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## Multi-disciplinary forces remove Illegal immigrants at Maleoskop Police Camp

The multi-disciplinary forces, comprises of Groblersdal Police in collaboration with the Departments of Home Affairs and Social Development, have removed scores of undocumented foreign nationals at the former Police Tactical Academy in Maleoskop outside Groblersdal. The operation was conducted from Sunday 2 July until Monday 3 July 2023 between 22:00 and 10:00, aimed at removing illegal immigrants from the area. The forces involved comprised of the SAPS k9 Unit, Visible Policing, Detectives, Immigration Officers and Social Workers. Colonel Malesela Ledwaba, Limpopo Provincial Police Spokesperson, said a total of 291 illegal immigrants were removed during the raid. "The immigrants included Zimbabwean nationals; 115 males, 55 females

and 17 children have been removed from the camp. In addition, Mozambican nationals who were removed from the camp; 62 males, 51 females and 15 children. The undocumented foreign nationals were all deported to their respective countries as per 48 hour activation plan," he said.

Ledwaba added that amongst them, seven foreign nationals were released under Section 49 (1) (a) of immigration act, who were four immigrants from Democratic Republic of Congo, two Mozambicans and one Eritrean national. "In the tour of the operation six dagga plants were found abandoned and they were subsequently confiscated for disposal. In addition, two cases of human trafficking were opened against a Congolese national male

suspect for allegedly trafficking two 16-year-old females from the Democratic Republic of Congo," he said. Ledwaba said the suspect is expected to appear before the Groblersdal Magistrate's Court in about a week, facing charges of human trafficking and contravention of immigration act.

Provincial Commissioner of the Police in Limpopo, Lieutenant General Thembi Hadebe, applauded the collaborative efforts by the teams involved in the operation.



Police members raiding some of the shacks at Maleoskop Police Academy outside Groblersdal.

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# Elias Motsoaledi Mayor monitors Hereford Farms in Groblersdal

As part of the Eighth Presidential Imbizo scheduled to take place in Sekhukhune, the Mayor of Elias Motsoaledi Local Municipality Cllr David Tladi, has on Monday 10 July, led a build-up activity programme at the Tafelkop Farmers Association in Hereford Farms in Groblersdal. The Presidential Imbizo forms part of Sekhukhune District Development Model (DDM) and will be taking place at Ga-Motodi Village in Fetakgomo Tubatse Local Municipality on Friday 14 July, aiming to highlight progress on the ongoing and completed government projects. The Presidential Imbizo is a series of build-up outreach activities led by ministers, MECs and mayors in parts of Sekhukhune District and across other parts of Limpopo Province. The Tafelkop Farmers Association were handed over land and title deeds by President Ramaphosa in Groblersdal in May 2021. The farmers have been successfully farming various agricultural produce for 25 years on Hereford Farms where the Department of Public Works and Infrastructure has transferred the land on a gratis basis for land redistribution purposes. In 2000, the then National Department of Agriculture, entered into lease agreements with the Tafelkop Farmers Association in terms of the Land Redistribution through Agricultural Development (LRAD) programme. In 2009, the former Limpopo Department of Agriculture (LDA) recommended to the Department of Public Works, as the custodian of the land, that the land be transferred to the farmers who had been in occupation since 1996. Tafelkop Farmers, organised themselves in the 1990s to be registered commercial farmers under the banner of the Tafelkop Farmers Association and started to engage government. The deeds were registered earlier in 2021 in the names of the farmers who emerged as beneficiaries. The farmers supply local food stores, school feeding schemes as well the Pretoria and Johannesburg fresh produce markets. The extent of the land now officially registered in the names of the farmers measures 189 hectares and is valued at more than R25.5 Million. The awarding of the land was part of the ongoing work of the Land Reform Inter-Ministerial Committee to accelerate land reform by mobilising state resources to increase the efficiency and sustainability of land redistribution and restitution. During the hand-over of the land, Ramaphosa was supported by Ministers Patricia De Lille of Public Works and Infrastructure, Thoko Didiza of Agriculture, Land Reform and Rural Development Ronald Lamola of Justice and Correctional Services and Khumbudzo Ntshaveni who was Acting Minister in The Presidency responsible for Planning, Monitoring and Evaluation. Tladi was extremely happy about the progress made since the farms were handed-over by Ramaphosa and his entourage in 2021. Tladi said he pleased that since the official hand-over, government provided water and packaging store rooms for Hereford Farms families benefiting within the Tafelkop Farmers Association.



**The Mayor of Elias Motsoaledi Local Municipality, Cllr David Tladi, said he is happy about progress made at Hereford Farms after President Cyril Ramaphosa handed title deeds to custodians of the land, Tafelkop Farmers Association in May 2021. Cllr David Tladi, Mayor of Elias Motsoaledi Local Municipality (Centre), monitoring progress with members of Tafelkop Farmers Association at one of the fresh produce farms ahead of the Presidential Imbizo.**

## Mayor pleads with residents to pay for municipal services

The Mayor of Ephraim Mogale Local Municipality, Cllr Given Moimana, has pleaded with communities residing within the jurisdiction of the local municipality to pay for services. Moimana made the passionate plea during one of the series of his Mayoral Imbizo held at Zamenkomst Thusong Service Centre in Matlerekeng Village outside Marble Hall. Moimana encouraged the communities to pay for services to help the municipality to generate enough revenue for services. Moimana also called on the private companies and individuals who are utilising the community halls to pay rental fees as from the July 2023. Residents were also given a platform to raise their concerns, which included lack of community meetings conducted by the local municipality, shortage of water provision, lack of electricity, poor state of roads infrastructure and high rate of unemployment.

“We are going to decentralise the economy of Ephraim Mogale to reach every village and by so doing, we would be improving the living conditions of our people,” said Moimana. He encouraged residents to take part in building the municipality in order to confront the triple challenges: poverty, unemployment and inequality that are facing the country today.



**Mayor of Ephraim Mogale Local Municipality, Cllr Given Moimana**

**NOTICE OF BASIC ASSESSMENT PROCESS FOR THE PROSPECTING RIGHT APPLICATION THAT WILL BE CARRIED OUT ON GLOBE 579 KS SITUATED IN EPHRAIM MOGALE LOCAL MUNICIPALITY IN THE MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT OF SEKHUKHUNE IN LIMPOPO PROVINCE**

**INVITATION TO REGISTER AS AN INTERESTED AND AFFECTED PARTY AND COMMENT ON THE PROSPECTING RIGHT APPLICATION FOR DIAMONDS (ALLUVIAL, GENERAL & IN KIMBERLITE)**

**DMR REFERENCE NO.: LP30/5/1/1/2/14946PR**

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Hudson Kay (Pty) Ltd has appointed Geolukon Consulting (Pty) Ltd as an Independent Environmental Assessment Practitioner (EAP), to undertake the application for an EA, together with the associated Public Participation Process (PPP).

### PROJECT LOCATION

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### OPPORTUNITY TO PARTICIPATE

Interested and Affected parties are invited to register and provide written comments together with the above reference number, their email address and contact details to the contact person indicated below within 30 days from the date of publication of this notice.

The Basic Assessment Report and Environmental Management Programme for the above-mentioned project will be made available electronically and in hard copy for public review and comment at the Municipality and Library. Electronic copy may be requested from Lufuno Nengwani through email.

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**NOTICE OF BASIC ASSESSMENT PROCESS FOR THE PROSPECTING RIGHT APPLICATION THAT WILL BE CARRIED OUT ON PORTION 1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9&10 OF SALIE SLOOT 718 KS FARM AND PORTION 1,2,3,4,5,6 & REMAINING EXTENT OF SWARTKOP 720 KS FARM SITUATED IN EPHRAIM MOGALE LOCAL MUNICIPALITY IN THE MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT OF SEKHUKHUNE IN LIMPOPO PROVINCE**

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## Blankets donated to fend off the freezing winter

The African National Congress (ANC) in Sekhukhune donated blankets to pensioners at Mabocha Primary School outside Jane Furse on 11 July. The initiative was lead by ANC Sekhukhune Regional Secretary, Tala Mathope, accompanied by Regional Executive Committee (REC) members, leadership of the sub-regions, councillors and ANC volunteers. According to the party, the benefiting elderly were identified for an intervention during this time of sudden drop of the temperatures in the country. Handing-out the blankets, Mathope said they were satisfied with the high turnout of the elderly people and supporters of the ANC who attended the initiative. "As the ANC in this region, we deliberately designed this program of touched the lives of our elderly during this cold weather. This week, according to experts, it is the coldest since winter season has started this year," explained Mathope. He assured that the party will continue to contribute to the ease livelihood of pensioners during this winter period by donating blankets. "I know for a fact that you remained the undoubted supporters of the organisation throughout the years, you remain our heritage and reservoir of wisdom for us, the leadership of the organisation," Mathope said. The elderly and community were quite impressed about the efforts of the party, saying the ANC has played an important part in addressing their plight this winter.



**ANC Secretary in Sekhukhune Region, Tala Mathope (Wearing yellow T-shirt), distributing blankets to benefiting elderly at Mabocha Primary School.**



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## Shortage of doctors burdens Limpopo healthcare facilities

The Democratic Alliance (DA) in Limpopo said they have written a letter to MEC for Health in the province, Dr Phophi Ramathuba, to seek her immediate intervention to address the issue of shortage of doctors in public healthcare facilities. According to the political party, community service doctors that have been allocated to the province, however, they have not been allowed to start to work. This is despite a serious shortage of doctors in public healthcare facilities in the province. According to community leaders in Moutse, there is a serious shortage of doctors in Philadelphia Hospital, which is a gap left by doctors who retired and some who took transfers and were never replaced. Risham Maharaj, DA Spokesperson for Health in Limpopo, said the party has received complaints from community service doctors that were meant to start work on 1 July 2023, but are now stranded and essentially jobless after their medical internships concluded at the end of June. "The doctors were sent letters on the 15th of June from the National Health Department, informing them that they were allocated to Limpopo for the 2023 mid-year cycle on the Internship and Community Service Programme (ICSP) system and that the information had been forwarded to the provincial department for appointment processing and finalisation. These doctors were placed at health facilities in the province on a list shared with them on the 27th of June but were seemingly told that there

are funding issues and challenges in filling all the posts. None of these doctors have received appointment letters, been offered employment contracts nor have they been contacted by the hospitals they have been placed at to start work," explained Maharaj. Maharaj said poor planning by the Limpopo Health Department is unacceptable as much needed community service doctors are now effectively unemployed until they are offered contracts to start work. "These doctors come from all over the country and cannot be expected to uproot their whole lives at a day or two of notice. Ramathuba and her department must urgently ensure that funding for these posts is made available and that these doctors are placed, sign contracts and start their community service as soon as possible to serve the people of Limpopo and for their own career progression," he said. Maharaj said the DA will continue to monitor this situation until it is fully resolved. When contacted for a comment, Limpopo Health Department Spokesperson, Neil Shikwambana, referred the publication to National Department of Health Spokesperson, Foster Mohale who was not available for a comment at the time of going to print.



DA Spokesperson for Health in Limpopo, Risham Maharaj, during one of the party's oversight visit at the burdened Philadelphia Hospital in Dennilton. The hospital is one of the health facilities hit hard by shortage of doctors in the province.

## A fruitful Strategic Planning Session for SDM

MMC for Budget and Treasury in Sekhukhune District Municipality (SDM), Cllr Jan Mohlala, said the district municipality's strategic planning session contributes to shaping the strategic direction and initiatives that aim to enhance the functioning and performance of Sekhukhune District.

Mohlala said when representing the Executive Mayor of SDM during portfolio committee Section 79 strategic session, held at Karibu Lodge from 5 to 7 July, focusing on key priorities and objectives. The strategic session was focusing on various aspects including the provision of efficient and equitable services to residents, sustainable development planning, responsible financial management, good governance practices, active public participation, institutional capacity building and effective intergovernmental relations. According to SDM, by adhering to these objectives, the municipality aims to enhance service delivery, promote economic growth, foster transparent and accountable governance, empower communities, build capable institutions and foster collaboration among different levels of government. "The strategic planning session is taking place during the month of July, which is Mandela Month. President Mandela is the true embodiment of servant and ethical leadership. He encouraged everyone of us to be loyal to the cause of the people. He dedicated his life to serve the people. The people have given us a clear and sober mandate to deliver public services in an accountable and sustainable way," said Mohlala. He reiterated that the strategic planning session is convened to change the current narrative about the district municipality. "The vision of Sekhukhune District Municipality says, 'An innovative leader in integrated economic development and sustainable service delivery'. We must ensure that at the end of the session, there are plans in place to achieve the vision. To realise this vision, we must ensure that we put the people at the centre of our operations. There should be mechanisms in place to monitor our service delivery activities," he said. Mohlala encouraged Section 79 committees to courageously play their role without fear or favour. "The strategic planning session is challenged to develop programmes that are going to ensure that the public representatives are alive to their constitutional mandates. Everyone of us must play his/ her role in the service of the people," he said. South African Local Government Association (SALGA) Representative, Collen Ramule, said the association envisions a future where local government plays a pivotal role in the development and empowerment of communities.

Acting Mayor of SDM, Jan Mohlala, said the strategic session set a vision to sustain service delivery in the district municipality.



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## Police shut-down illegal initiation school in Kutupu

The Hlogotlou Police in conjunction with the Department of Corporative Governance, Human Settlements and Traditional Affairs (COGHSTA), have closed an illegal initiation school in Kutupu Village on Friday 30 June 2023.

According to Colonel Malesela Ledwaba, Limpopo Provincial Police Spokesperson, said the police received information about an initiation school that was in practicing at Kutupu Village in contravention of the Initiation Act. "The school was discovered on Sunday 25 June 2023 and through proper inspections, it was found that the initiation school has not registered with department as per prescribed Act," said Ledwaba. He said fortunately, there were no injuries or fatalities reported from the initiation school in question and decision has been taken for the initiates to be moved to a nearby registered school. "The suspects responsible for the illegal practices of initiation school have been served with a notice to appear before Nebo Magistrate's Court soon facing charges of Contravention of Initiation Act. Police investigations are continuing," he said.

The Provincial Commissioner of the Police in Limpopo, Lieutenant General Thembi Hadebe, applauded the law enforcement teams for taking appropriate action against the bogus initiation school.



The Hlogotlou Police and the Limpopo COGHSTA closed down an illegal initiation school in Kutupu Village.

## Help the police identify armed robbery suspects

The Police in Hlogotlou seek the public assistance to help arrest four unknown male suspects who robbed a hardware store in Sephaku Village on Tuesday 4 July 2023. According to Colonel Malesela Ledwaba, Limpopo Provincial Police Spokesperson, it is alleged that the cashier at the local hardware was busy performing his duties, when two unknown males entered the hardware pretending to be customers. "It is alleged that one of the suspects pulled out a firearm and pointed at him, demanded money for the day. The third suspect emerged and pointed another victim who was in the same store with a firearm and robbed him of his Nokia cellphone worth R700-00. The fourth suspect was outside at the time of the robbery," explained Ledwaba. He said after the robbery, the four suspects fled the scene driving in a red Kia as their get-away motor vehicle, with Limpopo registration number plates, no injuries reported. "As the police, we appeal

to anyone with information that can assist in the apprehension of the suspects and whoever can be able to recognise the person on the picture to please contact Detective Sergeant Thekupi at 082 775 5462, alternatively report to the nearest police station or to crime stop number 08600 10111 and can also send information through MysapsApp. Police investigations are continuing," he said.



The Police in Hlogotlou appeal to the public to assist in the apprehension of the picture suspect who along with three accomplices robbed a hardware store in Sephaku Village.

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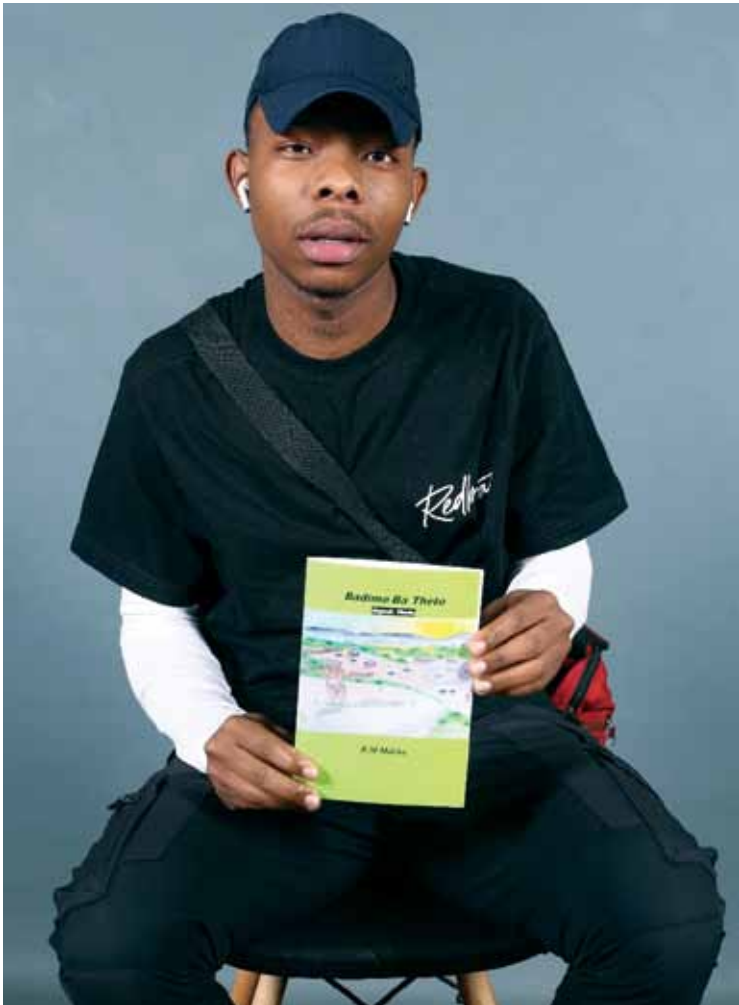
# Young Bonolo makes a mark in literature spaces

Young talented author, Bonolo Maphutha-Maleka (19), is pursuing his literature dream at a young age. Bonolo, from Manapyane Village outside Marble Hall, has recently published his first book titled: "Badimo Ba Theto," a Sepedi anthology book. The same month after publishing his first book, Bonolo established his own publishing company known as Leswika Publishers, located in Mamatjekele Ga-Masemola area around Jane Furse. The 52 pages Badimo Ba Theto book is a collection of 30 poems expressing Bonolo's thoughts through his Sepedi mother language. Bonolo said his passion for poetry writing was ignited while he was in grade 9 at Moosrivier Combined School, by his Sepedi teacher, Ms Mothokgwane, who was an inspiration behind his love for poems and since then, he has never looked back. Despite

being raised by his grandmother Mokgohlwe Maphutha, Bonolo was determined to pursue his dreams through pen and paper and grabbed every opportunity that came his way, not allowing to be deterred from achieving his dreams by any challenges he came across. "The poems preserve my mother language while also serve as an inspiration to young and elder people. Through these poems, I want to demonstrate and encourage my peers to believe in their dreams. I also write about different things that encourages adults to build proper families," he said. After completing his matric at Ngwanakwena Secondary School in 2021 at Moganyaka Village, which is a few kilometres from his home village of Manapyane, in 2022, Bonolo was admitted at the University of Free State where he is currently doing his second year in Bachelor of Science in Information Technology. "My ultimate goal is to pursue both writing and information technology careers. I know it takes an effort, commitment and dedication to pursue two careers concurrently but I am determined to get whatever I want," said the confident Bonolo. Apart from being inspired by his high school teacher, Bonolo has also drawn inspiration from renowned writers such as Phathu Makwarela,

who one of writes from SABC 1 popular soapie, Skeem Saam's and literary inspired by other great writers in the country such as Mamphoku Mamabolo, Phillip Mothupi, Ms Machitela and Winnie Serite. Bonolo's message to the youth and aspiring writers is to remain dedicated and determined in pursuing their dreams. "The background you come from does not define your future. It is essential to respect your parents and pray to God," he said. Bonolo, who describes himself as a rising star in the world of literature, said his passion for writing and his determination to succeed are the driving forces behind his success.

Those who are interested in the book can contact Bonolo on 079 185 1108, Facebook page: cde Mongwadi Bonolo Convenience Maphutha, Instagram: bonolo\_convenience.



**Bonolo Maphutha-Maleka has published his first book titled: "Badimo Ba Theto, which is set to encourage people of all age group to cope with life difficulties.**

## Limpopo MECs monitor projects at Sekhukhune schools

MEC for Education in Limpopo, Mavhungu Lerule-Ramakhanya, together with MEC for Sport, Arts and Culture in the province, Nakedi Kekana, have summed up their two-day visit to school projects around the Sekhukhune District, ahead of the Presidential Imbizo planned for Friday 14 July 2023. During the programme, the two MECs paid homage to four benefiting schools in the region, currently having projects under construction or near completion. The visits were aimed at assessing and monitoring progress as part of the District Development Model (DDM), which is inclusive of government services to the communities, while the Presidential Imbizo will present an opportunity for residents of Sekhukhune to participate and engage on issues of development that affects them. The last leg of the visit started at the newly renovated Mang Le Mang Senior Secondary School outside Groblersdal on Tuesday 11 July 2023, where sport equipment was also handed over to the learners. The R13 Million Project was completed in March this year, nine months before the planned completion date. The Construction included amongst other things the demolition of 12 classrooms, pit toilets, major renovations to 17 classrooms and the renovations of a new admin block. The MECs also visited Ramphelane Secondary School in Jane Furse to monitor progress on the ongoing project. The R31 Million two-year-long project commenced in April last year and is set to be completed in April 2024. The project comprised construction of 5 new classrooms, a new admin block, eight additional Enviro-loos, 6 waterborne toilets, refurbishment of 16 classrooms, conversion of an old admin block to science and computer labs. Learners of the visited schools were handed sports equipment to assist with their extra mural activities. The equipment is also aimed at fostering social cohesion in the communities. The provision of school sport equipment is a continuous programme done jointly by the two departments. The Inaugural of the Annual District Development Model Conference was held at the University of Stellenbosch in Cape Town last week. The conference seeks to accelerate intergovernmental relations mechanisms which will enable all spheres of government to work together with communities and stakeholders, to plan, budget and implement programs in unison.

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## Marumo Gallants bid farewell to outgoing players

After being relegated from the South African football top-flight in the 2022/2023 season, Marumo Gallants FC has released players whose contracts ended on 30 June 2023. The club confirmed that the outgoing players who were given clearances to join other teams during their departure, among others are lethal striker and top goal scorer of the team, Ranga Chivaviro who joined Kaizer Chiefs, Katlego Otladisa who has moved to Orlando Pirates, Ismael Toure who will be joining Stellenbosch United and Lesiba Nku who has just completed his move to PSL Champions Mamelodi Sundowns. "The journey marks the end of an exciting and eventful football season. Marumo Gallants FC has celebrated a fantastic success as well as some very disappointed losses along the way. As the football season draws to a close, Gallants would like to take the opportunity to thank, technical team, supporters, sponsors, the media and partners who have rallied behind Bahlabane Ba Ntwa," the club said in a statement. Gallants said technical team contracts have also come to an end and negotiations will continue with players and technical staff members who may be retained for the upcoming season, as well as those who have existing contracts extending into the 2023/2024 season. Marumo Gallants was founded by Sekhukhune based businessman, Abram Sello, two years ago. Due to lack of proper facilities in Sekhukhune, Gallants play their home matches at Peter Mokaba Stadium in Polokwane and Royal Bafokeng Stadium in Rustenburg. Sello, who is also the club's Chairman, wished all existing players and technical staff members best for the future stating that "we thank you for your commitment and service throughout the season." "Despite a disappointing act of the PSL season, Gallants remain optimistic about the future. Regardless of the league we compete in, we retain our passion for football and our drive to win. Our fans have supported us through the ups and downs experienced, and we would like to thank all our supporters for their loyalty and believe that Bahlabane Ba Ntwa will rise again," Sello said. The club said new signees and other club news will be announced as soon as discussions and negotiations have concluded.



**Above: Katlego Odisang will be joining Orlando Pirates in the upcoming 2023/2024 PSL season, a move to be concluded from the relegated Marumo Gallants FC.**

**Top right: Marumo Gallants lethal striker, Ranga Chivaviro, has completed his move to Kaizer Chiefs after Bahlabane Ba Ntwa were relegated from the South African top flight football.**



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## Unidentified body of a man found floating in Lepelle River

The Police in Apel outside Jane Furse are investigating a case of inquest following the discovery of an unknown body of a male victim floating in Lepelle River. According to Colonel Malesela Ledwaba, Limpopo Provincial Police Spokesperson, the body of the victim believed to be about 19-years-old was found floating in the river on Sunday 25 June 2023 and was never identified. "Police received a complaint about the drowning and immediately dispatched the members of the Provincial Search and Rescue Unit, who rushed to the vicinity and managed to retrieve his lifeless body. The deceased is unknown at this stage and efforts to locate his family were not successful," he said. Ledwaba said the police are appealing to anyone with information that can help to identify the deceased or locate his family to contact Investigating Officer, Warrant Officer Sebetha on 082 565 7602, the crime stop number 08600 10111, the nearest police station or make use of MySAPSApp. He said the police investigations to locate the family of the deceased is continuing.



**The police seek the public to help identify the body of a man that was retrieved from Lepelle River.**

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