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MEC Radzilani leads ICROP service delivery initiative in Kgobokwane

KGOBOKWANE

MEC for Social Development in Limpopo, Florence Radzilani, has intensified service delivery efforts in Sekhukhune District with commitment to bringing services closer to the people, during a successful Integrated Community Outreach Programme (ICROP) held at Kgobokwane Dikwena Sports Ground on Tuesday 27 October 2026.

The programme saw Radzilani, joined by senior institutional leaders from Elias Motsoaledi Local Municipality (EMLM) and Sekhukhune District Municipality (SDM), led the initiative focusing on ensuring vulnerable households access grants, social services and referrals in one place.

A key highlight of the day was the handover of school uniforms to learners from local primary schools. The department said the initiative aimed to support learners from disadvantaged backgrounds, ease financial pressure on parents, and restore dignity and confidence among school children.

The Social Development said the uniform handover was also part of ongoing efforts to ensure no child is left behind due to poverty.

Through ICROP, government creates a platform for direct engagement with communities, allowing residents to access a range of services under one roof and to raise challenges affecting their daily lives.

The programme also reinforces the importance of intergovernmental relations and partnerships with traditional leaders in building stronger, more resilient communities.

In a separate development, the Mercy Heart Disability Centre, a protective workshop funded by the Department of Social Development, has received a major boost from Standard Bank in the form of an extension of its facilities to continue serving persons with disabilities in Mogaladi Village outside Jane Furse.

Head of Department, Thembeni Mhlongo, joined local traditional leadership, officials from Makhuduthamaga Municipality and management from Limpopo Provincial Treasury, at the official handover of the project, which is a Corporate Social Investment initiative of Standard Bank.

The donation, facilitated by Limpopo Provincial Treasury, included improved insulation against the Limpopo heat, water supply and ablution facilities, critical improvements for the comfort and dignity of persons with disabilities at the centre.

Mhlongo commended all participants in the project, including Provincial Treasury and Standard Bank, for their partnership in supporting protective workshops, which provide skills, care and income-generating activities for persons with disabilities.

The Department says such partnerships demonstrate the importance of government, private sector and traditional leadership working together to leave no one behind.



MEC for Social Development in Limpopo, Florence Radzilani, addressing the public during the ICROP held at Kgobokwane Dikwena Sports Ground in Moutse.



Pupils from various primary schools around Moutse received school uniforms during the programme.

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This isn't a story, **it's a journey.**

I'm Bernice, and I am a third-year veterinary science student from Lydenburg.

Growing up, I was surrounded by animals, nurturing a deep passion for their well-being. So, when it came time to choose a career path, becoming a vet was a natural choice.

When I didn't get into vet school on my first try, I didn't let it deter me, I found new hope with Glencore's support, which enabled me to secure my spot the next year.

University life and the workload in veterinary science have been intense, but I've embraced the challenge. I've shadowed veterinarians in Lydenburg, learning about various animal diseases firsthand that has been invaluable to my studies.

Looking ahead, I am excited about the prospect of entering my clinical year. I see myself running my own vet practice one day, catering to both pets and production animals in my hometown. With Glencore by my side, I'm confident in achieving this dream.

My advice to anyone pursuing their dreams is simple: stay passionate and determined.

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Sekhukhune roads near completion



RAL confirmed the preventative maintenance on D4134 Road from Seokodibeng to Malokela along the R37 in FTLM is now 97% complete.

SEKHUKHUNE

Two key road projects in Sekhukhune District are showing major progress, with Roads Agency Limpopo (RAL) confirming that preventative maintenance on D4134 Road from Seokodibeng to Malokela along the R37 in Fetakgomo-Tubatse Local Municipality (FTLM) is now 97% complete.

Implemented by RAL, the project aims to improve road conditions and enhance safety and accessibility for road users. MEC for Public Works, Roads and Infrastructure Tonny Ernest Rachoene, has expressed satisfaction with the progress, emphasizing the importance of providing safer, reliable and drivable infrastructure.

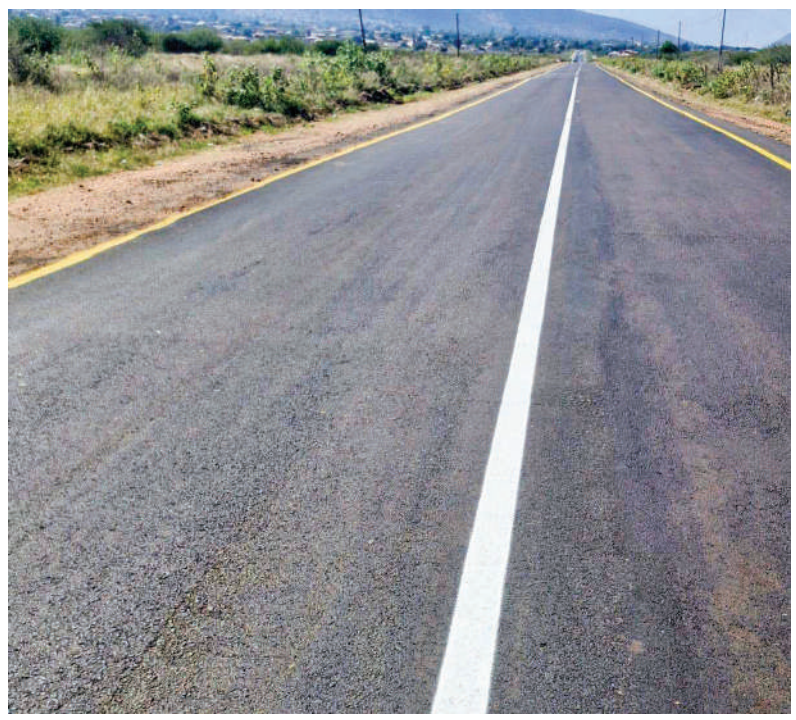
Meanwhile, the upgrading of the 5km stretch of Road D4328, connecting Mohlalaotwane, Siriting and Tafelkop in Elias Motsoaledi and Ephraim Mogale Local Municipalities, is at 52% completion.

The D4328 project is one of the 21 road infrastructure projects unveiled by MEC Rachoene during the 2025/2026 financial year. Similar projects include the D3786 linking Mashishimale and Mosemaneng which has reached 82% completion with a major bridge to maintain connectivity during floods, and the D3576 from N11 to Monte Cristo in Waterberg at 49%.

The progress comes as MEC Rachoene defends the province's road intervention against claims it is an election gimmick. He says work started long before election season.

"This is not a political gimmick. We have been unlocking stalled projects, working towards their completion," Rachoene said.

Limpopo has a road network spanning approximately 19,130km, comprising 13,147km of gravel roads and 5,983km of tarred roads. Almost 70% of its network is still gravel, connecting scattered rural villages across Sekhukhune, Waterberg and Vhembe. Other completed projects in Sekhukhune include maintenance of the D4190, linking Schoonoord to Tshehlwaneng and rehabilitation of the D4250 between Apel and Ga-Nkoana, both completed in June 2026 after R12 million allocations each, improving mobility to Jane Furse.



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Operation Shanela II nets 2 084 suspects across Limpopo

LIMPOPO

The police across Limpopo have arrested 2 084 suspects in a single week during high-density Operation Shanela II, described as a sustained push to wrestle back control from violent criminals.

The operation, which ran from Monday 19 to Sunday 25 October 2026 across all five districts, was executed jointly by the police and other law-enforcement agencies.

Colonel Malesela Ledwaba, Limpopo Provincial Police Spokesperson, said the operation targeted cases including murder, rape, armed robbery, drug dealing, illegal firearms, illicit liquor trading and wanted persons.

Ledwaba said during the operation, the police arrested five suspect for murder, nine for attempted murder, 10 for robbery with aggravating circumstances and 38 for rape, one for sexual assault.

He said other serious arrests included 170 suspects nabbed for assault with intent to cause grievous bodily harm, 122 for common assault, 17 for common robbery and 20 for robbery with weapons other than firearms.

"Seventeen other suspects were arrested for sexual offences, seven for business burglary, seven for house burglary, nine for stock theft and four for arson," said Ledwaba.

He said crucially, the police confiscated eight illegal firearms and 62 rounds of ammunition, along with 46 dangerous weapons and 38 knives, a seizure Ledwaba said was vital to preventing further bloodshed.

He added that police drug teams seized 12.039 kilograms of dagga, 4.485 grams of crystal meth (tik), 11.036 grams of nyaope, 1.25 grams of heroin and 0.004 grams of crack cocaine.

"The police also impounded 158,524 sticks of counterfeit cigarettes and nearly 1.5 million millilitres of liquor, shutting down 138 illegal shebeens. A further 118 suspects were arrested for drug-related offences, 62 for driving under the influence, 277 undocumented immigrants were detained, and 496 people were arrested for public drinking while 130 were held for illegal liquor dealing," Ledwaba said.

In addition, Ledwaba said 14 people were arrested for possession of suspected stolen property, 39 for other theft-related offences, 18 for shoplifting, four for fraud and 62 for malicious damage to property.

He said the police also dealt with gender-based violence, arresting 23 people for transgression of the Domestic Violence Act, attending to 289 domestic violence incidents and serving 250 protection orders.

"Six stolen or robbed vehicles were recovered, and officers issued 1,754 fines for various contraventions. All arrested suspects have already begun appearing before various Magistrate's Courts across Limpopo.

Provincial Commissioner of the Police in Limpopo, Lieutenant General Jan Scheepers, commended police members on the ground and appealed to communities to continue reporting crime.

"Robbery and rape are serious crimes that have devastating consequences for victims, families and communities. The confiscation of illegal firearms is equally important in preventing these weapons from being used to commit violent crimes," said Scheepers.

"We will continue to intensify our operations and ensure that those who break the law are brought to justice," he concluded.



Unlicensed firearms and ammunition were recovered by the police during the operation.



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ELECTRICIAN (TMM) (C1)

BOOYSENDAL NORTH - ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT

Ref. No.: : BDENG51/26

Role requirements: The successful candidate must have the following basic requirements: • Grade 12 / NQF 4 equivalent • Section 13 / 26 (D)Auto Electrician / Electrician / Millwright trade certificate • A section 26 (D) trade certificate must be accompanied by proof of Learnership (Learnership contract and signed off logbook) • An Auto Electrician trade accompanied by a heavy current (525V) certificate will be advantageous • Driver's license - Code B, EB or C1 • Medical certificate of fitness • Minimum of three (3) years' experience as an Electrician on trackless equipment within a trackless mining environment • Proven experience on Sandvik, GHH and AARD Mining trackless equipment will be an advantage • No major sensory restrictions • Must be familiar with risk assessment procedures.

Key performance areas: • Attend to Auto Electrical maintenance and breakdown repairs on the TMM's • Facilitate and promote teamwork amongst reporting staff • Attend to administrative and reporting requirements • Capacity building and performance management • Ensure that safety regulations are adhered to.

Important to note: Applicants must: • Be willing to work standby, overtime and shifts • Have their own transport.

DIESEL MECHANIC (C1)

BOOYSENDAL NORTH - ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT

Ref. No.: BDENG50/26

Role requirements: The successful candidate must have the following basic requirements: • Diesel Mechanic trade certificate - Section 13 / 26 (D) • A section 26 (D) trade certificate must be accompanied by proof of Learnership (Learnership contract and signed off log-book) • Minimum Grade 12 or N3 • English language proficiency • Driver's license - Code B, EB or C1 • Medical certificate of fitness • Competent working in confined spaces • No major sensory restrictions • Must be familiar with risk assessment procedures.

Key performance areas: • Ensure that engineering installations are constructed, repaired and maintained according to agreed standards, policies and procedures • Continuous analysis and identification of opportunities to minimise wastage • Ensure that safety regulations are adhered to.

Important to note: Applicants must: • Be willing to work standby, overtime and shifts • Have their own transport.

Please attach a comprehensive updated curriculum vitae as well as a certified copy of your ID and your qualifications.

Should you meet all the requirements, please submit your CV to HRApplicationsBD@norplats.co.za and please quote the job title and reference number in the subject box. Kindly note that Booysendal will only correspond with short-listed candidates.

Applications close: 05 November 2026.

CV's received in any form after the closing date and time will not be considered. Should you not hear from the company within 21 days after the closing date for applications, please consider your application as unsuccessful.

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ANC Sekhukhune fundraising breakfast, a success ahead of 2026 LGE



Elderly citizens received blankets as a token of appreciation.



ANC Sekhukhune Regional Chairperson, Minah Bahula, sharing words of encouragement and appreciating their continued community support for the ANC.



ANC Regional Secretary, Tala Mathope



ANC Limpopo Provincial Chairperson, Dr Phophi Ramathuba, delivering a keynote address during the fundraising breakfast held at Esibayeni Guest House in Monsterlus.

MONSTERLUS

The African National Congress (ANC) in Sekhukhune Region has successfully conducted a fundraising breakfast at Esibayeni Guest House in Monsterlus recently, as part of the party's preparations for the upcoming 2026 Local Government Elections.

The breakfast brought together Provincial Executive Committee (PEC) members, the Sekhukhune Regional leadership, ANC councillors, ANC deployees in government, alliance partners, members of the business community and volunteers.

Delivering welcome remarks, ANC Sekhukhune Regional Chairperson, Minah Bahula, said the party has done a lot for the people of Sekhukhune and continues to do more.

She emphasized that everyone is called upon to voluntarily contribute to strengthening the movement, noting that no organization can survive without resources as election campaigns are demanding.

Delivering keynote address, ANC Limpopo Provincial Chairperson, Dr Phophi Ramathuba, said those who insult the ANC are often those who have benefited from it.

She reaffirmed that the ANC remains a movement willing to mobilize and transform the lives of the people and called on members to bless the glorious movement to continue working for the people.

Ramathuba expressed pride in the election work done so far in the region, stating that Sekhukhune remains the home of the ANC.

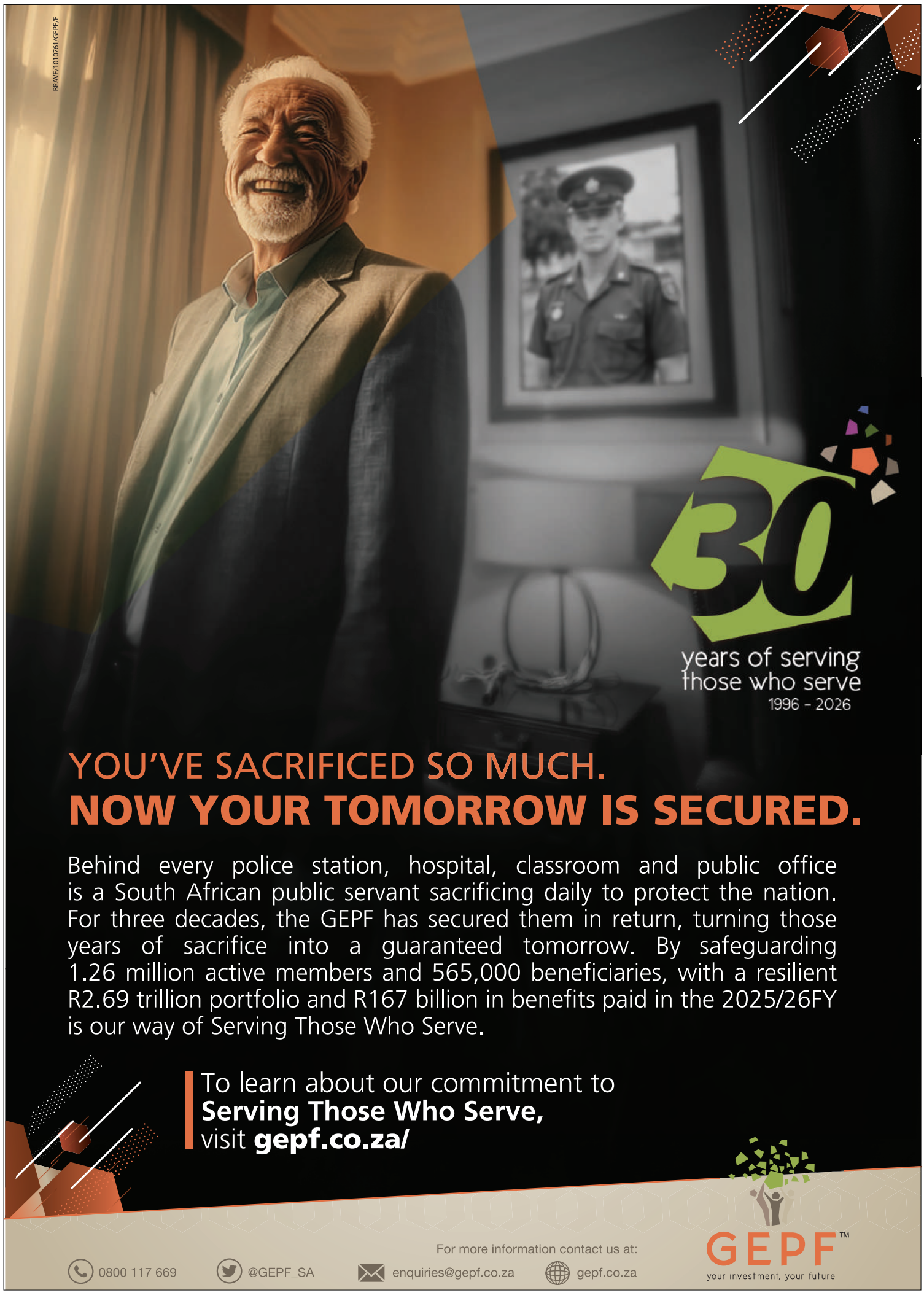
In closing, she stressed that the ANC must be self-sustained by the party's own members, highlighting that it is important to host gatherings such as fundraising breakfasts and gala dinners.

According to ANC Regional Secretary, Tala Mathope and Regional Treasurer Given Moimana, the fundraising breakfast was a success story, demonstrating commitment and selflessness from people who proudly associate themselves with the ANC. They said the contributions will assist the organization in the region to manage its day-to-day activities.

In a separate programme, ANC Regional Chairperson Bahula, continued her meet and greet campaign with the elderly in Tafelkop.

Bahula engaged with elderly residents at Ikageng Primary School and the Lutheran Church in Tafelkop, sharing words of encouragement and appreciating their continued support for the ANC and their role as pillars of communities.

As a gesture of care, she donated warm blankets to the elderly residents gathered at the two venues.



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Elias Motsoaledi Council Speaker, Cllr Junior Thethe ensured proceedings were conducted in accordance with applicable council procedures.



EMLM Mayor, Cllr David Tladi, used the sitting to acknowledge the role of councillors in promoting stable governance.

Elias Motsoaledi Municipality holds final sitting of the current council

GROBLERSDAL

Elias Motsoaledi Local Municipality (EMLM) held its 2nd Ordinary Council Meeting for the 2026/2027 financial year on Thursday 22 October 2026, marking the final sitting of the current council.

The meeting, chaired by Elias Motsoaledi Council Speaker, Cllr Junior Thethe, was convened to deliberate on matters relating to municipal governance, institutional oversight and service delivery in accordance with council's mandate.

The Speaker ensured proceedings were conducted in accordance with applicable council procedures.EMLM Mayor, Cllr David Tladi, used the sitting to acknowledge the role of councillors in promoting stable governance, thanking all councillors irrespective of their political affiliations for their contribution towards maintaining stability and cooperation within council.

Tladi said the council's stability has enabled the municipality to pass its budget every financial year, and create opportunities for public participation in municipal consultation processes.

"I would like to thank all councillors, irrespective of their political affiliations, for their contribution towards maintaining stability in council. Despite our political differences, we share a common responsibility to serve the people of Elias Motsoaledi Local Municipality. Our cooperation is essential to ensuring that we pass the municipal budget every financial year and provide opportunities for communities to participate in decisions that affect their lives," said Mayor Tladi.

He acknowledged the collective contribution of councillors in supporting municipal governance and emphasised that cooperation, and a shared commitment to public service remain essential to maintaining institutional stability and ensuring continuity in municipal affairs.

The Mayor also acknowledged the contribution of the municipal administration, led by Municipal Manager Reginah Mahlakwane, in supporting the council and facilitating the implementation of municipal programmes and resolutions.

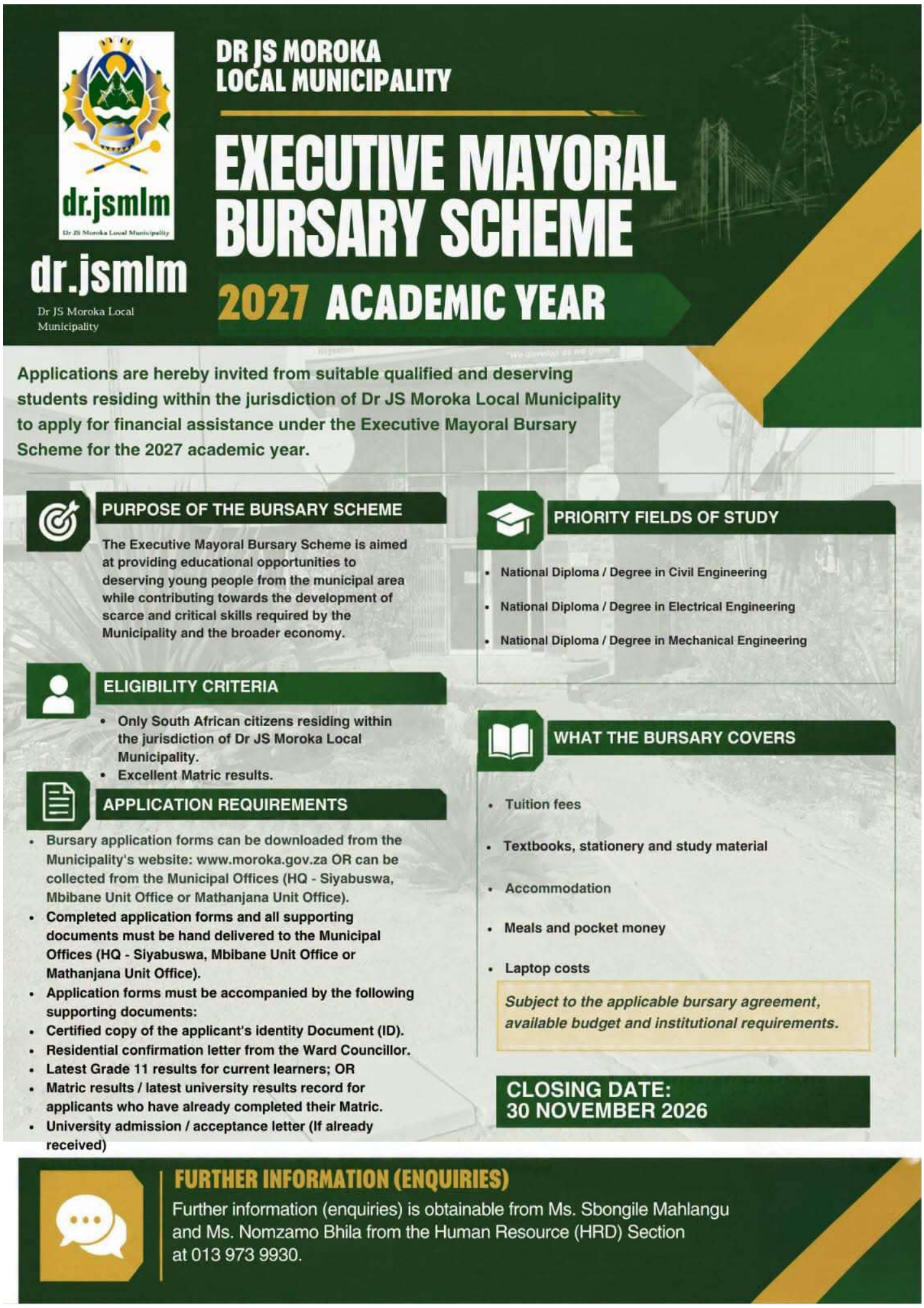
He said cooperation between political leadership and administration is essential to strengthening governance, promoting accountability, ensuring sound financial management and improving service delivery.

Public participation, he said, remains a key component of the municipality's governance processes, allowing residents to raise concerns and contribute to municipal planning and budgeting, including the Integrated Development Plan (IDP).

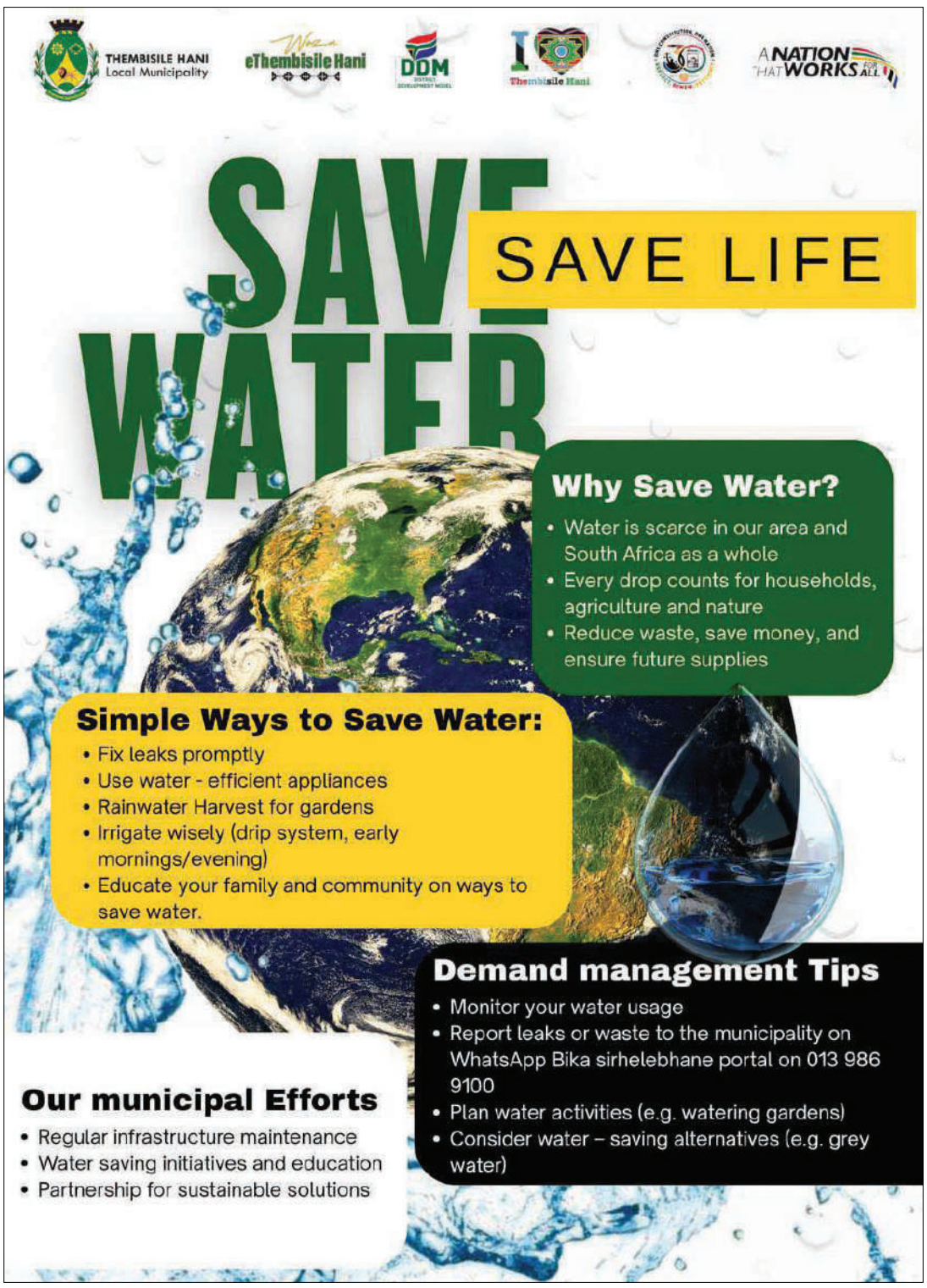
Elias Motsoaledi Municipality council comprises 61 councillors representing eight political parties.

The African National Congress (ANC) has 37 councillors, the Economic Freedom Fighters (EFF) has 13, the Democratic Alliance (DA) has four, BPSA has two and Mpumalanga Party has two, while AFC, DRA and VF Plus each have one councillor.

As the current council reaches the end of its term, the municipality reaffirmed its commitment to accountable governance, meaningful public participation and improved service delivery.



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Father jailed for life for raping and impregnating daughter

ZAAIPLAAS

The Groblersdal Regional Court has sentenced a 42-year-old father to life imprisonment for raping his biological daughter when she was 15 years old and impregnating her.

The sentence was handed down on Thursday 22 October 2026, after he was convicted of contravening Section 3 of the Criminal Law (Sexual Offences and Related Matters) Amendment Act 32 of 2007.

Colonel Malesela Ledwaba, Limpopo Provincial Police Spokesperson, said during the trial, the court heard that in 2022, while the victim was a Grade 7 learner, the accused began grooming and sexually abusing her at their home in the Zaaiplaas policing area.

"According to evidence presented, he initially questioned the child about menstruation under the pretext of buying sanitary pads and claimed he wanted to verify her virginity. When she refused, he forcibly assaulted her, the abuse later escalated to rape," Ledwaba informed.

He said the court heard that during the ordeal, the accused covered the victim's mouth to prevent her from screaming. The victim suffered severe emotional and physical trauma.

"A few months later, the victim discovered she was pregnant. When the accused learned of the pregnancy, he questioned her about other men and threatened to kill her. On 25 March 2023, she gave birth to a baby girl. He then instructed her to lie to her mother and say the child belonged to someone else," explained Ledwaba.

He indicated that the abuse only came to light on 14 June 2025, when the victim, fearing her father intended to rape her again, fled her home with her child.

"After several days away, she contacted her mother, returned home, and disclosed the years of abuse. The matter was reported to police and the accused was arrested at his residence. He remained in custody after being denied bail," said Ledwaba.

He added that during the investigation, the accused admitted to impregnating his daughter, and DNA evidence linked him to the crime.

Ledwaba said the case was assigned to investigating officer, Sergeant Pebetse Maile of the Groblersdal Family Violence, Child Protection and Sexual Offences (FCS) Unit, whose diligent investigation led to the successful prosecution.

Welcoming the sentence, Provincial Commissioner of the Police in Limpopo, Lieutenant General Jan Scheepers, said the crime represented the ultimate betrayal of trust.

"This horrific crime represents the ultimate betrayal of trust by a parent. The sentence imposed by the court reflects the seriousness of the offence and sends a strong message that perpetrators who prey on vulnerable children, including members of their own families, will face the full might of the law. We commend the victim for her courage in reporting the matter and the investigating officer for ensuring that justice was served," said Scheepers.



State Prosecutor, Mr Miya with Sergeant Pebetse Maile of the Groblersdal FCS during the sentencing.

PONYE TRADING AND PROJECTS

NOTICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT

Notice is hereby given in terms of the **National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (Act No. 107 of 1998) (NEMA)** and the Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations, 2014, as amended, of the intention to submit an application for environmental authorisation for the proposed development of Chrome wash plant on portion 0 of the farm Driekop 253 KT, within the Fetakgomo- Tubatse local municipality within the Sekhukhune District Municipality, Limpopo Province

The proposed application will be submitted to the Limpopo Department of Economic Development, Environment and Tourism. (LEDET) and will be undertaken through the applicable **Basic Assessment process**.

APPLICANT: Khanyi ilanga (Pty) Ltd

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The proposed establishment of a chrome wash plant covering 2.5 hectares on portion 0, of the farm Driekop 253 KT, within the Fetakgomo Tubatse Local Municipality within the Sekhukhune District Municipality.

EIA REGULATIONS: The proposed development triggers the following:
•*Activity 27 of Listing Notice 1* (GN R983 of 2014) – The proposed Chrome wash involves clearance of 2.5 ha of indigenous vegetation.

PROJECT LOCATION: Portion 0 of the farm Driekop 253 KT within the Fetakgomo – Tubatse Local Municipality within the Sekhukhune District Municipality, Limpopo Province with geographical coordinates: **24° 32' 32.6" S; 30° 06' 09.6" E**

EAP: Christina Molepo of Ponye Trading and Projects CC has been appointed as the Environmental Assessment Practitioner (EAP) to undertake the EIA process for the proposed project. In order to ensure that you are identified as Interested and affected Parties, written comments and registration details should be submitted to the EAP **within 30 days of the date of publication of this notice**. A background information document providing further details on the project is available on request.

EAP/ CONSULTANT: Mrs Molepo Christina of Ponye Trading and Projects CC
: Cell phone 076 875 6919/ 073 691 3924
: Email: ponyetrading@gmail.com
: 109 Bafana Avenue, Ext 19, Ivy Park, Polokwane, 0699
All correspondence relating to the proposed development should be directed to the Environmental Assessment Practitioner at the contact details provided above.

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Driekop Police appeal for help to find missing Iviwe

DRIEKOP

The Police in Driekop outside Burgersfort are appealing to members of the public for assistance in locating 18-year-old Iviwe Sonamzi, who disappeared more than two weeks ago.

According to the police, Iviwe was last seen on Saturday 10 October 2026, after he left his father's home at Mooihoek, in Driekop at about 20:00.

"During his disappearance, he had informed his father that he was going to a local tavern and never returned. He is originally from Umtata in the Eastern Cape Province and was visiting his father at the time of his disappearance," informed Sergeant Mienkie Ramakgoakgoa, Limpopo Provincial Police Spokesperson.

Ramakgoakgoa said the victim's father became concerned when he could not establish his whereabouts and reported the matter to the police. She said at the time he went missing, the victim was reportedly wearing a navy-blue Ellesse jacket, black jeans and white Adidas sneakers.

"Searching operations to locate him in the area and surrounding places were conducted but he was not located. The police urge anyone with information that may assist in locating the missing person to come forward," said Ramakgoakgoa.

She said anyone with information can contact the investigating officer, Sergeant Ramaredi Mphahlele on 079 875 777, the nearest police station, call Crime Stop on 08600 10111, or use the MySAPS App.



Police in Driekop appeal to members of the public for assistance in locating Iviwe Sonamzi.

PUBLIC NOTICE : **LAND RESTITUTION PROCEEDINGS IN THE LAND COURT OF SOUTH AFRICA, JOHANNESBURG Case No:** LANC 173/2024 (Caselines Case No.: 2026-201974)

MATTER : **MANOK FAMILY TRUST v REGIONAL LAND CLAIMS COMMISSIONER, MPUMALANGA & OTHERS**

NOTICE TO AFFECTED PERSONS & INTERESTED PARTIES

Notice is given under Section 38B of the Restitution of Land Rights Act 22 of 1994 that the Manok Family Trust claims land restitution (including ownership, use, occupation, and mineral rights) regarding:

Farm Aapiesdoorndraai 298 KT (comprising RE of Portion 1; RE of the farm; Portions 8, 10, 11, 12, 15, 18, 20, 25, 26, 32; and RE of Portions 9 & 24), Feta Kgomo Tubatse Local Municipality, Sekhukhune District, Limpopo.

WHO SHOULD RESPOND: Registered owners, bondholders, servitude holders, residents, customary occupiers, mining/mineral right holders, competing claimants, permission to occupy (PTO) holders or any person whose rights/interests may be affected.

REQUIRED ACTION: If you support or oppose the claim, submit your (1) Full Name/Entity Name, (2) Contact details, (3) Affected land portion, (4) Description of interest, and (5) Intent to participate with supporting documents to the attorneys below by **13 November 2026** through email address **ngoako@molepoinc.co.za and ngoako7010@gmail.com** and by signing the Register at the address of Noko Maimela Attorneys mentioned below.

Full copies of court papers, schedules, and maps can be inspected at **NOKO MAIMELA ATTORNEYS, 163 MARONE STREET, FETA KGOMO TUBATSE, BURGERSFORT, TEL NO. 013 231 7219** during office hours (**8.30 TO 15H00**) or requested from the applicant's attorneys through email at **ngoako@molepoinc.co.za and ngoako7010@gmail.com**.

Note: Responding does not constitute formal court entry, beneficiary recognition, or lodging a new claim.

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MEC for Public Works, Roads and Infrastructure, Ernest Rachoene, conducted walkabout along Road R25 in Dennilton, to monitor ongoing road maintenance work.

DENNILTON

Limpopo MEC for Public Works, Roads and Infrastructure, Ernest Rachoene, together with Sekhukhune District Municipality (SDM) Council Speaker, Cllr Kgwediyebotse Chego, and the municipality's MMC for Infrastructure, Cllr Carpos Ngobeni, have conducted a walkabout along Road R25 in Dennilton, to monitor ongoing road maintenance work.

The rehabilitation of Road R25 forms part of the commitments announced by the MEC during his 2026/2027 Budget Speech, aimed at improving road infrastructure and enhancing road conditions across the province.

The department reaffirmed its commitment to accelerating service delivery through the rehabilitation and maintenance of road infrastructure, ensuring safer and more reliable roads for communities across Limpopo.

The R25 is a strategic provincial route and the main arterial road for Elias Motsoaledi. According to the department, the R25 intervention forms part of continuous upgrade of the stretch between Groblersdal, Tafelkop and Monsterlus, which is carrying the highest vehicle traffic and is a main public transport route.

The road links Limpopo, Mpumalanga and Gauteng and is vital for both agriculture and mining, supporting movement of freight. In Elias Motsoaledi, the municipality was recently forced to remove illegal shacks along the R25 Road reserve in Aquaville, stating that the structures blocked maintenance and endangered lives.

According to the Limpopo Public Works Department, the rehabilitation is being implemented under the department's Dikgerekgere initiative and Project Monitoring programmes. The department said the R25 project forms part of the 12 upgrades and over 70 preventative maintenance projects announced by MEC Rachoene for this financial year.

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Sekhukhune thump Richards Bay 3-1 to reach Carling Knockout quarters



Sekhukhune United dominated their Carling Knockout, ending up defeating Richards Bay FC 3-1 at the New Peter Mokaba Stadium.





Sekhukhune United players celebrating after emerging victorious in their Carling Knockout game beating Richards Bay FC 3-1 at the New Peter Mokaba Stadium in Polokwane.

SEKHUKHUNE

Sekhukhune United FC secured their spot in the next round of the Carling Knockout with a dominant second-half display, beating Richards Bay FC 3-1 at the New Peter Mokaba Stadium in Polokwane on Sunday 24 October 2026.

After a cagey, goalless first 45 minutes where Sekhukhune controlled possession but Richards Bay defended deep, Eric Tinkler's men came out firing after the break.

The deadlock was broken in the 53rd minute when Nigerian striker, Chibuike Ohizu, latched onto a superb assist from Captain Nyiko Mobbie and fired a clinical left-footed strike into the bottom right corner to make it 1-0.

Babina Noko continued to dominate but had to wait until the 83rd minute to double their lead when Thabang Makubo scoring his first goal for the club, making it 2-0 and looked to have killed the game.

Richards Bay refused to go quietly. A minute later, defender Nqaba Xulu pulled one back to make it 2-1 and briefly set up a tense finish.

But any hopes of a comeback were put to bed in the 88th minute when Namibian international Bethuel Muzeu restored the two-goal cushion to seal a 3-1 victory.

The win means Sekhukhune join other teams through to the quarter-finals.

Sekhukhune, who came into the tie on the back of two successive league wins, the result underlines their growing cup ambitions and gives them momentum heading into the last eight.

For Richards Bay, still searching for their first win of the season after five defeats and three draws in the league, the cup exit is another setback.

The remaining Carling Knockout last-16 ties are set for this week, with Orlando Pirates vs Milford, Mamelodi Sundowns vs Marumo Gallants and Kaizer Chiefs vs TS Galaxy tonight, before Durban City host Stellenbosch.

Mapungubwe Arts Mini Festival hits Sekhukhune



Stage play was part of the programme at the Sekhukhune District Mapungubwe Arts Mini Festival, held at Moses Mabotha Hall in Ga-Nkoana.

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The Sekhukhune District Mapungubwe Arts Mini Festival has taken place recently, with communities gathering in a vibrant celebration of the district's rich cultural diversity through poetry, traditional dance, music, exhibition and artistic expression.

The build-up activation, held at Moses Mabotha Hall in Ga-Nkoana Village, has brought together local artists, crafters, poets and dance troupes to showcase local talent, preserve cultural heritage and build excitement ahead of the much-anticipated Mapungubwe Arts Festival 2026.

According to the Limpopo Department of Sport, Arts and Culture (DSAC), the Mapungubwe Arts Festival is a flagship programme of the department that celebrates the rich cultural heritage and artistic talents of the province, highlighting the significance of the Mapungubwe Kingdom, as a historical and cultural landmark.

The Sekhukhune activation formed part of a province-wide district build-up programme led by DSAC. Similar build-up events are being rolled out across all five districts, Capricorn, Mopani, Vhembe, Waterberg and later in Sekhukhune to create community engagement and provide economic opportunities for community artists, crafters and small businesses.

"The district build-up events serve as a platform to showcase local talent in music, dance, visual arts, and poetry," the department has previously stated.

The main Mapungubwe Arts Festival is scheduled to be held at the Polokwane Cricket Club in the coming weeks, with this year's edition expected to include a full programme of theatre and poetry, youth festival, choral festival, comedy night, gospel and soul sessions, craft market exhibition, film and video festival and the headline music festival.

In Sekhukhune, the focus was firmly on heritage preservation. The event brought communities together to celebrate their heritage, preserve indigenous traditions and promote local talent.

Performers used poetry and dance to tell stories of Sekhukhune, while exhibitors displayed traditional craft and visual art.

The Sports, Arts and Culture Department has called on residents to continue supporting build-up activities, to celebrate local talent and to look forward to the main festival as a platform for showcasing Limpopo's cultural excellence and positioning the province as a destination for arts, culture and entertainment.



Artistic expressions and traditional dances were part of entertainment during the Sekhukhune District Mapungubwe Arts Mini Festival.

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