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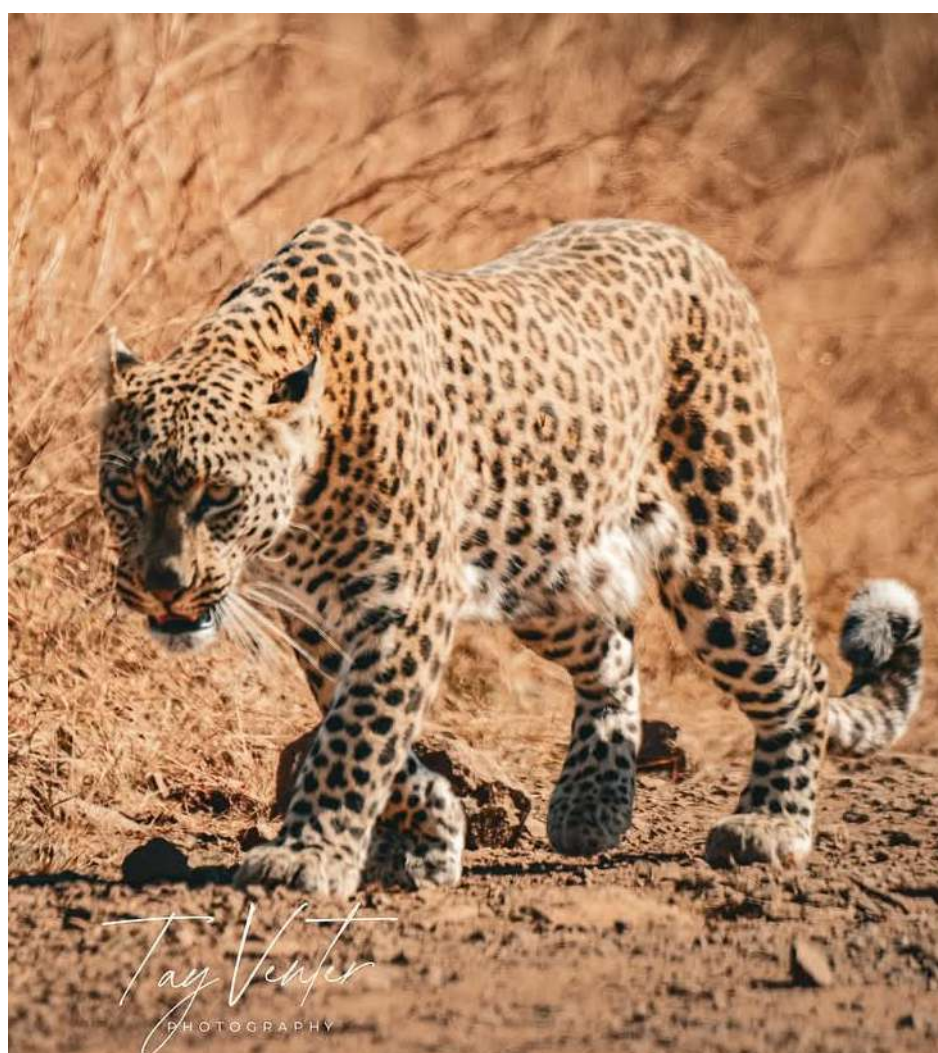
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Leopard sightings in Motetema, residents urged to exercise caution



The EMLM is advising the public to remain vigilant following the leopard sightings in Motetema mountains.

MOTETEMA

Residents in Motetema and surroundings of Elias Motsoaledi Local Municipality (EMLM), are advised to remain vigilant and take necessary precautions to ensure their safety, following sightings of a leopard in the vicinity of the area.

According to Simon Makua, EMLM Spokesperson, the leopard was first spotted in the vicinity of the Motetema mountains on Sunday 21 September 2025.

He assured residents that the local municipality is taking the situation seriously and is working closely with relevant authorities to track the animal and ensure public safety.

"The safety of our residents remains our top priority. We urge community members not to approach the leopard under any circumstances," he said.

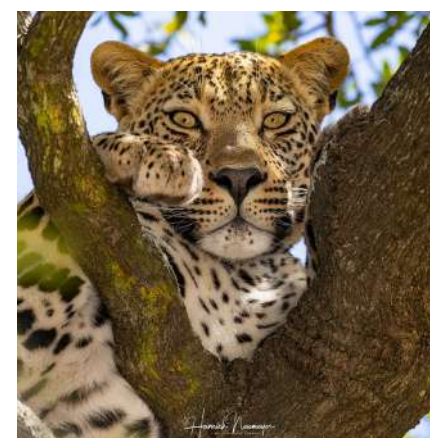
Makua indicated that the municipality, in collaboration with the professional wildlife rangers and experienced tracking teams, have been deployed to monitor and capture the leopard.

"Humane and safe methods are being used to ensure the animal is removed without harm. To safeguard residents, joint patrols with community safety structures are underway, with special attention to high-risk areas. Community members are urged to avoid bushy or isolated areas, especially at night, and to keep children and livestock indoors and secured at all times," cautioned Makua.

He added that authorities have already identified possible movement zones of the leopard and while the animal has not yet been captured, progress is being made as reported sightings are immediately followed up by the tracking teams.

"The situation remains under strict monitoring until the leopard is secured. The municipality is also intensifying awareness efforts beyond Facebook. Updates and safety guidelines are being communicated through loud-hailing in affected villages, local radio stations, community WhatsApp groups, direct communication via ward councillors and community development workers," informed Makua.

He said the municipality urges anyone who encounters the dangerous wild animal to promptly notify Mr S. Nkogatse on 082 447 3493 or Mr T. Mthombeni on 078 999 2562.



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Cable theft, a blow to EMLM infrastructure



EMLM says prevalent acts of cable theft are crippling the municipality infrastructure and affect service delivery. The municipality is calling on the public to come forward and report perpetrators

GROBLERSDAL

According to Elias Motsoaledi Local Municipality (EMLM), cable theft incidents, which are prevalent in the municipality recently, severely cripple the municipal infrastructure by damaging critical equipment, interrupting electricity supply and largely affect service delivery to the people.

In a latest incident, a cable theft has occurred at one of the municipality's mini-substations in Groblersdal, resulting in an unexpected power outage that has affected several customers, including B3 Funerals, Martins Funerals, and surrounding businesses.

The municipality's technical team has been dispatched to the scene and diligently restored power supply as quickly as possible.

According to Simon Makua EMLM Spokesperson, the consequences of cable theft go beyond just disrupting daily business operations.

"It also affects the delivery of essential

services such as water supply, sanitation, street lighting, traffic signals, and safety services," he added.

Makua indicated that the municipality has condemned this act of vandalism and is appealing to the community to assist by reporting any suspicious activities related to cable theft.

"The cost of repairs will divert funds away from other planned community development projects, further harming service delivery. The municipality apologizes for the inconvenience caused and appreciates the patience and understanding of all affected customers," he said.

Makua urged residents to be vigilant and report any information that could lead to the apprehension of those responsible for the theft to relevant authorities.

"Residents are urged to report any information that could lead to the apprehension of those responsible for the theft," he said.



Sekhukhune District breathes a sigh of relief as neighbours reel in drunk driving crackdown

SEKHUKHUNE

In a weekend blitz that saw 17 motorists across Limpopo arrested for drunk driving, Sekhukhune District Municipality (SDM) stood out as a beacon of responsibility, with zero incidents reported.

The Phuza Weekend Operation, conducted by the Limpopo Department of Transport and Community Safety from Wednesday 17 and Friday 19 September 2025, aimed to intensify the fight against drunk driving and promote road safety.

According to the department's spokesperson, Ms Tidimalo Chuene, the operation resulted in a significant number of arrests, with Vhembe District recording the highest number of offenders, at eight drivers taken off the road.

"In the Capricorn District, three motorists were arrested, with the highest alcohol reading recorded at 0.93mg/1000ml. Mopani District accounted for two arrests, the highest reading being 0.30mg/1000ml. Vhembe District registered the highest number of arrests, with eight drivers taken off the road. The most severe case recorded was 0.60mg/1000ml. Waterberg District recorded four arrests, with the highest reading at 0.88mg/1000ml. Sekhukhune District reported no incidents of drunk driving during this period," explained Chuene.

She added that the department's zero-tolerance stance on drunk driving is clear, and these arrests serve as a stark reminder of the dangers of driving under the influence.

"The decisions you make behind the wheel determine whether lives are saved or lost," she said.

In related news, road safety experts have praised the department's efforts, citing statistics that show drunk driving is a leading cause of road accidents in South Africa.

According to Arrive Alive, a road safety initiative, drunk driving is a major contributor to fatal crashes, with many accidents involving drivers who have exceeded the legal blood alcohol limit.

As the festive season approaches, road safety authorities are expected to intensify their efforts to prevent accidents and promote responsible driving.

The Limpopo Department of Transport and Community Safety's Phuza Weekend Operation is a step in the right direction, and Sekhukhune District's exemplary record serves as a model for other districts to follow.



A number of motorists were arrested across Limpopo during the Limpopo Department of Transport and Community Safety's Phuza Weekend Operation. Sekhukhune District reported no incidents of drunk driving during the operations.

Rapid action by Groblersdal Farm Watch leads to arrest of rape suspect



A suspect was apprehended by Groblersdal Farm Watch members and later handed-over to the police after raping a 22-year-old woman along the R33 Road outside Groblersdal.

GROBLERSDAL - A 22-year-old woman's ordeal came to an end on Monday 22 September 2025, when a suspect accused of raping her was arrested along the R33 Road in the Groblersdal policing precinct.

The swift action by Groblersdal Farm Watch members and the police led to the apprehension of the suspect, who allegedly drove the victim from Motetema policing area towards Groblersdal before committing the heinous crime.

According to Brigadier Hlulani Mashaba, Limpopo Provincial Police Spokesperson, police preliminary investigations revealed that during the incidents, the suspect's vehicle ran out of fuel and got stuck on a farm section of the R33 Road, where he took advantage of the situation to rape the victim.

"However, vigilant Groblersdal Farm

Watch members noticed the suspicious vehicle and immediately intervened. Upon questioning, it was uncovered that the victim had just been raped. The suspect was swiftly apprehended and detained by the farm watch until the police arrive," he said.

Mashaba said the suspect will soon appear before the Groblersdal Magistrate's Court to face a charge of rape.

Acting Provincial Commissioner of the Police in Limpopo, Major General Jan Scheepers, has welcomed the arrest of the suspect, made possible through swift collaboration between Groblersdal Farm Watch members and the police.

Scheepers stressed that the successful arrest demonstrates the importance of partnership policing in the fight against crime.



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OPINION PIECE

The month of September has been declared Heritage Month with the 24th as Heritage Day to remind people of their cultures and encourage them to preserve their heritage. Heritage is basically about remembering the past and shaping the future.

This year, Heritage Month is celebrated under the theme "Reimagine our heritage institutions for a new era", emphasizing the importance of leveraging heritage as a foundation for building a dynamic, socially responsive, technologically innovative and economically inclusive future. This year's celebration focuses on how society in particular culture continues to evolve in the light of social, economic, and technological challenges.

One of the major institutions of our heritage is water resources. Water resources play a major role in our different cultures and traditions. Our water resources are basically our living heritage as they enable us to sustain our cultural and religious activities and rituals. For the sustainability of our cultural, religious and traditional rituals, it is important to reimagine our water resources as our heritage institutions and treat them with the care and respect they deserve.

As our water resources are our living heritage, it is important to protect them and keep them clean and healthy at all times to ensure that they always flow with healthy water so as to enable us to continue performing our rituals and preserve our cultural heritage. Without our water resources, we are doomed and our cultures will disappear.

Water resources are part and parcel of our heritage. The pollution of our water resources leaves people without places to perform their cultural and religious rituals. As we celebrate heritage month, let us remember that water resources are part of our heritage and must be treated with respect and protected for their sustainability and to provide us with venues for our cultural and traditional activities.

Water is life and the enabler of our cultural activities. As much as we respect and treasure our cultures, let us also respect, treasure and preserve our living natural heritage, which is our water resources.

Themba Khoza

LDoH provides update on acid attack survivor, Mampeu Hlanga

SEKGWENG

The Limpopo MEC for Department of Health (LDoH), Dieketseng Mashego, has on Tuesday 23 September 2025, expressed deep concern and continued support for Mampeu Neo Hlanga, a 27-year-old woman from Sekgweng Village in Zebediela, who survived a horrific acid attack in October 2024.

The attack, allegedly carried out by a 25-year-old woman who accused Hlanga of being romantically involved with her boyfriend, left her with severe burns on her face and body, requiring extensive plastic surgery.

Hlanga was initially admitted to Zebediela Hospital following the assault, before being urgently referred to Mankweng Tertiary Hospital for specialized care due to severe septic burns.

According to the MEC's media statement, Hlanga underwent multiple surgical procedures during her five-month stay at Mankweng Hospital, including debridement of the scalp, skin grafts, and ectroplan release.

She was officially discharged on 18 April 2025, after months of intensive care, physical recovery, and emotional resilience.

However, Hlanga was later referred back to Mankweng Hospital for further evaluation and treatment at the Eye Ward.

Hlanga's road to recovery has been long and arduous, with multiple surgeries and ongoing treatment.

She has received assessment and care for pressure garments, vital for burn recovery and scar management.

Her clinical team continues to monitor her progress closely, and additional procedures will be considered once she has sufficiently recovered.

MEC Mashego condemned gender-

based violence in all its forms and applauded the healthcare professionals at both Zebediela and Mankweng Hospitals for their tireless efforts in providing high-quality care to Hlanga.

She added that the department remains committed to supporting her ongoing recovery journey and ensuring access to the necessary reconstructive and rehabilitative services.

"We call on communities to stand united against acts of violence and to support survivors on their road to healing and justice," concluded Mashego.

The alleged attacker was arrested on 14 February 2025, and appeared in court the following day.

She was granted a R3000-00 bail and the case has since been transferred to the Mokokpane Regional Court.



Mampeu Neo Hlanga undergoing multiple surgical procedures during her five-month stay at Mankweng Hospital.

DA calls for public support on Bill to enforce accountability in Limpopo

LIMPOPO

The Democratic Alliance (DA) in Limpopo is urging the public to support its Private Members Bill, the draft Limpopo Petitions Amendment Bill, aimed at strengthening the obligation of the Limpopo Provincial Government and its municipalities to account and be responsive to the needs of Limpopo's communities.

The party said the draft Limpopo Petitions Amendment Bill proposes to empower the Standing Committee, request updated reports where initial responses are deemed insufficient.

It is also set to hold government officials accountable to ensure that petitioners' concerns are addressed effectively by holding officials accountable for non-compliance with the Act.

According to Advocate Franco Marx, DA Limpopo Spokesperson on Standing Committee on Public Participation and Petitions, the party urges the public to participate in the initiative as the right to petition is a cornerstone of participatory democracy.

"Enshrined in the Constitution, the petition allows individuals and groups to formally express concerns, lodge grievances, or submit proposals to government

and other public authorities," he said.

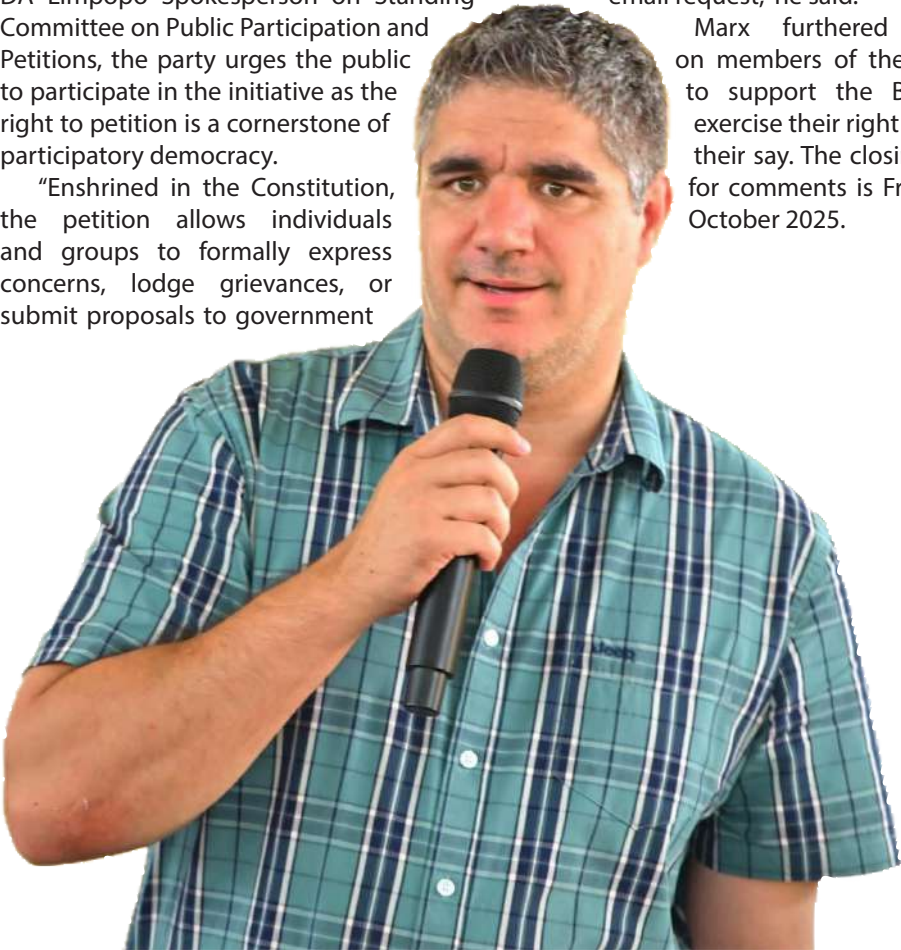
Marx stressed that for many impoverished, rural and socially excluded communities, it is often the only avenue in which they can engage government and seek meaningful redress or action.

"Unfortunately, this right is often undermined when members of the Limpopo Executive Council and officials fail to respect and act upon petitions," he said.

Marx emphasized that the adoption of this Bill would mark a significant step toward strengthening public participation and ensuring that the petition process serves as an effective mechanism for citizens to engage government and obtain redress.

"The Bill has been published, and a call for representations has been issued, with copies available from the DA office or via email request," he said.

Marx further called on members of the public to support the Bill and exercise their right to have their say. The closing date for comments is Friday 31 October 2025.



Advocate Franco Marx, DA Limpopo Spokesperson on Standing Committee on Public Participation and Petitions, says the party urges Limpopo residents to support the Limpopo Petitions Amendment Bill, which aims to hold the government and its municipalities accountable on service delivery irregularities.

NOTICE OF THE PUBLIC PARTICIPATION FOR [A WATER USE LICENSE APPLICATION (WULA) FOR PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT ON REMAINDER OF PORTION 3 OF FARM VERGELEGEN 819-KS, JANE FURSE, MAKHUDUTHAMAGA LOCAL MUNICIPALITY, LIMPOPO PROVINCE | DWS REF: WU43624 |

Name of Applicant: Jane Furse Mall (Pty) Ltd

Location: The proposed development on Remainder of Portion 3 of Farm Vergelegen 819-KS, Jane Furse, Makhuduthamaga Local Municipality, Limpopo Province. The approximate central coordinates of the study site are 24°44'25.60"S; 29°51'18.63"E. The site is approximately 17,2 ha in size.

Description: The project will consist of social and retail facilities. The proposed zoning for the development is "Business 1" for the purposes of places of refreshment and drive-through restaurants, retail industry and shops. The size of the site is approximately 17.2826 ha.

Associated infrastructures are proposed to consist of an onsite wastewater treatment system-WWTW as well as internal services reticulation (water, sewerage, electricity, fire protection), roads, and parking area. Potable water is proposed to be obtained and sourced from a borehole (s) and solid waste proposed to be collected by municipal waste collection services for disposal at the Jane Furse municipal landfill site. The applicant intends to submit a Water Use License Application (WULA) to the Department of Water and Sanitation-DWS for the License of phases 1 to 4 of the Groundwater Abstraction, working within a 500m radius of water resources (stream and a wetland), installation of a wastewater treatment system, and irrigation with effluent/landscaping activities at Jane Furse Mall.

The following Section 21 Water Uses will be applied for in terms of the National Water Act (Act No. 36 of 1998):

- Section 21 (a) Taking water from a water resource - underground water-borehole use.
- Section 21 (b) Storing Water – storage of abstracted water in storage tanks for domestic uses (potable water, ablution facilities, fire suppression),
- Section 21 (e) Engaging in a controlled activity identified as such in section 37(1) or declared under section 28(1) of the NWA – Irrigation with effluent water and landscaping activities.
- Section 21 (g) Disposing of waste in a manner which may detrimentally impact on a water resource - dust suppression during construction, installation and operation of a wastewater treatment system (WWTW System).
- Section 21 (c) and (i) - impeding or diverting the flow of water in a watercourse, and altering the bed, banks, course or characteristics of a watercourse - stormwater management, flood-lines, drainage lines, and instream borehole.

The WULA requires that a public participation process be undertaken in line with the requirements of the REGULATIONS REGARDING THE PROCEDURAL REQUIREMENTS FOR WATER USE LICENSE APPLICATIONS AND APPEALS – NO. R. 267 OF 24 March 2017, as promulgated under the NATIONAL WATER ACT, 1998. The commenting period will be open for 30 days from 03 June 2025 to 05 July 2025. For more information and submission of written comments, kindly contact offices using the details below.

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CONSULTATION NOTICE FOR A PROSPETING RIGHT APPLICATION BY TARIO 720 (PTY) LTD, APPLICATION REF. NO: LP30/5/1/1/2/16114PR

This notice is given in terms of Section 16(4) (b) of the Mineral and Petroleum Resources Development Act, 2002 (Act 28 of 2002) as amended and Section 24 of the National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (Act No 107 of 1998) read with Regulation 40 to 44 of the Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations of 2014 as amended ("NEMA").The application has been assigned DMRE REF: LP30/5/1/1/2/16114PR

Tario 720 (Pty) Ltd has applied for Environmental authorisation and Prospecting Right for Phosphate Ore on the farm Lordskraal 810, Groenland 813, Goedgemeend 815 and Diamand 845. The project site is located approximately 41 kilometres West of Burgersfort Town and approximately 15km North of Steelpoort town in the Limpopo Province.

Interested and Affected Parties are invited to participate in the application process by registering as such and by giving comments on the project. Registering as an interested party enables you to receive correspondence regarding the project. The application will be subjected to a Basic Assessment Report and Environmental Management Programme (BAR & EMPr) process and a draft Basic Assessment Report and Environmental Management Programme (BAR & EMPr) is available upon request for review and comment. The registration and comments period lasts for 30 calendar days.

All Interested and Affected Parties (I&APs) are hereby invited to register as such to receive a draft Basic Assessment Report and Environmental Management Programme (BAR & EMPr) for review and comments. To register or request more information please contact Lufuno Mutshathama at 073 912 0800/ 011 791 5032 or send an email to info@joanprojects.co.za

Local cultural groups shine on provincial stage



Ipopeng Cultural Group and Tsoga Morobadi Arts and Culture Project honoured the invitation to attend and perform at the Thobela FM’s Heritage Month celebration in Polokwane.



Ipopeng Cultural Group performing during the Thobela FM’s Heritage Month celebration, held in Polokwane on Saturday 20 September 2025.

ELIAS MOTSOLEDI- Two cultural groups from Elias Motsoaledi Local Municipality (EMLM), recently had the opportunity to showcase their talents on a provincial platform. Ipopeng Cultural Group and Tsoga Morobadi Arts and Culture Project, were invited to perform at Thobela FM’s Heritage Month celebration, held in Polokwane on Saturday 20 September 2025. The event was a culmination of the radio station’s efforts to promote Sepedi groups who are dedicated to preserving and promoting heritage and cultural roots among young people. Nthwaleng Tlaka, founder of Ipopeng Cultural Group, said she received a surprise call from Thobela FM, inviting her group to participate in the celebration. The radio station invited Ipopeng after the cultural group made a mark by winning both the Sepedi Music Award (SEMA) and South Africans Traditional Music Awards (SATMA), respectively.

Tlaka said she was thrilled to share the opportunity with her colleague, the leader of Tsoga Morobadi Arts and Culture Project, with whom she collaborates on youth development initiatives. To her delight, Thobela FM welcomed the idea of featuring

both groups, emphasizing their need for multiple groups to showcase, rather than just one. The performance at Thobela FM’s event was a resounding success, with both groups proudly sharing their cultural heritage with millions of the station’s listeners. Tlaka expressed her gratitude to Thobela FM for recognizing their work and providing a platform to promote their cultural knowledge.

“Thank you so much Thobela FM for giving me the opportunity to advertise our heritage and cultural knowledge,” she said.

The event highlighted the importance of cultural preservation and promotion, especially among young people.

“You may sometimes be doing something that brings difference in the community not being noticed by the community you are living with, but outside there, people noticing your importance in transformation of the situation in the community,” Tlaka said.

She added that Ipopeng Cultural Group’s recognition on a provincial platform is a demonstration to the impact of their work in the community. “I feel very strong for my work to be recognized nationally,” said Tlaka.

Mozambican national sentenced to life imprisonment for brutal crimes in Dennilton



The Groblersdal Regional Court has sentenced King Petrus Chauke to life imprisonment with an additional 17 years for heinous crimes including rape of a 13-year-old girl committed in Dennilton.

GROBLERSDAL - A Mozambican national, King Petrus Chauke (39), has been sentenced to life imprisonment with an additional 17 years at the Groblersdal Regional Court for multiple offences, including the rape of a 13-year-old girl, robbery with aggravating circumstances, kidnapping, and being an illegal immigrant.

The court delivered the sentence on Wednesday 17 September 2025, with the jury ordering that the sentences run concurrently, resulting in an effective life sentence.

According to Mashudu Malabi-Dzhanghi, National Prosecuting Authority (NPA) Spokesperson in Limpopo, Chauke pleaded not guilty to all charges but made admissions under Section 220 of the Criminal Procedure Act, when witnesses were to testify.

“According to the admissions, Chauke and two unknown men targeted a home in the Dennilton area on 22 September 2020, where they pointed a firearm at the complainant and demanded money and bank cards. The victims, a woman and her 13-year-old daughter, were tied up, and Chauke and one accomplice left to withdraw money while the other stayed behind to guard them. Upon returning

without funds, they assaulted and stabbed the complainant before taking the girl to nearby bushes, where Chauke raped her and abandoned her overnight,” explained Malabi-Dzhanghi.

She added that DNA evidence linked Chauke to the crimes, leading to his arrest and in aggravation of sentence, State Prosecutor Sifiso Miya submitted a Victim Impact Report and Pre-sentence Report, highlighting the psychological and emotional trauma suffered by the victims.

“The state argued that Chauke’s selfish conduct warranted severe punishment, advocating for his permanent removal from society due to his danger to others. The court declared Chauke unfit to possess a firearm under Section 103 of the Firearms Control Act and ordered his name to be entered into the Register of Sexual Offenders,” Malabi-Dzhanghi said.

Director of Public Prosecutions in Limpopo, Advocate Ivy Thenga, welcomed the sentence, stating: “These cases provide justice and closure to victims and their families while removing violent criminals from our streets.”

She commended the efforts of Miya and other stakeholders in securing the conviction.

GENERAL NOTICE

NOTICE IN TERMS OF CLAUSE 39 OF THE ELIAS MOTSOLEDI LOCAL MUNISIPALITY LAND USE MANAGEMENT SCHEME, 2021

RENEWAL / EXTENSION OF TIME FOR A CONSENT USE FOR THE PURPOSE OF A HOLIDAY RESORT PORTIONS 149 AND 150 OF THE FARM LOSKOP SUID No. 53 – JS

We, KMC Geomatics (Reg No. 2008/017997/21), the authorized agents of the registered owners of Portions 149 and 150 of the farm Loskop Suid No. 53 – JS, hereby give notice that we have applied to the Elias Motsoaledi Local Municipality for Consent Use on the above-mentioned property, situated ±26km South of Groblersdal on the N11 road (Maroela Pub & Grill) for an Extension of Time in terms of Section 74(6) of the Elias Motsoaledi Local Municipality SPLUM by-law, 2016, more specifically to make provision for a Holiday Resort.

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 19 September 2025.

Contact details of the Authorised Municipal Employee: Mrs. K. Mapulane: 013 262 3056/7/8

Objections to or representations in respect of the application must be lodged with or made to the above-mentioned address before 19 October 2025.

Any person who is unable to read or write can consult with any staff member during office hours and assistance will be provided to write down the person’s objections or comments.

Address of authorised agent:
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Cell No 082 929 8554.
admin@kmcgeo.co.za
Ref. No.: 149/150LS

ALGEMENE KENNISGEWING

KENNISGEWING INSAKE KLOUSULE 39 VAN DIE ELIAS MOTSOLEDI PLAASLIKE MUNISIPALITEIT GRONDGEBRUIK SKEMA, 2021

VIR DIE HERNUWING/VERLENGING VAN TYD VIR 'N TOESTEMMINGSGEBRUIK VIR DIE DOEL VAN 'N VAKANSIEOORD GEDEELTES 149 EN 150 VAN DIE PLAAS LOSKOP SUID No. 53 – JS

Ons, KMC Geomatics (Reg No. 2008/017997/21), die gemagtigde agente van die geregistreerde eienaars Gedeeltes 149 en 150 van die Plaas Loskop Suid No. 53 – JS, gee hiermee kennis dat ons by die Elias Motsoaledi Plaaslike Munisipaliteit aansoek gedoen het vir die verlenging van tyd vir 'n toestemmingsgebruik op die bogenoemde eiendom, geleë ±26km Suid van Groblersdal langs die N11 pad (Maroela Pub & Grill), ingevolge Artikel 74(6) van die Elias Motsoaledi Plaaslike Munisipaliteit SPLUM bywet, 2016, meer spesifiek om voorsiening te maak vir 'n Vakansieoord.

Besonderhede van die aansoek le ter insae gedurende gewone kantoorure by die Stadsbeplanner van die Plaaslike Munisipaliteit, Van Riebeeck St 22, Groblersdal, 0470, vir 'n tydperk van 30 dae vanaf 19 September 2025.

Kontakbesonderhede van die Gemagtigde Munisipale Werknemer: Mev. K. Mapulane: 013 262 3056/7/8

Besware teen-, of vertoë ten opsigte van die aansoek moet voor 19 Oktober 2025 by bogenoemde adres ingedien of gerig word.

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Newly elected LPTA leadership set to drive industry growth

LIMPOPO - The Limpopo Provincial Tourism Association (LPTA) has announced its newly elected executive team, following the organization's Annual General Meeting (AGM) held on Wednesday 3 September 2025.

The elected officials during the meeting include Mashudu Silimela as Chairperson, Hazel Motshweni as Deputy Chairperson and Thama Ramulongo was elected Secretary of the association.

The AGM elected Filter Maluleke as Deputy Secretary while the Treasurer position was

given to Eddy Motshana.

LPTA's primary purpose is to promote, foster, and develop tourism in the Limpopo Province, working closely with stakeholders to grow the industry.

With its diverse landscapes, wildlife, and cultural heritage, Limpopo offers a wide range of tourism experiences, from game reserves and national parks to scenic routes and historical sites.

LPTA is mandated to promote tourism in the province, positioning Limpopo as a premier tourist destination.

The association supports the development of tourism products and services in the province.

LPTA provides information on tourism attractions, activities, and accommodations in Limpopo.

Under the new leadership, LPTA is expected to build on the province's tourism momentum, leveraging initiatives such as the Warm Wild Winter campaign and the Spring Campaign.

These campaigns aim to attract tourists to Limpopo's game reserves, national parks, and other attractions.

With the Limpopo Province boasting 70% of the Kruger National Park, LPTA is well-positioned to capitalize on the province's natural beauty and rich cultural heritage.

The association's efforts will focus on promoting sustainable tourism practices, supporting local businesses, and enhancing the overall tourist experience in Limpopo.



The newly elected LPTA executive, including Mashudu Silimela, Hazel Motshweni, Thama Ramulongo, Filter Maluleke and Eddy Motshana say they are determined to take the association to new heights.



Bernice van Wyk
Veterinary Science Bursar

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.

Zebediela serial rapist sentenced to five life terms



William Ramoadi Minyuku was sentenced to five life terms and an additional 165 years imprisonment for terrorizing residents in the Zebediela area.

ZEBEDIELA

A 42-year-old serial rapist, William Ramoadi Minyuku, has on Friday 19 September 2025 been sentenced to five life terms and an additional 165 years imprisonment for terrorizing residents of Sehlabeng, Hlakano, and Mshongo Villages in Zebediela area.

The Limpopo High Court in Polokwane convicted Minyuku on 23 charges, including rape, housebreaking, kidnapping, and robbery with aggravating circumstances.

According to Mashudu Malabi-Dzhanghi, National Prosecuting Authority (NPA) Spokesperson in Limpopo, Minyuku's reign of terror spanned six years, from March 2011 to April 2017, during which he broke into homes and attacked women and children on the streets, threatening them with a knife before raping and robbing them of their belongings.

"The court heard that Minyuku's actions had a profound impact on his victims, causing psychological, emotional, and physical trauma that left some forced to relocate to other villages due to loss of security and dignity," she said.

Malabi-Dzhanghi added that despite pleading not guilty,

evidence revealed that between March 2011 and April 2017, Minyuku terrorised residents of Sehlabeng, Hlakano, and Mshongo Villages.

Malabi-Dzhanghi further explained that the prosecution argued that Minyuku deliberately targeted society's most vulnerable members, and harsh sentences were the only appropriate response.

"The court ordered that the sentences run concurrently, resulting in an effective life sentence. Minyuku was also declared unfit to possess a firearm in terms of Section 103 of the Firearms Control Act 60 of 2000," she said.

Director of Public Prosecutions in Limpopo, Advocate Ivy Thenga, welcomed the court outcomes, commending State Advocate Muneiba Ratshibvumo and Sergeant Mokgaetsi Sema of the Serial and Electronic Crime Investigation Unit for their dedication and professionalism in bringing Minyuku to justice.

"Each successful prosecution is the culmination of months and even years of painstaking investigative and prosecutorial work and reflects the many similar cases successfully prosecuted daily," said Thenga.

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Cricket tournament against suicide, a huge success

MALEGALE - A cricket tournament, held at Lekgwareng Sports Ground on Saturday 20 September 2025 in Malegale Village outside Jane Furse, was a huge success with four local teams competing in a T10 Tournament.

The tournament, which was organized by Makhuduthamaga Cricket Club, aimed to fight the scourge of alcohol and substance abuse which leads to suicide among young people.

The sporting activity brings people together and promote community engagement through the power of cricket.

The top four teams in the tournament were Malegale Cricket Club, Schoonord Cricket Club, Moripane Cricket Club, and Kopanong Cricket Club.

The tournament kicked off with Moripane playing with Schoonord, with Moripane winning the toss and choosing to bat first.

They scored 86 runs, but Schoonord successfully chased the target, reaching 88 runs and winning by 6 wickets.

In another match, Malegale took on Kopanong, with Malegale winning the toss and choosing to bat first. They scored 104 runs, while Kopanong managed only 26 runs, resulting in a convincing win for Malegale by 78 runs.

According to Ewald Matlala, Chairperson of Makhuduthamaga Cricket Club, the

tournament was more than just a game, it was about building connections and supporting each other.

"As leaders in cricket, we are committed to making a difference in our local villages. We want to reach out to those who need us most, to provide support and hope. Through cricket, we can build stronger, more resilient communities," he said.

Furthermore, Matlala indicated that the tournament was also aimed at raising awareness about the devastating effects of substance abuse and the importance of seeking help.

"Today, we gather to acknowledge the challenges that substance abuse poses to our community. Drugs and alcohol can lead to devastating consequences, including the risk of suicide. As a community, we must come together to support those struggling with addiction and mental health issues," he said.

Matlala said Makhuduthamaga Cricket Club is grateful for the support received from the teams and looks forward to partnering with sponsors to drive progress in cricket development.

"We are grateful for the support and look forward to partnering with sponsors to drive progress in Makhuduthamaga Cricket Club development, ultimately elevating cricket in our villages," Matlala said.



Malegale celebrating with prizes after winning with a convincing 78 runs defeating Kopanong which scored only 26 runs.



Trophies and Medals during the tournament

