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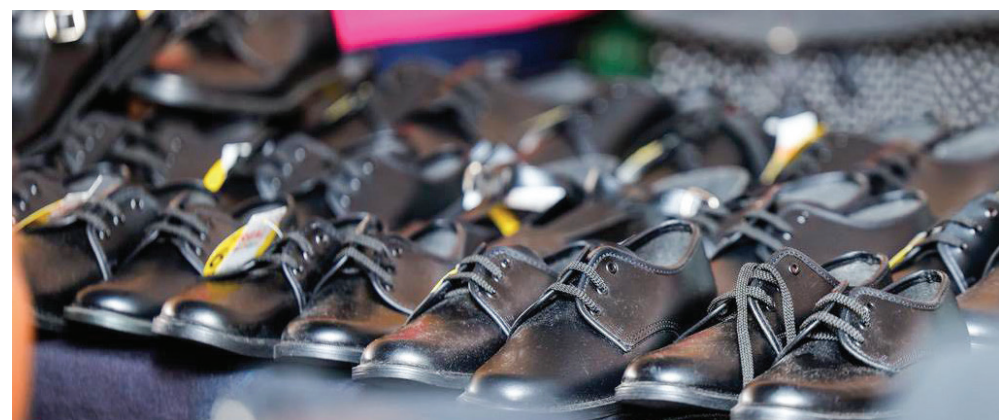
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More than 300 pupils benefit from Rachoene's donations



JANE FURSE

Most inland schools started their calendar year on Wednesday January 14. In Makhuduthamaga, the Grade Ones were welcomed at their respective schools for the first time this week. Most high schools also continued to celebrate their top achievers in matric exams.

As part of the 2026 Back to school campaign, Limpopo MEC for Public Works, Roads and Infrastructure Ernest Rachoene touched about 300 pupils by handing over school shoes to them.

The MEC led a Back to school campaign to the Nwanamatlang Secondary and Madibong English Medium Primary Schools outside Jane Furse.

The Makhuduthamaga Local Municipality Mayor Cllr Merah Mahlase and other councillors accompanied Rachoene to the campaign, which marked the start of the new academic year.

At Ngwanamatlang, Rachoene congratulated the School Management Team (SMT) for having obtained excellent matric results.

He also applauded the educators and the pupils for the excellent results.

Ngwanamatlang Secondary School's class of 2026 vowed before Rachoene that they will reclaim their top position with 100% pass in the 2026 final exams.

The school, headed by Mr ST Moraila, improved its performance in the 2025 NSC matric results, with a 97.1% pass rate, 45 distinctions, and outperformed all other schools in the Mmashadi Circuit with 81 bachelor's passes.

MEC Ernest Rachoene donated about 300 shoes to two schools in the Makhuduthama area.



Ngwanamatlang Secondary School pupils were excited after the MEC's visit.

Limpopo communities urged to prioritise learner safety

SEKHUKHUNE

The Limpopo Department of Transport and Community Safety has issued a strong warning to parents, guardians, and scholar transport operators to prioritise learner safety as schools reopen across the province.

This follows growing national concern over road crashes involving children, with road traffic injuries remaining one of the leading causes of death among children aged 5 to 14 years. In 2024 alone, children in this age group accounted for 5.61% of the 12 172 road fatalities recorded nationally, a situation that remains unacceptable and preventable.

The Department emphasises that scholar transport safety is a shared responsibility that begins at home and extends to operators, law enforcement, and communities. "Parents and guardians are urged to personally verify the legitimacy of scholar transport services before allowing children to board. This includes confirming that drivers are in possession of a valid Professional Driving Permit (PDP) and a current driver's licence and that their identity matches the documentation presented. Substitute drivers must meet the same legal requirements. "Equally important is the condition of the vehicle. Scholar transport vehicles must display



Limpopo Department of Transport and Community Safety MEC Violet Mathye.

a valid operating license, a current vehicle license disc, and be roadworthy," said MEC Violet Mathye.

She warned that transporting learners in the back of bakkies, open trucks, or unapproved vehicles is illegal and life-threatening and will not be tolerated. The department reiterated that overloading remains a major risk factor in scholar transport crashes.

"Parents are encouraged to ensure that every learner has a seat and a functional seatbelt. Operators are further encouraged to have Passenger Liability Insurance in place to protect learners in the event of an incident. Parents should have direct contact details for drivers, alternative emergency contacts,

and information on the transport association to which the operator belongs. Professional operators must ensure transparency, accountability, and regular communication with parents regarding delays or route changes." She added that law enforcement officers across Limpopo will continue intensified monitoring and enforcement of scholar transport regulations. Parents and community members are urged to report non-compliant or unsafe scholar transport operators to traffic authorities to ensure swift intervention. Mathye said her department remains committed to protecting learners through strict enforcement, awareness campaigns, and collaboration with national road safety stakeholders.

Radio presenter granted bail after allegedly raping colleague

MOUTSE

A 42-year-old radio presenter at Moutse FM, Kgaogelo Mokgabudi was granted a R2000 bail when he appeared before the Moutse

Magistrate's Court on Thursday, 08 January.

Spoko as Kgaogelo is known, was arrested for allegedly raping his colleague during the 2025 festive season. The case has been postponed to 16 March for further proceedings. The alleged rape incident occurred on Friday, 26 December 2025. According to the Limpopo SAPS, a 39-year-old local radio presenter reported that she was raped by her colleague and ex-boyfriend, who is also a radio presenter.



Kgaogelo Spoko Mokgabudi was released on a R2000 bail.

Provincial police spokesperson Brigadier Hlulani Mashaba said the complainant reported that after finishing her shift, she returned to the radio station to collect belongings she had left behind.

"Spoko allegedly followed her, offered to help carry the items to her home, and then allegedly raped her once they arrived," Mashaba said.

"The suspect was subsequently arrested on the

30th of December 2025 and appeared before court on the same day. He was remanded in custody until Thursday, 8 January," he said.

Police investigations are ongoing. Acting Provincial Commissioner, Major General Jan Scheepers, said: "Violence against women and children will never be tolerated. Anyone found committing such inhumane acts will be harshly dealt with, irrespective of social standing."

Sekhukhune East learners shine during matric announcement ceremony



Jasean Moime, Thabo Mathake and Amogelang Gadebe are some of the best learners in Sekhukhune.

SEKHUKHUNE

Yet again, the Sekhukhune District has recorded an academic improvement in the 2025 Matric results.

This achievement was celebrated during the Provincial Official Matric Results Announcement Ceremony held at the Ranch Resort Hotel outside Polokwane. Outstanding learners proudly represented Sekhukhune, raising the district flag high on a provincial platform.

Among the top achievers were Mathake Thabo from Leolo High School in Sekhukhune East, who attained national overall performance in Technical Studies, and Jasean Moime both aspiring to pursue Engineering studies at institutions of higher learning. Gadebe Amogelang also distinguished herself by achieving 300 marks in Business Studies.

The district further celebrates Mr Makotonyane S for leading the most improved circuit, Bogwasha Circuit, under the Fetakgomo Tubatse Local Municipality.

Dr S. F. Malatji, the District

Director received the highest appreciation from Premier Dr Phophi Ramathuba acknowledging the district's progress, emphasizing that such improvement requires a collective effort from educators, learners, parents, and departmental leadership. Dr Ramathuba also commended Sekhukhune East for its remarkable rise from position 9 in the previous year to position 5 in the current academic year.

"We must strive to reach beyond our limits. Today we celebrate our progress, acknowledge our challenges, and remain hopeful and determined to do even better next year.

The Executive Mayor of Sekhukhune Cllr Minah Bahula who also attended the event, along the District's local Mayors and MMCs, extended words of appreciation to all education stakeholders.

The Limpopo Matric Class of 2025 has obtained 86,1% matric pass rate marking a steady progress performance compared to the previous year.

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Limpopo SAPS intensify manhunt to kidnapping and extortion suspects



Limpopo SAPS investigates a kidnapping and extortion case

NEBO

The police in Limpopo have intensified manhunt for four unknown male suspects following the kidnapping and extortion of a 51-year-old businessman in the Nebo policing area, Sekhukhune District. The victim has since been safely reunited with his family.

"The members of the Provincial Organised Crime Unit are actively pursuing the suspects linked to the incident, which occurred on Wednesday, 07 January 2026, at approximately 07:30. The victim, a Pakistani national and business owner of a local hardware was kidnapped while entering his business premises with his brother. The suspects, who were allegedly armed with firearms, abducted the victim at gunpoint and fled the scene in a Toyota Corolla fitted with blue lights bearing an unknown registration numbers," revealed Limpopo SAPS spokesperson Colonel Malesela Ledwaba.

Ledwaba confirmed that on Friday, January 9, the suspects contacted the victim's wife using a cellular phone and demanded a ransom of ten million rand (R10 million) for his release. A video showing the victim in captivity was also sent to the family.

In response, the police launched a co-ordinated, multi-disciplinary operation involving the Provincial Organised Crime Unit, National Head Office Crime Intelligence, Northwest Police in Britz and Mooiooi as well Eastern Cape Police.

Investigative

efforts included advanced cellphone profiling, which led police to the Eastern Cape, where the cellphone owner reported that the device had been lost and that she was also a victim of fraud.

As a result of sustained police pressure, the victim was released in the early hours of Tuesday, 13 January 2026, and dropped off at Bapong near Brits in the North West province. He sustained minor injuries to his hands and feet.

The Emergency Medical Services were immediately summoned to provide medical assistance. The victim was later transported by police back to Limpopo province, where he was safely reunited with his family.

The Acting Provincial Commissioner of Police in Limpopo, Major General Scheepers, welcomed the safe recovery of the victim.

"This was a complex and serious crime, and we commend the co-ordinated efforts of all role players involved. Our teams are working tirelessly, and we will not rest until those responsible are traced and arrested," said Major General Scheepers.

A case of kidnapping and extortion is under investigation, and concerted efforts have been intensified to trace and arrest the suspects.

Anyone with information that may assist the investigation is urged to contact the Investigating Officer, Colonel Saliem Wahab, on 082 319 9291, Crime Stop on 08600 10111, the nearest police station, or submit information via the MySAPSApp



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PUBLIC NOTICE

PROCUREMENT SCAM ALERT – FRAUDULENT MUNICIPAL ORDERS

Thembisile Hani Local Municipality (THLM) hereby wishes to alert members of the public and all service providers appointed through the Municipality's Supply Chain Management (SCM) processes of a scam currently in circulation.

It has come to the Municipality's attention that a group of individuals and/ or service providers are issuing fraudulent purchase orders and/ or allocation letters purporting to authorise the commencement of work on various projects. These documents closely resemble official municipal orders; however, they are not issued or authorised by THLM.

Members of the public and all service providers are therefore strongly advised to exercise extreme caution when receiving any orders purported to originate from the Municipality.

To prevent falling victim to this scam, all recipients of municipal orders and/ or allocation letters are requested to:

- Verify the authenticity of any purchase order before rendering services or supplying goods, and
- Confirm such orders directly with the Supply Chain Management (SCM) Unit of THLM.

For verification and enquiries, please contact our SCM Unit through Mr. Madimetsa Rapolai, madimetsar@thembisilehanilm.gov.za.

The Municipality will not be held liable for any losses incurred as a result of engaging with unauthorised or fraudulent orders that have not been verified with the SCM Unit.

We trust that the above will be found to be in order..

Mr. D.J.D. Mahlangu
Municipal Manager
Thembisile Hani Local Municipality
09 January 2026

"To build a truly African City that is citizen centred and driven"

Local filmmaker's big break, Sharon Mphela's "Thabantso" set to hit the big screen



Tafelkop's own, Molebogeng Sharon Mphela, takes on the film industry by storms with her upcoming film, "Thabantso"; premises to wow audience.

TAFELKOP

Molebogeng Sharon Mphela, a talented writer, actress, and filmmaker from Tafelkop Village in Makaepa Section, is making waves in the South African entertainment industry.

Growing up in a rural village, Sharon's creativity was sparked at an early age. "I used to tell stories to children in the neighborhood, using small stones and drawing squares on paper to create characters," she recalls.

Sharon's early passion for storytelling led her to pursue a career in the arts. She honed her skills in stage dramas during her primary and secondary school days, attending Bakopa Primary School and later Mogudi Secondary School, where she completed her matric.

Sharon furthered her tertiary education at Ekurhuleni East College, Isindindo Campus, studying Primary Healthcare, and later attended Vhembe TVET College, where she graduated with a qualification in Primary Agriculture. She also completed a short course in filmmaking at SAACYF.

Sharon's breakthrough came when she landed a main role in the drama "Why Marry and Why Her" by Moutse Film Production between 2016 and 2017. She went on to appear in the Shame D Entertainment Film Production's "Umfula we Nyembezi" in 2020. Her writing talent earned her invitations

to Thabantsho Local Radio Station and Moutse Radio Station in 2016.

Now, Mphela is taking her craft to the next level with her script "Thabantsho (The Dark Mountain)," a cultural story of the Bakgaga ba Kopa people, set to be produced and directed by Tebogo Film Production. The film is set to showcase the rich history and culture of Bakgaga Ba Kopa tribe.

The project is scheduled to shoot soon, with auditions held on Monday 29 December 2025, at the Bakgaga ba Kopa Tribal Office in Tafelkop, in partnership with Dr Tsebe Magampa.

Notably, Sandra Masiteng from Moja Love's "Enough is Enough" joined the auditions as one of the judges, alongside other industry experts.

"Thabantsho" promises to showcase local talent and celebrate the rich cultural heritage of the Sekhukhune Region.

Sharon's collaborations with renowned filmmakers, including Titanic Talent House, Ratseker Creative Hub, and Porcupine Creative Media Hub, have helped shape her vision.

With her dedication and passion, she is an inspiring example of talent thriving in the South African film industry. Her story serves as a testament to the power of grassroots storytelling and the importance of preserving cultural narratives.

Limpopo SAPS clarifies misleading signage

JANE FURSE

Acting provincial commissioner of Police in Limpopo, Major General Jan Scheepers, has noted with concern the circulation of a misleading image of a signage alleged to be that of the Jane Furse Police Station in the Sekhukhune District on various social media platforms. "It must be emphasised that the signage in question was corrected as far back as 2022. The image currently circulating is old and has resurfaced on social media in 2026," said Major General Scheepers.

Scheepers has appealed to members of the public to exercise responsibility when

using social media platforms. "One of the biggest challenges we face today is the spread of fake news. We urge social media users and the general public to verify information before sharing it, as the dissemination of false or outdated content has the potential to undermine the image and credibility of the South African Police Service," he added.

The South African Police Service remains committed to maintaining its corporate image, upholding its values, strengthening public trust, and demonstrating its unwavering commitment to serving and protecting communities.



The new and correct signage.



The old signage which was replaced.

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TENDER NOTICE

Mogalakwena Local Municipality hereby invites suitably qualified service providers to bid for the tender as stated below:

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PROJECT NAME	TENDER NUMBER	COMPULSORY BRIEFING SESSION	ADVERT DATE	CLOSING DATE
APPOINTMENT OF A SERVICE PROVIDER TO DEVELOP A 5-YEAR LOCAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY (2025-2030) FOR MOGALAKWENA LOCAL MUNICIPALITY.	50-2024/2025	None	04 DECEMBER 2025	27 JANUARY 2026 @ 12h00pm

Bid documents can be downloaded free of charge from the Mogalakwena Local Municipality's official website, www.mogalakwena.gov.za or the e-Tender Portal, www.etenders.gov.za.

Supply chain management and technical inquiries: 015 491 9647

Fully completed bid documents complying with conditions of the bid clearly marked **BID NO:50-2024/2025** bearing the name and address of the bidder in a sealed envelope and must be deposited in the **TENDER BOX** on the Ground floor, Mogalakwena Local Municipality, 54 Retief Street, Mokopane, 0601 by no later than **12h00pm on Tuesday, 27th January 2026 for Appointment of a Services Provider to develop a 5-year Local Economic Development Strategy(2025-2030) for Mogalakwena Local Municipality**. Bids received by way of facsimile, e-mail, telegraph, telephone, submitted in the wrong box and late, will under no circumstances be considered.

Bids will be evaluated in terms of the PPPFA Preferential Procurement Regulations, 2022, of the Preferential Procurement Policy Framework Act, Act No. 5 of 2000, and other applicable legislation and will be based on an 80/20 preferential point system, and with the Supply Chain Management Policy of Mogalakwena Local Municipality.

Only prospective suppliers who are registered on the National Treasury's Central Supplier Database are eligible to bid.

M.M MALULEKA
MUNICIPAL MANAGER

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NOTICE NUMBER
196/2025

FTLM promotes women and disability-led businesses



FTLM's mayor Eddie Maila and Speaker Makgalema Shoba.

BURGERSFORT

The Mayor of Fetakgomo Tubatse Local Municipality (FTLM), Cllr Eddie Maila, held a mayoral engagement session with small, medium and micro enterprises (SMMEs) at the Municipal Chambers in Burgersfort on January 7.

Also present were the Speaker of Council, Cllr Makgalema Shoba, and the Whip of Council, Cllr Dorah Mpheti, reflecting the Council's collective support for local enterprise development. The session focused on encouraging the participation of women and people living with disabilities in business.



This initiative forms part of the municipality's ongoing efforts to support local economic development. It aimed to strengthen stakeholder relations, provide clear information, and improve access to municipal opportunities. The meeting also encouraged direct engagement with political and administrative leadership.

During the session, the Local Economic Development (LED) Department and the Supply Chain Management (SCM) Unit delivered presentations outlining the requirements and processes for SMMEs to access business opportunities within the municipality, including compliance, registration, and procurement-related matters.

Business owners were given an opportunity to engage directly with the municipal leadership on support, collaboration opportunities, and challenges affecting local enterprises. Maila emphasised the key role played by SMMEs in driving economic growth, job creation and inclusive development within the FTLM. "SMMEs, and particularly women-led businesses, are critical partners in building a resilient local economy. This engagement allows us to listen, learn and work together towards practical solutions that support business growth and sustainability," said Maila.



Some of the attendees at the event.

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READVERTISEMENT: NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN OF THE INTENT TO CARRY OUT AN ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION (EA) APPLICATION PROCESS FOR MINING ACTIVITIES ON WINTERVELD 293 KT, IN THE FETAKGOMO TUBATSE LOCAL MUNICIPALITY IN LIMPOPO PROVINCE BY MODIKWA PLATINUM MINE

Notice is hereby given in terms of Regulation 41 of the Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations published under Government Notice No. R.982 of December 2014 (as amended in April 2017), read with Chapter 6 of the National Environmental Management Act (NEMA) (Act No. 107 of 1998), that Modikwa Platinum Mine (MPM) is required to undertake a Basic Assessment (BA) process for the application of an Environmental Authorisation (EA) for the extension of mining activities at South 3 on the farm Winterveld 293 KT, within the Fetakgomo Tubatse Local Municipality, Sekhukhune District Municipality.

Project Description: MPM intends to carry out an EA process for the intention to extend mining activity in the South 3 Project thereby marking the commencement of a new project called South 3 – Phase 1 Extension.	Project location: MPM South 3 – Phase 1 Extension is located approximately 20 km north-west of Steelpoort adjacent to the R555 Road within FTLM in Limpopo Province with the location around Co-ordinates: 24°42'19.2558"E 30°9' 55.605"S
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Public Participation Process (PPP) and Timelines: Interested and Affected Parties (I&APs) are hereby invited to register and participate in the Basic Assessment process. I&APs may submit comments, issues of concern, and inputs that may contribute to the environmental assessment process. All comments received will be recorded and responded to in the Basic Assessment Report (BAR).

Please note:

- The public participation period has been extended until 06 February 2026.
- All comments and concerns previously submitted remain valid and will be considered as part of the Basic Assessment process.
- The Draft Basic Assessment Report is available at **BaBinaPhuthi ba Mabanna Tribal Office** for a public review until 06 February 2026.

The Background Information Document (BID) remain available for public review at the following locations:

- Steelpoort Post Office
- Steelpoort Pick n Pay
- Malaeneng Tavern
- Khazang Ubuntu Tuckshop

Soft copies can also be obtained upon request from Segope Consulting via email or electronic file-sharing platforms.

Public Meeting: Members of the public are hereby invited to attend a public meeting to be held on:

Date: 29th of January 2026

Time: 10h00

Venue: Mahlakwena Sports / Soccer Grounds, near Steelpoort Town

All issues received from I&APs will be addressed by the independent consulting firm, **Segope Consulting**. For further information, please do not hesitate to contact us at the details below:

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Phagamiso Napo on stage in Florida USA.

BURGERSFORT
The Sekhukhune District Municipality is beaming with pride as 9-year-old Phagamiso "Miso" Napo flew the South African flag high at a prestigious Pre-Teen Beauty Pageant held in Florida, USA, from 28 December 2025 to 05 January 2026.

family to congratulate the young star, a dynamite and a learner from Burgersfort Laerskool who is also a niece to MMC for Community Services, Cllr Orginia Mafefe.

Already a rising name in fashion, Miso has previously graced the Soweto Fashion Show and Fashion Without Borders (Juniors), marking her as a true ambassador of local talent on the world stage



Phagamiso Napo seen with her peers during the pageants

THLM IS hiring!



Thembisile Hani Local Municipality (THLM) invites suitably qualified applicants for the following vacant position(s):

Financial Services Department

- Supply Chain Management Manager

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- Admin Clerk Building and Facilities
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CLOSING DATE
23 January 2026
@ 16H00

Application must be submitted to www.thembisilehanilm.gov.za/e-Recruitment, applicants should register a profile to apply for any of the vacant positions and attach a detailed CV, identity document and qualifications and a driver's license where applicable.

Human Resources Enquiries: **Ms. N.P. Tjia and/ or Ms. N.A. Mfiso** at 013 986 9169 and/ or tjian@thembisilehanilm.gov.za and mfison@thembisilehanilm.gov.za respectively.

NO FAXED OR E-MAILED APPLICATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED.
Candidates must be willing to be subjected to background screening and/ or security clearance processes.

ENVIRONMENTAL NOTIFICATION: MINING PERMIT APPLICATION

Notice is given of an application for a mining permit application in terms of Section 16 of the Mineral and Petroleum Resources Development Act, 2002 (Act 28 of 2002) (MPRDA) and an Application for Environmental Authorization under the National Environmental Management Act (Act 107 of 1998) (NEMA). Mining Permit for Sand(General)

REFERENCE NUMBER	LOCATION	NAME OF APPLICANT	ADMINISTRATIVE DISTRICT
LP30/5/1/3/1/2/ 13271MP	FRISCHGEWAAGD 359 KT	MAP JOSH CC	SEKHUKHUNE

Should you wish to register as an Interested and Affected Party (I&AP) for this project, please submit your name, contact details and any comments, queries or concerns you may have regarding the project in writing to AMOPHE INDUSTRIES (PTY) LTD, Please note that all registered I&AP's will be also afforded an opportunity to review the Basic Assessment Report (BAR) once this document has been completed and to provide any additional comment, queries or concerns regarding the project during this time. Please note that only registered I&AP's will be notified of the reports availability and informed of any project information post the registration phase.

Name and contact details of consultant:

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Limpopo government addresses flood impacts with care and commitment



The Mohlapitsi River in Ga-Mampa village, Mafefe is overflowing

LIMPOPO

The Limpopo Provincial Government acknowledged the serious challenges posed by the recent heavy rainfall and flooding affecting the Vhembe, Mopani, parts of Sekhukhune, Waterberg and Capricorn Districts.

In response, the province has deployed a multi-disciplinary team to assist affected areas, restore connectivity and ensure the safety of residents.

The Provincial Disaster Management Centre (PDMC) is actively engaged in rescue efforts, working alongside municipalities to remove debris and restore essential services where possible. The provincial government urged all residents to remain calm and vigilant as the province navigates these challenging conditions, adhering to guidance from the South African Weather Services and the PDMC.

Premier Dr Phophi Ramathuba has emphasised: "We are facing a state of disaster in several districts of our province, necessitating an urgent and coordinated response involving both provincial and national government resources. We have mobilised rescue teams and advise that learners in severely impacted areas should not be compelled to attend school until support is ensured."

Additionally, the Premier has directed the MEC for Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs (COGHSTA) Mr Basikopo Makamu to oversee a comprehensive assessment of the situation, evaluating damages and costs to formulate an effective recovery strategy. This

includes the potential invocation of disaster provisions and requests for assistance from the National Disaster Management Centre.

The South African Weather Services has issued warnings, of up to level 09, of continued heavy rains, with flood levels expected to persist until Saturday, 16 January 2026. The province is disseminating safety messages through various communication channels, urging residents to avoid crossing flooded rivers and to keep children away from unsafe water bodies.

While there have been few fatalities reported, especially cases of drownings reported in the December storms, the province is closely monitoring the situation, particularly concerning communities that are cut off due to flooding. The Provincial Emergency Medical Services (EMS) are currently facing challenges accessing certain areas due to the road conditions but are working on means to reach these communities. Furthermore, MEC Makamu has been proactive in coordinating with district heads and local leaders to explore funding avenues for the repair of infrastructure affected by the flooding. He reminded residents of the need to prioritise safety and take care during this difficult time.

The province recognises the significant disruptions caused by this natural disaster and assures all residents that it is committed to restoring normalcy. The dignity and livelihoods of all residents remains a priority and the province will continue to collaborate with all relevant departments and agencies to support those affected.

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INSIDE

Burgersfort's own little Miso shines on a global stage



Lehlogonolo Bradley Mojela has signed for Babina Noko.

Sekhukhune signs Mojela from Stellies

BURGERSFORT

Sekhukhune United have officially unveiled striker Lehlogonolo Mojela following his move from Stellenbosch FC. The 29-year-old return to his roots in Limpopo, having also previously turned out for TS Sporting, Platinum City Rovers, Casric Stars and TS Galaxy, where he made his name.

Sekhukhune will be a sixth club in the last six seasons for the player though, so he will be hoping to settle down and help the club mount a most unlikely title bid.

After playing in the Motsepe Foundation Championship, Mojela rose to prominence during a fine season with Galaxy in the 2023/24 campaign when he scored seven goals in 28 starts.

That promoted a move to

Stellenbosch, but injury blighted his first campaign with the side and he was sidelined for most of it. Still, he scored six goals in eight starts when he was available but things turned sour in the current campaign and he last played for the side in early November, before being asked to train away from the main group with a move being prepared for him.

Sekhukhune are currently in third place, three points behind Betway Premiership leaders Orlando Pirates, though they have played a game more. They are next in action on January 20 against ironically, Stellenbosch FC in Polokwane.

Meanwhile, Babina Noko has also released former Orlando Pirates midfielder Miguel Timm, he joined NFD side Cape Town City.

NOTICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION APPLICATION BY: DESTINY 24 MINING ENGINEERING (PTY) LTD

Notice is hereby given in terms of EIA Regulation 41(2) (c) of the Regulations, under the Environmental Management Act, 1998 (Act No. 107 of 1998)

Destiny 24 Mining Engineering (Pty) Ltd applied for a Mining Permit for mineral Sand (General) in terms of Section 27 of the Minerals and Petroleum Resources Development Act 28 of 2002. The project will be following the Basic Assessment Report procedures in terms of regulation 41(3) (b) (i) of the NEMA: EIA Regulation, 2014. The project will trigger Activity 21 of Listing Notice (LN) 1 of the EIA Regulations "Any activity including the operation of that activity which requires a mining permit in terms of section 27 of the Mineral and Petroleum Resources Development Act, as well as any other applicable activity as contained in Listing Notice 3 of 2014, required to exercise the mining permit." The applications cover farms:

JAGDLUST 418 KS (Portion of the farm)
MATALA'S LOCATION 306 KS (Part of the farm)
DMRE REF: LP 30/5/1/3/2/13098 MP.

Located in the magisterial district of Sekhukhune (Fetakgomo – Tubatse). You can be involved in the Public Participation Process by:

- sending a fax, email or mail with your name, contact details and concerns/questions relating to the project.

- Providing us with the names of additional people that can be contacted.

All correspondence be received within **30 days from receipt of these notice** will be submitted to the Department of Mineral Resources & Energy (DMRE). All issues raised during the public participation process will responded to in writing to the Interested and Affected Parties (I&APs). I&AP include all parties concerned, who will be affected by the project and interested in the prospecting/exploration project. The Basic Assessment Report & Environmental Management Plan (EMP & BAR) and Background Information Document (BID) can be requested via email.

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DATE OF NOTICE: 16 January 2026



Education, Training and Development Practices Sector Education and Training Authority

The Education, Training and Development Practices Sector Education and Training Authority (ETDP SETA) invites applications from suitably qualified and experienced candidates to apply for the following vacant positions:

Manager: Sector Skills Planning and Research [Ref. 1930/30]

Salary: R1 488 671.00 per annum (Total Cost to Company)

Supply Chain Management Specialist [Ref. 1930/31]

Salary: R1 045 456.00 per annum (Total Cost to Company)

Head of Department: Constituency Support [Ref. 1930/32]

Salary: R1 045 456.00 per annum (Total Cost to Company)

Performance Monitoring and Reporting Administrator x 2 Posts [Ref. 1930/33]

Salary: R453 142.00 per annum (Total Cost to Company)

Detailed advertisements for the above positions are available on the ETDP SETA website: www.etdpseta.org.za
Interested applicants who meet the specified criteria are invited to submit the following:

- A detailed and recently updated curriculum vitae with contactable references from previous employers
- Certified copies of all qualifications and certificates, including the National Senior Certificate
- Certified and clear copies of the Identity Document and a valid driver's licence (where applicable)
- A motivation letter highlighting relevant experience and notable career achievements aligned with the requirements of the position. Please note that all certified documents must not be older than six months.

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Applicants with foreign qualifications must submit a SAQA evaluation report as part of their application.

Closing date for applications is 23 January 2026.

Important Application Information:

- Applications submitted without the required certified documents or received after the closing date will not be considered.
- To The T Recruitment has been appointed to handle responses for the above positions.

All applications, quoting the relevant job title and reference number, must be submitted via email to: etdpseta@tttrecruitment.co.za

Appointments will be made in line with the ETDP SETA's Employment Equity Plan and Policy. The ETDP SETA promotes the employment of people with disabilities, who are encouraged to apply. Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted. The ETDP SETA reserves the right not to fill the position(s) or to withdraw the advertisement at any time.