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Towards The Implementation of Public-Private-Partnerships (PPPs) for Efficient Service Delivery in Public Institutions in South Africa

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ABSTRACT This paper used an explorative secondary data approach to understand how public private partnerships (PPP's) can be harnessed by the South African public sector to address service delivery challenges. National Treasury reports, government statistics, annual progress reports and current existing academic literature was used as data. In addition to this qualitative approach the paper used the functionalist framework to examine the different facets of PPP's that exist and their essence on service delivery in South Africa. Through the functionalist approach the study analysed the role of the private sector in service delivery. The study revealed that historically in South Africa, the responsibility of service delivery rested primarily within the government and the delivery of efficient public services has become a challenge confronting the government. The study concluded that there are various types of PPP's that can be harnessed by the public service for efficient service delivery to the public.