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Moutse residents betrayed by R143 million drought relief failure

"It is heart-breaking to see our children struggling to access clean water."



MOUTSE

Communities of Dennilton in Moutse and surrounding areas of Elias Motsoaledi Local Municipality (EMLM), are still reeling from the harsh reality that despite a R143 million allocation for drought relief in 2020, they are yet to see the benefits of this funding.

The project, aimed at addressing the area's crippling water scarcity, has been marred by allegations of corruption and mismanagement, leaving residents who are facing extreme draught frustrated and desperate.

The Moutse Drought Relief Project, initiated by the Department of Water and Sanitation, aimed to address the area's crippling water scarcity.

Former Minister of Water and Sanitation, Lindiwe Sisulu, allocated the funds to Sekhukhune District Municipality (SDM) to implement the project to address long-standing water

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Residents of Moutse Villages are subjected to risk their lives and share drinking water with animals despite R143 million allocated for the Drought Relief Project in the area.

Suspects nabbed during Sekhukhune Intelligence-Driven Operation

SEKHUKHUNE - Intelligence-driven operations conducted by members of the police in Sekhukhune District, resulted in the arrest of two suspects, aged 33 and 34, who were nabbed during separate operations conducted on Wednesday night, 11 March 2026.

Colonel Malesela Ledwaba, Limpopo Provincial Police Spokesperson, said the operations were conducted by the Sekhukhune Flying Squad and Nebo Tracking Team at Tshelwaneng Village and surrounding areas.

"During the first operation, the police intercepted a suspect who was found in possession of various items, including 10 revolver live rounds ammunition, three revolver cartridges, twenty-six 303 rifle live rounds ammunition, 2 shotgun live ammunition, a signal jammer device and a silver roller revolver," informed Ledwaba.

He added that police preliminary investigation further linked the suspect to an attempted murder case reported in the Sekhukhune policing area earlier this month.

"The operational team subsequently proceeded to the residence of the second suspect

at Mashengwaneng Section in the Sekhukhune policing area, where a search was conducted. During the search, police discovered a pistol with one live round of ammunition, with the serial number allegedly removed, amongst other items," Ledwaba said.

He said both suspects face multiple charges, including possession of an unlicensed firearm, possession of ammunition without a license, possession of a prohibited device, and attempted murder.

"The suspects are expected to appear before the Sekhukhune Magistrate's Court soon. More charges may be added as investigations continue," said Ledwaba.

Provincial Commissioner of the Police in Limpopo, Lieutenant General Thembi Hadebe, commended the operational members for their vigilance and commitment to removing illegal firearms and dangerous items from communities.

"Operations of this nature play a critical role in ensuring that illegal firearms and ammunition are removed from circulation, thereby enhancing safety in our communities," said Hadebe.



Revolver live ammunition, three revolver cartridges, twenty-six 303 rifle live ammunition and 2 shotgun live ammunition were recovered from one of the suspects during the arrests.

Week-long Operation Shanela nets over 1000 suspects

LIMPOPO - A week-long police operation in Limpopo, dubbed "Operation Shanela", has yielded significant results with the arrests of over 1000 suspects across the province.

The operation, conducted by the police across Limpopo Province from Monday 9 to Sunday 15 March 2026, resulted with 1090 suspects arrested for various crimes, including serious and violent offences.

Colonel Malesela Ledwaba, Limpopo Provincial Police Spokesperson, said the operations targeted various crimes, including attempted murder, robbery, and contravention of the Immigration Act. "Arrests were made for a range of offences, including one attempted murder, two robberies at residential premises, eight robberies at business premises, and one illegal mining case," informed Ledwaba.

He added that the police also arrested suspects for theft, malicious damage to property, and assault.

"Notably, 215 suspects were arrested for contravention of the Immigration Act, while 58 were arrested for assault with intent to cause grievous bodily harm. Other arrests included 48 for illegal dealing in liquor and 48 for driving under the influence of alcohol," explained Ledwaba.

He said items confiscated during the operations include

10 firearms and several rounds of ammunition, 813,917 litres of alcoholic beverages, 17,694 kg of dagga, 4,5 g of crystal meth, and 33,178 g of nyaope. Three vehicles were also seized.

Furthermore, Ledwaba said during the operations, the police conducted 1167 liquor outlet inspections, closing unlicensed premises, and inspected 365 second-hand goods dealers and 98 scrap yards.

A total of 7894 informal businesses were inspected, with 12 250 persons and 6522 vehicles searched.

"All arrested suspects are appearing before various Magistrates' Courts across the province, with investigations ongoing," concluded Ledwaba.

Provincial Commissioner of the Police in Limpopo, Lieutenant General Thembi Hadebe, praised the efforts by police members for maintaining operational momentum in the fight against crime.

"These results demonstrate the impact of consistent, intelligence-driven operations in disrupting criminal activities and removing dangerous weapons and illicit goods from our communities," she said.

Hadebe assured that the police will continue to intensify Operation Shanela to ensure that those who commit crimes are brought to justice.



Unlicensed firearms and ammunition were recovered by the police during the ongoing Operation Shanela.

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shortage in the area.

The Department of Water and Sanitation allocated the R143 million in 2020 to implement various measures, including drilling and refurbishing boreholes, installing water tanks, and procuring water tankers.

The project was set to be implemented by Lepelle Northern Water, with the aim of supplying water to drought stricken villages.

However, community members have raised concerns about corruption and non-functionality of the infrastructure, leading to an investigation by then Minister of Water and Sanitation Senzo Mchunu.

The investigation found that while the procurement process was irregularity-free, the delivery of water was infrequent, and some water tanks had been stolen.

The report highlighted the need for accountability and action to address the ongoing water scarcity.

According to residents, the promised water relief has not materialized at all and they are still facing extreme water scarcity over the years.

Sibusiso Mahlangu, a local resident, expressed his dismay. "It is been years, and we are still waiting for water. We have been told that the money was allocated, but we see nothing. We share water with animals from the river because there is no alternative," he said.

Mahlangu said they have tried to escalate their pleas to authorities but they were given a cold shoulder.

"No one answers to our pleas.

We are tired of empty promises. We need water, not just words. The drought relief project has become a symbol of neglect, and we are left to wonder what happened to the money," he said.

Rebecca Matea, another resident, said water scarcity challenges are far from over in Moutse because of corruption and maladministration from authorities.

"It is heart-breaking to see our children struggling to access clean water. We have tried to raise our concerns with the authorities, but nothing seems to happen. It's like we are invisible," she said.

When approached for a comment, SDM Spokesperson, Lemson Moropjane, said: "We are still investigating the issue and can only comment upon receipt

Multiple business robbery suspect arrested

SEKHUKHUNE - Members of the Sekhukhune District Tracking and Investigation Team have arrested a 33-year-old male suspect, for alleged involvement in a series of business robberies targeting filling stations in the Sekhukhune and Capricorn Districts.

Colonel Malesela Ledwaba, Limpopo Provincial Police Spokesperson, said the suspect was arrested on Friday 13 March 2026, following intelligence-driven operations conducted by the Sekhukhune District Tracking Team.

"The police followed up information regarding a suspect believed to be part of a syndicate involved in multiple business

robberies in the districts. The information was linked to a cellphone that was reportedly taken during a robbery that occurred in Apel in November 2025. Upon arrival at Marishane, Polaseng Section in the Nebo policing area, the members located the suspect," explained Ledwaba.

He added that the police searched the premises and recovered a firearm loaded with ten live rounds of ammunition.

"Preliminary police investigations further linked the suspect to multiple robberies involving three filling stations in the Burgersfort policing area as well as incidents in Polokwane. The suspect was also found in

possession of two head caps believed to have been worn during the commission of the robberies, which were visible in CCTV footage captured at filling stations in Bendor, Polokwane, and Burgersfort," Ledwaba informed.

He said the suspect is expected to appear before the Praktiseer Magistrate's Court, facing charges of business robbery and possession of an unlicensed firearm and ammunition.

"Police investigations are continuing, and more arrests are expected as police intensify efforts to dismantle the suspected criminal syndicate," concluded Ledwaba.



Social Development Minister takes services to Sekhukhune



MAMONE - Minister of Social Development, Nokuzola Sisisi Tolashe, led a comprehensive outreach programme, held at Sekwati Sports Ground in Mamone Village outside Jane Furse on Friday 13 March 2026.

The event was part of Minister Tolashe's ongoing efforts to address poverty and ensure government services reach every corner of the country.

The ministerial Integrated Community Registration Outreach Programme (ICROP), aimed to bring Social Development Department services closer to the community, focusing on social assistance, substance abuse, and Gender-Based Violence (GBV) related issues.

The campaign was also set to address social ills and is deliberate on other community and South African Social Security Agency (SASSA) related activities such as social grant applications, COVID-19 SRD, Social Grant Reviews and other government services.

Addressing the event, Minister Tolashe said her department remains consistent in driving the eradication of poverty across the length and breadth of the country.

"It is your constitutional right to receive services where



Minister of Social Development, Nokuzola Sisisi Tolashe, addressing hundreds of Sekhukhune residents during the ICROP outreach held at Sekwati Sports Ground in Mamone Village.

you live, and that is why we are bringing government closer to communities like Mamone. Through the ICROP, government continues to bring relief, support and services to communities where they are needed most," she said.

Tolashe further assessed whether the services provided in the area are in line with government's District Development Model, an approach which promotes driven and

community-centred interventions that strengthen collaboration between spheres of government and the people they serve.

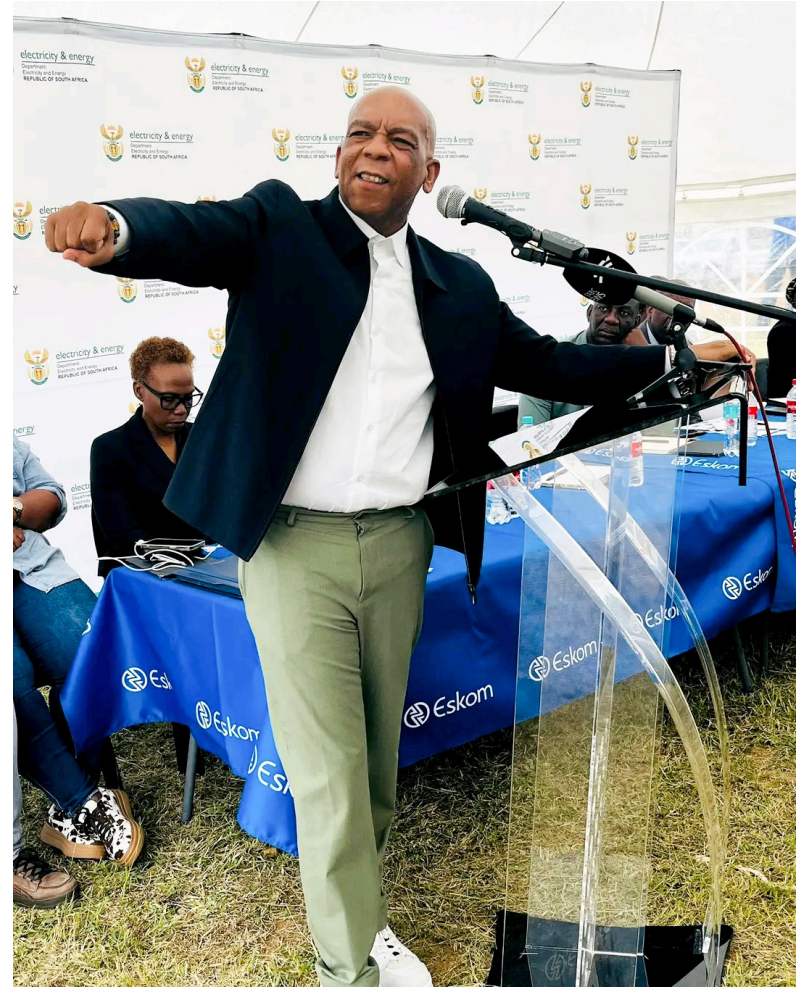
She emphasized the importance of partnerships between government spheres and traditional leadership to ensure no village is left behind in accessing social protection and support.

During the event, Minister Tolashe was accompanied by senior officials, including the Director General of Social Development, Peter Netsiphale, SASSA CEO Themba Matlou, and representatives from provincial and local government.

The ICROP allowed community members to access services from various government departments, including Home Affairs and Health.

Residents also had the opportunity to interact directly with Minister Tolashe, raising issues affecting their daily lives.

Moutse community calls for urgent meeting with Minister over electricity crisis



Minister of Electricity and Energy, Dr Kgosientsho Ramokgopa, addressing residents of Dr JS Moroka on the ongoing load reduction in the area.

DENNILTON - Moutse community in Dennilton, Elias Motsoaledi Local Municipality (EMLM), backed by churches, civic formations, and political organizations, are demanding equal attention and direct engagement on the ongoing electricity challenges affecting residents.

They are calling on Minister of Electricity and Energy, Dr Kgosientsho Ramokgopa, to urgently schedule a stakeholder engagement in Moutse to address the issue.

The concern was prompted by the recent visit of Minister Ramokgopa to Mpumalanga's Dr JS Moroka Local Municipality (DRJSMMLM) to address residents about load reduction issues.

The community feels like Dr JS Moroka, which is neighbouring Elias Motsoaledi Municipality, receives more attention, while Moutse is often given excuses and left waiting.

The community's frustration stems from prolonged load reduction, which has severely impacted households, schools, healthcare services, and local businesses.

According to John Mathebe, spokesperson for the Moutse Community and Progressive Stakeholders, the situation has now become unbearable.

"We have observed with concern that communities in Dr JS Moroka Local Municipality appear to receive more direct attention and engagement, while when it comes to Moutse, excuses are often made and urgent issues affecting our residents are delayed or overlooked," Mathebe said.

He added that the recent visit of Minister Ramokgopa to Dr JS Moroka to address load

reduction issues has highlighted the disparity in attention given to different communities.

"The people of Moutse are asking a simple question, why are our challenges not treated with the same urgency and seriousness?" Mathebe said.

Mathebe further stated that residents of Moutse feel like they are being used as they are only remembered during election periods, while the real challenges facing the community remain unresolved.

"It is becoming increasingly frustrating for residents who feel that Moutse is only remembered during election periods, while the real challenges facing our communities remain unresolved," Mathebe added.

Mathebe indicated that the community is demanding transparency, accountability, and an opportunity to participate in discussions that affect their livelihoods.

"The current situation where decisions affecting our daily lives are implemented without direct engagement with the community is unacceptable," Mathebe said.

However, Mathebe assured that Moutse community remains committed to peaceful engagement and constructive dialogue but warns that continued neglect will only deepen frustration among residents.

"We urge government and Eskom leadership to take this matter seriously and ensure that Moutse receives the same level of attention and commitment as other communities," Mathebe said.

He said the community is watching closely and expects urgent intervention before the situation worsens.

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NOTICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESS FOR THE PROPOSED CONSTRUCTION OF FILLING STATION AND ASSOCIATED INFRASTRUCTURES AT GA RAKGWADI VILLAGE, LIMPOPO PROVINCE.

Notice is given in terms of Public Participation Process and the intention to apply for Environmental Authorisation in terms of the EIA Regulations of 2014 under the NEMA (Act no.107 of 1998) as amended. The proposed development triggered Activity 14 and 27 of the regulations published in Government Notice R.983.

Proponent: Hitsakile Investment (Pty) Ltd

Project description and Location: Proposed construction of Filling Station and associated infrastructures at Ga Rakgwadi village, Farm Portion WELKOM 854 KS within Ephraim Mogale Local Municipality of Sekhukhune District Municipality, Limpopo Province. The Geographical Co-ordinates for the proposed sites are: 24° 53' 56.6"S and 29° 34' 41.2"E.

Environmental Consultant: Geo-Equilibria (Pty) Ltd

Contact person: Mr Mushiana KB

Cell: 073 908 5240

Email: info@geoequilibria.co.za

Registration of Interested and Affected Parties (I&APs): To ensure that you are identified as an interested and affected party or if requiring further information regarding this project, please submit your name and contact details stating your interest and relevant issue on the matter in writing to the above mentioned contact person within 30 days of publication of this notice.

"Take A Child To Theatre" tour coming to Sekhukhune



The "Take A Child To Theatre" tour is set to entertain and motivate school children from various parts of Limpopo Province.

SEKHUKHUNE – The sounds of laughter and applause echoed through the halls of Park Primary School in Bela-Bela on Friday 13 March 2026, as the "Take A Child To Theatre" programme kicked off its latest tour in Limpopo Province.

The programme, which is a partnership between Rainbow African Youth Organization and ASSITEJ SA, aims to bring theatre to schools in rural communities, sparking crucial conversations on pressing issues affecting young people.

The tour is set to take place at various schools in Sekhukhune from the first week of the 2026 second school term.

The programme features a stage play, "Beyond The Struggle," written and directed by Pona Tshabalala, and tackles tough issues head-on, including education, bullying, and poverty awareness.

The play is performed by Thabo Eugene Mabua, also known as Phalafala, and Pona Tshabalala, who brought the characters to life with their captivating performances.

The story follows Thabo, a young boy struggling to survive with his blind uncle, tempted to give up on school. But

with Uncle Koffie's wisdom – "education is the only means of survival" – Thabo's journey becomes a powerful lesson for the audience.

"The play is about resilience and the importance of education in overcoming adversity. We hope to inspire young people to stay in school and pursue their dreams, no matter the challenges they face," said Tshabalala.

"We want to take this message to as many schools as possible, especially in rural areas where access to arts and culture is limited," said Thabo Mabua, Producer of Beyond The Struggle.





"We will be performing around Sekhukhune from the first week of the second term, uplifting the spirit of education, one stage at a time," he adds.

The tour continued on 18 March 2026 at Mookgophong Primary School in Mookgophong, and will visit more schools in the Sekhukhune region in the coming weeks.

"We believe that theatre has the power to transform lives and communities. We're excited to bring this powerful story to young people and inspire them to make a positive change in their lives," Mabua said.





Thabo Eugene Mabua unleashing a stunning performance during "Beyond The Struggle," stage play.

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- Regular infrastructure maintenance
- Water saving initiatives and education
- Partnership for sustainable solutions



Bernice van Wyk
Veterinary Science Bursar

Executive Mayor Bahula tackles water challenges in Praktiseer



SDM Executive Mayor, Cllr Minah Bahula, has committed to fast-track the MoU between the district municipality and FTLM to empower the local municipality to handle water related issues.

PRAKTISEER - Residents of Praktiseer Township nestled in northwest of Burgersfort Town, Fetakgomo Tubatse Local Municipality (FTLM) Ward 13, are breathing a sigh of relief following have welcomed the intervention by the Sekhukhune District Municipality (SDM), led by Executive Mayor Cllr Minah Bahula, aimed at addressing ongoing water provision challenges in the area.

The Mayor's intervention comes in response to the community's cries for help amidst ongoing water provision challenges.

Earlier on Monday 16 March 2026, Cllr Bahula convened a technical committee meeting at the Tubatse Regional Office, where she was joined by the FTLM Mayor, Cllr Eddie Maila, and other dignitaries.

The meeting provided a platform for residents to voice their concerns, which were met with a slew of resolutions aimed at improving the water supply in the area.

The resolutions include establishing a Task Team to identify "quick wins" and intensifying public awareness campaigns on water-related matters, particularly targeting illegal water connections, which she described as "our biggest enemy".

Other key interventions include the repair and equipping of existing boreholes to provide short-term relief to affected residents and the repair of the damaged bulk pipeline from Praktiseer to the nearby Ramaube concrete reservoir.

The Task Team will also comprise ward councillors and senior municipal officials to ensure coordinated implementation of the agreed interventions.

During the programme, residents, Professor Moimana and Dorcas Nkosi welcomed the intervention, expressing hope that the measures will lead to lasting solutions, saying they are hopeful that the measures will lead to lasting and sustainable solutions.

Mayor Bahula also committed to fast-tracking a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between SDM and FTLM, empowering the local municipality to undertake water infrastructure repairs and borehole construction independently.

The Executive Mayor's oversight programme continued on Tuesday 17 March 2026, with a community engagement in FTLM Ward 1, covering Leboeng and Makopung Villages.



SDM Executive Mayor, Cllr Minah Bahula during a technical committee meeting at the Tubatse Regional Office in Burgersfort.

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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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CALL FOR NOMINATIONS OF CANDIDATES TO SERVE AS MEMBERS ON THE LIMPOPO PROVINCIAL LANGUAGE COMMITTEE (LPLC)

The MEC of Sport, Arts and Culture invites nominations from members of the public for candidates to serve as members of the Limpopo Provincial Language Committee (LPLC) for a term of three years.

The LPLC is a statutory body which monitors the use of Sepedi, IsiNdebele, Tshivenda, Xitsonga, English and Afrikaans as well as SA Sign Language; and advises the MEC on any matters relating to official languages, the previously marginalised languages and all languages commonly used by communities in the Province.

Nominees are to familiarise themselves with the Limpopo Language Act No. 7 of 2000.

REQUIREMENTS:

The following documents should be sent by email to the Department of Sport, Arts and Culture (contact information provided below) by anyone who wishes to nominate candidates for the Committee:

- A properly filled-out nomination form, which is available for download and can be found on the Department of Sport, Arts and Culture website.
- The nominee's most recent curriculum vitae, certified copies of their credentials and the names and contact information of three references.
- No nomination will be considered unless all of the above are included.
- Correspondence will be limited to shortlisted candidates only.

Nominations should be submitted to the MEC's office by **30 April 2026**.

Nominations are to be submitted via email to: mecheadoffice@sac.limpopo.gov.za

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OFFICIAL FORM FOR NOMINATIONS 2026

FOR MEMBERS OF THE LIMPOPO LANGUAGE COMMITTEE
FOR A PERIOD OF THREE YEARS

Section A: Nominator

Full names and title	
Position and institution	
Postal address	
Contact details	
Email address	

Nominate

Full names and title	
ID number	
Language to be represented (one of the Limpopo official languages)	

For consideration of the appointment to serve on the Limpopo Provincial Language Committee for a period of three years.

- My motivation for the nomination and comprehensive CV is attached to the Official Nomination Form.

Motivation statement: Also attach a CV of the nominee.

Signature of nominator:	Date:
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Section B: Acceptance of nomination (nominee)

Full names and title	
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Gender and race	
Language to be represented (one of the Limpopo official languages)	
Province	
Position and institution	
Postal address	
Contact details	
Email address	

Section C: Other information

Criminal record	Yes/No
If yes, provide details	

I accept my nomination for the appointment to the Limpopo Provincial Language Committee, and
I declare that all the information provided is correct.

Signature of nominator:	Date:
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Mayor Maila charts course for stability, youth empowerment and development

BURGERSFORT – The Mayor of Fetakgomo Tubatse Local Municipality (FTLM), Cllr Eddie Maila, has called for stability, youth empowerment, and strategic development to drive the municipality's progress.

Maila said during the municipality's Annual Strategic Planning Session kicked off on Wednesday 11 March 2026 at Euphoria Golf Estate in Hoedspruit.

Addressing councillors and officials, Mayor Maila emphasised the importance of stability within both Council and the administration, noting that a stable governance environment is essential for the Municipality to deliver services efficiently and implement development programmes that improve the lives of residents.

The mayor raised concerns about the high levels of unemployment among young people in the Municipality, noting that the situation remains worrying despite the presence of numerous mining operations within the region.

"We cannot continue to have dozens of mines operating within our municipal area while the majority of our young people remain unemployed," Mayor Maila said, highlighting the worrying unemployment rates among youth.

He stressed that the Mining Academy must be implemented meaningfully to equip

young people with skills to participate in the mining sector, not just as employees, but also as entrepreneurs and SMMEs.

The mayor also called for renewed engagements on the establishment of a university within the region, indicating that discussions on the matter must be revisited as part of the municipality's long-term development vision.

"It is difficult to imagine a growing city without a university. The time has come for serious engagements on the establishment of a higher learning institution that will expand access to education, skills development and research that supports the economic growth of our region," Maila added.

He stated that the strategic planning session aimed to produce clear, implementable programmes that address community needs.

"As leaders entrusted with public resources, we must ensure our planning translates into tangible improvements in the lives of Fetakgomo Tubatse residents," Mayor Maila said.

The session concludes on Friday, where key priorities and programmes refined to improve residents' lives.



FTLM Mayor, Cllr Eddie Maila, addressing the municipality's Annual Strategic Planning Session held at Euphoria Golf Estate

NOTICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION APPLICATION BY: A AND J PROPERTY DEVELOPMENT (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)

A and J Property Development (Pty) Ltd has applied for a Prospecting Right with bulk sampling for minerals **Chrome ore, Copper, Fluorspar, Gold ore, Iron ore, Lead, Platinum Group Metals (PGM), Silctrete (Silica), Silicon ore, Silver ore, Tungsten ore, Uranium ore, Vanadium ore, and Zinc ore** in terms of Section 20 of the Minerals and Petroleum Resources Development Act 28 of 2008 as amended. **This notification is for the environmental impact assessment stage/phase under regulation 21 of the NEMA: EIA Regulation, 2014.**

This application triggers (Activity 20 of listing notice R983) Any activity including the operation of that activity which requires a prospecting right in terms of section 16 of the Mineral and Petroleum Resources Development Act, 2002 (Act No. 28 of 2002), including associated infrastructure, structures and earthworks, directly related to prospecting of a mineral resource, including activities for which an exemption has been issued in terms of section 106 of the Mineral and Petroleum Resources Development Act, 2002 (Act No. 28 of 2002). Also triggers (Activity 19 of listing notice R984) the removal and disposal of minerals contemplated in terms of section 20 of the Mineral and Petroleum Resources Development Act, 2002 (Act No. 28 of 2002), including associated infrastructure, structures and earthworks, directly related to prospecting of a mineral resource, including activities for which an exemption has been issued in terms of section 106 of the Mineral and Petroleum Resources Development Act, 2002 (Act No. 28 of 2002).. The application covers the following farms:

BOSCHHOEK 752 KS, KLIPSPRUIT 714 KS, KLIPKLOOF 858 KS, PAARDENZOEK 859 KS AND BUFFELSKLOOF 861 KS
DMPR REF: LP 30/5/1/1/2/16307PR

Located in the administrative district of **Sekhukhune (Ephraim Mogale)**. The application will be following the S&EIR procedures in terms of Regulation 41 (3)(b)(i) of the NEMA:EIA Regulation, 2014. You can be involved in the Public Participation Process by:

- sending an 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 received within **30 days from receipt of this notice** will be submitted to the Department of Mineral & Petroleum Resources (DMPR). 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.

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DATE OF NOTICE: 20 March 2026

NOTICE IS GIVEN FOR PROSPECTING RIGHT APPLICATIONS IN TERMS OF REGULATION 3 (6) OF THE NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT ACT (ACT NO 107 OF 1998): ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT REGULATIONS 2014 (AS AMENDED), TOGETHER WITH SECTION 12 OF THE MINERAL AND PETROLEUM RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT ACT, 2008 (ACT NO 49 OF 2008) AS AMENDED.

NATURE OF ACTIVITY, LOCATION AND PROPERTY DESCRIPTION:

Applications for Prospecting Rights and Environmental Authorization in terms of the MPRDA and NEMA Act & Regulations, in the Magisterial District of Elias Motsoaledi, Limpopo Province.

The Prospecting Rights areas are located on Portion of the farm Diepkloof 186 JS, Remaining Extent of the farm Du Toitsvallei 183 JS, Portion 1 and Remaining Extent of the farm Grootkop 185 JS, Remaining extent of the farm Nicolton 192 JS, Portions 10 and 32 of the farm Roodewal 193 JS, Portions 3,12 and the Remaining Extent of the farm Waterval 184 JS , situated in the Magisterial District of Elias Motsoaledi in the Limpopo Province. The proposed project area is located approximately 29 km south-east of Groblersdal along R33 towards Stoffberg.

APPLICANT	DMRE REF NO:	MINERALS APPLIED FOR	PROPERTY DETAILS
Khubana Resources (Pty) Ltd	LP 30/5/1/1/2/16234 PR	Gold Ore	Portion of the farm Diepkloof 186 JS and other farms
Motalane Mining CC	LP 30/5/1/1/2/16235 PR	Copper Ore and Silver Ore	Portion of the farm Diepkloof 186 JS and other farms

REGISTRATION OF INTERESTED AND AFFECTED PARTIES

In terms of Regulations 42 & 43 of the EIA Regulation published in Government Notice No. 983 of 08 December 2014 the public is invited to register as interested and affected parties (I&APs) to express interest, comment and participate in the Public Participation Process (PPP). Draft Basic Assessment Reports will be available for review for a period of 30 days and will be placed at the local library and Municipality as well as electronically upon request.

Potential Interested & Affected Parties (I&APs) are therefore invited to register & provide comment on this proposal. I&APs must provide their comments together with their name, contact details (preferred method of notification, e.g., email or phone call) & indicate any direct business, nancial, personal or other interest they have in the application to the contact person indicated below, within 30-days from 13 March 2026 to 17 April 2026.

REGISTRATION, QUERIES AND WRITTEN COMMENT SHOULD BE SUBMITTED TO:



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TSEBISO E FIWA BAKENG SA GO HLOKOMELA DIKGOPELO TSA TOKELO GO YA KA MELAWANA YA 3 (6) YA MOLAO WA BOSETSHABA WA TAOLO YA TIKOLOGO (MOLAO NO 107 WA 1998): MELAWANA YA TEKANYETSO YA KGAHLELELO YA TIKOLOGO YA 2014 (BJALO KA GE E FOTSE), MMOGO LE KAROLO YA 12 YA MINERALE LE MOLAO WA TLHABOLOLO YA METHOPO YA PETROLEUM, 2008 (MOLAO NO 49 WA 2008) BJALO KA HO FETOŠWA.

TLHAHLO YA MOŠOMO, LEFELO LE TLHALOŠO YA THEPA:

Dikgopelo tša Ditokelo tša go Nyaka le Tumelelo ya Tikologo go ya ka Molao & Melawana ya MPRDA le NEMA, ka Seleteng sa Masestere sa Elias Motsoaledi, Profenseng ya Limpopo.

Mafelo a Ditokelo tša go Nyaka a hwetšwa go Karolo ya polasa Diepkloof 186 JS, Bogolo bjo bo šetšego bja polasa Du Toitsvallei 183 JS, Karolo 1 le Bogolo bjo bo šetšego bja polasa Grootkop 185 JS, Bogolo bjo bo šetšego bja polasa Nicolton 192 JS, Dikarolo 10 le 32 tša polasa ya Roodewal 193 JS, Dikarolo 3,12 le Bogolo bjo bo šetšego bja polasa Waterval 184 JS , yeo e lego Seleteng sa Magisterial sa Elias Motsoaledi ka Profenseng ya Limpopo. Lefelo la protšeke leo le šišintšwego le le mo e ka bago dikhilomithara tše 29 ka borwa-bohlabela bja Groblersdal go bapa le R33 go leba Stoffberg.

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NGWADIŠO YA MEKGWA YEO BA KGAHLEGO LE BA BA AMEGAGO

Go ya ka Melawana ya 42 & 43 ya Molawana wa EIA wo o phatlaladitšwego ka go Tsebišo ya Mmušo No. 983 ya la 08 Dibatsela 2014 setšhaba se laletšwa go ingwadiša bjalo ka bao ba nago le kgahlego le bao ba amegago (I&APs) go laetša kgahlego, go fa ditshwayotshwayo le go tšea karolo Tshepetšong ya go Kgatha Tema ga Setšhaba (PPP). Sethalwa sa Dipego tša Kelo ya Motheo di tla hwetšaga go lekolwa lebaka la matšatši a 30 gomme di tla bewa bokgobapukung bja selegae le Mmasepaleng gammogo le ka mokgwa wa elektroniki ge di kgopelwa.

Ka fao Mekgatlo ye e ka bago le Kgahlego & ye e Aected (I&APs) e laletšwa go ingwadiša & go fana ditshwayotshwayo ka ga tšhišinyo ye. Di-I&AP di swanetše go fa ditshwayotshwayo tša tšona mmogo le leina la tšona, dintlha tša kgokagano (mokgwa wo o kgethilwego wa tsebišo, mohlala, imeile goba mogala) & laetša efe goba efe thwiikwebo, nancial, motho ka noši goba kgahlego ye nngwe ba havein kgopelo go motho yo a igkokaganyago le yena e bontšhitšwego ka mo tlase, mo matšatšing a 30 go tloga ka la 13 Mopitlo 2026 go fihla ka la 17 Moranang 2026.

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Executive Mayor Bahula tackles water challenges in Praktiseer

Sekhukhune Women's Football League set to take off



Mashadi Ladies FC from Jane Furse will be among determined women football clubs taking part in the upcoming SAFA Sekhukhune Women's Regional League.

SEKHUKHUNE - The SAFA Sekhukhune Women's Regional League is gearing up for an exciting new season, with 16 teams divided into two streams, A and B, each comprising eight teams. The league is set to kick-off on 26 April 2026, in a primary objective to provide a platform for women's football to thrive in the region while minimizing transport costs, which have been a significant challenge in the past.

According to Frank Maredi, SAFA Sekhukhune Regional Football Coordinator, the league's decision to have two streams has been well-received.

"The purpose of having two streams is to make it more manageable for the teams, especially when it comes to travel costs," he said. Last season stream winners, Milestone Ladies FC from Stream A and Schoonoord Chiefs Ladies FC from Stream B, are set

to campaign in the Sasol Women's Football League this season, a top-flight of professional league for women football in the country. Maredi added that the affiliation period for the women's regional league in the region is open until 31 March 2026, and new teams are still welcome to join.

"The affiliation fee is a mere R500, making it an attractive opportunity for teams looking to be part of a competitive league,"

he said.

Currently, the league's Stream A teams include The Bullets Ladies, Royal Lioness, Milestone Ladies, and Kutullo Ladies, among others. Stream B teams include Dikotope Sports Academy from Dennilton, Sekhukhune Ladies from Monsterlus, Junior Bucks from Phokwane, Thoto Ladies from Thoto, Mashadi Ladies from Jane Furse, and Real Sisters from GA Radingwana.

Maredi is optimistic about the season ahead. However, he highlighted the challenges facing the league, including walk-over games caused by a lack of support and sponsorship because some of the teams cannot afford the running costs.

"We appeal to potential sponsors to come on board and support these teams. We need their help to ensure the league's success," Maredi said.



Milestone Ladies FC will be campaigning in the Sasol Women's Football League this season after crowned champions of SAFA Sekhukhune Women's Regional League Stream A.