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## Department distribute animal drawn carts to Madibe-a-makgabane village outside Mahikeng



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## EDITOR'S NOTE



It is an honour to present you once again and this time a re-vamped publication of Mopalami News that has been compiled to play a major role in ensuring pro-activity and educating our readers about the department and its programmes.



This is a publication that we constantly intend to reach the majority of our communities and continuously interact with them aiming to understand their needs, challenges, experiences, their views and their inputs on how best can we achieve our mandate of National Development Plan of working to ensure that: "people living in South Africa feel safe at home, school and at work, and they enjoy a community life free of fear. Women work freely in the street and children play safely outside. And further to ensure improved access to economic opportunities, social spaces and services by bridging geographic distances affordably, reliably and safely."

Those are Chapter 4 and 12 of the NDP Vision 2030, which are the responsibilities of this department, and without our communities' role, the above won't be achievable, hence we present to you this publication that will now create a platform of engagements between us and communities.

In this edition of Mopalami News, we present you articles that are going to enlighten you about programmes of the department, our successes as far as service delivery is concerned, our efforts to change people's lives for better and our intentions on how we need to work together to create a breezing air for women and children out there. We are delighted to inform you that articles published in this publication are a true reflection of services rendered to the communities of Bokone Bophirima Province.



Mr Thabo Sematle  
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It is my humble request that you make the best of information shared here and contribute into making Mopalami News a useful tool in sharing ideas on how to improve service delivery and also how to better your life for good. You are welcome to contact the editorial team on contacts provided below and share your views on ways of improving.

Enjoy the much awaited edition of Mopalami News and use the best of success stories and commitments covered.

Bomme le bontate, it is a great pleasure to bring you a copy of Mopalami News, enjoy your read and be free to excise your right of freedom of speech and expression by submitting your comments and suggestions.

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# HOD 's Service Facts



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We are set for speeding service delivery in 2018/19 fiscal year

With responsibilities bestowed upon ourselves as public servants to touch on the lives of every citizen in this province we remain committed to go deep and deep to those areas we haven't reached in the past years since the inception of democratic government.

This will do as we intend for this calendar to increase delivery of non motorized transport, a program at which we distribute bicycles to learners travelling between 2-7km to access basic education. Again in this programme we distribute animal drawn carts to families in need and we will definitely increase services to those in rural areas.

Informed by the NDP outcomes which affects our Department, youth and women empowerment remains central. We will continue to recruit unemployed youth through our learnership programme with main objective of increasing traffic officers to ensure compliance on our roads. Our relations with businesses, external stakeholders and cooperatives will ease our intensions of continuing to empower women in all aspects more especially in the transport fraternity as we are already working closely with sectors such as the South African Women in Transport (SANWIT).

I want to take this opportunity to call upon our communities and all stakeholders from across the province to join hands with us in this 2018/19 financial year in the fight against crime.

I guess we can all agree that crime is a winnable fight if we work in an integrated approach hence we must all pull sleeves to create a secured environment. My special request goes to our motorists and road users at large to always obey and comply with the road rules, cooperate when stooped by our dedicated men & women in beige.

Enjoy this publication of Mopalami News, let us meet again in our next edition.



## R2 million set aside for safety patrollers to fight crime in NW

Community Safety and Transport Management MEC, Dr Mpho Motlhabane says the Department will intensify fight against crime and ensures that communities of the Province leaves in a crime free environment.

“We are intensifying efforts to fight crime and we are doing so by engaging our communities because we are working on an intergrated effort to create crime free environment for our communities.

For this financial year, we will continue implementing community safety patrollers in the four districts of the Province,” says Motlhabane on his budget speech.

The MEC, outlined to the Legislature that the Department of Public Works has allocated an Incentive Grant of R2 million for the appointment of 100 patrollers and the Department will utilise equitable share to meet the target of 400.

“Other programmes aimed at sensitizing and educating our communities will include Crime Prevention through environmental design, Prevention of violence against Vulnerable Groups including children, youth, women, persons living with disabilities, elderly and Anti-Substance Abuse, Anti Gangsterism, School Safety and Rural Safety,” said MEC Motlhabane, who further outlined that the Department

will fund crime fighting structures through transfer payment worth R1million.

To date the Safety patrollers programme has successfully benefitted a total of 387 unemployed men and women in all the four Districts of the Province.

The Department has further forged partnerships with other Government Departments and Municipalities in implementing Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED) programme, being done through the debushing of identified crime hotspots.

On the school safety programme which is one of the key activities of the Department in fighting crime in communities, 100 identified priority schools and issues related to bullying, gangsterism, substance abuse and dangerous weapons. A total of 19 280 learners were reached through the programme.

“We have addressed the scourge of sexual offences and domestic violence and hosted a community dialogue on Gender Based Violence in Ganyesa during the 16 Days of Activism Campaign, where a total of 737 community members, departments, organizations and other stakeholders attended.



## Constant monitoring of learner transport in NW



The provision of learner transport by the Department of Community Safety and Transport Management to rural learners travelling more than seven kilometres to school doesn't only bring relief to the destitute children but also creating job opportunities to the unemployed.

This programme has contributed to the employment in the Province, directly and indirectly through appointed operators, drivers and technically mechanics. With the provision of this programme mostly to rural areas, a number of challenges have been experienced such as overloading, non-compliance to the contract by operators and unroadworthy vehicles.

In delaing with all these listed, the Department took a decisive decision to appoint Supervising and Monitoring Firms (SMFs) to verify and validate claim of operators and ensure that government gets value for money from the operators.

“Our decision to provide our learners in rural and farm areas with safe, reliable and cost effective transport, was not taking the Constitutional mandate of Education to provide Education, but was meant to ensure easy access to educational facilities and cut on the travelling time and dangers our learners were exposed to,” says Dr Mpho Motlhabane, the MEC for Community Safety and Transport Management in the Province.

In the last financial year, 2017/18, the Department has managed to transport about 56 287 by 207 operators with 703 buses.



## **DEPARTMENT HONORS ITS OFFICIALS IN SPORT-**

Attendees with inclusion of senior management stood up to join the ladies and gents who were at the top of their voices as the Head of the Department Ms Botlhale Mofokeng started to award the open soccer players during the Departmental sport awards that was held at the Mafikeng Airport.

This team has put the Department and the North West Province flag high when they came home with gold medals and trophy from the National employee wellness and recreation tournament (Newsrec) tournament in Bloemfontein in the Free State Province.

It was a thrilling moment to have all department officials of different sporting codes gathering under the one roof, and waiting patiently to be honored after incredibly performance at tournament. Sporting codes participated at the tournament were open and veteran soccer, ladies soccer, volleyball, netball, golf and 10km race at the grand opening of the tournament.

As former president of South Africa, Nelson Mandela once said "Sports have the power to change the world. It has a power to unite people in a way that little else does".

The Department annually participated in this Newsrec where National and Provincial Departments Public Works and Public Safety a platform to compete against each other in various sporting

codes to promote exercising and healthy living style amongst the departmental staff. The tournament usually takes around the last quarter of the year and is rotating in all 9 Provinces of South Africa.

At the awards ceremony departmental MEC, Dr Mpho Motlhabane thanked the all the officials in sports to participated in the tournament, and performed very well. "I am very proud of you all and what makes me happy is that you brought trophies to department and shows that saamwerk, saamtrek philosophy does really work and that is why you claimed champions of the tournament in the open soccer and do well in other sporting codes," said Motlhabane.

He further asked all officials in sports to continue to raise the name of the department and province very high in this years' tournament and encourage other officials to participate in sport to keep themselves healthy and combat ailment.

In an open soccer department took first position in this category, ladies soccer took second position, also in golf department performed very well and in other sporting codes department was well represented and unfortunately didn't make to finals and they are determined to come sternly in 2018 tournament that will be held in the place that will be announced in due course of the year.

## **SPORT AND HEALTHY ACTIVITIES UNITE THE DEPARTMENT STAFF**

Implementing the 4th campaign of the Setsokotsane 10x10; 'Healthy Living', the Department of Community Safety and Transport Management officials continues to participate in different sporting codes across the Province.

Following the size of the Department and number of participants within, the sub-directorate Wellness constantly encourage and organize departmental district games, which are played every Wednesday. Recently, the Head Office soccer played against officials of Ngaka Modiri Molema district in a soccer match that was held in Itsoseng sports ground.

Both teams came prepared for soccer match, which was breath taking and keeping the spectators from Itsoseng community in full capacity on the edge of their sits.

The match went to half time in goalless and second half started with Ngaka Modiri Molema putting attacks to Head Office, which they ultimately turned into 3 leading goals. The game ended with 3-1, after the Head Office managed to get itself a consoling goal.

The participation and commitment of officials in these games shows their satisfaction and they are thankful for the platform, with words that it keeps them fit, healthy and enable them to socialize and connect with their fellow officials

to promote healthy living lifestyle to combat obesity, high blood pressure and other illness.

## DIKARAKI DI NEELWA BAAGI BA KWA MADIBE-A-MAKGABANE BA BA TLHOKANG DIPALANGWA GO TOKAFATSA MATSHELO A

Di kilometara tse some a mararo kapa go feta kwa ntle ga toropo ya Mahikeng, mo mmileng wa N18 go ya Vryburg, go motse-selegae o bidiwang Madibe-a-Makgabane. Ke motse o kga-kajana le toropo, dipalangwa tsa botlhe di a tlhokega, gape o kgakala le ditirelo tsa puso. Bontsi jwa baagi ba motse ono ba santse ba le mo lehumeng, basha ba sa direng mme bontsi jwa baagi ba ikaegile thata ka tsa temo le leruo go iphidisa. Bangwe ba baagi ba dira jaaka barobisi mo dipolaseng tse di mabapi le bone.

Lefapha la Tshireletso ya baagi le Tsamaiso ya Dipalwangwa le bone go le botlhokwa go abela baagi ba dikaraki tse di gogiwang ke ditonki kapa dipitsi. Kabelano e ya di karaki, ke ngwe ya mananeo-tema a lefapha le a tsenyang tirisong go atisa tiriso ya dikolotsana tse di sa dirising lookwane (Non-Motorised Transportation). Mme seno ke maiteko a go thusa go tlhofufatsa matshelo, mot-samao, le kgolagano ya baagi.

Ka tsereganyo e, baagi ba tla kgona go fitlhelela ditirelo di tshwana le go ya mafelo a dikamogelo tsa katlaatlalelo lo-ago bobebe, ba tla kgona go go ya nokeng, morakeng, dipolaseng, go rwalela dikgong le go ya bookelong ka bofefe.

Bagodi ba ba dulang kgakala le ditirelo, ba ba nang le bokoa jwa mmele, ba ba bobolang le ba ba dikobo dikhutshwane ba ne ba senolwa ke kgosi Tawana le morafe, ele bone ba ba tlhokang go



abelwa dikaraki tse, ka ntlha ya seemo le maemo a ba iphitlelang bale mo go ona.

Kgosi Tawana wa Motse o wa Madibe-a-Makgabane, o ne a itumetse thata ka lenaane-tema le. "Ke lebogela puso ya Bokone Bophirima le lefapha la ga Mokhuduthamaga Motlhabane fa le ile la bona go tshwanela go tlola metse le metsana mme a re neela tlotla le seriti sa go neelwa ditirelo ke puso. Baagi ba motse wa me ka kakaretso le malapa a a neetsweng dikaraki tse ba itumetse, ba leboga ebile ba ak-gola tiragatso e ya lefapha. Se se tla thusa thata mo go nolofatseng matshelo a baagi".

Ga se fela Kgosi Tawana yo a bontshitseng boitumelo jo, le baagi ba motse ba ne ba thuntshitse lerole ka medudutsane le melodi ya boitumelo. Mongwe wa baamogedi ba dikaraki, Rre Jacob Kgwadibane a re o leboga fa lefapha le sa lemoga fela ditlhokego tsa bone lo bo lo nye-

lela, mme ba bona go le mosola go ba thusa. "Re solofetsa go tlhokomela dikariki tseno sentle le go dirisa maele a re a amogetseng gompiano ka ga tiriso e mosola ya dikolootsana tse".

Rre Morule, motsamaisimogolo wa lefapha la Tshireletso ya Baagi le Tsamaiso ya Dipalwangwa, o konotetse neelano e ya ditirelo go baagi ka gore; "ke mai-karabelo a lefapha go tlisa ditirelo tse di tla nolofatsang matshelo a baagi le go ba tswela mosola. Mme ke mai-karabelo a baagi gore fa ba bone ditirelo le di diriswa, ba di tlhokomele, ba di dirise maleba mme ba di somarele.



Nelson Mandela  
Centenary  
2018  
Be the Legacy

# ACTIVITIES OF THE MONTH



## Dept accelerate delivery of non-motorized transport

Non-motorised transport is the most dominant in the villages of Bokone Bophirima and had been in existence from time in memorial. This mode of transport has been used for ploughing, movement of people, good and services for ages.

For years back, the Department deemed it fit to assist communities especially those in rural areas who are dependant in this mode of transport and delivers bicycles and animal drawn cards to deserving families and school learners.

Now recently, the Department has and continues to accelerate the pace in the delivery of bicycles to learners who walk between two and five kilometres to and from schools on daily basis, adding with the distribution of Animal Drawn Carts to communities in rural areas.

“This is a means of transport used in deep rural areas where people are transported to clinics, pension pay-points, learners to school, transportation of goods, including water, wood, groceries and furniture.

Many of our rural areas in the Province are still reliant on these carts for them to reach their destinations and reaching access to services and this enhances access to basic services in rural areas,” these were the words of the Departmental MEC, Dr Mpho Motlhabane.

About 1000 bicycles were donated to learners at schools and 26 Animal Drawn Carts to deserving communities. The Department has partnered with the National Department of Transport, the Provincial Department of Education and Sports Development to ensure the success on this programme.

“We will also continue to distribute Animal Drawn Carts in Ngaka Modiri Molema District Municipality and Dr. Ruth Segomotsi Mompati District Municipality, particularly in rural areas where they are needed most.

We have also conducted a transport need analysis in schools around Itsoseng and surrounding areas and commit to distribute over 1000 bicycles to learners over and above the provisioning of the bus scholar transport in the area,” said MEC.

Non-motorised is a safe, reliable and affordable mode of transport for rural-based communities in the Province.

Access to reliable, safe and affordable transport services by every citizen of this province and the country at large is a fundamental policy of government. Public transport, in most of rural areas and villages is inaccessible due to number of factors, which contributes to less public transport making the service inaccessible and unaffordable for rural communities.

In some areas, people are forced to walk long distances to get to the pick-up points before they could ultimately access public transport and with the donation of this animal drawn carts, they are shorten their walking distance to pick-up points. This is our possible alternative to provide you with an affordable, reliable and efficient mode of transport in support of the social and economic development needs in the rural communities of our Province,” concluded Motlhabane.





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