

Approved Mache



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Approved Privilege Mache, widely known as **AP**, is the Co-Founder and Director of **TAP Group (Pty) Ltd**, a fast-growing road freight logistics company operating nationally across South Africa. Based in Cape Town, with roots in Bronkhorstspuit, Pretoria, AP leads the business with a clear focus on operational excellence, scale and long-term impact.

TAP Group specialises in long-distance transportation of palletised goods using super link tautliners, servicing industries that keep the country moving - from FMCG and manufacturing to construction, retail and industrial goods. With a footprint across all nine provinces, the business supports clients who rely on reliable, disciplined freight movement at national scale.

AP's journey into logistics was shaped early. Growing up in a household where entrepreneurship was a survival tool, he was exposed to the realities of the transport industry, both the wins and the challenges, through his father's business. Although his professional path began in civil engineering, that foundation became his edge. As a registered **Professional Engineering Technologist (Pr Tech Eng.)**, AP applies engineering discipline, analytical thinking and structured planning to how TAP Group operates and grows.

In August 2025, TAP Group reached a major milestone with the purchase of its first truck tractor, followed shortly by securing a long-term national contract with 4PL.COM Logistics. Today, the business is in a strong growth phase, with plans to expand its fleet, strengthen logistics technology and secure higher-margin contracts.

For AP, entrepreneurship is more than a career. It's a vehicle for generational change. He is driven by the ambition to build a national logistics company that competes with industry giants, creates opportunities for young people in transport, and proves that scale, professionalism and purpose can coexist.

Being part of the **Metropolitan Collective Shapers** programme has sharpened AP's strategic thinking and reinforced a key belief: entrepreneurship is not just hustle. It's a skill. One built through clarity, structure and relentless execution.

His mantra says it best: "**Start with what you have, where you are - and build relentlessly.**"

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