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# Six months later, still no SOMA debate in Elias Motsoaledi

## GROBLERSDAL

The Democratic Alliance (DA) in Elias Motsoaledi Local Municipality (EMLM) has written to Council Speaker, Cllr Junior Thethe, to raise concerns over the municipality's failure to arrange a debate on the State of the Municipality Address (SOMA), six months after it was delivered by EMLM Mayor, Cllr David Tladi in July 2024.

DA Councillor in EMLM, Sipho Mmaboko, said the party is demanding the SOMA debate in terms of Rule no 10A of the council rules which states clearly that the SOMA must be debated within seven days after being delivered.

"The speaker has failed to execute one of their responsibilities of inviting councillors to debate the SOMA without offering any valid reasons. The municipality has made a habit of delaying SOMA debates in previous years, but going six months without scheduling the debate is a clear indication that both the speaker and the mayor do not take the council and the communities they serve seriously," explained Mmaboko.

He added that the DA has tried to seek clarity from the speaker on the long delay in debating the SOMA, however, they were informed that Tladi was waiting for the community to send questions.

"This is not an acceptable or valid reason for such a long delay and the speaker cannot contravene the council rules arbitrarily. The DA is committed to ensuring that residents receive quality services and value for money from projects meant to benefit communities. We will continue to oppose possible corruption and wasteful expenditure," Mmaboko said.

EMLM Spokesperson, Simon Makua, confirmed to the paper that the municipality could not hold the SOMA debate, as stipulated in the standing rules and orders of council provision 10A, because councillors did not submit questions or comments to the speaker's office.

"The submission of questions, input and clarity would have served as basis for speaker to call the debate and to summon the mayor to come and respond. The absence of questions meant that there was no need to convene a meeting for the debate," said Makua.



The DA in EMLM has written to Council Speaker, Cllr Junior Thethe, demanding her to arrange a SOMA debate which was delayed for about six months.

## Buses torched, security guards shot and wounded



Several Putco buses were set alight allegedly by a group of armed men since January 27 evening from areas of Siyabuswa to Moloto leaving security officers hospitalised after they were shot.

**SIYABUSWA** - Putco buses' commuters in several areas including Siyabuswa were left stranded on 28 January morning following the torching of 35 buses.

According to Mpumalanga South African Police Service (SAPS), a total number of 51 buses were set alight in the Nkangala District Municipality since 27 January by a group of armed suspects driving in a white Toyota Quantum.

Eighteen buses were burned in Maphotla and Thabana villages in the area of Siyabuswa. Brigadier Donald Mdhuli, Mpumalanga Provincial Police spokesperson, said according

to a report, approximately 15 suspects wearing black clothes and balaclavas stormed into a bus depot in Moloto, in the KwaMhlanga area, and held the employees there at gunpoint.

Mdhuli indicated that the suspects are said to have then shot as well as injured one security guard. "It is during this period that 16 buses were burnt. The injured security officer was taken to hospital where he is receiving medical attention. Meanwhile, at Maphotla in the Siyabuswa area, about 10 suspects attacked and assaulted a security guard then

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# Foreign nationals nabbed with boxes of illicit cigarettes

## R37 ROAD

Four suspects have been arrested after the Anti-Smuggling Task Team, Limpopo Highway Patrol and a private security company intercepted their motorcade and sized 43 boxes containing illicit cigarettes with a street value of R270 000 on Monday morning along the R37 Road while headed in the Lebowaqomo direction.

The arrest of the suspects resulted after police activated an operation following receipt of intelligence about three suspicious vehicles travelling in a convoy along the road that morning.

Colonel Malesela Ledwaba, Limpopo Provincial Police spokesperson, said subsequently, the described vehicles were spotted and police attempted to stop them, however, the suspects failed to comply, instead, speeding off, which resulted in a high-speed chase ensuing.

Ledwaba indicated that the members gave chase until at the Polokwane Smelters, where they managed to stop the three vehicles, a grey Toyota Hilux, blue Ford Focus and silver grey Nissan Almera.

"Upon searching the vehicles, police found 43 boxes of illicit cigarettes loaded in the vehicles. Four foreign nationals aged between 22 and 45 were immediately arrested. The illicit cigarettes were confiscated as well as the vehicles," explained Ledwaba.

The Provincial Commissioner of South African Police Service (SAPS) in Limpopo, Lieutenant General Thembi Hadebe, has welcomed the arrest and lauded the swift response by the members.

"As our ongoing efforts to eradicate illicit cigarettes activities within our province, we appreciate everyone who participated in these operation and security companies who ensured the possible suspects are arrested," remarked General Hadebe.

The suspects were set to appear before the Polokwane Magistrate's Court on Wednesday, 29 January. The paper had not received the court outcome at the time of going to press on Tuesday.



The arrested four suspects who were found with boxes of illicit cigarettes along the R37 Road towards Lebowaqomo on Monday.

## Armed robbery suspect nabbed in Moteti

### MOTETI

The Police in Dennilton have arrested a 32-year-old male suspect on charges of armed robbery, common robbery, two counts of murder and two counts of car hijacking.

The suspect was arrested at Moteti Slovo Park, in Dennilton policing area, on Sunday 26 January at around 20:45.

Colonel Malesela Ledwaba, Limpopo Provincial Police Spokesperson, said according to reports, the suspect, together with another unknown man, committed a

common robbery at Moteti Slovo Park.

"Reports suggests that the victim was walking home along the street when he noticed that the suspects were following him. He tried to run away but the two suspects chased and caught him. They robbed him of his cellphone and fled. He screamed for help and community members responded. The suspects were chased into the nearby bushes. One suspect was caught and assaulted by angry community members," explained Ledwaba.

He added that the police were summoned to the scene and the seriously wounded man was transported to local hospital by paramedics, where he was then arrested and placed under police guard.

"Further police investigations linked him to more charges, two counts of murder committed in Dennilton and Siyabuswa during the years 2016 and 2021, car hijackings reported in Dennilton and Mametlhake in 2019 and 2024. Meanwhile, in another incident the same suspect and his accomplice are accused of pointing a male victim with firearm and robbing him of his belongings such as cellphone and sandals. The victim was walking home at around 20h00, on 16 January 2025," Ledwaba said.

Ledwaba said the suspect will appear before the Mdtjiana Magistrate's Court in Siyabuswa soon.

He said the police appeal to anyone with information regarding the whereabouts of the outstanding suspect to contact Detective Constable Malose Lamola on 060 674 2649, Crime Stop Number on 08600 10111, the nearest police station or use MySAPS APP.

## Operation Shanela nets 115 suspects

### LIMPOPO

The Police in Limpopo, together with other law enforcement agencies, have arrested 115 suspects during the high density multi-disciplinary 'Operations Shanela', conducted from Monday 20 January until Sunday 26 January 2025.

The arrested suspects were charged with offences such as illegal mining, contravention of the immigration act, employing of illegal foreigners and possession of presumed stolen property.

Colonel Malesela Ledwaba, Limpopo Provincial Police Spokesperson, said the operations were conducted by law enforcement agencies consisting of members from the South African Defence Force (SANDF), Traffic Police, South African Revenue Services (SARS), Department of Mineral Resources and Energy (DMRE), Department of Home Affairs (DoHA), Department of Trade and Industry (DTI) amongst others.

Ledwaba said during the operations, the team arrested 23 illegal miners, 52 illegal immigrants, one person was arrested for employing an illegal foreigner, two others for dealing in drugs, 22 suspects for selling/importing

for sale of tobacco product not in package/without warning concerning health hazard quantities of constituents in product stated on package-read with S7 (3) and nabbed one suspects for possession of presumed stolen property (raw minerals chrome).

"The police also managed to confiscate six bags of suspected precious minerals, 35 sachets of dagga, 18 sachets of nyaope, 22 sachets of crystal meth, R391.00 in cash, 15 shovels, 18 dangerous weapons, eight spades, three picks, 147 cigarettes cartoons and 287 cigarettes packs," explained Ledwaba.

He said the operations were executed through high visibility patrols, roadblocks, stop and searches, vehicle check points, tracing of wanted suspects, compliance of inspections at second hand dealers, scrapyards and informal business such as spaza shops.

"Some of the arrested suspects have already started to appear before their local magistrate's court," Ledwaba said.

The Provincial Commissioner of the Police in Limpopo, Lieutenant General Thembi Hadebe has welcomed the arrests.



The Dennilton Police arrested a 32-year-old suspect in connection with a string of crimes including murder, armed robberies, car hijacking and common robberies committed in Dennilton policing area.



# MEC Mashego monitors services at Philadelphia Hospital



**Limpopo MEC for Health, Dieketseng Mashego and representatives of Elias Motsoaledi Local Municipality with staff at Philadelphia Hospital being shown the repaired X-Ray machine which has not been working until last Friday.**

**DENNILTON** - Limpopo Health MEC, Dieketseng Mashego, conducted a service delivery monitoring programme and Letsema cleaning campaign at the Philadelphia Hospital in Dennilton on Monday.

The programme was part of the department's Operation Bophelo Pele campaign which targets underserved healthcare facilities in rural areas to ensure heightened access of services by patients.

The MEC was joined by Elias Motsoaledi Motsoaledi Local Municipality Council Speaker, Junior Thethe and Executive Committee member for Community Services, Nkitseng Ramongana.

The team walked about the hospital and stopped at the X-Ray room where the machine has recently been fixed after it remained dysfunctional since November last year.

Mashego expressed her delight over the reparation of

the machine after it was attended to last Friday afternoon.

Part of the programme involved the cleaning of the hospital's surroundings through the Letsema cleaning campaign which enjoyed the participation of the Uitspanning Development Volunteers, who also cut the overgrown grass and trimmed trees.

Addressing the event, Mashego said that Nelson Mandela's legacy reminds people that volunteering is not merely a temporary respite for communities facing adversity but a catalyst for long-term change.

She continued that the legacy is about forging deep and lasting relationships with the communities that government serves.

"We appreciate your effort and the spirit of volunteering in order to keep our healthcare facilities safe and clean," concluded Mashego.

# DUP act against GBV



**DUP members outside the Nebo Magistrate's Court to support one of their members who was allegedly assaulted during one of their spaza shops inspections programme.**

**NEBO**

The Democratic United Party (DUP), led by its President General Tonic Manchidi and the DUP Women Alliance leaders and Limpopo conveners, have on 27 January 2025 converged at the Nebo Magistrate's Court to seek justice for one of their member who was allegedly assaulted by a half-naked man at Mogorwane Village.

According to the party, during the incident, the victim was part of a group of DUP members who were busy conducting spaza shops compliance inspections in December last year.

“During the incident the half-naked man approached and victimized DUP ward 10 female

chairperson, the perpetrator just came from nowhere and started insulting the female leader of the DUP even threatening to rape her,” said DUP President Manchidi.

Manchidi indicated that DUP has a serious stance policies against Gender Based Violence (GBV) and will support the victim to ensure that justice is served.

“We are extremely disappointed by the lack of urgency from our courts when it comes to issues of GBV against women. GBV is a serious global issue with devastating consequences and it encompasses a wide range of harmful acts, including physical, sexual, psychological and economic

abuse,” he said.

Manchidi added that addressing GBV against women requires a multi-faceted approach that tackles the root causes of this violence.

“This includes challenging harmful gender norms, promoting gender equality, and strengthening legal frameworks to protect women’s rights, and our justice system lacks that,” he said.

Manchidi emphasized that the party plans to intensify the war against GBV with training community ambassadors.

The case was postponed to 17 February 2025 for further investigations and Manchidi said they will be attending the court proceedings.

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# EFF Sekhukhune protest for Ephraim Mogale Speaker's removal



Scores of EFF members from Sekhukhune Region marching to EPMLM offices in Marble Hall to call for the removal of Council Speaker, Cllr Rebecca Lentsoane.

**“As official opposition in council, we called for action to be taken against the Ephraim Mogale speaker for intentionally disrupting council meeting.”**

## MARBLE HALL

The Economic Freedom Fighters (EFF) in Sekhukhune Region, engaged in a picketing at Ephraim Mogale Local Municipality (EPMLM) offices in Marble Hall on 28 January 2025, to call for the immediate resignation of EPMLM Council Speaker, Rebecca Lentsoane, on alleged misconduct and unethical behaviour.

The party accuses Lentsoane of applying unethical behaviour by verbally attacking one of the councillors, Sibongile Mashiane during a council meeting held on Friday 24 January.

According to the party, the speaker previously declined a formal request Cllr Mashiane made in a previously council meeting, which led the party to report Lentsoane to Minister of Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs (CoGTA).

The party said because EFF has reported the speaker to the minister, the speaker will ensure that Cllr Mashiane is also formally charged.

According to EFF Chairperson in Sekhukhune Region, Ali Maloba, the party was picketing because they see Lentsoane unfit to her position and want her to vacate office as the speaker of the council.

“This is unacceptable because the speaker verbally attack Cllr Mashiane and even threatened to influence the processes of permanently dismissing her from her deployment. We view the attack as a coordinated effort by the

speaker to silence her,” said Maloba.

Maloba indicated that Mashiane was targeted in a way that Lentsoane refused to allocate her a laptop like all other councillors of Ephraim Mogale, and instead, she was told to go and get a laptop from the minister.

“The speaker also said the EFF letter sent to the minister’s office Mr. Velenkosi Hlabisa is extremely useless, doesn’t add any value and that’s the reason she will never respond to it. She also re-affirmed that she doesn’t report to the IFP Party minister hence she will never respond to the allegation letter sent to her minister’s office,” explained Maloba.

Maloba said the party has requested CoGTA ministry to protect Mashiane and other councillors from the attacks and emotional abuse by the speaker.

“As official opposition in council, we called for action to be taken against the Ephraim Mogale speaker for intentionally disrupting council meeting. We expect the speaker as the custodian of council to be a polite at all times and enforce the rules of the council instead of violating them and attacking her fellow female councillors,” Maloba said.

He said the speaker’s actions demonstrate her level of arrogance and a show of disrespect for the rules and order of Ephraim Mogale Council and she must face consequences for disrupting municipal council.



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# MLM meets bursary fund beneficiaries



MLM Mayor, Merah Mahlase, advised the current bursary beneficiaries to use the opportunity to change their lives.



One of MLM bursary holders, Linda Nkosi, was delighted to be part of the fruitful engagement convened at MLM offices in Jane Furse.



MLM Municipal Manager, Ronald Moganedi, who was one of bursary beneficiaries, told an amazing life story about how the same bursary altered his life for the better.



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05/02/2025		Makhuduthamaga Council Chamber, <b>Jane Furse</b>	
06/02/2025		Elias Motsoaledi Council Chamber, <b>Groblersdal</b>	
07/02/2025		Ephriam Mogale Council Chamber, <b>Marble Hall</b>	
12/02/2025	11h00	Sekhukhune District Makhuduthamaga Local Municipality, <b>Kgaola Mafiri Municipal Hall</b>	<b>Special Groups</b>
20/02/2025	11h00	Fetakgomo Tubatse, <b>Tjebeng Community Hall</b>	<b>General Public</b>
21/02/2025	11h00	Makhuduthamaga Patantshwane SASSA Hall, <b>Patantshwane</b>	<b>General Public</b>
26/02/2025	11h00	Ephriam Mogale Leratong Disability Centre, <b>Elandskraal</b> , (Ward 15)	<b>General Public</b>
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27/02/2025	18h00	Sekhukhune District Ephriam Mogale Council Chamber, <b>Marble Hall</b> Fetakgomo Tubatse Council Chamber, <b>Burgersfort</b>	<b>Rate Payers</b>
27/02/2025	09h00	Makhuduthamaga, Kgaola Mafiri, <b>Jane Furse</b>	<b>Rate Payers</b>
04/03/2025	18h00	Elias Motsoaledi Council Chamber, <b>Groblersdal</b>	<b>Rate Payers</b>
28/02/2025	11h00	Sekhukhune District SDM Council Chamber, Bareki Mall, <b>Groblersdal</b>	<b>Staff</b>

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**JANE FURSE** - In a move to review student's academic performance, financial aid impact and study experience, Makhuduthamaga Local Municipality Mayor, Merah Mahlase and Municipal Manager, Ronald Moganedi, together with the municipal bursary scheme committee, engaged the beneficiaries at the municipal chamber in Jane Furse on 27 January.

The beneficiaries are those who received funding from January 2024. Thomas Mashabela, MLM spokesperson, indicated that the institution is currently helping 20 students pursuing numerous study fields at higher education institutions across the country.

Mashabela informed that since the start of December 2024, MLM has introduced a holiday work programme to provide bursary beneficiaries with learning opportunities in an assortment of departments and units.

"Nine bursary beneficiaries are participating in the programme, until the end of January and will continue during the June study recess period," said Mashabela.


MM Moganedi, who also benefitted from the bursary initiative, has passionately thrived for transformation of the scheme's policy since his arrival at the municipality through council. Moganedi related amazing life stories about how the bursary altered his career during the meeting.

Speaking to the beneficiaries, the municipal manager stated, "All of you have the capacity to excel in your academic studies and careers because your matric results have already proved your capabilities and distinguished you as the cream of Makhuduthamaga Municipality. With the temptations of varsity, you must remember the situation you left behind at home. Go make your parents and the entire municipality proud."

Another beneficiary of the bursary fund, who currently works at the municipality, Ntjana Mmaphasoane, grabbed an opportunity to inspire the students to change their lives for the better through the bursary fund.

As she wished the students well in the upcoming academic year, Mayor Mahlase remarked, "You have been given a chance to change your life and those around you through the bursary." The mayor encouraged the students to work tirelessly to become competent professionals who will eventually serve the municipality's community.





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**MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS AND REQUIREMENTS:**

- Grade 12 (NQF Level 4) is essential.
- National Diploma in Mine Surveying is essential
- Advanced Mine Surveying Certificate is essential.
- Advanced valuation is advantageous.
- Minimum of 3 years underground mining experience as a surveyor, preferably in a conventional narrow reef mining environment is essential.
- Computer literacy – Mine RP, WINMINOP, DESWIK and MS Office is essential.
- Valid medical certificate or be medically fit to obtain such a certificate

**COMPETENCIES:**

- Must have exposure in Computer literacy – Mine RP, WINMINOP AND DESWIK.

**KEY PERFORMANCE AREAS:**

The successful candidate is responsible for:

- General survey work as prescribed by the survey COP.
- Ensuring that Survey plans comply with legal requirements.
- Capturing measuring data on Mine RP AND DESWIK systems.
- Must be able to use WINMINOP
- Competent in the use of Excel and MS Word
- Performing general survey administration as required.
- Co-ordinating, monitoring, coaching, and development of his/her team

**We know it's our people who set us apart and make us a winning team – we are excited to have someone new join our ranks**

**IMPORTANT:**

- Short listed candidates may be subjected to a psychometric assessment. Preference will be given to candidates from the designated groups in line with the provisions of the Employment Equity Act, the Company's Recruitment Policy, and Employment Equity Plan.
- Should you not hear from the human resources department within 30 days after the closing date of applications, please consider your application as unsuccessful.

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# Makhuduthamaga convenes 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter Performance Review Lekgotla



Makhuduthamaga Local Municipality Mayor, Merah Mahlase in attendance at the municipality's 2nd Quarter Performance Review Lekgotla in Jane Furse.

JANE FURSE - Makhuduthamaga Local Municipality achieved 87 of its 97 service delivery targets in the second-quarter performance.

This was revealed during the institution's Executive Committee Second Quarter Performance Review Lekgotla held in at the municipal chamber in Jane Furse on 21 January.

The Lekgotla was convened to track progress on service delivery projects and governance objectives reached during 2024/2025 financial period.

Thomas Mashabela, MLM spokesperson, added that one of the milestones highlighted during the gathering was the retaining of an Unqualified Audit Opinion from the 2023/2024 financial year.

The Exco further applauded the progress made on the electricity infrastructure projects such as the installation of the 24km line from Mamatshekele to Molo villages, which

is anticipated to enable the municipality to implement household electrification projects in and around Jane Furse as well as surrounding villages.

"The municipality is awaiting Eskom to complete the electrical connections on the new 22 Kilovolt feeder bay at Mamatshekele Substation," informed Mashabela.

He indicated that 550 households in Soetveld, 170 in Mohlarekoma, 130 in Leeukraal, 162 in Mabintane, 70 in Hlalanikahle and 40 in Makhutjo villages currently have electrical infrastructure installed.

MLM Mayor, Merah Mahlase, commended the political wing, management led by Municipal Manger, Ronald Moganedi, and all stakeholders for maintaining the municipality's outstanding performance, including retaining the good audit opinion as awarded by the Auditor General of South Africa.

# EFF Sekhukhune donates school shoes to needy learners

**SEKHUKHUNE**

The Economic Freedom Fighters (EFF) in Sekhukhune Region have embarked on a heart-warming School Shoes Donation drive, aiming to distribute school shoes to underprivileged pupils in the district.

The party started with the initiative from Monday 27 January 2025 handing over the donations at various schools in Sekhukhune.

EFF Chairperson in Sekhukhune Region, Ali Maloba, said they started the drive to make a positive impact, display a symbol of pride and give confidence to young learners of Sekhukhune, knowing that they can walk in comfort, as opposed to barefoot.

"Shoes are also a vital protection barrier between our children's tiny soles and unforgiving terrain. As EFF Sekhukhune Region, we believe that a new pair of shoes should be tough enough to protect a young child's feet whether it be on the playground, on the sports field or even walking home during cold weather, hot or rainy season on a gravel road in the middle of winter," explained Maloba.

He added that other factors that



The EFF in Sekhukhune Region has committed to a School Shoes Donation Drive to support disadvantaged pupils in Sekhukhune communities.

motivated the party to donate is a historical background of the learners from Sekhukhune, who most are from the impoverished households and do not have the means to afford proper school uniform.

"Reason behind EFF Sekhukhune Region donation, is to ensure that the class of 2025 passes their exams with flying colours," concluded Maloba.



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Bus Depots Under Attack: Buses Torched, Security Guard Assaulted in Siyabuswa



torched the 18 buses. The security guard was taken to hospital for medical treatment. At Thabana in Siyabuswa, about 10 suspects went to the bus depot then reportedly torched 17 buses," explained Mdhuli.

The police, firefighters as well as emergency medical personnel were summoned and upon arrival, cases were opened in relation to the horrific incident. Police are investigating various charges including malicious damage to properties, attempted murder and assault with intent to cause grievous bodily harm.

Police heightened visibility in the affected areas on 28 January. No one had been arrested that morning and the motive thereof will form part of the investigation.

Police urge anyone with information that may assist in apprehending the suspects to call the crime stop number 08600 10111 or use the MySAPSApp.

In statement seen on Tuesday, 28 January morning, Putco spokesperson, Lindokuhle Xulu, confirmed that 14 buses were burnt to ashes when a fire broke out at their Moloto depot.

The statement further confirmed that security personnel were overpowered by an unknown number of men, who fired shots towards the depot.

"One traffic officer was transported to hospital after being shot in the foot. Passengers from Moloto, Maphotla, Siyabuswa and Vaalbank are advised to make alternative arrangements for today, as their bus depots were damaged," read the statement.



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## MAKHUDUTHAMAGA LOCAL MUNICIPALITY

### REGISTRATION OF INDIGENT RELIEVE PROGRAM

## PUBLIC NOTICE

### INDIGENT SCREENING POLICY BACKGROUND

The Indigent Support Policy is a legal imperative, a tool designed to ensure that persons and households that qualify as indigent have access to basic services as defined in the Constitution of the Republic of South Africa. The policy is a tool of intervention to alleviate the plight of the poor and to encourage indigent households to live within affordable consumption levels. It is imperative to ensure that the policy is implemented efficiently and that only qualifying applicants are approved as indigents.

The required documents should be hand delivered at Makhuduthamaga Municipal Building at 1 Groblersdal Road, Jane Furse (Next to Plaza).

**For enquiries contact your local Ward Councillor or alternatively:**

Revenue Unit: Kgothi MN/ Mphela TM	- 013 265 8626
Infrastructure Unit: Madihlaba NR	- 013 265 8646
Senong PS	- 013 265 8651

#### NB:

- Indigent households are evaluated within a period of at-least 12 months
- Please note that all indigents are expected to notify council should their status change

**#OurIndigentsMatter**

### REQUIRED DOCUMENTS

#### COMPLIANCE WITH THE INDIGENT POLICY

The following information must be available for scrutiny for each application to be considered:

- Certified copy of RSA ID of the account holder and all occupants of the property
- Certified copy of death certificate of parents or guardians in case of child-headed households
- Certified birth certificates or IDs of the beneficiaries in respect of child-headed households
- Proof of monthly income of the applicant and all households occupants
- Bank statement of the applicant
- Unemployed applicants must attach an affidavit from the Police Station;
- Proof of social grant card and registration of the main applicant, household occupant & children
- Sworn affidavit by applicant declaring source of income
- Signed letter of residential address by the tribal authority, if no consumer account is unavailable or a letter from the Ward Councillor
- Duly completed application form (Application Form are obtainable [www.makhuduthamaga.gov.za/](http://www.makhuduthamaga.gov.za/) at Municipality Building Reception or at all local Ward Councillors
- Recommendations from the Social Worker and ED: Community Services (If Available)

**CLOSING DATE: 28 FEBRUARY 2025**



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## Senong shines bright at Limpopo Sports Awards

KOTSIRI

**R**achel Mashibe Senong, a 34-year-old rural sports activists from Kotsiri Village in Makhuduthamaga Local Municipality (MLM), was bestowed with MEC Special Award at the prestigious Limpopo Sports Awards Ceremony on Saturday 25 January 2025 at the Meropa Casino in Polokwane.

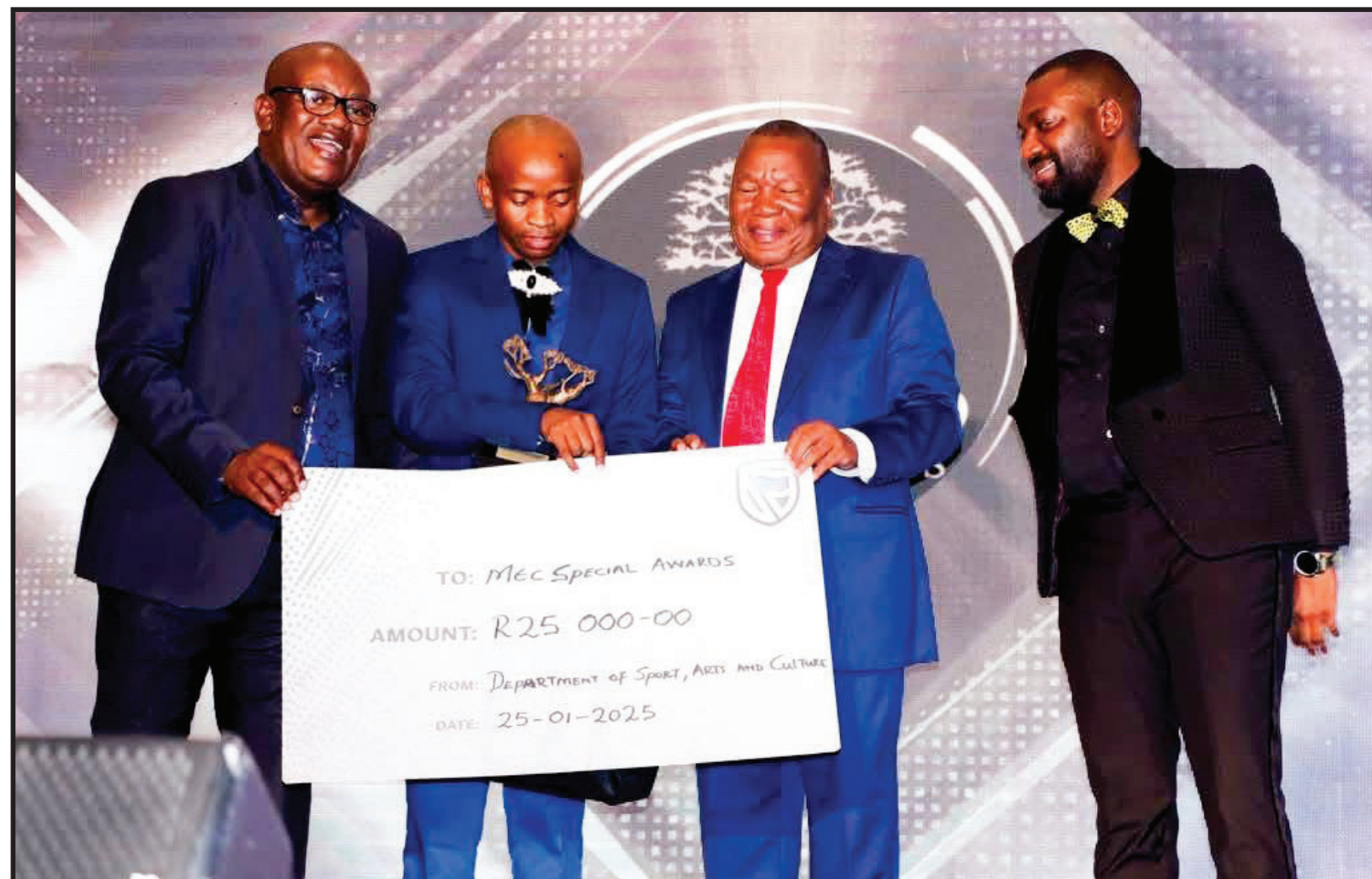
The awards were held with an aim to celebrate sport excellence in the province while honouring sport administrators, sportsmen and sportswomen who have excelled on and off the field in various categories for their performance.

During the event, Senong walked away with Volunteer of the Year and a cash prize amounting to R25,000-00, received from MEC for the Limpopo Department of Sport, Arts and Culture Funani Funani Maseko.

Senong is a long-standing advocate for rural sport development who worked on various community programmes in the Sekhukhune area for over 15 years. She has recently worked as a sport hub coordinator in the district under the Limpopo Department of Sport, Arts, and Culture, stationed at Peter Nchabeleng Sports Complex in Schoonoord.

Her other sports leadership and involvement include serving as chairperson of the Sekhukhune District Netball Association since 2014, Treasurer of the Limpopo Netball Association, Netball World Cup Volunteer in Cape Town, Sport Organiser and School Athletics Coach at Phutlotau High School, Local Clubs Coordinator for Rural Sports, and Deputy Chairperson for Makhuduthamaga Local Sports Confederation.

The Mayor of Makhuduthamaga Local Municipality, Cllr. Masekwele Merah Mahlase, congratulated Senong on winning the award. Mahlase embraced



the Department of Sport for creating a vibrant and progressive provincial platform, aimed at empowering and profiling local sportsmen and women engaged in various programmes.

Delivering a keynote address during the event, MEC Maseko said the event was set to celebrate a remarkable talent and excellence of sports in the province.

"It is with immense pride and gratitude that I stand before you today, as we gather to recognize and honour the achievements of our sportsmen and sportswomen at the Limpopo Sport Awards 2024. Tonight is not just about celebrating victories on the field, but about acknowledging the dedication, perseverance, and spirit of excellence that have propelled our athletes to greatness. It is a night where we recognize the invaluable contribution of sport to the development of our province, our people, and our nation," he said.



Rachel Senong (Second from right), receiving her prizes from MEC for Sports, Arts and Culture, Jerry Maseko (Left), during the prestigious Limpopo Sports Awards event.