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## Limpopo Provincial Government commemorates Youth Day in Leeuwfontein



Scores of people from different walks of Limpopo Province converged in numbers to attend the National Youth Day which was commemorated at Leeuwfontein Sports Grounds outside Marble Hall.

Limpopo Premier, Dr Phophi Ramathuba, addressing the National Youth Day event at Leeuwfontein Sports Grounds in EPMLM.



### LEEUFONTEIN

The Limpopo Provincial Government, led by Premier Dr Phophi Ramathuba, celebrated the 4th commemoration of National Youth Day, held on Monday 16 June 2025, at the Leeuwfontein Sports Grounds outside Marble Hall in Ephraim Mogale Local Municipality (EPMLM).

The celebration was held under the theme: "Skills for the Changing World – Empowering Youth for

Meaningful Economic Participation", which aims to equip young people with the necessary tools, skills, and platforms needed to shape their own future and that of generations to come. The commemoration aimed to promote educational skills development programmes that link young people with economic opportunities.

The event was attended by various stakeholders, including the National Youth Development Agency, youth formations, and traditional leaders. During the event, Premier Ramathuba emphasized that education is a precondition for sustainable development and encouraged young people to explore various fields, including farming, mining, and entrepreneurship.

"The National Government acknowledges that you don't want empty

promises. You want real opportunities. This is why we are actively turning plans into action. We've launched various bold programmes aimed at helping you find work, establish businesses and gain skills essential for today's world as this year's theme seeks us to do," said Ramathuba.

She also urged the youth to seize every opportunity available and up-skill themselves to become competent, qualified, and thriving individuals.

The premier highlighted various initiatives designed to propel young people forward, including the National Youth Service, which its functions is to empower youth to build skills in agriculture, health, cybersecurity, coding, and robotics.

"These are not just buzzwords, they are your gateway to exciting careers in fast-growing fields for which youth in Limpopo should actively participate in and take advantage," informed Ramathuba.

The Premier called on young people to think creatively about the businesses they can establish, fostering growth and creating jobs in their communities.

She also emphasized the importance of including youth in decision-making processes and boards of state-owned entities, municipalities, and provincial government. Furthermore, Premier Ramathuba paid tribute to Ephraim Mogale, a leader in the struggle against apartheid, and emphasized the importance of carrying forward his legacy by fighting unemployment, poverty, and inequality.

The commemoration also featured government-on-wheels services, with departments such as Home Affairs, SASSA, SAPS, and other private sectors present to offer assistance.

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# Premier Ramathuba secures Chinese investments



Limpopo Premier, Dr Phophi Ramathuba, outlining a presentation at the International Infrastructure Investment and Construction Forum in Macao, China.

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Limpopo Premier, Dr Phophi Ramathuba, has expressed her satisfaction with the business relations established with investors during the 116th International Infrastructure Investment and Construction Forum (IIICF) and Exhibition, held in Macao, China, from Sunday 8 to Sunday 15 June 2025.

The IIICF is a globally recognized platform that promotes international cooperation in infrastructure development, cross-border investment opportunities, and showcases the latest innovations and technologies in the construction and infrastructure sectors. This year's forum drew participation from senior

government officials, business leaders, development financiers, and global investors from over 70 countries. Limpopo Province used the opportunity to position itself as a key investment destination in South Africa, highlighting the potential of the Musina-Makhado and Fetakgomo-Tubatse Special Economic Zones (SEZs).

These SEZs are strategically located and rich in mineral and agricultural resources, presenting prime opportunities for infrastructure development, beneficiation, and sustainable industrialization. Premier Ramathuba expressed her appreciation for the opportunity to participate in the forum, stating that she was encouraged by the level of interest in Limpopo's

development agenda.

"Attending the IIICF has been a significant milestone for Limpopo. We have had meaningful engagements with global investors who have shown great interest in our province's infrastructure and tourism potential. Our SEZs are catalytic projects, and partnerships formed in Macao will accelerate economic growth and create sustainable jobs for our people. We have left China energized and hopeful for the future. This is just the beginning of a new wave of investment into Limpopo," she said.

Ramathuba indicated that the province looks forward to strengthening ties with the investors and institutions met in

China.

"Follow-up engagements are being scheduled to further explore opportunities in infrastructure development, tourism, energy, digital economy, and skills development, all aimed at driving Limpopo's economic transformation and job creation agenda," she said.

During the visit, Premier Ramathuba was accompanied by a provincial delegation that included MEC for Limpopo Economic Development, Environment and Tourism, Tshitereke Matibe, MEC for Public Works, Roads and Infrastructure, Ernest Rachoene, and Fetakgomo-Tubatse Local Municipality Mayor, Cllr Eddie Maila.



Bernice van Wyk  
Veterinary Science Bursar

## Riba Cross man nabbed with 79 unlawful ammunition



The illegal ammunition which were recovered by the police in possession of the suspect when he was arrested at Riba Cross outside Burgersfort.

**SEKHUKHUNE** - The Sekhukhune Police Task Team have arrested a 30-year-old male suspect for unlawful possession of ammunition in Riba Cross outside Burgersfort under the Tubatse Policing area.

According to the police report, the arrest was made following an intelligence-driven operation conducted on Saturday 14 June 2025 at about 14:00.

Colonel Malesela Ledwaba, Limpopo Provincial Police Spokesperson, said during the operation, the police discovered a total of 79 live rounds of ammunition at the suspect's residence, with some loaded into the magazine and others inside the boxes.

"The suspect is expected to appear before the Praktiseer Magistrate's Court soon. Police investigations are underway," he said.

## AMNESTY TO RATE PAYERS

THLM hereby reminds ratepayers of the on-going debt incentive scheme with reference to water, sanitation, refuse removal and property rates.

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The incentive scheme period began on July 1, 2024 and will finish on June 30, 2025.

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## This isn't a story, it's a journey.

I'm Bernice, and I am a third-year veterinary science student from Lydenburg.

Growing up, I was surrounded by animals, nurturing a deep passion for their well-being. So, when it came time to choose a career path, becoming a vet was a natural choice.

When I didn't get into vet school on my first try, I didn't let it deter me, I found new hope with Glencore's support, which enabled me to secure my spot the next year.

University life and the workload in veterinary science have been intense, but I've embraced the challenge. I've shadowed veterinarians in Lydenburg, learning about various animal diseases firsthand that has been invaluable to my studies.

Looking ahead, I am excited about the prospect of entering my clinical year. I see myself running my own vet practice one day, catering to both pets and production animals in my hometown. With Glencore by my side, I'm confident in achieving this dream.

My advice to anyone pursuing their dreams is simple: stay passionate and determined.





Media houses, permit holders, senior traditional leaders, traditional surgeons, and caregivers attended the Limpopo Provincial Government media briefing at the Jack Botes Hotel in Polokwane, which was set to outline the province's readiness ahead of the 2025 Initiation School Season.

## Limpopo Province prepares for 2025 Initiation School Season

### SEKHUKHUNE

The Limpopo Provincial Government has on Wednesday 11 June 2025, held a media briefing at Jack Botes Hall in Polokwane to outline its readiness for the upcoming 2025 Initiation School Season. Acting Limpopo Premier, Basikopo Makamu, together with MEC for Health in the province, Dieketseng Mashego, with the Executive of the Provincial Initiation Coordinating Committee (PICC), addressed the media to provide an update on the department's preparations.

This year's Initiation Season will commence on Monday 23 June 2025, and end on Monday 21 July 2025, under the theme: "A ba ye ba phela, ba boye ba phela".

During the media briefing, Chairperson and Deputy Chairperson of the PICC, Hosi Chauke and Kgoshi Boleu Rammupudu II, informed that they received 569 applications for both winter and summer initiation schools, with 530 applications approved.

The approved schools comprise 322 male initiation

schools and 208 female initiation schools.

The briefing highlighted that a workshop will be conducted, aiming to outline the roles of permit holders, senior traditional leaders, traditional surgeons, and caregivers during the 2025 Initiation Season.

The PICC, in collaboration with stakeholders such as the South African Police Service, Department of Education, Department of Health, and National Prosecuting Authority, will monitor all legal initiation schools to ensure compliance. During the engagement, the police emphasized that they will uphold the customary Initiation Act and those who fail to comply with it or operate illegally will be brought to book.

"The Limpopo Provincial Government urges all stakeholders to work together to ensure the success of the 2025 Initiation School Season. We can ensure the well-being and safety of initiates and promote a positive and meaningful initiation experience," said Acting Premier Makamu.



PICC Deputy Chairperson, Kgoshi Boleu Rammupudu II, addressing the media briefing on the readiness of the province ahead of the 2025 Initiation Season.



The multi-disciplinary law enforcement team made strides in the arrests of 275 suspects across Limpopo Province.

## Operation Shanela nets 275 suspects

### SEKHUKHUNE

The Police in Limpopo have made significant strides in combating crime through Operation Shanela (Kukula), a high-density operation conducted throughout Limpopo between Monday 9 June and Saturday 15 June 2025, resulting in the arrests of 275 suspects who were nabbed for various offenses, including murder, rape, assault, and possession of illegal firearms and substances. Colonel Malesela Ledwaba, said during the operations, the police arrested suspects for offences relating to murder, attempted murder, rape, attempted rape, illegal possession of firearms, contravention of the Firearms Control Act, assault with intent to cause grievous bodily harm (GBH), business robbery, possession of dangerous weapons, possession of illicit cigarettes and business burglary.

"Additionally, more suspects were also arrested for residential burglary, malicious damage to property, common assault, drug-related offenses, driving under the influence of liquor and other various crimes," he said.

Ledwaba indicated that during the operations, the police recovered and confiscated 3 firearms, 17 ammunition, three stolen motor vehicles, 13 cellphones, 9,423 packets of counterfeit cigarette sticks, 453.64 ml of illegal liquor in which 7 suspects arrested for illegal trading, various quantities of narcotics, including crack cocaine, heroin, and nyaope, 16 dangerous weapons and 3,440 counterfeit goods.

He said the success of Operation Shanela was boosted by intensified policing strategies, which included 5,363 stop-and-search operations, 14 roadblocks across the province, 938 inspections of second-hand dealers, nine scrapyard/recycling facility inspections, 449 liquor outlets checked, resulting in 13 closures of unlicensed premises and 1,201 farms were also visited. Provincial Commissioner of the Police in Limpopo, Lieutenant General Thembi Hadebe, welcomed the recent success and urged the five Districts Commissioners in the province to continue collaborating with relevant stakeholders to ensure that Limpopo is safe from all forms of criminality.



Over seven hundred and fifty suspects were nabbed during the high-density Operation Shanela, conducted recently across Limpopo Province.



*In order to be registered as interested and/or affected party, please submit your name, contact information and interest in the matter to the contact person by not later than 30 days from the day of this public notice published*



# EMLM responds to EFF claims on the recent conference expenditure



Elias Motsoaledi Local Municipality indicated that the money spent on the recent ward committee conference in Bela Bela Resort is just over R2 million.

**GROBLERSDAL** - Elias Motsoaledi Local Municipality said it has acknowledged the assertions by the Economic Freedom Fighters (EFF) in the sub-region concerning the expenditure related to the recent ward committee conference which was held at Bela Bela Resort.

Simon Makua, EMLM spokesperson, informed that the total expenditure for the conference amounted to R2 696 318.75 and not the R3 million as per the claims made by the EFF in the sub-region.

Regarding the matter of a criminal case opened at the Groblersdal South African Police Service (SAPS) by the EFF sub-regional convener, Ali Maloba, against EMLM Mayor, David Tladi and Municipal Manager Reginah Makgata, Makua confirmed that the municipality has not received any official information or notification about that.

But, Maloba confirmed that the party opened a case seeking the arrest of the mayor and the municipal manager following irregularities discovered in the expenditure for the conference.

Maloba said the opening of the case was as per the directive of the EFF's provincial and national structures.

"We took the matter to our upper structures and we were given a directive from there to report the matter to the police," Maloba shared.

Makua emphasised that it is the responsibility of the Municipal Public Accounts Committee (MPAC) and the Auditor-General (AG) to declare irregular expenditure of municipal funds, not individuals.

"The money in question is not reflected under the irregular expenditure list. The municipality operates under various laws and regulations that govern its day-to-day activities and must comply with these laws and regulations to ensure good governance, accountability and transparency in its operations," Makua pointed out.



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**Enquiries: Mr MG Satekge – 014 753 4700 Extension 3002.**

**Lephalale TVET College reserves the right to withdraw any of the above positions.**

**CLOSING DATE: MONDAY, 23 JUNE 2025 @16h00.**

**PUBLIC NOTICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT**

**RE: 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 AN EIA APPLICATION FOR THE BORROW MINING ACTIVITY TO EXTRACT GRAVEL FOR THE PROPOSED UPGRADING OF ROAD TO PAVE AND STORM WATER CONTROL AT MOTETI VILLAGE(1.2KM WITHIN ELIAS MOTSOALEDI LOCAL MUICIPALITY OF SEKHUKHUNE DISTRICT, LIMPOPO PROVINCE.**

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 Department of Mineral Resources and Energy (DMRE), Limpopo Economic Development, Environment and Tourism (LEDET) and General Authorisation/ Water User License with the Department of Water and Sanitation, Protected Trees Cutting License with Department of Agriculture Forest and Fisheries.

**Description of the activity:**

Elias Motswaledi Local Municipality would like to extract gravel from a 5ha in Moteti Village, Limpopo Province. The extracted gravel will be used to the proposed upgrading of road to pave and storm water control at Moteti village(1.2km within Elias Motsoaledi Local Muicipality of Sekhukhune District, Limpopo Province . The mining site will also feature access roads, security shelter, ablution facilities, borrow pit fencing and warning signs.

**Location of the activity:**

The proposed borrow mining activity is situated on the farm Zoetmelksfontein 36 JS, located within the Sekhukhune District, Limpopo Province. The application area spans 5 hectares, approximately 28 km to the nearest Marble Hall Town.

**Proposed Road Project and Mining Permit Applicant:**

Elias Motsoaledi Local Muicipality

**Triggered Activities :**

**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 2002), including associated – (a) associated infrastructure, structures and earthworks, directly related to the extraction of a mineral resource;

**Listing Notice 1 Activity 27 (I):**The clearance of an area of 1 hectares or more, but less than 20 hectares of indigenous vegetation, except where such clearance of indigenous vegetation is required for (i) the undertaking of a linear activity.

**The National Environmental Act, 1998 (Act No. 107 of 1998), Environmental Authorization Application in terms of:**

Section 24P, as listed under GNR 327, as listed under GNR 327, LN1, Activity 21, for the rehabilitation of disturbed or degraded land, including rehabilitation of mined land, and in compliance with the 2015 Financial Provision Regulations (GN R1147)

**RAVELE ENVIRONMENTAL CONSULTING** has been appointed by Sejagobe Engineers on behalf of Elias Motswaledi Local Municipality as the independent Environmental Assessment Practitioner (EAP) to undertake the EIA processes for the proposed borrow mining activity to extract gravel for the proposed upgrading of road to pave and storm water control at Moteti village(1.2km within Elias Motsoaledi Local Muicipality of Sekhukhune District , 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.

**PUBLIC REVIEW OF THE BASIC ASSESSMENT REPORT**

The public participation process will be undertaken to inform interested and Affected Parties (I&APs) regarding the proposed development and registration in the project database. A draft BAR will be available for review and comment from the period of 30 days from the date of this public notice. The report is available at the following public places.

i. On request on the following contacts: **Mr. FB Mudzunga (067 190 8361), Email: [raveleconsulting07@gmail.com](mailto:raveleconsulting07@gmail.com)**

For more information, registration as an I&AP or submission of written comments contact by email or phone: **ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT PRACTITIONER**

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# EMLM enforces SPLUMA By-Law in Groblersdal



EMLM Town Planning Team removing an illegal temporary shelter in Groblersdal Taxi Rank during the enforcement of the SPLUMA By-Law.

**GROBLERSDAL** - The Elias Motsoaledi Local Municipality (EMLM) has on Friday 13 June 2025, taken a significant step towards maintaining a clean and healthy environment in Groblersdal by enforcing its Spatial Planning and Land Use Management (SPLUMA) By-Law.

During the programme, the municipality's Town Planning Team, led by Senior Manager for Development Planning and Local Economic Development (LED), Boredi Sethojoa, conducted an enforcement operation at the Groblersdal Taxi Rank, resulting in the removal of an illegal temporary shelter.

According to the municipality, the shack posed a risk to public safety by obstructing the safe passage of pedestrians and potentially causing collisions between vehicles and pedestrians.

Additionally, the structure detracted from the aesthetic appeal of the area and contributed to an

environment conducive to crime and other undesirable activities.

The municipality said the removal of the illegal structure is part of EMLM's ongoing efforts to ensure a well-organized urban environment that supports economic growth and community well-being.

"A shack was removed from the Groblersdal Taxi Rank. This structure was unlawfully erected on a pedestrian walkway, thereby obstructing the safe passage of pedestrians. The presence of the shack posed a risk of potential collisions between vehicles and pedestrians, compromising public safety," said Sethojoa.

He added that the shack also detracted from the aesthetic appeal of the area and contributed to an environment conducive to crime and other undesirable activities.

"The removal of this structure is a crucial step towards ensuring a safer and more visually appealing



community for all residents and visitors," Sethojoa added. He stressed that the municipality remains committed to upholding the principles of spatial planning and land use management to foster sustainable development and enhance the quality of life in its towns.

## Three including suspect in Lukau Village murder case arrested



A firearm and ammunition that police seized during the arrest of three suspects including the one who was wanted for the May 25 Lukau Village murder of John Mamabitsi Mohlala.

**MOEDING** - Members of the Limpopo Task Team achieved a major breakthrough on June 13 through the arrest a suspect who was wanted for the murder of a 40 year-old John Mamabitsi Mohlala.

Mohlala's body was found lying in Lukau Village along the road linking Maganagobushwa and Mmakgatle Village within the Hlogotlou policing area.

Two other suspects aged 34 and 37 were nabbed during the same operation in separate locations after they were found in possession of unlawful firearms and ammunition.

According to Colonel Malesela Ledwaba, Limpopo Provincial Police spokesperson, police arrested the first suspect aged 37 in Moeding Village and the second one, aged 34, at his home in the same village. Ledwaba added that the suspect was found in possession of an unlicensed firearm and ammunition.

Additionally, Ledwaba informed that the third suspect who is also believed to be involved in multiple stock theft cases in Sekhukhune district, was nabbed also in possession of an unlicensed firearm and ammunition.

"During the operation, police

also recovered belongings of the deceased Mohlala who was fatally shot on May 25," stated Ledwaba.

He informed that the suspects were scheduled to appear at the Nebo Magistrate's Court on 17 June facing charges including murder and possession of unlicensed firearms and ammunition.

Elias Motsoaledi Local Municipality Mayor, David Tladi, applauded the police team, which comprised of the Provincial Investigation Unit, Sekhukhune Tracking Team and Investigation Unit as well as the Groblersdal Public Order Policing Services, for the work done to arrest the suspects.

Tladi pointed out that the rapid response not only brings hope and justice to the victim's loved ones but also strengthens public trust in law enforcement agencies.

The mayor added that the unwavering commitment of the police plays a crucial role in making communities safer and encouraged all residents to continue working with the police in combating crime.

Attempts to get the outcome of the suspects' court appearance were not successful at the time of going to press.

## MEC Kekana leads sod-turning at Sekgala Projects in Mphanama



Fellistus Sekgale (In white shirt), with LDARD MEC Nakedi Kekana and other dignitaries during the sod-turning ceremony at Mphanama Village.

### MPHANAMA

MEC for Limpopo Department of Agriculture and Rural Development (LDARD) MEC, Nakedi Kekana, has on Friday 13 June 2025, officiated the sod-turning of Sekgale Project in Mphanama Village, a youth-led agricultural enterprise that marks a significant milestone in the department's commitment to economic transformation, rural development, and youth empowerment.

The Sekgale Project is a direct product of the government's successful Unemployed Graduate Programme (UGP), a flagship initiative of LDARD.

Fellistus Sekgale, the visionary behind Sekgale Trading Enterprise, holds a National Diploma in Animal Production (Cum Laude) from Tompi Seleka College of Agriculture and a B-Tech in Agricultural Development and Extension from Tshwane University of Technology. She was part of the inaugural cohort of the UGP during the 2021/2022 financial year.

The project involves egg production, with Fellistus Sekgale currently running her operation from her backyard, raising pullets.

The department, through the Comprehensive Agricultural Support Programme (CASP), has intervened by putting up fencing on a 20-hectare piece of land, drilling five boreholes and assisting the farmer to attain water rights, constructing two-layer houses with a capacity to carry 1,500 each, building an office block and reticulating electricity and water.

The sod-turning event coincided with the Youth Month commemoration, providing a platform for MEC Kekana to highlight the department's mandate of empowering young people in agriculture.

In her address, MEC Kekana said: "we are not only breaking ground on new infrastructure, but breaking barriers to entry for young people in agricultural economy. This is a deeply

symbolic and practical occasion, and it is especially fitting that it takes place during Youth Month, where we honour the resilience, innovation and energy of South Africa's youth."

Kekana indicated that her department's intervention to Sekgale Project is an investment in success, in youth, and in the national food security.

"We are not just turning the soil today, but we are planting the seeds of generational change. We are showing that when the government, community and youth work together, progress is not only possible, it is inevitable," concluded Kekana.

The event also marked the official launch of the Sekgale Project, which is expected to contribute to the growth and development of the agricultural sector in Limpopo.





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## EPMLM Mayor's Cup Tournament held in Elandskraal



EPMLM Ward 10 NC celebrating with the trophy after they were crowned champions of the competition.



EPMLM Ward 4 FC walked away with silver medals after obtaining the second position in the Mayor's Cup Tournament

ELANDSKRAAL - The Ephraim Mogale Local Municipality (EPMLM) successfully concluded its 2025 Mayor's Cup tournament on Saturday 14 June 2025, held at Elandskraal Stadium in EPMLM Ward 15.

The tournament featured champions from four clusters across the local municipality, showcasing the best of grassroots football and netball in the area.

The sporting event began with cluster champions represented by EPMLM Ward 4, 6, 10 and 16.

In the netball competition, Ward 6 and 10 made it to the finals, with Ward 10 ultimately emerging as the champions.

In the football competition, Ward 6, 11, 4, and 15 made it to the semi-finals, with Ward 4 and 15 advancing to the finals.

Ward 15 won the match on penalties, and they were crowned the 2025 EPMLM Mayor's Cup Champions.

During the sporting event, the Sekhukhune United FC Marketing

team was also present, scouting for talented players to join their development side.

Notably, they identified Tebogo Mafagane and Bredley Maphothoma, inviting them to trials.

The tournament was attended by prominent officials, including EPMLM Mayor Cllr Given Moimane, EPMLM Speaker Cllr Rebecca Lentsoane, Cllr Lina Magane, and EPMLM Director in Community Services, Yvonne Maphutha-Mashaba.

The hosting councillor, Zakhele Mokwana, and a large contingent of enthusiastic supporters were also in attendance.

Director in Community Services, Maphutha-Mashaba, expressed her appreciation for the presence of Sekhukhune United FC at the tournament, stating that this marks the beginning of a long-lasting relationship between the municipality and the team in appreciating and developing grassroots football.

## Tshakuma FC dominates the EPMLM LFA League



Ofentse Joy FC posing before they were humiliated 4-0 by Tshakuma FC during the EPMLM LFA League match at Ditshweneng Sports Ground in Moganyaka.



Tshakuma FC from Moganyaka Village are confident to dominate and win the EPMLM LFA League and gain promotion to the Hollywoodbets SAFA Sekhukhune Regional Football League.

### MOGANYAKA

Tshakuma FC, from Moganyaka Village outside Marble Hall, has once again proved their dominance in the Ephraim Mogale Local Municipality (EPMLM) LFA Promotional League by thrashing Ofentse Joy FC 4-0, during their league encounter played at Ditshweneng Sports Ground on Saturday 14 June 2025.

The match kicked off at 15:00 pm, and Tshakuma FC's impressive performance was evident throughout the game with their dominance.

After the impressive win, Tshakuma FC bagged 35 points and 30 goals, before they played a 2-2 draw against Thabang Nabo FC on Sunday 15 June, earning 36 points and still leading the table.

Although they are equal points with C4 United FC from Leeuwfontein, Tshakuma FC's superior goal difference keeps them at the top of the EPMLM LFA League.

Tshakuma Chairman and Head Coach, Moruti Monama, expressed his pride in the team's performance, stating that they have been working towards promotion since the 2019/2020 season.

"The boys are thirsty for the promotion. If you can see them playing, you will realize that they are tired of being in the EPMLM LFA League because they have already outgrown it," he said.

The Chairman praised his team for their good results in the first round but emphasized that they still have a lot of work to do to ensure they remain at the top and secure promotion to the Hollywoodbets SAFA Sekhukhune Regional Football League, and possibly promoted to the other upper professional football leagues in the country.

## Ephraim Mogale Local Municipality



### ERRATUM

Notice is hereby given to the public with regards to the Vacancies advertisement that was placed in the Sekhukhune Times newspaper dated 29 May- 04 June 2025.

The purpose of this notice is to make correction to the below position as follows:

#### 1. POST NO 06: TRAFFIC INTERNS X 10

Additional requirement: Applicants should be aged between 18 and 34 years.

The closing date of the above mentioned position only is hereby extended until the 30th June 2025 at 16:30.

Apologies for any inconvenience that might have been caused.

**M.E. MOROPA**  
MUNICIPAL MANAGER