



# Limpopo records lowest 2022 matric pass rate

Limpopo Province records once again the lowest matric pass rate among all the nine provinces in the country, scoring 72.1%, which is a slight improvement from the 66.7% achieved in 2021. Despite the fact that the class of 2022 is a cohort of learners who battled challenges such

as Covid-19 hard lockdown and power cuts due to load-shedding, Limpopo Province saw a 5.4% improvement in the 2022 NSC results. This was revealed by MEC for Education Department in Limpopo, Mavhungu Lerule-Ramakhanya, during the matric results announcement held at The Ranch Hotel in Polokwane on Friday 20 January. A total of 111 618 learners registered for the National Senior Certificate (NSC) examinations as full-time candidates in the province, while 110 295 sat for the October/November 2022 NSC examinations. The province saw a total of 19 733 distinctions obtained by the class of 2022 as compared to 17 751 in 2021. Regarding the bachelor passes, the class of 2022 obtained 32 878 bachelor passes compared to 28 075 bachelors accounted for in 2021. The best performing district in the province was Mogalakwena with 78.3%, followed by Waterberg with 77.5%, Capricorn South and Mopani Wes tied on the third with 76.7%, Capricorn North was on the fifth position with 75.8% and Vhembe East was on the sixth position with 72.3%. Vhembe West followed on the seventh position with 70.8%, Mopani East sitting on eighth position with 68.4%, Sekhukhune South occupied the ninth position with 66.8% while Sekhukhune East was in the bottom with 64.5%. "We acknowledge that both Sekhukhune South and Sekhukhune East performed below 60% in 2021. In 2022, they have outdone themselves and have achieved above 60%. However, Sekhukhune South is now performing, while Sekhukhune East is just below the radar of performance," said Lerule-Ramakhanya. The MEC said the performance criteria was based on overall pass rate of 65% and above and achieved 30% in a combination of bachelor and diploma passes. "We congratulate Mogalakwena, our new top performing district, we have been through a lot, we learned a lot, but we remained resilient as the province despite all the challenges we encountered. It is only resilience that was able to lift us from below 70 percent as we marched to the desired heights, the resilience that we were encouraged to master as we navigate through



MEC for Education Department in Limpopo, Mavhungu Lerule-Ramakhanya, has given credit to the class of matric 2022, saying they have defied the Covid-19 and loadshedding odds, despite the province recording the lowest pass rate in the country.

the worst of times," she said. Lerule-Ramakhanya indicated that the class of 2022 had the highest number of matric learners in the history of the exams that they have administered as a province. "Our learners have made us proud, they have given us hope and demonstrated that the sky is indeed the limit," she said.

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## Elias Motsoaledi Mayor involved in car crash

The Mayor of Elias Motsoaledi Local municipality, Cllr David Tladi, sustained minor injuries after an accident that occurred in the early hours on Saturday 14 January at Tafelkop Village along the R574 Road. The accident involved the mayor's BMW X5 and a Toyota Quantum minibus taxi. According to Simon Makua, Elias Motsoaledi Local Municipality Spokesperson, the mayor was on his way to a funeral in Mogaung Village when the accident occurred. Makua confirmed that there were no fatalities during the accident, however, Mayor Tladi, his bodyguard and three other occupants sustained injuries and were rushed to Groblersdal Hospital for medical observation. Makua said more information on how the incident occurred will be communicated in due course after investigations. He said the local municipality wishes all those who involved in the accident a speedy recovery.

# Overcrowded Maila Nkokonono Secondary

Parents of children attending Maila Nkokonono Secondary School in Magakadimeng Village, Moutse, say they are concerned about a serious shortage of classrooms and teachers, facing the school since 2008. According to parents, for the past fifteen years they have been approaching the Limpopo Department of Education about a dire need of extra classrooms for the school without any success. In October 2022, angry parents, joined by concerned community members, temporary suspended classes in Maila Nkokonono Secondary. They were demanding an immediate intervention from the Education Department to resolve overcrowding and shortage of teachers in the school. Department of Education Regional Director in Sekhukhune South, TG Nkadimeng, attended to the school and promised to resolve the problem within a period of two weeks, through the allocation of two mobile classrooms from Nala Secondary school in the neighbouring Ntwane Village. However, the mobile classrooms never arrived at the school. A concerned parent, Ellah Mashiloane, told the paper that the overpopulated school is currently having six classrooms, accommodating pupils from grade eight to grade 11. "Our main problem is that the learners are doing three different subjects streams and crammed in one classroom, making it difficult for the teachers to attend to them. Other classes are overcrowded with more than 60 learners. This disrupts lessons, we want learners to be separated according to their streams of subjects so that it could be easier for them to concentrate when taking lessons from their teachers," she said. Mashiloane said a number of parents' meetings were convened since the schools reopening day without the problem being addressed. She said parents consider suspending classes until the mobile classrooms are delivered and the issue of shortage of teachers is resolved. Director Nkadimeng said he is aware of the need for mobile classrooms in the school due to overcrowding. "We identified two mobile classrooms at Nala Secondary School. We are now busy processing documents for head office to approve a service provider to collect them," he said. Nkadimeng indicated that provision of additional classrooms is determined by the Department of Infrastructure Sub-Directorate not just a demand from communities. Limpopo Department of Education Spokesperson, Mike Maringa, said the department was not aware of the situation and will investigate.

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 Proposed application for the permanent closure of a public place (street closure) of Swartwitpens Avenue (as shown on sheet three (3) of General Plan S.G. No. 3402/1996) in terms of section 73 of the Elias Motsoaledi Local Municipality SPLUM By-Law, 2016.

Particulars of the application will lie for inspection during normal office hours at the Town Planner of the Local Municipality, 22 Van Riebeeck St, Groblersdal, 0470, for a period of 30 days from 27 January 2023. Objections to or representations in respect of the application must be lodged with or made to the above-mentioned address before 28 February 2023.

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Contact details of the Authorised Municipal Employee:

Mr. B. Sethojoa: 013 262 3056/7/8

## ALGEMENE KENNISGEWING IN GEVOLGE ARTIKEL 92 VAN DIE ELIAS MOTSOALEDI PLAASLIKE MUNISIPALITEIT SPLUM BY-WET, 2016

Ons, KMC Geomatics (Reg No. 2008/017997/21), die gemagtigde agente van die Huiseienaars Vereniging van Sable Park Sekuriteits Kompleks in Groblersdal Uitbreiding 16, gee hiermee kennis (ingevolge Artikel 92 van die SPLUM by-wet, 2016) dat ons by die Elias Motsoaledi Plaaslike Munisipaliteit aansoek gedoen het ingevolge Artikel 73 van die SPLUM by-wet, 2016 vir die volgende:

 Voorgestelde aansoek vir die permanente sluiting van 'n openbare plek (straatsluiting) van Swartwitpenslaan in Groblersdal Uitbreiding 16 (soos getoon op vel drie (3) van Algemene Plan L.G. No. 3402/1996) ingevolge artikel 73 van die Elias Motsoaledi Plaaslike Munisipaliteit SPLUM by-wet, 2016.

Besonderhede van die aansoek lê ter insaë gedurende gewone kantoorure by die Stadsbeplanner van die Plaaslike Munisipaliteit, Van Riebeeck St 22, Groblersdal, 0470, vir 'n tydperk van 30 dae vanaf 27 Januarie 2023.

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 Voorgestelde aansoek vir die permanente sluiting van 'n openbare plek (straatsluiting) van Njalalaan in Groblersdal Uitbreiding 16 (soos getoon op Algemene Plan L.G. No. 3402/1996) ingevolge artikel 73 van die Elias Motsoaledi Plaaslike Munisipaliteit SPLUM by-wet, 2016.

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# Unavailability of scholar transport leaves vulnerable pupils stranded

Dozens of learners in various parts of Sekhukhune are still left stranded on the streets after scholar transport contracted with the government fail to collect them every morning. The learners are left stranded every morning leaving parents with unanswered questions as they claim nothing is communicated to them about the issue of failing scholar transport. One of the affected areas in Ntwane in Dennilton, Moutse, where young children full in school uniform are seen roaming during school hours. Seun Mogotji, Bolsheviks of South Africa (BPSA) leader, said they have made enquiries with the department after noticing that the scholar transport is not collecting learners in the villages. "We were told that plans were afoot to make sure scholar transport is available in Moutse but sadly learners are still walking to school," he said. Mogotji said the affected learners were those residing at Dithabaneng in Ntwane where parents are urged to walk their children to Tagane Primary School. "These are young children and parents fear for their safety which is a genuine concern given the challenges of rape, kidnappings and serial killers," he said. Mogotji indicated that some motorists have seized this opportunity to take the children to school at a charge of R15 per trip, which some of the parents could not afford to pay. "Some official from the Department of Education said a service provider is still busy moving his fleet of buses to Moutse and they still have to learn the routes as they are not familiar with the area. My question is why did they appoint a service provider from outside Sekhukhune asked Mogotji. Mogotji insisted that a service provider from Sekhukhune should have been appointed from the beginning to rid of depriving children a right to education. "Surely there are people from Sekhukhune with buses and taxis who could have been hired but typical Limpopo

style, they had to bring someone from outside and now we are sitting with this problem which could have been avoided," he said. Mogotji has called on the MEC for Education in the province Mavhungu Lerule-Ramakhanya to sympathise with the children and fast track the allocation of scholar transport in the area. Mike Maringa, Limpopo Department of Education Spokesperson, said they have noted with concern shortage of scholar transport in other regions of the province. "This is due to a delay in the collection of appointment letters by recently appointed service providers. The department will ensure that all remaining appointed service providers finalize their contracts to ensure that learners are in school on time," he said.

# David Ntimba passed on

It is with sad hearts that we wish to inform former customer and friends of David Ntimba, who worked at Cornea Books, of his passing after a lengthy sick bed. He passed away on Thursday 19 January 2023 at his mother's home in White River. Condolences to his family and friends. RIP old friend from Mr & Mrs Labuschagne ex Cornea Books.





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 Proposed application for the permanent closure of a public place of Portion 15 of Erf 855 Groblersdal (street closure) in terms of section 73 of the Elias Motsoaledi Local Municipality SPLUM By-Law, 2016.

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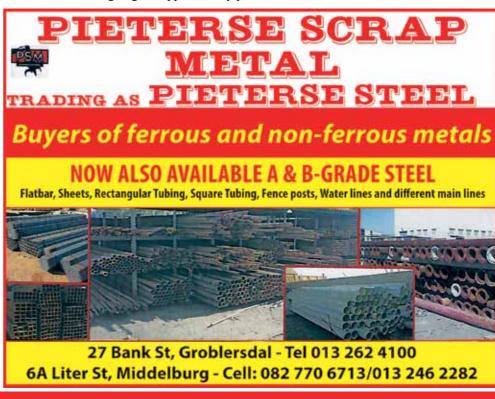
## MEC commits road upgrade after a shut-down protest

Following a week long total shut-down protest staged at various villages in Ward 12 of Ephraim Mogale Local Municipality, MEC for Public Works, Roads and Infrastructure in Limpopo, Nkakareng Rakgoale, has on Tuesday 17 January, paid a visit to the area to address community members and restore calm in the area. The protest started on 11 January by angry residents from nine villages who were complaining about lack of roads. During the demonstrations, the community barricaded all access roads including the busy R579 Road that links Groblersdal and Jane Furse. The angry communities were demanding the immediate upgrade of the D4328 Road that connects the area of the affected villages from the R579 Road. Schools and local businesses were affected during the unrest. A community leader, Kali Maelane, said they were outraged because government is failing to consider their concerns about poor state of roads in the villages. "We started to raise our complaints about the state of the road since 2010. Nothing is happening, the government is making empty promises all these years without any of them being materialized. We are demonstrating because we are tired," he said. Maelane added that they are concerned about their safety because the ambulances and the police cannot respond to their emergencies because of the poor condition of the road. "The situation is worse now because even taxi drivers

## Poor state of R25 Road remains an eyesore for Moutse residents

Residents of Dennilton in Moutse say they are concerned about poor state of the R25 Road, which they claim has been an eyesore for many years. According to the community, the road is full of potholes everywhere and started to be narrowing as it is not maintained. The R25 is a major road linking Limpopo, Mpumalanga and Gauteng Provinces and used by both heavy and light vehicles. Ali Maloba, Economic Freedom Fighters (EFF) Chairperson in Sekhukhune Region and also Chairperson of Moutse Residents Committee (MRC), said for the past ten year they have been complaining to Roads Agency Limpopo (RAL) and the Office of the MEC for Public Works, Roads and Infrastructure without the ugly sights of the road being resolved. "The road has already claimed many lives. A number of letters were sent to RAL and Public Works Department where we urgently requested their intervention in order to save lives. Unfortunately the authorities seems to be not interested to our pleas," he said. Maloba said it is disappointing that the road has been expanded and upgraded into a two-way lane in each opposite direction in Mpumalanga and Gauteng, however, the upgrading and development had never taken place on the Limpopo side. "Only the Limpopo part was left narrowed, in bad condition and totally neglected. This is a clear indication that Limpopo Government, under the leadership of Premier Stanley Mathabatha does not care about safety of road users," he said. Maloba indicated that on several occasions, traffic authorities from Limpopo Provincial Government and RAL have collected data and conducted researches on the road, promising an upgrade which was never materialized. Maloba vowed that residents will resort in shutting-down the road and all traffic centres in Elias Motsoaledi Local Municipality if they do not get government urgent intervention. Bolsheviks Party of South Africa (BPSA) Leader, Seun Mogotji, said he had also written letters to Premier Mathabatha and Department of Public Works MEC, seeking their immediate intervention to better the poor condition of the road. RAL Spokesperson, Luyanda Sithole, said the agency will be commenting soon after gathering all relevant information regarding the state of the road.

refuse to drive on the road and drop residents many kilometres away from their homes. We want the government to do something about the state of the road with immediate effects," he said. Addressing hundreds of community members at Mabitsi Village, MEC Rakgoale committed that a consultant was appointed in December last year and has already started detailing designs for the road. "The standard design process takes between eight to ten months with the detailed design report as the last stage of the process," she said. The road earmarked for the upgrade stretches over 14kms, and connects four villages which are, Mmotwaneng, Vaalbank, Mabitsi and Serithing. "We are going to work tirelessly to make sure that what we have committed here today indeed is going to materialize so that the community is not returning to the streets," she said. Rakgoale commended the community of Mabitsi for not destroying any government property during the unrests and he discouraged the communities from blocking children from going to school during the demonstrations. Roads Agency Limpopo (RAL) Spokesperson, said the road in the agencies' first priority list for Ephraim Mogale and in their medium term plan to be attended very soon. Secretary of Ephraim Mogale Ward 12 Development Forum, Tumisho Phatlane, said they were delighted that the MEC interacted with the communities and the stalemate has been resolved. "We are partially happy that the MEC has promised to give us report of the appointment of the consultant that is going to make designs of our roads. They also promised us that we are going to be part of the process, working together with the consultant. We hope that the information we received here is going to happen as they promised," he said.



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## Police make a breakthrough in Dennilton businessman's murder

Following a massive manhunt after the murder of a Dennilton busi- month. Matea (46), was abducted from his home at Ntwane Village, nessman, Doctor Matea, which occurred on Christmas Eve in 2020, the police have recently arrested a suspect. According to the police, the 37-year-old suspect, Thabo Kleinboy Magae, was arrested in Soshanguve Township near Pretoria by a team of investigators attached to the Limpopo Provincial Organized Crime Unit earlier this

Dennilton, in the early hours of the morning. His lifeless body was found abandoned with gunshots wounds a few hours later. Before he was murdered, Mateta was a sub-contractor in the then ongoing Moutse Drought Relief Projects, aiming for the provision of drinkable water in Moutse Villages. Stanley Ramaila, who was the Executive Mayor of

#### NOTICE OF BASIC ASSESSMENT PROCESS

NOTICE OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT (EIA) REGULATIONS PUBLISHED IN THE GOVERNMENT NOTICE GNR 327 OF APRIL 2017, REGULATIONS AS AMENDED IN TERMS OF THE NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT ACT, OF (ACT NO. 107 OF 1998), THE INTENTION TO LODGE A BAR APPLICATION FOR THE CON-STRUCTION OF A BRIDGE ALONG THE D4280 ROAD AND USE OF TWO BORROW PITS BETWEEN GLEN COWIE AND GA-MALAKA WITHIN THE MAKHUDUTHAMAGA LOCAL MUNICIPALITY, SEKHUKHUNE DISTRICT MUNICIPAL-ITY IN THE LIMPOPO PROVINCE OF SOUTH AFRICA. PROJECT NO: RAL/T1054/2021

Notice is hereby given in terms of Regulation 41(2) published in Government Notice No R 326 under chapter 5 of the National Environmental Management Act (No 107 of 1998) of the intent to submit an Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) application to the Department of Mineral Resources and Energy (DMRE), Limpopo Economic Development, Environment and Tourism (LEDET) and General Authorization/ Water User License with the Department of Water and Sanitation.

#### PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Roads Agency Limpopo SOC Ltd (RAL) proposes to upgrade the Bridge along the approximately 7.23 KM long D4280 road from Glencowie to Ga-Malaka within the Makguduthamaga Local Municipality, Sekhukhune District Municipality in the Limpopo province. The road D4280 will also be upgraded from gravel to a tarred road with a width of approximately 6m. The BA process is conducted in accordance with the National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (Act No 107 of 1998) (NEMA) and Associated Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations (as amended on 07 April 2017) for the following listed activities:

Listed Activities: According to EIA Regulations 2017 as amended.

Applicable Listing	Notice Activity No:
Listing Notice 1	Activity 12 (iii): The development of bridges exceeding 100 square metres in size/ The de velopment of 12 (xii) infrastructure or structures with a physical footprint of 100 square metres or more, where such development occurs (a) within a watercourse.
Listing Notice 1	Activity 19: The infilling or depositing of any material of more than 10 cubic metres into, or the dredging, excavation, removal or moving of soil, sand, shells, shell grit, pebbles, or rock of more than 10 cubic metres from [(i)] a watercourse.
Listing Notice 1	Activity 21: Any activity including the operation of that activity which requires a mining permit in terms of section 27 of the Mineral and Petroleum Resources Development Act, 2002 (Act No. 28 of 2002as well as any other activity as contained in this Listing Notice or Listing Notice 3 of 2014 required to exercise the mining permit.
Listing Notice 1	Activity 31: The decommissioning of existing facilities, structures or infrastructure for – (iii) any development and related operation activity or activities and expansion and related operation activity or activities listed in This Notice (1), Listing Notice 2 or Listing Notice 3 of 2014.

The National Water Act, 1998 (Act No. 36 of 1998), Water use application in terms of construction of the bridge and Road

Section 21 (a) taking of water from a water resource (i.e., groundwater abstraction from the stream).

Section 21 (c) impeding or diverting the flow of water in a watercourse.

Section 21 (i) altering the bed, banks, course, or characteristics of a watercourse.

Dikakapa Environmental Consulting has been appointed as the independent Environmental Assessment Practitioner (EAP) to undertake the BA processes for the proposed bridge construction and Borrow Pits use in terms of the EIA Regulations (2017), as amended. You are hereby invited to register as Interested and Interested Parties (I&APs), please submit your name, contact details and any comments to the contact person below.

#### INVITATION TO PARTICIPATE

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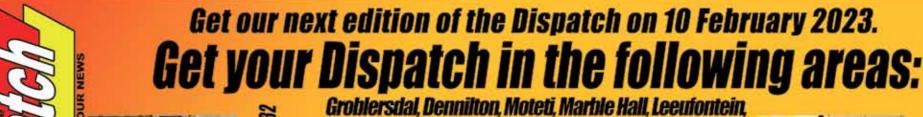
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Sekhukhune District Municipality (SDM) at the time, called for the arrests and prosecution of Matea's murderers. Motlafela Mojapelo, Limpopo Provincial Police Spokesperson, said the suspect appeared before the Moutse Magistrate's Court on Monday 9 January 2023, facing charges of house robbery, kidnapping and murder. "Matea and his family were asleep in their house in the early hours of Thursday 24 December 2020 at Ntwane Village under Dennilton policing area when three men, allegedly entered their home. They demanded cash and in the process, ransacked the house and took undisclosed amount of cash and jewellery," said Mojapelo. He added that the suspects then tied up the victim's wife and three children and thereafter forced him to his Toyota bakkie and drove away with him, where later his body was found with bullet wounds in the area at 06:00 that morning. The vehicle was later found abandoned at Tambo View, a few kilometres from Matea's home. "The suspect appeared before the Moutse Magistrate's Court for house robbery and murder and was remanded in custody. He will be appearing again soon for formal bail application,'he said. Provincial Commissioner of the Police in Limpopo, Lieutenant General Thembi Hadebe, has commended the team for arresting the suspect and urged community members to continue assisting the police in the fight against crime. The Mayor of Elias Motsoaledi Local Municipality (EMLM) Cllr David Tladi, applauded police for the arrest of the suspect. Tladi commended the sterling work done by the dedicated Springfield Police members worked with other law enforcement agencies in removing the murder suspect off the streets and out of the communities.

### 7 Distinctions for **Eunice and Sandiso**

The excellence of Hoërskool Ben Viljoen is particularly clear from the results of the class of 2022, just like previous years. Not only did they achieve a 98.37% pass rate with 89 distinctions among the group of 123 learners, but 73.9% also qualified for Bachelor studies at universities of their choice. The Top performers are as follows: 7 Distinctions:

Eunice Mthombeni, Sandiso Ndaba, 6 Distinctions: Chanelle Smith. 5 Distinctions: Lesedi Mthembu. 4 Distinctions: Marice Geyser. 3 Distinctions: Arnand Botha, Johane Geyser, Promise Monoge, Izabella Paissopoulos, Isabella Serrano, Dalmari van den Heever. 2 Distinctions: Nadia Awan, Zaid Bhana, Leona Kokerai, SG Labuschagne, Karabo Matjekane, Helgard Nortje, Raihan Pilodia, Ruan Roos, Marizelle Schoeman, Cynthia Sithole, Milton Stylianou, Suné van Aardt. 1 Distinction: Dewald Bosman, Christian Booysen, Zelmarie Kemp, Marne Kruger, Augustine Makgata, Shaun Mamagobo, Tshegofatso Mashilo, Bokang Matuludi, Chantel Mpubane, Olwethu Ntshangase, Tshegofatso Phala, Rachel Ramanaledi, Lehutso Riba, Cindy Seaward, Palesa Sedibane, Noluthando Sibiya, Sihle Sithole, Lifa Yende.



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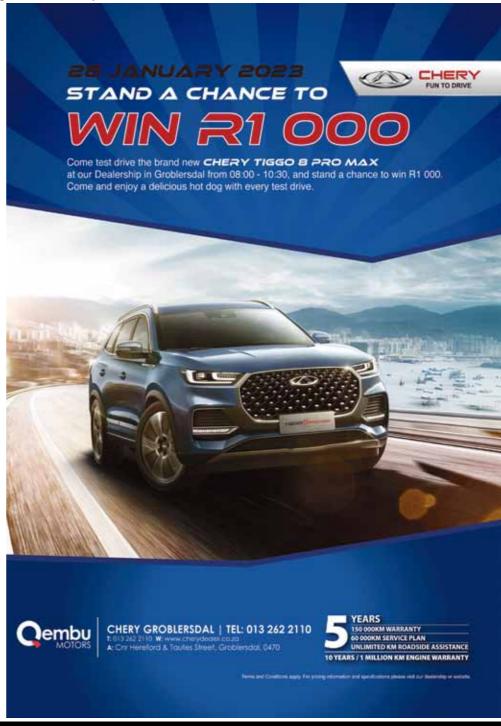


## Versatile Dolo takes literacy spaces by storm

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Gloria Dolo, a young author from Kutupu Village outside Groblersdal, has published her debut book titled: "Tuned Into Solitude". Affectionately known as "Moshopyadi", the 25-year-old writer told the paper that she developed a burning passion for storytelling and performing arts at the tender age of nine, until she finally reclaimed her purpose in the literature spaces.

"My artistry has enabled me to go through so many phases and transitions in life, especially as a versatile creative writer now at the age of 25, I've become a fully-fledged self-published author embarking on a new chapter as I discover my infinite capabilities as a creative young black woman," she said. The multifaceted young author is also a performing artist, creative writer, radio graduate, orator and self-exploring storyteller. Dolo said her book illustrates the challenges she faced in her personal life, artistic journey, the trials and tribulations, which led her to many directions that miraculously turned into blessings and brought her back to her inner-self. "On a quest to fulfil my wildest dreams by becoming a truthful writer, I somehow lost myself within the midst of an industry that is clustered by so many voices and opinions, which could truly derail one from living a life that's in alignment with their authentic self. Thankfully, I found myself and reclaimed my purpose through pen and paper," she said. She describes "Tuned Into Solitude" as a book that explores the significance of a person along with the quality state of solitary in order to find inner peace and freedom. "I believe that being alone is a superpower and through this self-care practice, we can all attain a strong sense of self," she said. Dolo's earliest projects in the dramatic arts propelled her to solidify her stance as a promising actor in the annual Kunsfees Festival held in Witbank, wherein, she participated consecutively from 2007 to 2015. In 2016, she spread her wings and moved to Cape Town in pursuit of a performing arts training and educational qualification, particularly in acting. She studied at CityVarsity School of Media & Creative Arts for ten months and upon dropping out, was shortlisted in the Top 20 for MTV Shuga 5. With a relentless spirit and constant drive to evolve, Dolo continuously explored other forms of artistic aspirations and broadened her horizons in corporate spaces, as a Mister of Ceremony (MC) & Facilitator. She has engaged and entertained audiences at live events such as workshops and book launches, notably, the Dali Luthuli, who is listed on the Mail&Guardian's Top 200 Young South Africans. In 2001, Dolo was granted with a merit scholarship from the American Musical and Dramatic Academy, New York City in the USA, but failed to attend the acting program, citing many unsuccessful attempts to attain funding as a stumbling block. She was also selected amongst many young hopeful radio aspirants for a short radio course at the HOT102.7 Radio Training Academy and successfully graduated in 2021. Her many explorations, transitions and undeniable evolution within her artistry has enabled her to become a self-propelled certified TEFL teacher and drama coach, in addition, she offers in-person and virtual sessions. Dolo is also a scriptwriter and creative director at a creative production company called Soul Media House. She said her work explores inward wisdom, inner healing, spirituality, mindful and soulistic living. "My ultimate goal is to ignite lost souls across the globe," she said.





## Former Bafana Bafana international joins Sekhukhune United

Sekhukhune United FC has announced during the current January open window that they have acquired the signature of former South African international, Kamo "The General" Mokotjo. The defensive midfielder is joining Babina Noko from FC Cincinnati in the United States of America (USA) on a one year and half contract. Born in Kutloanong Township, Odendaalsrus on 11 March 1991, Mokotjo (31), began his career with Supersport United Academy in South Africa. He was then promoted into the first team squad at the age of 16 years, then moved to Feyenoord the same year to begin his international career in the Netherlands, which lasted until 2017. The General moved to England in 2017 to join Brentford FC, where he played for three seasons before moving to the US to join FC Cincinnati, a team in the Major League Soccer (MLS). Mokotjo, the former Bafana Bafana midfielder, also captained South Africa's U12 national team called 'Tsetse Flies', to victory at the 2003 Danone Nations Cup in France and was named Player of the Tournament. Mokotjo was also a member of the South Africa U20 squad that competed at the 2009 U20 World Cup. He has also played for the U23 team and was part of the senior team that took part in the African Cup of Nations (AFCON) in Egypt. "Honestly I am expecting a lot of to being abroad for over a decade, I know the league is very unpredictable. It is my responsibility to adapt as quickly as possible to adjust. I am looking forward to the challenge," he said. Mokotjo said he believes his role will be very broad to the team when it comes to motivating whoever is playing and sharing his experiences verbally and physically during training and in games. "I have a lot in my hands and obviously I am at the club that is striving for consistency. I think is a good environment for me to be in the team as well as the other players. I am looking forward to meet my new teammates and so far I have received a warm welcoming that's all that matters," he said. The General promised Sekhukhune United players to bring more results



and consistency towards the end of the season. He appealed to the fans to come in number to support the team in stadiums. Sekhukhune United Chairman, Simon Malatji, said he is pleased to announce the services of Mokotjo and wishes him well in his campaign with the team.

Former Bafana Bafana international, Kamohelo Mokotjo (Left), receive a warm welcoming from Babina Noko Chairman, Simon Malatji, after signing a one and half year contract with the team.

## Ben Viljoen athletes break long standing records

If you weren't at the interhouse athletics on Friday, you sure missed out! A sweltering hot day in Groblersdal did not stop the athletes and a lot of records were improved, including one of the oldest records that has stood for the past 52 years!

Junior Victrix Ludorum: Edunette Kriel Junior Victor Ludorum: Jaco van der West-

Senior Victrix Ludorum: Kyra Hancke Senior Victor Ludorum: Rorisang Rammupudu Best cheerleader entrance: Yellow team Athletics Cup: Green Team

Records:

u/16 Girls Long Jump: Hané Gendall - 5.44m (Previous record: R van

den Heever - 5.03m, 1986)

u/19 Boys 800m Morgan Maeyane - 1:59.31 (Previous record:

P van Rensburg - 1:59.50, 1974) u/16 Girls Discus

Kyra Hancke - 33.57m (Previous record: C Schoonbee - 32.96m, 1971)

u/17 Girls Discus

Leané Janse van Rensburg - 31.62m (Previous record: N Rossouw 29.68m, 1992)

u/15 Boys Discus

Johan Helberg - 55.23m (Previous record: B

Smit - 52.50m, 1992) u/15 Boys Shot Put

Johan Helberg - 15.49 (Previous record: J

Strydom - 14.43m, 1988) u/16 Girls 100m Hurdles

Kyra Hancke - 15.06 (Previous record: L Kotze

- 15.70, 1997)

Ellené van der Westhuyzen - 15.22 (Previous

record: L Kotze - 15.70, 1997) u/15 Boys 100m Hurdles

Jaco van der Westhuyzen - 13.82 (Previous record: P Coetzee - 14.00, 2008)

u/15 Boys 300m Hurdles

Jaco van der Westhuyzen - 40.90 (Previous record: P Coetzee - 42.70, 2008)

u/19 Boys 400m

Morgan Maeyane - 0:50.78 (Previous record: C Pretorius - 0:52.50, 1992)

Rorisang Rammupudu - 0:50.12 (Previous record: C Pretorius - 0:52.50, 1992)

u/15 Boys 100m Jaco van der Westhuyzen - 11.25 (Previous

record: H Pretorius 11.25, 1991) u/15 Boys 200m

Jaco van der Westhuyzen - 23.09 (Previous record: K Nyalungu 24.10, 2014)



Rorisang Rammpudu (Snr Victor Ludorum) en Mnr John Smith

