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ANC cadre deployment sparks outrage in Sekhukhune

SEKHUKHUNE

The African National Congress' (ANC) recent appointments in Sekhukhune District Municipality (SDM) and Ephraim Mogale Local Municipality (EPMLM) have sparked widespread condemnation, with political parties and community members demanding an investigation into alleged cadre deployment and disregard for proper recruitment processes.

This is after the ANC in Sekhukhune Region announced the appointments on Facebook, citing "comrades" appointed to key positions, allegedly

prioritizing political loyalty over merit and competence.

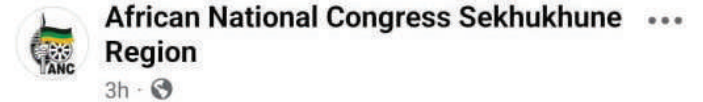
EFF Councillor in SDM, Ali Maloba, condemned the alleged cadre deployments. "These appointments constitute cadre deployment, favoring ANC members over other parties and neutral community members," he said.

A media statement issued by the ANC Sekhukhune Region, congratulating "comrades" on their appointments, has raised eyebrows. Cllr Maloba, questions the timing of the employer's statement, issued five hours after the ANC's media release.

"The approved process for municipal appointments involves several compliance and verification checks, including verification of council-approved posts, background checks, and competency tests. However, allegations suggest these procedures may have been bypassed," Maloba explained.

He added that Sekhukhune District Municipality's standard procedure involves 12 compliance and verification checks, including validation of qualifications, employment equity principles, and personnel suitability checks.

"Failure to follow these steps may constitute financial



NEW APPOINTEES IN SEKHUKHUNE DISTRICT MUNICIPALITY AND EPHRAIM MOGALE LOCAL MUNICIPALITY

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misconduct. This municipality has a history of financial irregularities, including money laundering and fraudulent activities," said Maloba.

He pleaded that the current executive mayor and municipal manager are urged to intervene and ensure transparency in the appointment process.

The Democratic Alliance (DA) in Sekhukhune District, has also slammed the ANC for allegedly deploying cadres to key positions in local municipalities, citing it as a major contributor to the collapse of state and municipal capacity in Limpopo.

According to Nico Pienaar, DA Sekhukhune Political Head, the ANC's recent appointments in SDM and EPMLM raise serious concerns about the integrity of municipal recruitment processes.

"The DA will formally demand access to the full recruitment and interview processes to establish whether due process was followed," said Pienaar.

The DA argues that cadre deployment is unconstitutional, undermines merit-based appointments, and prioritizes

political loyalty over competence and accountability.

"This practice has led to the collapse of municipalities, leaving communities without reliable water, safe roads, or functional infrastructure. The public celebration merely confirms what communities across Limpopo already know, government jobs are being reserved for ANC card-carrying members through blatant cadre deployment," stated Pienaar.

He said the party will write to the Minister of Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs, requesting urgent intervention to address this issue.

As local government elections approach, the DA urges communities to put an end to cadre deployment, corruption, and service delivery failure.

"The DA stands ready to restore professionalism, transparency, and accountable local government," Pienaar said.

ANC Spokesperson in Sekhukhune Region, Sam Uwane, could not respond to the publication's enquiries.

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Two Hlogotlou police nabbed for corruption



Two police officers attached to Hlogotlou Police Station arrested for corruption.

HLOGOTLOU - Two police officers attached to Hlogotlou Police Station outside Groblersdal were arrested on Friday 16 January 2026, in connection with alleged corrupt activities, including taking bribes and defeating the ends of justice.

They were arrested by the members of Provincial Unit Corruption Unit and Tactical Response Team (TRT) for corruption.

Brigadier Hlulani Mashaba, Limpopo Provincial Police Spokesperson, said the officers, a Detective Sergeant and a Constable, were investigating a case of assault GBH in November 2024.

"During his investigation, the Detective Sergeant recovered an unlicensed firearm that was used to assault the victim. He took the firearm and instructed the suspect to pay the victim an amount of R1 500-00 and to withdraw the case. The suspect made a payment through an electronic eWallet, using the victim cellphone

number," explained Mashaba.

He added that the police officer took the victim cellphone and withdrew an amount of R1500-00 and gave the victim R700-00, while then taking the remaining R800-00 for himself.

"The corruption incident came to light, and a case was registered and referred to the Provincial Anti-Corruption Investigation Unit for further handling," Mashaba said.

He indicated that on Thursday 17 November 2024, the detective Sergeant was also accused of dealing in dagga at police station holding cells.

"Furthermore, on 19 November 2024, the same Sergeant, with his colleague, a Constable, went to search a house of suspect accusing him of dealing in dagga. They conducted a search and found dagga in the house. Instead of effecting the arrest, they demanded a kick-back of R2500-00. They took R1000-00 from the suspect's pockets and told him that they would come

again for the remaining R1500-00 balance," explained Mashaba.

He said the same police officers returned to collect the money from the victim's house and while waiting for the cash, the victim's mother approached them.

"The police drove away, and fortunately, the security officer gave chase until they were intercepted. The case docket was registered and investigated by the Provincial Anti-Corruption Unit, following meticulous and thorough investigations, the suspects were apprehended," said Mashaba.

He said the suspect will appear before the Nebo Magistrate's Court facing charges of corruption and defeating the ends of justice.

Provincial Commissioner of the Police in Limpopo, Lieutenant General Thembi Hadebe, welcomed the arrest, stating that the move demonstrates the police's commitment to rooting out corruption within its ranks.

House robbery suspect apprehended, manhunt underway for remaining suspect



The VW Polo that was recovered in possession of the 34-year-old suspect who was arrested in connection with house robbery and car theft in Tafelkop Village.

TAFELKOP - A 35-year-old male suspect was arrested by the Limpopo Provincial Murder and Robbery Investigation Unit, Motetema Detectives, in Tafelkop Mashemong on Saturday 18 January 2026 following a house robbery incident.

According to Brigadier Hlulani Mashaba, Limpopo Provincial Police Spokesperson, the incident occurred at around 02:20 when three male suspects, broke into a house in the area, demanding car keys from the occupants who were sleeping at the time.

"Two of the suspects took the car keys and fled in a grey VW Polo with Gauteng registration, while the third suspect remained in the house, robbing the victims of their belongings. A fight erupted, leaving the suspect with injuries while the victims screamed for help, prompting the suspect to flee the scene on foot. Community members responded quickly, locating the injured suspect nearby, still in possession of the victims' property," explained

Mashaba.

He added that the police were called and on arrival at the scene, they found the heavily injured suspect lying on the ground. Mashaba said the suspect managed to identify his accomplices before passing away.

"The emergency medical personnel certified him dead at the scene. Preliminary investigation led to the apprehension of one suspect in possession in possession of the stolen motor vehicle," Mashaba said.

He said the arrested suspect is set to appear before the Groblersdal Magistrate's Court soon, facing charges of possession of a suspected stolen motor vehicle and house robbery.

"A manhunt is underway for the remaining suspects. Anyone with information is urged to contact Investigating Officer, Sergeant Calvin Maluleke Makola on 076 057 4315, Crime Stop Number on 08600 10111, the nearest Police Station or MySAPSApp," concluded Mashaba.

R92 Million down the drain, EMLM's Kgaphamadi Bus Road Project falls short

JERUSALEM - The Kgaphamadi Bus Road project in Jerusalem Village, initiated in 2014 in Elias Motsoaledi Local Municipality (EMLM) Ward 21, has been marred by poor planning and execution, with a staggering R92 million spent to date.

The 8km road, meant to serve the community, is already showing signs of deterioration, with the surface peeling off.

The project's shortcomings are glaring, including the lack of V-drains and small bridges, inadequate protection of the tar road, and the use of substandard materials.

EMLM Ward 21 Councillor Mpho Maphopa, who represents the Economic Freedom Fighters (EFF) in EMLM Council, attributes the project's woes to poor

planning and execution by EMLM consultants and engineers. "It is concerning that millions of rands have been wasted, and the road is already falling apart," Maphopa said.

The project's funding history is a tale of incremental allocations and unmet needs. Initially, R65 million was allocated in 2014, followed by an additional R15 million in 2018, and R12 million in 2025. Despite this, the project remains incomplete, with an estimated R25 million needed to finish the job.

Maphopa blames EMLM for delaying funds and exacerbating the road's deterioration. "The municipality should urgently address this matter and take responsibility for the project's failures," emphasized Maphopa.

A few year ago, the Democratic Alliance (DA) in EMLM has lodged a complaint with the Public Protector against EMLM over the project's shoddy workmanship and cost.

DA Councillor in EMLM, Siphon Mmaboko, expressed concern over lack of transparency and accountability in the project's budget and execution.

"The DA is committed to ensuring that residents receive value for money from projects meant to benefit their communities," Mmaboko said. The DA has requested an investigation into possible corruption and wasteful expenditure.

The EMLM is yet to respond to the publication's enquiries.



The Elias Motsoaledi Municipality allegedly spent a staggering R92 million in the ongoing already deteriorated Kgaphamadi Bus Road Project in Jerusalem Village.





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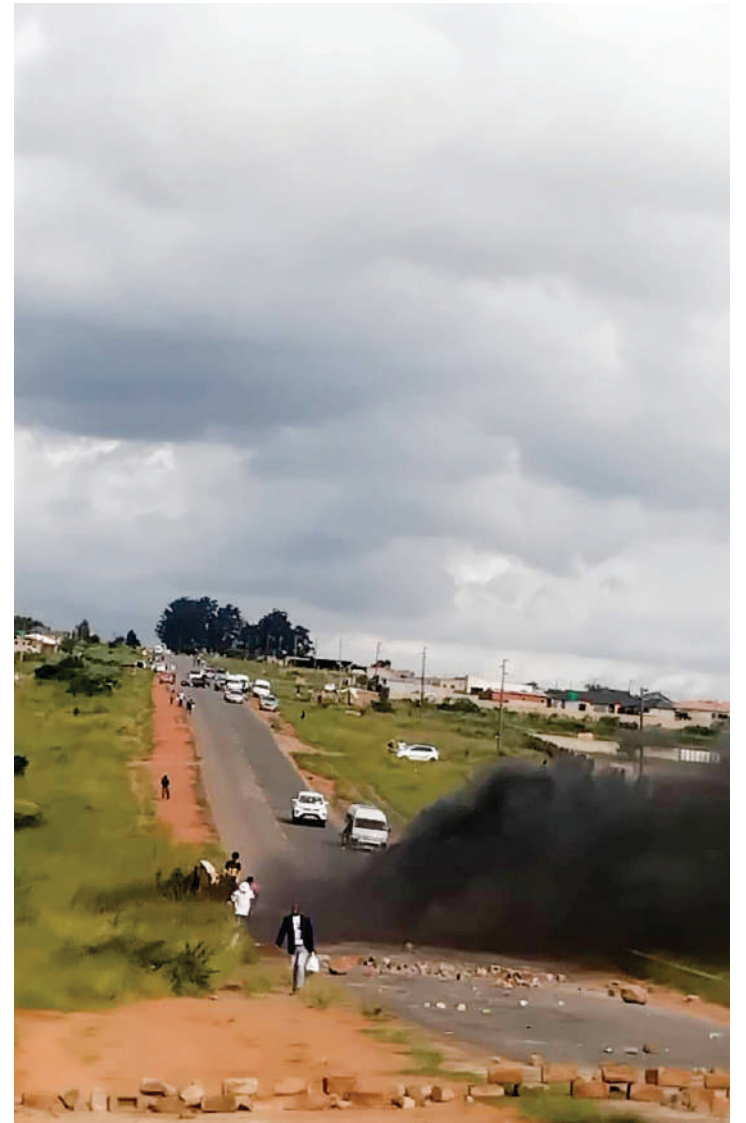
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Luckau residents protest lack of electricity and other services



The R579 Road went up in smoke during a poor service delivery protest in Luckau. Residents were expressing their frustration over lack of electricity at Maganagobushwa Section.

LUCKAU - Hundreds of residents from Luckau Village in Elias Motsoaledi Local Municipality (EMLM) Ward 24, have recently went on a rampage, barricading the busiest R579 Road with stones and burning tyres to express their frustration over lack of electricity at Maganagobushwa Section.

The protest allegedly sparked by EMLM's delay in energizing Maganagobushwa Phase 1 electricity project, with promises made and broken, including deadlines of 19 December, 25 December, and 31 December 2025.

Residents said they were protesting because they are fed up with empty promises from the municipality, with the Phase 2 of the same project also experiencing delays without explanations.

The Maganagobushwa Phase 1 Electricity Project has since started in January 2025 and set to benefit 202 households, while Phase 2 of the project will benefit 62 households. Community leader Mike Mokoana stated: "Residents are fed up with empty promises. We are worried because even Phase 2 of the same project is also experiencing delays."

"There is no service delivery here. Municipality officials and councillors continue to enrich their friends and work for their own communities at the expense of other communities. In short, they have not committed to anything," he said.

He said the municipality's failure to address community concerns has only served to galvanize the residents, who are now more determined than ever to fight for their rights. During the protest, residents said they were also frustrated by other service delivery issues.

Residents are also demanding a low-level bridge between Luckau and Posa Villages to ease school children's commute, improved road conditions, and a solution to the shortage of drinkable water. The protest was suspended after residents agreed to write a letter to EMLM, seeking the municipality to resolve the delayed electricity project issues. Mokoana warned that if the problem is not addressed, residents will mobilize for a total shutdown.

The EMLM could not respond to the publication's enquiries.

Thabantsho movie auditions held in Tafelkop



Scores of talented actors and actresses converged at Bakgaga ba Kopa Tribal Office in Tafelkop for auditioning to appear in the upcoming Thabantsho movie.

TAFELKOP - The auditions for Thabantsho (The Dark Mountain), a forthcoming movie by Tebogo Film Production, drew an overwhelming response, with over 70 online monologues and over 70 physical auditions, held at Bakgaga ba Kopa Tribal Office in Tafelkop recently.

The production team is now working with over 100 local talents, who unleashing the immense potential of Sekhukhune's creative industry.

The esteemed panel of judges, Sendra Masiteng from Moja Love and representatives from Titanic Media House, were impressed by the raw talent on display. Observers from Porcupine Creative Media Hub and Ratseker Creative Hub, cinematographer partners, also witnessed the talent.

Thabantsho is a powerful drama written by Sheron Mphela, exploring the beauty of culture, tradition, and roots, while delving into universal themes of self-discovery, identity, love, redemption, and power.

Directed by Tebogo Mmela, the film promises to be a gripping tale of love, struggle, and redemption.

"This film is a celebration of our heritage and a reflection of our journey as a community. We are excited to bring this story to life and share it with audiences worldwide," says Mmela.

Sheron Mphela, the writer

behind Thabantsho, added: "I am thrilled to see our story come to life. This film is a love letter to our community and a testament to the power of storytelling."

However, the production team faces significant challenges, primarily the need for skills training for cast members. To overcome these hurdles, they urgently seek sponsors and investors.

"With support, we can create a thriving film industry in our community and showcase Sekhukhune's rich cultural heritage to the world," said Mphela.

Thabantsho will feature notable artists, including Sandra Masiteng, Mack's Papo, Phistus Maake, Charity, and Ramolao.

Despite obstacles, the team is determined to make, meeting with Limpopo's MEC of Arts and Culture, Jerry Maseko, to seek support.

For sponsorship and investment opportunities, the public is advised to contact Tebogo Film Production on 063 757 3615.

Tebogo Film Production, established in 2016, aims to bring rich culture to rural areas. They have produced films like Hell City, Operations, Uninvited Visions, and Inkhohlakalo, and are currently working on a reality show, Divas on Hustle, for SABC1.

DEM advocates for education excellence

DENNILTON - In a bid to address the persistent educational inequalities and poor academic performance in the Dennilton area, the Dennilton Educational Movement (DEM), has been making strides in improving access to quality education for learners, particularly those from disadvantaged backgrounds.

Founded in 2017 by Joshua Mahlangu and six other community members, DEM has implemented impactful education-focused campaigns and programmes, including the Back-to-School Campaign, Steps to Schools Campaign, Boy Child Campaign, and the Last Push Campaign for Grade 12 learners.

According to Mahlangu, the organisation seeks to complement the work of the Department of Basic Education by mobilising communities, parents, educators, and other education stakeholders to actively participate in learner development and school improvement.

"The community has responded positively to our initiatives. Parents, learners, schools, and local stakeholders have shown growing support and appreciation for our programmes, particularly those aimed at improving learner performance and promoting literacy," said Mahlangu.

Despite the challenges, including limited financial resources and varying levels of commitment among members, DEM continues to demonstrate resilience and commitment to improving education.

"The support we get is not enough," Mahlangu added. "Most of the support we get comes from the Principal of Tlhako Secondary School, Mr Sepogwane. We could do more if we get support from all our schools and the local municipality," he said.

DEM's programmes are centered on learner support, academic motivation, school readiness, career guidance, youth empowerment, parental involvement, and advocacy on education matters. The organisation also actively engages with education authorities, school management teams, and school governing bodies to promote accountability, collaboration, and improved learning environments.

With a leadership team comprising Joshua Mahlangu as Chairperson, Tebogo Tlou as Deputy Chairperson, and Mbuso Makitla as Executive Director, DEM continues to uphold the values of community service, educational excellence, integrity, accountability, and youth empowerment.

The organisation is further supported by six Departmental Directors, with Naledi Moeti as Finance Director, Lerato Moroko holding the Communications



DEM executive members are dedicated to impactful initiatives focusing on improving quality education in the communities with tireless efforts.



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Directorship role, Rethabile Kgotane as Human Resources Director, Glorious Moepya appointed as Marketing Director, Nrokoze Zengele as Operations Director, and Dan Ngwenya, as Development Director.

Additionally, the organisation has six Senior Managers, namely Nthabiseng Maila, Sandile Mudau, Mester Aphane, Junior Motsoeni, Nico Sibiya, and Gontse Moloko, who support programme implementation and operational activities.

DEM also has one junior member, Lesedi Ntobeng, contributing to organisational growth and leadership development.

Mahlangu indicated that even though DEM was founded in Dennilton, the organisation is not limited to Dennilton, however, it operates with a national mandate, focusing on educational development across South Africa.

"While a number of our campaigns are currently concentrated in Dennilton due to accessibility and immediate community needs, DEM also implements provincial and national programmes that address broader educational challenges. Our long-term approach is to balance strong community-based interventions with wider-scale initiatives that benefit learners and schools nationally," he said.

Schools and educators continue to collaborate with DEM, recognising its role in motivating learners and mobilising community support around education.

"While there is still a need to increase broader community involvement and resources, the overall response demonstrates that DEM is valued as a positive and impactful force in advancing education and social

development in Dennilton and surrounding areas," Mahlangu stated.

Like many community-based and non-profit organisations, DEM faces a number of hurdles that affect its operations and growth.

One of the major challenges is limited financial resources. The organisation relies largely on donations, member contributions, and occasional support from stakeholders, which are often insufficient to fully fund programmes, campaigns, logistics, and administrative needs. This limits the scale and sustainability of some initiatives. Time constraints also pose a challenge, as most members serve on a voluntary basis.

"While many members are highly dedicated and passionate about the vision of DEM, others are constrained by personal, work, or academic commitments. This sometimes affects attendance at meetings, participation in campaigns, and the consistent execution of planned activities," informed Mahlangu.

In addition, DEM experiences challenges related to capacity and resources, including access to transport, learning materials, and operational tools needed to effectively reach all targeted schools and communities.

"Despite these challenges, DEM continues to demonstrate resilience and commitment to improving education. The organisation actively seeks partnerships, fundraising opportunities, and stronger internal coordination to address these challenges and ensure the continued impact of its educational programmes," pleaded Mahlangu.



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GREENSIDE – According to ActionSA Political Party in Sekhukhune, a severe shortage of teachers that has hit Motswaledi Secondary School in Greenside Village, Ephraim Mogale Local Municipality (EPMLM), is compromising the quality of education offered to learners.

The school, located in a remote rural area, has only two educators responsible for teaching learners from Grade 8 to Grade 12, despite departmental policy requiring one teacher for every 30 learners.

ActionSA Sekhukhune Regional leadership, together with Limpopo Provincial Treasurer, Tonic Manchidi, has engaged with the management and School Governing Body (SGB) of Motswaledi Secondary School under the Phokwane Circuit following the school's poor matric performance.

During the engagement, the SGB and management disclosed that they reported the shortage to the Department of Education, but the response has been inadequate.

According to Manchidi, earlier in 2025, the Education Department deployed one teacher on a six-month contract, which has since expired and was not renewed.

"This short-term approach by the department shows a lack of seriousness in addressing the education crisis in our rural communities. You cannot fix a systemic problem with temporary solutions," Manchidi said.

He said the situation at Motswaledi Secondary School is a clear example of how rural schools are neglected by the Department of Education.

"Expecting two teachers to effectively teach five grades is not only unrealistic, but it is a direct violation of learners' constitutional right to quality education. Quality education is a constitutional right, not a privilege. ActionSA

remains committed to defending this right and will continue to stand with communities, learners, and educators in the fight for a functional and dignified education system, particularly in rural areas," said Manchidi.

The shortage has forced parents to consider hiring an additional teacher using their own limited resources.

"It is unacceptable that parents, who are already struggling financially, are forced to pay for teachers while the department fails to fulfil its mandate," said Johannes Radingwane, ActionSA Sekhukhune Regional Chairperson.

Radingwane said ActionSA has committed to partner with parents and the SGB to ensure that the additional teacher is appointed, while simultaneously engaging the Department of Education to demand accountability.

ActionSA Sekhukhune Regional Secretary Abram Makola stated: "ActionSA will not stand by while the future of our children is compromised. We will confront the Department of Education and ensure that permanent solutions are implemented so that learner performance improves at Motswaledi Secondary School."

The school's situation highlights the challenges faced by rural schools in accessing quality education. With around 150 learners admitted in the 2026 academic year, the shortage of teachers is a significant obstacle to achieving academic excellence.

Limpopo Department of Education Spokesperson, Mike Maringa, said the school is not allocated teachers because it is not viable and has enrolled 88 learners in the 2026 academic year.

However, Maringa acknowledged that the school qualifies for an additional teacher, but could not state whether the department is in the process of allocating the teacher or not.

Severe teacher shortage hits Motswaledi Secondary School



ActionSA Limpopo Provincial Treasurer, Tonic Manchidi, interacting with learners during the party's visit at Motswaledi Secondary School in Greenside Village.

Lend A Hand Campaign gearing up for impactful 2026



The Lend A Hand Campaign has gearing up for another impactful year in supporting local schools in Sekhukhune.

SEKHUKHUNE - The Lend A Hand Campaign, a collaborative effort between two Non Profit Organizations (NPOs), Bana Ba Sekhukhune Community Solutions and Molebogeng Foundation, is gearing up for another impactful year in 2026.

Launched in 2019 at Matsepe Primary School in Tafelkop outside Groblersdal, the campaign aims to motivate students and educators while supporting schools and communities lacking recreational facilities.

In 2025, the campaign presented achievement and merit awards to learners and educators across Sekhukhune District, accompanied by uniform donations.

"We thank our partners and sponsors for making this possible," said Chairperson of

Bana Ba Sekhukhune Community Solutions, Jeffrey Hlabirwa Walker.

"Our focus for 2026 will be on teenage behaviour, teen pregnancy, and health education, with Sister Mampipi Kekana from Unjani Clinic leading the initiative," he added.

Sister Kekana emphasized the importance of health education, particularly in rural communities with limited access to healthcare facilities.

"I grew up in a community where medical treatment was out of reach, and I decided to be part of the solution. I believe health education is important to learners especially in rural communities that lacks access to health facilities. We scheduled to visit schools once or twice a month," she said.

Fununu Mnguni, member of

Bana Ba Sekhukhune Women and Children Committee, stated that teenage girls need mentorship in health issues to deal with challenges they encounter on daily basis.



Bana Ba Sekhukhune Community Solutions Chairperson, Jeffrey Hlabirwa Walker, with achievement and merit awards presented to learners and educators across Sekhukhune District.



Over five-hundred suspects arrested during Operation Shanela

LIMPOPO - The Police in Limpopo have arrested 552 suspects and seizing seven firearms during Operation Shanela, a high-density operation conducted across the province's five districts.

According to Colonel Malesela Ledwaba, Limpopo Provincial Police Spokesperson, the operation, which ran from Monday 12 to Sunday 18 January 2026, focused on high-visibility policing, stop-and-search activities, roadblocks, and tracing suspects.

The operation, which ran from January 12 to 18, 2026, focused on high-visibility policing, stop-and-search activities, roadblocks, and tracing suspects.

"The suspects were arrested for a range of serious and contact crimes, the arrests included 7 for possession of unlicensed firearms, 10 for rape, 2 for attempted rape, 11 for murder, 4 for house robbery, and 4 for illegal possession of ammunition," explained Ledwaba.

He said additionally, the police arrested 15 suspects for possession of dangerous weapons, 56 for illegal dealing

in liquor, 37 for possession of drugs, and 53 for assault with intent to cause grievous bodily harm.

Furthermore, the police also effected arrests for residential burglary, business burglary, illegal immigration, malicious damage to property, and driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs.

"During the operations, police confiscated and recovered illicit items, including 263.547 litres of alcoholic beverages, 43 live rounds of various calibres, 21 dangerous weapons, 518.356 kilograms of dagga, 59 counterfeit goods, and seven handguns," Ledwaba said.

Ledwaba said all arrested suspects have started appearing before various magistrates' courts across the province.

Lieutenant General Thembi Hadebe, Provincial Commissioner of the Police in Limpopo, commended law enforcement members for their dedication and vigilance, emphasizing that sustained operations remain critical in disrupting criminal activities and restoring community confidence.



The police in Limpopo arresting some of the suspects during the province-wide Operation Shanela.

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Notice is hereby given for a water use licence application (WULA) process in terms of section 21 of NWA for water use activities associated with the development of one groundwater source for Emergency Medical Services and the installation of a septic tank and French drain for sanitation purposes. The relevant licensing authority for the WULA process is the department of water and sanitation (DWS).

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The Department of Public Roads and Infrastructure is applying to develop a groundwater source to support Emergency Medical Services (EMS). The water will be used for domestic purposes and firefighting. The project also includes the installation of a septic tank and French drain for sanitation purposes.

The project area is located on Erf1720, Hlogotlou Ext A, Monsterlus village approximately 36km North-east of Groblersdal

The Applicant therefore proposes to apply for:

- > Section 21 (a) Taking water from a water resource.
- > Section 21 (b) Storing water.
- > Section 21 (g) Disposing of waste in a manner which may detrimentally impact on a water resource

Mosa Green Consulting has been appointed by The Department of Public Roads and Infrastructure as the independent Environmental Assessment Practitioner (EAP) to undertake and Water Use License Application.

INVITATION TO REGISTER AS AN I&AP AND TO COMMENT

As part of the public participation process, the public is provided a 90-day period from 19 January 2026 to 19 April 2026 to register as an Interested and Affected Party (I&AP) and review and comment on the application. I&APs are invited to submit comments and/or register on the stakeholder database by contacting the consultant below

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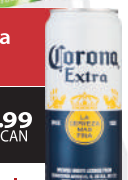
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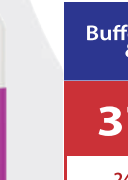
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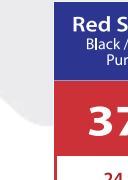
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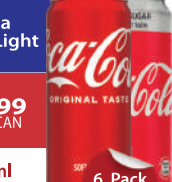
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BSDA awarded outstanding football players



BSDA League players were recognized for their outstanding contributions to their teams during the 2025/2026 season.



C4 United FC celebrating with the trophy after winning the BSDA League.

MANAPYANE - The Bakone Sports Development Academy (BSDA), recently held their annual awards ceremony at Manapyane Community Hall in Manapyane Village outside Marble Hall.

The event brought together esteemed guests while recognized the outstanding achievements of 225 players from 9 football teams within Ephraim

Mogale Local Municipality (EPML) and surroundings.

During the event, C4 United FC received a trophy, 37 medals, and R300 as joining fee to the Ephraim Mogale Local Municipality (EPMLM) Local Football Association (LFA), after crowned BSDA champions and gaining promotion in the 2024/2025 football season.

The team will be battling in the EPMLM LFA in the upcoming 2025/2026 season.

Knowledge Modisha from C4 United FC, was awarded the leading goal scorer with 18 goals, while Boitshepo Monama from Rocks FC was named Player of the Season.

Other award winners included Junior Matlala from Ratanang FC who walked away with Players' Player of the Season award, Mantopi Matlala also a Ratanang FC player, was awarded Youngest Player of the Season, while C4 United Head Coach, James Modisha, was awarded Coach of the Season.

Moruti Monama, Chairman of BSDA, expressed his gratitude to the sponsors and everyone who played a part to make the league a success.

"As the league chairman, I appreciate the sponsors who made things happen by supporting us and making the awarding ceremony a success," he said.

Monama continued to thank everyone who played a part in the success of the league adding that they are looking forward to the 2025/2026 season, scheduled to start in February 2026.

Mjolo FC crowned champions of Thoto Foundation Football Tournament



Mjolo FC battling it out with Malombo Royals FC in the final game of the much anticipated Thoto Foundation Football Tournament.

THOTO - In a thrilling finale, Mjolo FC emerged victorious at the Thoto Foundation Football Tournament defeating Malombo Royals FC 4-2 on penalties, claiming the top spot in the highly anticipated sporting event, which aimed to promote youth development, community unity, and sporting excellence.

The prize pool was substantial, with the winners, Mjolo FC, walking away with R100,000 and a cow.

Malombo Royals put up a great fight, securing the runners-up position and walking away with a R50,000 prize, silver medals and a cow, while third and fourth place winners took home R15,000 and a sheep. Teams that finished from fifth to eighth positions were awarded R6,000 in cash.

The tournament, which kicked off since 13 December 2025 until the end of the month, brought together 32 talented teams from Sekhukhune and beyond, displaying exceptional skills and sportsmanship.

Audrey Komane, tournament organiser, expressed his

excitement about the high level of competition and sportsmanship displayed by the teams.

"We are thrilled to see such a high level of competition and sportsmanship from the teams. The Thoto Foundation is committed to promoting football development in Sekhukhune, and this tournament is a key part of our efforts," he said.

Komane indicated that the tournament was more than just a competition, was a platform for young players to display their talent, develop their skills, and inspire others.

"Football has the power to unite people, and that is exactly what we are seeing here," Komane added.

"We are proud to be part of this initiative, and we look forward to seeing the impact it will have on our community," he said.

Komane thanked all football teams that participated in the tournament, adding that they are looking forward to the next instalment of the sporting code in December 2026.



Mjolo FC were crowned champions of the Thoto Foundation Football Tournament.