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Massive police manhunt launched after internationally renowned artist robbed

The police in Siyabuswa have launched a massive manhunt for a suspect who robbed Dr Esther Nostokana Mahlangu (87), a well-known Ndebele artist from Weltevrede outside Siyabuswa. According to the police report, Mahlangu was on Saturday 19 March robbed of her personal firearm as well as an undisclosed amount of money. "Details of the robbery indicate that on Saturday 19 March around 15:00, the old woman, who was alone at the time was preparing to take a nap where she reportedly locked all doors of her house. Strangely, she noticed a man unknown to her inside the house. The man then allegedly grabbed her and punched her in the face before tying both her hands with a cable and tried to strangle her until she reportedly became unconscious," said Brigadier Selvy Mohlala, Mpumalanga Provincial Police Spokesperson. Mohlala said the elderly Mahlangu reported that she cannot recall what happened thereafter, however, when she regained her conscious, she realized that her house was ransacked and her firearm as well as money were stolen from the safe. "The woman sustained some bruises on her face and the matter was reported to the police at Siyabuswa, whereby a house robbery case was opened hence the manhunt," Mohlala said. He said the suspect is still at large and police urge anyone with information on the whereabouts of the criminal to call the Crime Stop number on 08600 10111, the nearest police station or send information via MYSAPSAPP. "All received information will be treated as confidential and callers may opt to remain anonymous. An investigation regarding the incident is still underway," he said. The Provincial Commissioner of the Police in Mpumalanga, General Semakaleng Daphney Manamela, condemn with strongest terms the armed robbery incident. Manamela further lambasted on the suspects who target elderly people at their places of residence, thereby, robbing them of their personal items, referring to the similar incident occurred on Sunday 20 March where an elderly male pensioner was strangled to death in Delmas. "It is shameful to hear that our senior citizens are now being targeted by heartless criminals who show no mercy at all. This cannot be allowed to continue unabated. The person who committed this evil act against one of the country's asset must be swiftly hunted down and

be brought to book," she said. Mahlangu is known of her traditional Ndebele technique of wall painting entailed first finishing a house using cow dung. She became the first woman artist to be commissioned to decorate a BMW in traditional Ndebele design. Today, Mahlangu's work is exhibited in Australia, America, Japan and in many European countries.



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Three perished in a fatal accident on the N11

Three people have perished in a fatal accident when an articulated truck and a Light Delivery Vehicle (LDV) were involved in a side swipe collision on the N11 Road between Middelburg and Groblersdal near Doornkop. Three other people who were occupants in the LDV sustained critical injuries and were rushed to a nearby hospital in Middelburg. According to

the Mpumalanga Department of Community Safety, Security and Liaison, Moeti Mmusi, the deceased and those who were injured were all occupants of the LDV and the driver of the articulated truck escaped with no injuries. "The LDV had six occupants including the driver while the truck driver was alone. The truck was travelling from the direction of Groblersdal and

the LDV was coming from Doornkop," he said. Mmusi said the cause of the crash is not known at this stage, however, excessive speeding and reckless driving are suspected to have caused the crash. "The investigation to determine the cause of the crash is already underway," he said. The Mpumalanga MEC for Community Safety, Security and Liaison, Vusi Shongwe, has once more urged motorists to use the road

cautiously. He said those who are driving long distances should among other things ensure that they rest sufficiently along the way. "Motorists should obey the rules and always remain alert. They must also adapt their driving to various prevailing conditions on the road," said the MEC. Shongwe has since sent condolences to the bereaved families and also wished those who were injured a speedy recovery.

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Fraudster operating in Sekhukhune and Capricorn nabbed

The police have arrested a 26-year-old suspect after he allegedly defrauded unsuspecting customers from Sekhukhune and Capricorn Districts of large amounts of money. According to the police report, the suspect reportedly advertised his business of selling concrete slabs through social media, claiming that he was the owner and CEO of 'MKP Concrete Rib and Block Slab PTY LTD'. 'He would request a 50% deposit from his victims before he delivered and then, after receiving the deposit he would disappear,' said Brigadier Motlafela Mojapelo, Limpopo Provincial Police Spokesperson. Mojapelo said the suspect was defrauding the community members through social media platforms since 2021 until he was arrested at the Mall of the North in Polokwane recently. "In one of the cases reported in Sekhukhune, the suspect allegedly defrauded his victim an amount of R57 000-00 which was transferred directly into his bank account and failed to deliver the material. The cases were reported at Sekhukhune and Capricorn Districts and other parts of the province where he defrauded the victims an estimated amount of over a million," explained Mojapelo. He said community members across the province are required to come forward and report to the police if they were somehow, defrauded by this suspect. "He will soon appear before the local magistrates court facing charges of fraud. An investigation is still underway," he said. The Acting Provincial Commissioner of the Police Major General Jan Scheepers, has welcomed the arrest of the suspect. Scheepers appealed to anyone with information that can assist the police with investigations to contact the Provincial Head of Commercial Crime Brigadier Ramokolo on 071 481 2944, crime stop number 0860010111, the nearest Police Station or MySAPSAApp.

NOTICE IN TERMS OF SECTION 64 OF THE EPHRAIM MOGALE LOCAL MUNICIPALITY SPATIAL PLANNING AND LANDUSE MANAGEMENT BY-LAW, 2017 READ TOGETHER WITH THE EPHRAIM MOGALE LANDUSE SCHEME, 2019

I, Jackson Sebola of GoldenGrey Consortium (Pty) Ltd being the authorized agent of the owner(s) of the property mentioned below, hereby give notice in terms of Section 64 of The Ephraim Mogale Local Municipality Spatial Planning and Land Use Management By-Law, 2017 read together with The Ephraim Mogale Land Use Scheme, 2019 by rezoning Erf 1059 Moganyaka from "Residential 1" to "Business 1" for a Public Garage. The property is located at Moganyaka village, adjacent the T-junction from Leeuwfontein to Moganyaka village on D4100 Road. Particulars of the application will lie for inspection during regular office hours at the office of the Executive Manager Planning & Local Economic Development No: 13 Ficus Street, Marble Hall, 0450, for 28 days from 25 March 2022. Objections to the application can be lodged in writing to the Executive Manager: Town Planning at the above address or at P.O Box 111, Marble Hall, 0450, within 28 days from 25 March 2022. Address of the Agent: 97 Anderson Street, Louis Trichardt, 0920, Cell: 0791935100, Fax: 0867720878, Email: goldengreycon@gmail.com.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR AMENDMENT OF GREATER GROBLERSDAL TOWN PLANNING SCHEME, 2006 READ TOGETHER WITH SECTION (62& 63) OF ELIAS MOTSOLEDI LOCAL MUNICIPAL BY-LAWS, 2016. SCHEME NO: DP-22/02-01

We, RR Town Planning Consultant, being an authorized agent of the owner of remaining part of Erf330 Groblersdal Extension 2, hereby give notice in terms of section 92 of Elias Motsoaledi Local Municipal By-Laws, 2016 for the rezoning and removal of restrictions conditions on the title deed of the remaining part of erf 330 groblersdal extension 2 from "Residential 1" to "Residential 3" for dwelling units, scheme no: DP-22/02-01. Plans and particulars of the application will lie for inspection during normal office hours 07:30am to 16:30pm weekdays at the manager's office: at Elias Motsoaledi local municipality, 2 Grobler Avenue, from the 10 March 2022, for a period of at least 30 days from the first date of publication. The advert will be on this gazette on 10 March 2022 and 25 March 2022. Objections and/or comments or representation in respect of the application must be lodged with or made by writing to the manager: Town Planning, Elias Motsoaledi Local Municipality, P O Box 48, Groblersdal, 0470 for a period not less than 30 days from the date of publication of notice. Address of applicant: 657 Nsama Street, Polokwane, 0699: Email: rrtpc12@gmail.com. Contact cell: 067 670 7256.

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Study shows Elias Motsoaledi on the verge of collapse

Elias Motsoaledi Local Municipality, is among the 43 municipalities that are on the verge of collapse. This is according to the News24's Out of Order index, calculated from a set of data painstakingly collated over two months. It suggests that the crisis in the frontline of service delivery is likely to deepen. The index is the first data journalism project of its sort in South Africa. A report submitted by Cogta to the parliamentary local government portfolio committee, indicated that a further 111 local municipalities were classified as being at medium risk for deteriorating further. Only 16 were rated as stable. The Out of Order index suggests many of those medium risk municipalities may be further down the road than already imagined. In the recent present, Elias Motsoaledi Local Municipality was marred by corruption and maladministration issues levelled against senior officials. This includes their involvement in the unauthorized investment with the liquidated VBS Mutual Bank. The index stated that this is the grim reality in many of South Africa's municipalities, and is the direct result of municipal mismanagement and the prospects for many local governments look bleak. The Index data draws on the most authoritative sources available, such as National Treasury's budget data used to calculate budget allocations to municipalities, the Auditor-General's reports, and Statistics South Africa. In the Index assessment, Elias Motsoaledi was rated as having a serious backlog in employment, poverty elevation and the delivery of basic services including water, houses and electricity to households. According to the Index, even with the data sources being among the most robust available in South Africa, the research identified many problems in the accuracy, reliability and consistency of the data, often in that which is supplied by the municipalities to national government and Statistics SA. However, the Index indicated Makhuduthamaga Local Municipality as one of the municipalities in the country doing well on expenditure in maintaining their infrastructure. This is normally measured as a percentage of the capital budget which is spent on repairs and maintenance, Ideally, R8 in every R100 spent on a capital project, or 8%, should go to maintaining what has been built. Tellingly according to the Index, in the Out of Order data, only four municipalities are spending at that level and they are Cape Town (8%), Ulundi (10.6%), Makhuduthamaga in Limpopo at 17% and Sol Plaatje in the Northern Cape at 8.2%.

R14 Road becoming an eyesore to motorists

Motorists driving on the R14 Road that links Elandsdoorn in Dennilton and Loskop Dam are complaining about hazardous potholes that threaten extreme damages to their vehicles. The motorists claim the road has more potholes that one can count leading to a part of road been reduced to gravel. Bolsheviks Party of South Africa (BPSA) leader, Seun Mogotji, said the road has been made worse by recent heavy rains. Water has damaged the road to the extent that it has caused dongas. Some of these potholes are not clearly visible and it is difficult to spot them when it rains, posing even extreme danger to motorists who pass," he said. Mogotji indicated that senior government officials including the premier, MMCs, mayors and members of parliament are using the road on regular basis when visiting Loskop Dam but they turn a blind eye. "Yet year in and year out, especially during rainfall season, the same problem arises in the area when water is flowing rapidly, whereas, government basic maintenance to attend the matter and construct water drainage system to channel the water when it rains seem to be obviously neglected. It seems like those who are supposed to be taken responsible for the maintenance of this road think that when it doesn't rain, the status of the road is normal but it is not," he said. Mogotji added that the problem has escalated to Ntwane Village where only a signal alerting motorists about potholes was since placed there a long time ago and the road was never maintained. "To aggravate the situation, a lot of stray livestock are grazing in the area, and with no fencing of the road around Sempupuru, such animals then become a further safety risk to motorist travelling on that road on daily basis," he said. Mogotji said BPSA has written to call for urgent and immediate intervention from the Minister of Public Works, the Premier of Limpopo Province, the MEC of Public Works in Limpopo and the Roads Agency Limpopo (RAL), to take real action on the road.



According to the the News24's Out of Order index, Elias Motsoaledi Local Municipality is among the municipalities that are most likely to collapse.

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Chaos over Covid-19 posts in Sekhukhune

Community leaders in Sekhukhune claim that locals have been sidelined in Covid-19 data capturers' appointments available in the Department of Health. The community leaders are pointing fingers to senior officials in the Health Department for giving the positions to their friends and families who resides outside the Sekhukhune District. The leaders said 90% of the appointed personnel, who will be working in all hospitals in Sekhukhune including Dilokong Hospital, Jane Furse Hospital, Philadelphia Hospital, Matlala Hospital, Dilokong Hospital, Groblersdal Hospital, Mecklenburg Hospital and St Rita's Hospital, are coming from other regions in the province. Sekhukhune is one of the regions experiencing a high rate

of unemployment among young people, with many relocating to big cities such as Pretoria and Johannesburg to seek greener pastures. Since the appointments were made, community leaders, accompanied by applicants who are originally from Sekhukhune, visited various hospitals in the area for a head count verification to determine a number of appointed outsiders and Sekhukhune residents in the said positions. The group said it aims to lodge a protracted dispute where is possible where Sekhukhune candidates will be given first priority. Ali Maloba, a community leader from Moutse, said they have learned that most of the candidates who were appointed in the positions were coming from Waterberg and Capricorn

Regions, which is the reason they conducted a head count verification. "This literally means applicants from Sekhukhune did not qualify. We have unemployed sons and daughters of the soil with required qualifications, who have applied for the positions and were deliberately not considered by the Department of Health and the district office," he said. According to Maloba, first priority should have been given to locals as form of job creation for Sekhukhune to deal with high unemployment rate among youth. "We demand that most of the people who are hired in the positions must come from Sekhukhune. Other people must go and dominate the number of employees in their respective regions where they come

from," he said. Limpopo Department of Health Spokesperson, Neil Shikwambana, said the matter is currently receiving attention at their office. "This is a matter we have received in a form of a complaint and we are looking at the veracity of the issue from all angles. Once that is done, we will pronounce ourselves and make our position known on the matter," he said.

MDF to make new submissions to the Demarcation Board

The Moutse Demarcation Forum (MDF), is going to submit a new proposal to the Municipal Demarcation Board (MDB), with hopes for the area to return to Mpumalanga Province. The forum says the proposal will be made following the publication of Circular 21, which intends to determine the views of residents who mainly resides in the cross boundary municipalities and provinces. MDF was formed just after the area of Moutse was incorporated from Mpumalanga to Limpopo in 2006. The forum has since seeking to return the area back to Mpumalanga Province since then, citing poor services under Limpopo administration. MDF Chairperson, Lucas Kgomo, said the submissions will be made with both MDF and Mpumalanga Party separately. "We will provide a guideline to the demarcation board to propose how we want the area to be re-demarcated," he said. Kgomo said the forum and the party would like Moutse one and Moutse two, which forms part of villages of Moutse West in Ephraim Mogale Local Municipality and Elias Motsoaledi Local Municipality to fall under Dr JS Moroka, Moutse two and the part of Sehlakwane area to relocate to the Steve Tshwete Local Municipality. "The submission will be submitted before the MDB board closing date, which is on the 31st March 2022," he said. According to Kgomo, residents of Moutse and Sehlakwane have been living under a serious poor services after the area was incorporated to Limpopo. "There is serious poor service since Limpopo administration took over. Major projects that could have benefiting the community were halted since then including the bulk water purification from Loskop Dam to Moutse. The project was about to be implemented when Limpopo took over and was never materialized until now. Residents are facing a serious draught and are urged to share drinking water with animals," explained Kgomo. He added that the Mpumalanga administration was planning to construct a government office complex around Philadelphia Hospital but the project was also affected after Limpopo took over the area. However, Kgomo said they will make the submission and wait for the municipal demarcation processes so that their concerns will be addressed. "For now, we will be pursuing the government to release the view testing votes through a referendum conducted in 2009 while we are waiting for the outcomes of our proposals," he said.



MDF and Mpumalanga Party say they will fight to return to Mpumalanga through a proposal submission to the Municipal Demarcation Board.



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Mayor calls for war against crime

The Mayor of Makhuduthamaga Local Municipality Cllr Minah Bahula, has called for collaboration from residents and the South African Police Service (SAPS), in an effort to uproot criminal elements that torments communities.

Bahula made the plea during the Crime Awareness and Road Safety Prayer Campaign, organized by the SAPS, leaders from different faith-based organizations, businesses and local taxi associations in Schoonoord area of the local municipality, on Thursday 17 March. "We urge communities to cooperate and work fully with SAPS to combat crime, reject and report stolen goods.

Buying of stolen goods is illegal and punishable. Bahula encouraged communities and interested sectors to continue to engage one another on the importance of vigilantism against crime. "Crime is a societal matter. Our people cannot continue to live in fear whilst we watch as government. We commit and pledge our support to every initiative that seeks to provide relief in addressing the problem of crime. It is a confirmation that we are indeed a responsive and responsible government," she said.

The Awareness Campaign also took a walk-about on the road to plead for divine intervention in a quest to rid road accidents and fatalities.



Mayor of Makhuduthamaga Local Municipality, Cllr Minah Bahula, has called for partnership of the police and the public to join forces and fight the high rate of crime in the local municipality.

Thwadi & Molebogeng Foundation restores dignity girl learners

The Thwadi & Molebogeng Foundation has once again stretched its helping hand and donated sanitary towels to underprivileged learners to ensure that they do not miss their classes during their menstrual periods. The foundation made the generous donation of 240 packs of sanitary towels at Dithamaga Secondary School in Matlala A Lehwelere, Moutse, on Wednesday 16 March. The donation was made through the foundation's 'Lend a Hand Campaign', in partnership with Moutse Community Radio Station (MCRS) and Ntokozo Foundation. Thwadi & Molebogeng Foundation CEO, Thwadi Mohlala, said the foundation made the donation with an intention to end period poverty that deprives girls from attending their classes during their menstrual periods. "I have seen that girls become absent when they are on menstrual periods because they cannot afford to buy sanitary towels. This deprive them their right to education simply because they lack access to sanitary products to manage menstruation," he said. Mohlala said the 'Lend a Hand Campaign' will be continuing to donate to more schools around Sekhukhune and surrounding villages. "The coming donations will include other programmes where the foundation will build houses to aid poor families living below the poverty line," he said. Thwadi & Molebogeng Foundation Secretary, Mmakgoshi Mohlala, said the main objective is to create a healthy school environment that gives teenage girls hope. MCRS Senior Administrator, Rosette Matseke, said the donated sanitary towels will play an important role in changing the lives of the young girls, especially in the rural Matlala Village where unemployment rate is rife among community members. Dithamaga School Principal, William Monama, said they were grateful to have the donation and hope that the generosity will go beyond their school and reach other needy communities.

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Career Expo at Glen Cowie

More than 300 pupils from various schools in Makhuduthamaga Local Municipality have benefited from a career expo, held on Monday 14 March at Matshumane Secondary School in Glen Cowie Village outside Jane Furse. The Deputy Minister of the Department of Mineral Resources and Energy, Dr Nobuhle Nkabane, accompanied by MEC for Education in the Limpopo Province, Polly Boshieo and the Speaker of Makhuduthamaga Local Municipality Cllr Judy Nkgadima Mphelane, motivated the learners during the career expo. The career expo was aiming at promoting career development initiatives that empower young people in schools, especially in the Science, Technology and Engineering fields. Delivering a keynote address, Minister Nkabane encouraged learners to take advantage of career opportunities presented in the Mining and Energy sector. Nkabane shared information about various career opportunities within the mining and energy sectors and encouraged learners to pursue Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) subjects in high school. Furthermore, Nkabane said the initiative is part of department's contribution towards nation building and recognizing that no learner should be left behind. She said the department's intervention through the expo aims to promote career development initiatives that will translate into empowerment of young people in schools. Nkabane spoke about the bursary opportunities available in her department to benefit learners. The deputy minister stressed that the department is committed to organise other career expos to schools around the country to benefit more rural residents. Other learners from secondary schools neighbouring Matshumane Secondary, from Grade 9 to 12, attended the career expo. Pupils were given an opportunity to ask questions related to the fields of their interests in the Mineral Resources and Energy Department and the deputy minister responded.



Deputy Minister of the Department of Mineral Resources and Energy, Dr Nobuhle Nkabane, urged learners to take the opportunity and apply for bursaries and scholarships available in her department.

Sekhukhune youth acquired Plumbing and Artisan skills

A group of thirty young aspirant people from various parts of villages in Sekhukhune District Municipality, were conferred with a plumbing and artisan certificate, following their successful training at Sekhukhune TVET College. The youth were awarded their certificate by Member of Mayoral Committee responsible for Budget & Treasury at Sekhukhune District Municipality Cllr Maleke Mokganyetji, at the graduation ceremony held at the Sekhukhune District Municipality Offices in Groblersdal on Friday 18 March. This group of young people, was trained for 18 months at the Sekhukhune TVET College, through a partnership between the National Youth Development Agency (NDA), the Sekhukhune District Municipality and the Collins Chabane School of Artisans. During the graduation ceremony, Mokganyetji emphasized that all of these young people come from the district and he lauded the fact that among them were young women. Mokganyetji said for their practical work during the programme, the young graduates were placed in the Sekhukhune District Municipality's Water Treatment Plants and depots, to acquire work experience. MMC Mokganyetji has called on the private sector to hire these graduates, while he also encouraged them to consider founding their small businesses, now that they've been empowered with skills.



Plumbing and artisan graduates during the hand-over of their certificates at the Sekhukhune District Municipality Offices in Groblersdal.



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Sekhukhune United announces new sponsorship

Sekhukhune United FC has announced that it has partnered with Drip Footwear, as the new sponsor of the team. The club said the famous footwear brand will become the official supplier of sneakers to the Babina Noko, with a deal that will see the recognized brand catering the club with all required sneakers. This means Sekhukhune United will now wear Drip sneakers in all official club duties. Sekhukhune United Chairman, Simon Malatji, cited that they are delighted to have Drip Footwear as their new sponsor, adding that they are happy to partner with one of the fastest growing brands in Southern Africa. "We could not have asked for a better partner than Drip Footwear to provide us with sneaker needs for our club. Their bold design, versatility and collaborative culture, are what makes them stand out. These attributes resonate deeply with Babina Noko as we are a club that aspires to the same high standard," he said. Malatji said they are happy to establish a partnership with the brand and are looking forward to a prosperous and mutually beneficial relationship. Drip Footwear Founder and Chairman, Lekau Sehoana, 2022 is a year dedicated to immense work of collaboration and building each other. "Thank you for allowing us to build with you and grow with you. Never entertain failure as the end, it is actually the beginning. May the partnership with Sekhukhune United continue to embody greatness and living your great," he said. Meanwhile the club has earlier this month announced the signing of mid-fielder, Senzo Shaun Nkwanyana from Dondol Stars FC. The 25-year-old football star was born in Tembisa on 15 May 1997 and started his career with Tembisa Sports Centre FC, among others at amateur level. He was also part of the team that won the promotion to SAB League and ABC Motsepe League with Tembisa Sports Centre FC. His other accolade was winning the Gauteng ABC Motsepe League with Dondol Stars FC respectively. Nkwanyana said he is feeling happy to be part of Babina Noko family and he is looking forward to give his best for the team. "I thank the management of Babina Noko for giving me an opportunity to be part of the club," he said. In their last DSTV Premiership League encounter, Babina Noko shared spoils with Maritzburg United after playing a 1-1 draw at Emirates Airline Park Stadium on Wednesday 16 March. The club is currently in the eighth position in the DSTV Premier League. Their next match will be played against Stellenbosch FC on Saturday 2 April.



(From left to right) Sekhukhune United Head Coach Macdonald Makhubedu with players Nkanyiso Madonsela, Willard Katsande, Brandon Parusnath, Sello Motsepa, Pogiso Mahlangu and Tapuwa Kapini during the announcement of Drip Footwear as the new sponsor of the team.

Sekhukhune Hockey Federation established

The President of Limpopo Hockey Federation, Mpho Moretsele, has recently established the Sekhukhune Hockey Federation. Moretsele was welcomed by members of the hockey clubs from all four local municipalities in Sekhukhune at Marulaneng Village, Tups City Sport Precinct outside Jane Furse. During his visit, Moretsele focused on getting Sekhukhune hockey clubs to pass an audit which included evidence supported clubs statistics, assessment of equipment and levels of understanding of the hockey sporting code. Moretsele said the audit was necessary for everyone to see how much support is needed by new and existing clubs that benefit from hockey skills training. "Promotion of hockey across the District of Sekhukhune and the Province of Limpopo, especially in the rural areas where the sport was not widely known remains a challenge. One of the priority areas I discussed with Sekhukhune hockey clubs is a need to set up a district league that will gauge if Sekhukhune based clubs can participate at Premier Hockey level," he said. Moretsele indicated that they started hockey clubs as far back as 2019 but there is no league "In Sekhukhune District, the hockey activation has taken a step further, we only need an additional support," he said. Moretsele emphasized that strengthening existing clubs and setting up new ones will play an important role in community development by keeping young people active in sports involvement, especially in areas identified as toxic for youth minds. He said the major launch of Sekhukhune District Hockey ceremony will take place soon at the Tups City Sport Precinct in Marulaneng Village.



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