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BRAVE WOMEN IN BEIGE



"Together we move North West Province forward"



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Mopalami, October edition is Dedicated To Commendable Act Of Bravery, Vigilance, Commitment As Well As Heaps Praises to A Rare Breed Of Law Enforcement For The Extra Ordinary Act of Goodwill, This Begs for Honour, Recognition and or Reward by COSATMA Leadership. We are commending these distinguished traffic officer particularly because they went all out and heeded the call by the Minister of Police and Minister of Transport to 'go beyond the call of duty'. This they did without seeking a reward and or succumbing to rampant bribery.

One such outstanding employee is, "Chief Provincial Inspector Topa and another distinguished employee is PI Hanto. The department thus honours these officers and employees who did exceptionally well and placed the department in good stead. Their names are sure to be written with an indelible mark in the wall of recognition for colleagues and future posterities to remember these heroines and to emulate them. Since October is Transport Month in South Africa, in sync with that drive a massive OPERATION TLHASELA was held at Brits Traffic Area jointly with SAPS Hebron, Madibeng Traffic, RTMC's National Traffic Police (NTP), Members from North West Provincial Traffic, Brits Seniors Clerk and Ga Rankuwa Court. This was one of its kind operation that sought to pilot the introduction of AARTO bill.

Meanwhile, MEC Lehari with the extended management of the department had kick-started the Strategic Planning Session 2020 - 2025 . The Strategic Planning Session is a five (5) years plan and the resolution which culminates into clear and unambiguously Annual Performance Plans (APP) for each of the five financial years. This constitutes of mandate and marching orders that the department undertakes to execute without fail within the allocated budget and in a five year period.

These plans are supposed to be a concrete response to service delivery challenges identified by the communities and expressed well in community protest march demands, petitions, memorandums and concerns raised. MEC uttered that the key focus for this session is to translate the seven (7) Presidential and Government priorities into tangible plans for the department. He made emphasis that work principles should be entrenched if the department is to achieve its mandate collectively.

Sadly MEC Lehari's mother, Mme Mampedi Sinah Lehari succumbed to her illness but the mourning period was eased by prayers, home visits and support by colleagues and Moretele Community were Mama Lehari was revered. MEC is humbled....

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PI Lerato Hanto For The Extra Ordinary Act of Goodwill



PI Lerato Hanto

A motorist, was lost for words as he expressed a rare heap of praises to a traffic officer, PI Lerato Hanto, stationed in Mahikeng (JAWS). She has no doubt heeded the call to go beyond the call of duty, She did the unthinkable, by stopping theft in progress as she reprimanded the thugs.

"This, she did whilst at the same time manning road safety routine duties she does on daily basis. She has demonstrated that she is a vigilant peace officer who fights all manner of crimes, a true compatriot indeed. Well done officer Hanto, for the extra ordinary, courageous and inspirational work performed as well as the sacrifice that goes with it". Said Mr Rampagane

PI Hanto's act of good citizenship was brought to the attention of the department by Mr Rampagane himself after writing to Control PI Tshabile. This was further acknowledged by Community Safety and Transport departmental HoD Mme Botlhale Mofokeng as well as Chief Director for Transport Regulation, Rre Morule and as a sterling work deserving honour and praise as it is exemplary and worth emulating.

"This Officer was said to be focused on her duty but at the same time vigilantly alert and thereby kept an eye on an unlawful activity happening in her surroundings. She witnessed a young boy stealing a wallet from a motor vehicle pouring petrol whilst the driver was still busy and not really paying attention. She did not choose to look away and say, 'this does not concern me or my scope of work'. She rather acted bravely and approached the perpetrator about what happened. She firmly told the thug what he did was against the law and that he can be arrested for that", remarked Mr Morule.

Mr Rampagane was taking a trip from Mahikeng to Mmakgori for personal errands and he first drove to Caltex garage along the N18, Vryburg road for tyre pressure and other things. PI Hanto was there with a male colleague on their official duties, it was around 17h30. At the garage there were four young boys wondering at the garage towards the dark area on the western side. He became suspicious and parked his vehicle next near the entrance of the garage before checking tyres. One of them walked past his vehicle, then he positioned his vehicle next to the pump and noticed that the same man was standing towards the entrance of the garage in the dark area. As he was kneeling down pumping, PI Lerato noticed the same man opening the door on the other side of the vehicle, grabbed his wallet and walked away.

"Seemingly, while the man was walking away he tried to open the wallet in order to take the money and my wallet also contained every valuable card and permit one can imagine. When this happened some motorists were there minding their business. Petrol attendants were oblivious of this criminal act because they concentrated on their job. I was still speechless and could only say thank you to her before she drove away with her colleague. Should she not have acted swiftly, my trip was going to be curtailed in the hands of lurking crime". Continued Mr Rampagane with praises.

"It is this kind of government officials that we want to see serving our communities, selfless and vigilant. These are those who understand what it is to be a Peace Officer. People who have integrity, fit and reliable. Not those who extort rewards from motorists who transgress the laws. We are glad Mr Rampagane confirms that PI Hanto, never even suggested getting something in return for his goodwill. Employees are encouraged to follow suite and ensure that they serve our people with pride and honour. And for this act of goodwill the Human Resource Management Directorate, the Station Commander and Jaws will jointly present her with a token of appreciation". Concluded Mme Mofokeng.

Meanwhile motorists are reminded to remain alert and take precautions whenever they alight their vehicles. Ensure that vehicle doors are locked, windows are closed, all valuable items are not left on car seats instead they must put them inside the boot.

Commendable Act Of Bravery, Vigilance, and Commitment



CPI Topa (far right), PI Jood (front right), PI Jantjies,

The Department commends these distinguished traffic officials, as they went and heeded the call by both the Ministers of Police and Transport to **'go beyond the call of duty'**. They did this without seeking any reward and or succumbing to rampant bribery.

"Chief Provincial Inspector Topa who is the commander of highway patrol unit. Her designated unit monitors that motorists should abide by road safety measures along the N12 Road. She and her team spend most of their time patrolling the same road, and she regularly motivates and encourages the team to do their utmost irrespective of the conditions they work under. They don't flinch on the road and CPI Topa prefers to be with team personally at the operations and whereby arrests are made.

More often than not, the team comprises of a contingent of women traffic officers only, but they stamp their authority on this national road without fear nor favour". Commended Dr Kenneth Kaunda District Manager, Control PI Coodi.

A distinct opportunity presented itself when Ms Topa and the N12 Highway Patrol Unit comprising an all female team of PI Jantjies, PI Fataar, PI Jood and PI Moshwete, "was officially on duty doing normal driver and vehicle fitness tests on vehicles along the N12 in Matlosana.

"I stopped a blue Toyota Tazz and conducted an inspection on it. While conducting an inspection I realised that there was something making a movement at the back seat of the car. I noticed that it was covered with a sheet which I requested the driver to remove so that I can see the object that was moving underneath. When it was opened I realised that it was sheep. The vehicle passenger hastened to claim that they bought the sheep and were in a hurry to slaughter it in the township. They did not have receipts to show where and from whom was the sheep bought", related CPI Topa. The men attempted unsuccessfully to bribe the officer to silence but she stood her ground and refused to accept the bribe. She then escorted the driver and the passenger to the nearby Stilfontein SAPS to open a case immediately.

Heavy Duty Vehicle Drivers Showcased Their Advanced Driving Skills



The Department of Community Safety and Transport Management held a successful Heavy Duty Vehicle Professional Driver Skills Enhancement Project competition. Heavy motor vehicle drivers showcased their advanced driving skills in the North West at this annual event which is meant to sharpen their techniques and artful manoeuvres on the road.

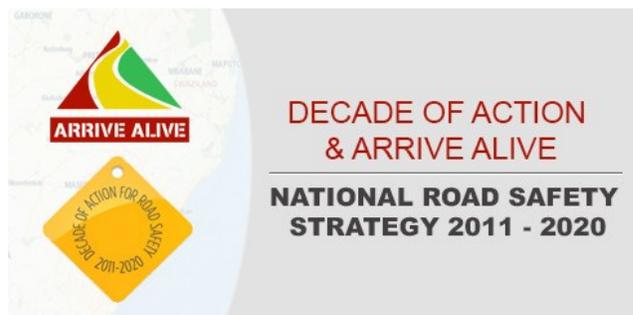
The competition was held at various districts in the province including the Ngaka Modiri Molema District, Dr Ruth Segomotsi Mompoti and Bojanala District. According to the department's Road Safety Deputy Director at Dr RSM, Morebudi Thomas, the objective of the initiative is to enhance driving skills and promote driver education in the province in an effort to reduce road accidents and incidences involving heavy duty motor vehicles.

Participants took turns to showcase their sharp driving skills on three categories which are bus, rigid trucks and articulated truck. The program includes male and female drivers from the private sector, government and private individuals. Participants were acknowledged and complimented on their levels of professionalism as well as for their knowledge and contribution towards road safety in general. Thomas expressed his gratitude to all the drivers who participated in the competition and encouraged them to promote road safety wherever they go.

"Congratulations not only to the winners but to all drivers who participated in this project. We cannot all be winner but the fact that you took part in the competition tells us that you have right ethic conduct and good attitude towards road safety. That is what counts in the long run. Well done to all participants!" he said enthusiastically. Position one participants in all categories received a shopping gift vouchers to the value of R2500. The second position holder received vouchers worth R2000 and position three received a voucher worth R1750.

All other participants received a consolation gift from Road Safety Unit. Road Safety Director, Motshabi Tshukudu thanked the leadership of Community Safety and Transport Management for a successful event. She went on to single out and appreciate the partnership forged with various stakeholders including Coke, South African Breweries, Atamelang, Thari Bojanala Phumatra Bus Services and Mining Companies.

The Limpopo Department of Transport sent a handful delegation of officials to the Bojanala competition to benchmark, share good practices and observe how the province fares well with this worthwhile initiative.



"WHAT A GREAT SPORTS YEAR" WELL DONE TO ALL THE PARTICIPANTS!



From right: Open Soccer (Defending Champs for 2020). Floating Trophy. Ladies Soccer (Defending Champs for 2020). Tennis men's singles 1st place. Men's Veteran Soccer 3rd place and Netball Open 3rd Place

What a brilliant sports day! The teams had a fantastic team spirit full of determination and passion. They all made us very proud! A very fun sports week enjoyed by all, 2019 National Employee Wellness, Sports and Recreation tournament (NEWSREC) held in Cape Town.

The recent opening of the 2019 National Employee Wellness, Sports and Recreation tournament NEWSREC, had government officials across South Africa filled with enthusiasm and could not wait to start with the tournament. The tournament consists of the Provincial and National departments of Community/Public Safety and Public Works, Roads and Infrastructure. NEWSREC tournament started with 10km run and 5km fun walk in the early hours of the morning, where the runners and walkers enjoyed the morning breeze of Wynberg Military Base Sports ground in Cape Town where the tournament was held.

Officials participating in different sporting codes performed well. "The NEWSREC tournament is improving every year, and that excite me as the chairperson of this committee. It clearly shows that our organizing committee really care for the wellbeing of officials and is continuing to raise the bar of the tournament each year, Said Mr Montwedi Nonjala. The tournament has been running for 16 years and receives a positive response each year. The aim of the tournament is to encourage officials to live a healthy lifestyle by exercising regularly for them to be productive in their daily activities with no ailments caused by obesity and hypertension that could be avoided by exercising.

The North West Community Safety and Transport Management participants walloped other Provinces with the following results, 2019 Champions of the Tournament are Men Open Soccer and Ladies Soccer by both obtaining position 1. Handicap player Mr Hendrik Venter is the 2019 Overall winner of the Golf Tournament and Mr Tsikwe received gold in the Tennis singles

Managers are encouraged to be part of the teams and participate in order to lead by example. "I'm very impressed with the performance of our teams in the NEWSREC tournament and they have shown that, they came prepared to show how hard they have been working during the pre-tournament practice sessions", said Mr Ramaroko the tournament Director. Other teams from the other provinces came prepared as well and that is why there was tough competition, but competition of improving our wellbeing and promoting healthy lifestyle of exercising regularly and being fit as the tournament promotes that. 2020 NEWSREC will be hosted by Limpopo Province -"wellness, a key to healthy lifestyle"

What a great sports week! Well done to all the teams for your amazing team spirit and of course a big well done to all the winning teams of 2019!

Youth In Business Embraces 4IR at Dr Ruth Segomotsi Mompoti District



As the fourth industrial revolution takes over from the third, business owners need to prepare themselves to change and align their daily business operation to the current technology and digital base. The old way of farming needs to change as new models of farming which includes Urban Farming is set to benefit the farmers. The following constitute ways in which such benefit will enhance farming. Optimal and efficient use of productive land, production of healthy and organic food to supply to the community, local and big retail stores. Re-use the water to water the garden especially where the water level in South Africa is getting low.

Recently the department of Community Safety and Transport Management together with different stakeholders held a Youth Capacity Development in Vryburg, Dr Ruth Segomotsi Mompoti District under the theme: "Creating Innovative Thinkers Towards The Fourth Industrial Revolution". Many Youth in business came in numbers to listen to what the stakeholders had on offer as a way to help their business grow and develop to match the fourth industrial revolution requirements. The fourth industrial revolution is about more than just technology -driven change, but the real opportunity is for everyone to think and look beyond technology.

Mr Leslie Montshiwa from Nedbank, Vryburg branch made a presentation aimed at encouraging all the business owners to think out of the box as well as think of solutions as quickly as possible. "Because if you don't, soon your services will no longer be needed. Because retail industry, farming sector and all business sectors are changing from human services to automated robotic self-services models. The same things applies to the banking sectors. So make sure that employees in the business are not left out with the job, they need to be trained and qualified in relevant 4IR skills. You must have relevant techniques and move with the times". He emphasised. Business owners expressed their heartfelt gratitude to the department's initiative and insightful information of youth by stakeholders such as ABSA Bank, SEDA, Nedbank, Transport Education Training Authority (TETA), Department of Finance – Provincial Treasury and LED Unit from Kagisano-Molopo Local Municipality.

"As a small business farmers we are facing a difficulty of drought as the rain is scarce of late due to climate change. There is no water in dams for cattle, goats and sheep to drink from. This affects areas around places like Taung and the Department of Agriculture need to help farmers to be able to sustain their businesses during this difficult times. This is a threat to food security in our country. I would like to request the Department of Community Safety and Transport Management to set aside a meeting to review of progress. All business owners who are invited today must gauge if they are in line with the 4IR requirements and seek assistance where possible". Urged Mr Modisaotsile Shomolekae from Shomolekae Farming Empire in Taung. "This initiative will proceed to other district of the province to grant the youth in business the same opportunity, information and guidance". Concluded the programme coordinator Ms Lesego Lobelo, Special Programmes Unit – Department of Community Safety and Transport Management.

TLHALOSO BOKHUTSWANE KA GA BOITUMELO MADEDE



Ms. Boitumelo Madede

Boitumelo Madede o bonetswe ko Klerksdorp ko motsesetoropo wa Joubertina ko a simolotseng dithuto tsa gagwe teng go fitlhela a konosetsa ka mophato wa marematlou. Morago o ne a tswelletsa dithuto tsa gagwe tse di kgolwane kwa Vaal University of Technology kwa a neng a ithutela Diploma tsa Labour Relations mme serutwa segolo e le Industrial Relations and Labour law.

"Ke simolotse go dira jaaka moithutela-tirong ko lefapheng la Ditiro Tsa Setshaba ka ngwaga wa 2010, morago ka ya go dira ko lefapheng la Puso Selegae morago ga foo ka bona tiro ko lefapheng la Boitekanelo. Ke ile ka bona tiro e ke leng mo go yone gone jaanong mo lefapheng la Tshireletso ya Baagi le Tsamaiso ya Dipalangwa ka Seetebosigo 2019" Boitumelo Madede a lotologa.

Madede o dira jaka Mothusa Motsamaisa "Assistant Director" mo lekaleng la Dikamano Tsa Badiri "Labour Relations" mo lefapheng la Tshireletso ya Baagi le Tsamaiso ya Dipalangwa. "Ke itemogetse gore badiri ka bontsi ba tlhoka kitso ka ga lekala la dikamano tsa badiri mme ba feleletsa ba le mo kgatelelong ya maikutlo ka sengwe se se ka bong se diragalang mo tirong se tlhoka tsirigano kgotsa tshedimose tso ya rona ka ntlha ya go tlhoka kitso. Ke rotloetsa badiri gore ba etele dikantoro tsa rona mo ntlo-kgolo ya lefapha fa ba batla go itse gole gontsi ka lekala larona la dikamano tsa badiri" Madede o a tlhalosa.

Madede o tlhalositse fa a tla tswelletsa dithuto tsa gagwe le Unibetshi ya Aforikaborwa ngwaga o o tlang wa dithuto 2020 go ithutela "Advanced Labour Law". Boitumelo o kaile fa maitemogelo a gagwe mo lefapheng ga jaana ele a a itumedisang ele tota "ke itumelela ka mo dilo di tsamaisiwang ka teng mo lefapheng ebile ke kgona go bona twelelopele thata mo tirong ya rona".

" We welcome you and wish you the very best"

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