in the RDP policy implementation. This is because these projects were espoused to meet the needs of the beneficiaries.