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MEC MOHONO DISCOVERES ANOTHER A HIDDEN TOURISM TREASURE

North West MEC for Tourism Desbo Mohono appealed to all tourism product owners to ensure that their establishments are accessible for all. MEC Mohono was speaking during her “Tourism Fridays – Wake Up with the MEC” in an interactive Radio live show, hosted at a less popular tourist destination of Kudus Rus Game Lodge and Predator Farm outside Boshhoek, in the Moses Kotane Local Municipality recently.

According to MEC Mohono, this year’s Tourism Month theme (“**Tourism for All: Promoting Universal Accessibility**”) is very relevant to her appeal. She said that people with disability are still not being catered for at most tourism establishments across the province and should be addressed as soon as possible. “Tourism is for everyone. And as the MEC I have seen many people living with disability struggle to have access into our establishments. I am referring to infrastructure such as Ramps, Toilets, Bath, Brail facilities for the blind and many more. Therefore nobody should be discriminated against,” said Mohono.

Mohono further praised the owners of the Kudus Rus game Lodge and Predator farm Fraciour Greeff who has created jobs and continues to offer low prices for local tourists in his lion farm outside Boshhoek near Rustenburg. She said that the farm is one of those hidden tourism attractions in the province that needs marketing to further attract more tourists to visit the areas. The farm owner appreciated the initiative by government and vowed to continue to work with the department in some future projects, such as skills development.

Meanwhile MEC Mohono further also took the opportunity to invite old women around the Moses Kotane area to a game drive around the Pilanesburg. She said that majority of those invited have grow up around the game park, but have never toured not experience the fan around the parks.

She said that through the Gogo's on Tour programme by her department, elderly people should also have access into out tourism establishments. "Through their social clubs most of the elders can be able to enjoy the leisure and get to refresh their minds. We know that the elderly are taking care of their grand children and the programme is just a way of also introducing them our short left campaign," said Mohono as she concluded.

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