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# GELANE FINALLY FIRES MFENEZIYAMTHOBA

By Starsky Mkhonta  
Nhlango

IT is now official, outspoken KoNtshingila Indvuna Mfeneziyamthoba Magagula has been removed from the position.

When announcing his removal from the position he held for years, Acting Chief, Inkhosatane Gelane Zwane minced no words saying Magagula was now behaving like he was the 'chief' of the area and failed to accord her any respect.

She said the last straw was when Magagula used the media as his battle field to attack her, something that pushed her to the decision to fire him.

Zwane said she took the decision after realising that there were now serious differences between her and Magagula in the way he was executing his role.

She said as there was a saying that:

● You might have been aware that he then resorted to using the media to fight me. I have therefore decided to have him removed instead of the two of us looking like we are equals.



**YOUR TIME IS UP:** KoNtshingila Indvuna Mfeneziyamthoba Magagula has been fired by Acting Chief Inkhosatane Gelane Zwane.

"You can't have two bulls in one kraal", a decision that one of them should leave was the only way to deal with the situation.

"You might have been aware that he then resorted to using the media to fight me. He used the newspapers in trying to settle a score with me

when he knew the right platform to use if he was aggrieved. I have therefore decided to have him removed instead of the two of us looking like we are equals. After all, I belong to the household and therefore there is nowhere I can go and I am here as the right authority while he held that position he was entrusted with by me.

He has tried to elevate himself to the same position I am holding and therefore he should go," said Zwane.

## Failed

Magagula was removed in absentia as he failed to be part of the meeting and no clear reasons were given why he opted not to attend as others claimed they came across him driving towards the Manzini direction early in the morning.

It has all along been coming and indicators were there that his days were numbered as Indvuna, a position which saw him winning battles for Zwane but on Saturday all this came to an end.

After all has been said and done, Magagula is now an ordinary subject.

Inkhosatane Gelane in a well

attended meeting at Nhlambeni which is a mini chiefdom near Sibetsamoya, announced that after realising that Magagula was now thickheaded and a law unto himself, she has resolved to remove him.

Close to 1000 residents attended the meeting where Zwane axed Magagula.

"Besekungye lophetse mine. Tinkunzi letimbili atihlalelani ngako waMagagula kufike esincumeni kutsi ngimehlise," the now healthy looking Zwane said when announcing the removal of Magagula.

## Troubled

Zwane who was accompanied by senior members of the ruling KoNtshingila household said she was troubled a lot when she learned that a number of people were allocated land without the KaGwegwe leadership's knowledge.

Zwane did not announce a replacement for Magagula but only mentioned that senior Indvuna of KaGwegwe Mageza Mazibuko was to frequent the area and work on appointing 'libandla' which would report to the main royal residence, KaGwegwe.

## Two new 'Ponzi schemes' hit our shores

By Gugu Simelane  
Mbabane

BARELY two months after Swazis have been hard hit by the MMM Ponzi scheme from South Africa that saw their 'donated' monies being frozen and eventually being lost, a number of women are now flocking to join two other Ponzi schemes dubbed the Big Buxx Swaziland and Empowerment Gener.

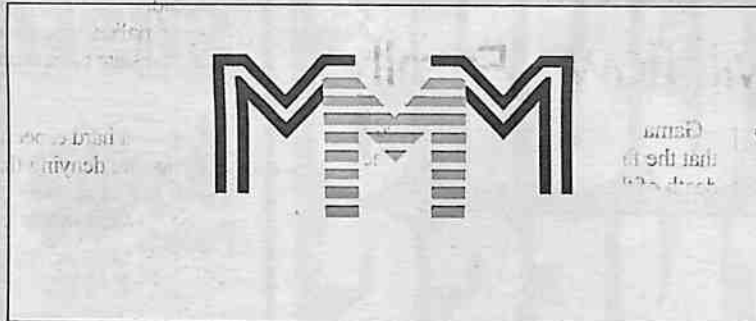
The schemes promise its members five times the money contributed in not more than a week.

Big Buxx Swaziland and Empowerment Gener are about a month old and have been born after the failure of the infamous MMM from RSA.

A number of the MMM members have jumped ship after the Ponzi scheme which they defended so much ripped them off and left them high and dry.

The freezing and losing of their MMM 'mavros' as they dubbed their currency did not dampen the love for 'get-rich-quick' schemes as they have been quick to jump ship.

One of the managers of the Big Buxx Swaziland who wanted her identity to be anonymous said "Big Buxx Swaziland is a clone of Big Buxx South Africa, after the collapse of MMM we saw South Africans inviting us to join the Big Buxx South Africa on social media as they did with MMM. After taking some time to look at how their 'stokvel' work we realised that their process was easy and doable,



but instead of joining them we opted to opening our own Big Buxx Swaziland, with a network of people who are in our locality".

## Transparent

"The rules are simple and everything is transparent, the money exchange is done for all to see, every transaction is done in the open and our members are aware of what is going on with their money.

Our transactions happen on a WhatsApp group. All our members are required to have either the mobile money service or have a First National Bank account so they can utilise the e-wallet service when making payments" she said.

The two Ponzi schemes are circulating the same message which looks like this; "Stage one, you pay your 'upliner' E500, on the next list you get paid E500 x 5 = E2 500. You keep E1000 upgrade E1 500 to your manager allocated to you. Stage two, on the next list you get paid E1 500 x 5 = E7 500 as a manager. You keep E6 000 and donate E1000 in the Big Buxx Swaziland account to boost the 'downliners'. You then start the cycle again with E500 as a 'downliner' and the cycle continues"

The 'downliners', who are new members are required to readily have the E500 in their accounts so that they can immediately deposit the money once their names are allocated to deposit money to an 'upliner'.

The cycle is said to rotate faster if members recruit more people to join the illegal scheme.

## Members

A glimpse at Big Buxx Swaziland's WhatsApp group, the communication network is like a highway, 'managers' posting names of members to be paid (upliner) with names of five members to pay (downliner), other members were lamenting that they haven't received their pay from all the downliners, with others complaining that it has been a while since they paid the E500 yet they have not been allocated people to pay them to managers calling for members to recruit more people so the cycle can be faster.

Just like MMM members, Big Buxx Swaziland and Empowerment Gener members who have already been paid are vouching at the authenticity of the Ponzi scheme.



**OUR LEADER -** Newly appointed Chief Mboziswa II holding a spear while Inkhosikati LaShongwe looks on during the ceremony which was held at Velezizweni on Saturday. (Courtesy Picture)

## After 13 years, Velezizweni gets new chief

By Sifiso Nhlabatsi

After 13 years of living without a Chief the community of Velezizweni can finally breathe a sigh of relief as Prince Mboziswa was finally installed as the new Chief of the area on Saturday.

In a ceremony which was attended by thousands of community members and Chiefs from surrounding areas, Prince Mboziswa II was introduced by Inkhosikati LaShongwe as a leader of Velezizweni community. This comes long after the demise of the late Ndwandwe II in 2003. According to Mhlonipheni Shiyinkhane Msibi who is Indvuna Yenkhundla at Ngwempisi the installation of Prince Mboziswa marks a new era for the subjects of Mboziswa.

Msibi stated that living without the rightful chief proved to be a challenge for the community as there were a lot of land disputes which were unsolved.

Msibi stated that at some point in time the situation got so bad in such a way that last year bandlan-cane of the area was rounded up by police and put behind bars because of a land dispute issue that got out of hand. The incident saw about 40 men being arrested for demolishing a homestead.

The elated Msibi stated that he is hoping that now that there is a chief such will be a thing of the past.

"We are tired of bogus chiefs who were taking advantage of the situation by allocating land to people" the Headman stated.

He further added that there are three places which are very troublesome when it came to land disputes but they couldn't do anything because they do not have the right to meddle into land issues as commoners. Msibi stated that all that they are waiting for now was for the Chief to be rightfully installed by His Majesty King Mswati III as the Chief of the area.



# MAGICIAN'S DEATH; TOP COPS VISIT WITNESS

## COVER STORY

Stories by Samukelisiwe Ginindza  
Mbabane

**THE** Royal Swaziland Police Hhohho Regional Commissioner Charles Tsabedze and Assistant Superintendent Charles Simelane visited the home of the street vendor who witnessed police officers dump the late magician Mduduzi Gama.

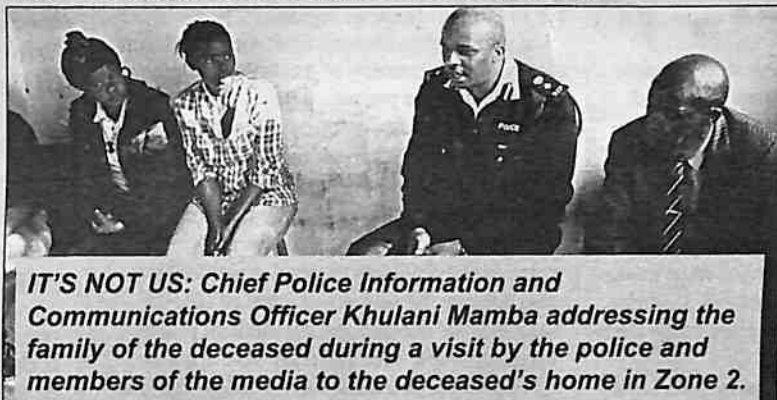
The witness' home is situated in Mvakwelitje. The witness whose name cannot be revealed in fear of victimisation confirmed the visit by the top police officers.

However, she asked not to comment on the visit because she was now running scared. What scares her the most is that police are now frequenting her home. The visit by the top police officers came after the witness had been earlier taken to the police headquarters in Mbabane allegedly for further questioning as regards on what she saw on the fateful day.

It is not clear what exactly the two top police officers' mission was and if they did not intimidate the witness about speaking to the press.

Meanwhile, the eye witness insists she saw police vehicle dump Gama on

● Witness who is a street vendor asked not to comment on the visit because she was now running scared.



**IT'S NOT US:** Chief Police Information and Communications Officer Khulani Mamba addressing the family of the deceased during a visit by the police and members of the media to the deceased's home in Zone 2.

the road.

She further insists that she saw two police officers alight from the front seat of the vehicle to assist Gama disembark.

### Mistaking

Police now doubt that the witness indeed saw the police officers dump Gama on the road. They suspect she is mistaking a police van with those of security companies.

PRO Khulani Mamba speaking to our sister publication said it was unfair to apportion blame to the police.

But the witness wants to hear none of it.

"I am old and smart enough to tell

between a police vehicle and those from security companies. What I saw was a police car and the two officers were clad in police uniform," she insisted yesterday in an interview.

She said the male officer alighted first from the driver's seat to assist the deceased disembark before the female officer came to hand him the plastic bag with his belongings.

"The female officer said to the deceased *tsatsa nanati timphahla takho* and he responded *chake akusito timphahla leto liphilishi lami*," she said.

His family suspect he was on his way home and this was the food he meant to eat before he slept he had no wife.

## God will punish killers, tears will flow - Family

**THE** distraught family of slain magician Mduduzi Gama has warned that anyone who had a hand in the death of their son will pay with his or her life.

They will 'pray' for the death of the culprits and by so doing God will avenge for their loss.

The family said they will not only rely

on the police in bringing the suspects to book but their mode of investigation that involves prayer will be employed.

They disclosed this when this publication paid them a visit yesterday at their home in Zone 2, where they were found in a sombre mood and still finding it hard to believe what befell the magician.

Gama's little sister Ncomile stated that the families of the suspects in the death of their brother will also shed a tear or two when God avenges. For now two unknown police officers are blamed for the death of Gama. They were allegedly seen by a market vendor dumping a weary Gama in the middle of the road last week. He later died.

## Funeral after post-mortem

**THE** funeral arrangements for the dead magician will be started after a post-mortem which will be done on Wednesday.

It can be revealed however that the deceased will be buried in

Dlangeni, where he is originally from.

### Cause

The post-mortem will also reveal the cause of death, which is what the family hopes for.

## Deceased was last seen at Yemfo Bar

**THE** deceased Mduduzi Gama was last seen at Yemfo Bar in Mbabane on Wednesday noon, enjoying his drinks.

This was revealed by his brother Wireless who said he got that information from someone who last saw the deceased at the said bar.

The family mentioned that they

hoped the police will obtain this information and use it to find the truth.

"We want to find closure as well, it is bad enough to lose someone you love, but it's worse to lose them and be left with unanswered questions, a lot of them," Ncomile the deceased's sister stated.

## Deceased preferred walking home after a night of fun

**THE** family of the deceased magician Mduduzi Gama have come out to state that he preferred walking home after his night of fun, than hiring a taxi.

This was mentioned by his younger brother Wireless Gama, who said the deceased liked to walk home from town or any other place.

"We suspect the police officers might have knocked him down with their vehicle or they beat him too much after he was found walking next to the road in the wee hours of the morning, mistaking him for a robber before dumping him at Mvakwelitje to die," he said.

"How can police officers leave a man in that state by the road

instead of taking him to hospital or keep him in their cells until he was alright," Gama questioned.

Wireless added that he strongly believes that the police know the whole truth and now they are trying to run away from it.

"There is something that the police said to a journalist who was there taking pictures that still gives me sleepless nights," he said.

He mentioned that one of the police officers at the death scene threatened a journalist with death when he attempted to take pictures. "He said 'nawe ufuna sikubulale' to the journalist which raised eyebrows to many of us at the scene," he said in a sad voice.

"We are finding it hard especially now that police are denying that they dropped my brother off at Mvakwelitje, it is sad and now we will be taking matters to the next level because they have failed us in many ways," she said.

"The police have proven to us that they are hiding a lot and now

we doubt they will give us the truth hence we want to do our own investigations," Ncomile said.

The family said the deceased was a peaceful person, down to earth and could never hurt a fly, hence their belief that he was probably beaten before left on the road side by the alleged two police officers.

## NEWS EXTRA

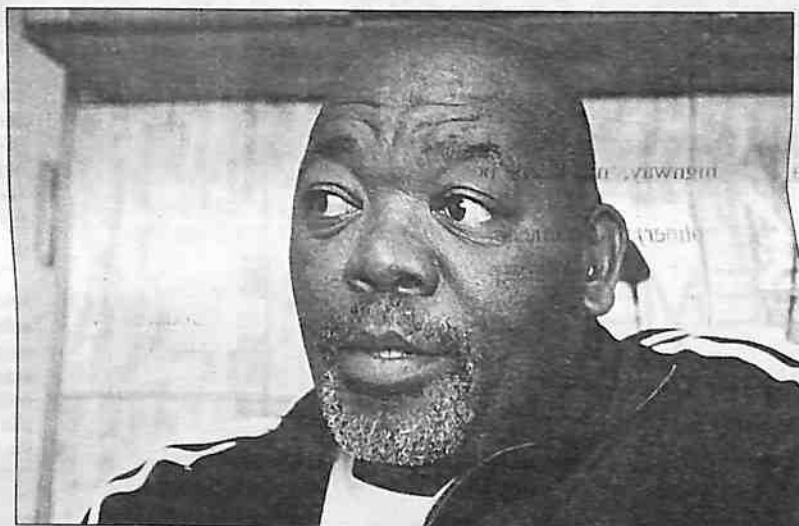
### Emzini Wezinsizwa actor Nyembezi Kunene dies

**JOHANNESBURG** - Legendary actor, director and playwright Nyembezi Kunene has died at the age of 74 following a long battle with diabetes.

The son of the Emzini Wezinsizwa veteran actor, Sonqoba Kunene, confirmed the news to eNCA this yesterday morning.

"It has been a terrible day so far. We have had family members and relatives coming into our household to obviously pay their last respects and to offer their message of condolences. He passed away on Saturday evening, it's still very fresh," Sonqoba said.

Sonqoba also took to Facebook in a lengthy note to pay tribute to his father. "A few hours ago, a legend departed this land. The great Nyembezi Kunene - actor, director, playwright and producer, has passed on. Following a prolonged illness, Nyemza lost his battle with Diabetes and died peacefully at the Lesedi



Hospital in Soweto, late on Saturday evening. He will be remembered for his many roles he played in various TV and Film productions in a career spanning well over three decades. May his soul Rest In Peace. You fought a great fight, a hero to the end.

We will miss you Nyemza. This is the final curtain call, after decades spent entertaining South African audiences. You stayed true to your craft till the end. You were a great father and your teachings will live on, not only in your children's lives, but also in the lives of

### REACTIONS ON SOCIAL NETWORK

@NathiMthethwaSA

We send our condolences to the family of Nyembezi Kunene, who will be remembered for his passion & determination in the performing arts.

@younger\_D

Was just starting to enjoy Nyembezi Kunene's come back on Scandal. What a great loss!

@MisFaith

Legendary actor, director and playwright Nyembezi Kunene sad to hear that he has passed on. #RIP

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Yesterday it was Ali n today its uBab'Nyembezi Kunene...I was startin to luv his charactr in #RingOfLies RIP Jabs "e old timer with swagg"

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Another legend cross over. Rest in Power Mr Nyembezi Kunene

@AubreyEsco

Thank you. And RIP to Nyembezi Kunene. Diabetes is a silent killer, not much is being said about it yet it sweeps our people away.

many your work and passion for the performing arts have changed.

Hambe kahle Mntimande! Bambolunye! Ngwenya! Madonsela! Rest in Peace Baba... Kunene is renowned for his work on popular comedy series Emzini Wezinsizwa as Mchunu - the senior hostel secu-

rity guard.

He played fan-favourite Jabulani Dlomo, the uncle of Sibusiso (Menzi Ngubane) on SABC 1 soapie Generations, between 2007-2009.

Other recent TV shows that he has starred in include Scandal, Ring of Lies, Umlilo and Isibaya. News24



## 300 MEDICAL PRACTITIONERS SCHOOLED ON KILLER BP

● BP is one of the diseases that cause a large number of deaths in the continent. About 30 percent of deaths in Sub-Saharan Africa are related to hypertension. There has been an increase in BP deaths in recent years

By Gugu Simelane  
Ezulwini

MEDICAL practitioners from all over the country were last Thursday schooled on the importance of correctly diagnosing hypertension (otherwise known as BP).

The tutelage was done by Professor Brian Rayner from the University of Cape Town.

The medical practitioners were advised to be on the lookout for hypertension when treating their patients.

This is because BP is one of the diseases overlooked when treating patients who are

viewed as having more serious illnesses yet it is the most dangerous.

The local medical practitioners were capacitated on the disease in a workshop organised by the ministry of health held at Sibane Hotel. Close to 300 medical practitioners attended the event.

### Attention

Rayner said many chronic diseases such as kidney failure, diabetes and stroke were associated with hypertension as an underlying sickness but were sometimes not given much attention.

"BP is one of the diseases that cause a large

number of deaths in the continent. About 30 percent of deaths in Sub-Saharan Africa are related to hypertension. There has been an increase in BP deaths in recent years. A lot of medical practitioners have not yet come to understand that BP is associated with diseases like kidney failure, heart failure, stroke, cardio arrest. Deaths that are associated with BP are premature deaths and such should be avoided by you medical practitioners by proper diagnosis," he said. The professor said in Africa, Zimbabwe was the most affected country by BP in the Sub-Saharan region.

He said the prevalence of BP was not associated with the economy of a country but the way of life of the people.

"It is also the responsibility of the medical practitioners to encourage patients to live a healthy lifestyle. The patients should be made aware of the dangers of BP, the importance of medication if one has been diagnosed. It is your responsibility as medical practitioners to also educate the patients of signs of BP," he said. Rayner encouraged the medical practitioners to make sure that tests were accurate.

"If need be, you must conduct more than just



**MAKE SURE PLEASE: Professor Brian Rayner from the University of Cape Town making a presentation on hypertension where medical practitioners around the country were being sensitised about the condition at Sibane Hotel. (Pics: Thandeka Ndlangamandla)**

one test then make sure that your diagnosis is clear. You can take up to six tests just to be accurate," the professor added.

The professor cautioned the practitioners to be aware that a patient with diabetes had a high possibility of also suffering from BP. "The best way to fight these sicknesses is to adopt a healthy lifestyle, your patients must be constantly reminded that they need to keep fit, eat healthy, cut on sugary foods and food filled with calories, drugs and alcohol. Research reveals that 40 percent of people suffering from hypertension never get treatment and 60 percent of patients withdraw from taking their treatment," he said.

He noted that the onus was on the medical practitioners to make sure they follow up on their patients so as to make sure that there were no lives lost prematurely.

Rayner said BP was not a disease that affects only adults but it also affects children and adolescents.

"With children in some cases it is because of genetic factors and most of the times it is the diet of that child. Children must be tested because early detection goes a long way as focus is then given to that particular patient. Sugary foods contribute to obesity in children and this in turn results to diabetes," he said.

### WHAT IS HYPERTENSION?

**HYPERTENSION** (HTN or HT), also known as high blood pressure (HBP), is a long term medical condition in which the blood pressure in the arteries is persistently elevated. High blood pressure usually does not cause symptoms. Long term high blood pressure, however, is a major risk factor for coronary artery disease, stroke, heart failure, peripheral vascular disease, vision loss, and chronic kidney disease.

High blood pressure is classified as either primary (essential) high blood pressure or secondary high blood pressure. About 90-95% of cases are primary, defined as high blood pressure due to nonspecific lifestyle and genetic factors. Lifestyle factors that increase the risk include excess salt, excess body weight, smoking, and alcohol. The remaining 5-10% of cases are categorized as secondary high blood pressure, defined as high blood pressure due to an identifiable cause, such as chronic kidney disease, narrowing of the kidney arteries, an endocrine disorder, or the use of birth control pills. Normal blood pressure at rest is within the range of 100-140 millimeters mercury (mmHg) systolic and 60-90 mmHg diastolic. High blood pressure is present if the resting blood pressure is persistently at or above 140/90 mmHg for most adults.

Lifestyle changes and medications can lower blood pressure and decrease the risk of health complications. Lifestyle changes include weight loss, decreased salt intake, physical exercise, and a healthy diet. If lifestyle changes are not sufficient blood pressure medications are used. (Wikipedia)

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# Mafitsifitsi Msibi faces E70 000 robbery charges

By Sifiso Nhlabatsi  
Manzini

**NOTORIOUS criminal David 'Mafitsifitsi' Msibi (62) has been charged with two counts of robbery involving property amounting to E70 000.**

This comes after Msibi who was on the police 'wanted list' for crimes he committed at Luve, was arrested.

Documents presented to court stated that Msibi robbed a woman Sindisile Zubuko of her vehicle by threatening to assault her with a slasher.

He proceeded to rob the woman of money amounting to E12 000.

He also robbed Mduduzi Zubuko of his items worth E32 530.

A report by the police said Msibi was not alone when committing this offence but was with accomplices; Wonderboy Vilakati and Poolman Dlamini. Vilakati and Msibi are now in

police custody, while Dlamini is still at large.

Msibi made his court appearance last Friday before Magistrate Sebenzile Ndlela-Kunene.

He was remanded back to police custody where he awaits his next court appearance, the prosecutor made an application to conjoin Msibi's charges with those of Vilakati.

Following Msibi's arrest social media was abuzz as some people expressed their opinions on Msibi.

## The charges faced by Msibi

### Count 1

Robbery; in that upon 15/01/16 Near Lutfotja in the Manzini District the said accused person did wrongfully, unlawfully and intentionally assault mduduzi Zubuko by using force and violence, hacked him with a slasher to induce submission by the said Mduduzi Zubuko of his property and with intent to steal did take

away from his immediate care and protection the following items:

1. Black plasma TV valued at E15 000
2. A pair of brown Cat shoes valued at E1 500
3. A black amplifier valued at E600
4. A pair of black Nike sneakers valued at E550
5. A pair of Adidas sneakers valued at E800
6. A BlackBerry touch screen cellphone valued at E8 000
7. A white MTN tablet valued at E1 600
8. ZTE cellphone at E250
9. A Samsung Duos cellphone valued at E1 800
10. A pair of diesel jean valued at E700
11. A pair of men's sandals valued at E70
12. A pair of Adidas soccer boots valued at E600
13. 3 units of black/green USB valued at E310
14. Black bag valued at E350

15. Black/blue Adidas bag valued at E400

### Count 2

Robbery; in that upon 15/01/16 near Lutfotja area in the Manzini district the said accused person did wrongfully, unlawfully and intentionally assault one Sindisiwe Ellen Zubuko using force and violence, threatened to hack her with a slasher to induce into submission by the said Zubuko of her property and with intent to steal did take away from her immediate care and protection the following items:

1. White Toyota Corolla sedan valued at E28 000
  2. Money in cash amounting to E12 000
  3. A pair of black Soviet sneakers valued at E600
  4. A pair of black rebels safety boots valued at E800
  5. Black Acer CPU valued at E1 500.
- All the property stolen by Msibi amounted to E74 530



## Pakistan accused fail to abide by bail conditions

By Wonderboy Dlamini  
Siteki

**NAEEM Khan Gul who was allegedly assaulted by his countrymen from Pakistan is aggrieved that his assailants have not yet compensated him for his loss as per their bail condition.**

Gul was reported to have been attacked and severely assaulted by four men who were led by businessman Akber Ali, after they allegedly had misunderstandings pertaining the running of their businesses.

The four accused that included Zafar Iqbal, Wasim Ranjhi and Ehsan Ahmed were all charged with attempted murder.

They were also charged with malicious damage to property after they allegedly broke windows of a motor vehicle belonging to the complainant.

The last two accused persons were further charged with contravening the Immigration Act as they were said to have entered and remained in the country without holding valid permits.

Ali and Iqbal were eventually admitted to bail with conditions attached. Amongst the conditions the accused persons must compensate the victim by assisting him to repair his damaged motor vehicle.

### Tension

They were also ordered to make peace with the complainant and stop the tension between them.

This was to be done through the assistance of police officers who would also make sure that the complainant was not intimidated.

Following their release from custody, the accused persons have reportedly failed to meet some of the bail conditions.

This has also led to the complainant having to raise a concern to the effect that he is still having difficulty with making ends meet to support his family. Gul alleged that his damaged motor vehicle is still unusable, leaving him abandoned in his home.

The businessman who survived by running a grocery shop at Mpolonjeni said he is unable to go out and reload his stock as the vehicle he used remains damaged.

Gul has also alleged that he was now living in fear for his life, saying that his assailants are capable of launching another attack on him.

"I am saddened that my assailants made promises before the court when they were admitted to bail but they have not fulfilled them," said Gul. Meanwhile, the two other accused are said to remain in prison until the finalisation of their trial. This is because the state has convinced the court the accused persons are a flight risk.

## Qhawe Mamba not impressed with 'unclean' song

Stories by Nomfundo  
Sifundza  
Mbabane

**THE song titled 'unclean' which was released by local artists following Channel S employee, Princess Ephraim's social network rant about local artists being unclean and shallow has ruffled the feathers of the station's Director Qhawe Mamba.**

Mamba said he was disappointed by the local artists' latest stance on the issue, which emanated from one of his employee's Facebook status.

The Channel S director said the song was derogatory to the station. Behind the song are local artists Mozaik, KrTC, Anakhonza and Mdura.

The song in part said: "what do you mean when you say we're



**NOT IMPRESSED: Channel S Director Qhawe Mamba.**

unclean/mashlobe kanjena/nawene uyatibonela lana/yea we run-

ning the scene/what you mean we're unclean/who you calling

unclean/when I'm feeling so fresh and clean".

It received massive airplay on SBIS 2 last Friday. Mamba insisted that Channel S would never insult any artist adding that he is currently in discussions with his lawyers so as to find out as to which steps to take against the artists. He felt that this was not the first time Swazi artists have taken the station for granted. Mamba said a few years ago, a song was released with derogatory statements but he let it go. The song's lyrics in part said: "lamajita akana stesh njenga Qhawe Mamba/bacambe' manga basit-jela kutsi bona ba njan njanyana." He said this was the final straw adding that he would definitely take the artists to task after weighing options.

Meanwhile, the artists behind the song chose not to say anything when reached comment.

## Song promoting me further - Channel S employee



**PROMOTED: Princess Ephraim.**

**CHANNEL S Employee Princess Ephraim says the release of the song 'unclean' by local artists is promoting her even further.**

This is despite the fact that last week following her controversial post she posted another status apologising for taking to the social media to voice her disinterest of local artists. One local artist confronted her about her now controversial Facebook post and her response was rather

baffling.

"Am glad these people are making me famous they just do not realise it.

"People am not going to talk anymore because I have said my apologies and people will always misunderstand statements and I guess freedom of speech is not allowed," Ephraim responded to the local artist during a conversation. Her response is contrary to what her boss has been saying.



# Litany of unwise men in SADC Parliaments

Stories by Sabatha Dlamini Ezulwini

A member of the SADC PF Women Caucus stunned her fellow parliamentarians when she said she was appalled at the huge number of not-so-very clever men occupying parliamentary seats in SADC member states.

The MP from Malawi encouraged her female colleagues to consider standing in for parliamentary positions, arguing that women were diverse and should not be afraid of their diversity. The MP was addressing a meeting of the Southern Africa Development Community (SADC) Parliamentary Forum Regional Women's Parliamentary Caucus currently ongoing in the country. The MPs were all in agreement that there was no reason why women were not filling up SADC parliaments because they were a majority in the region. Besides, most of the men who were occupying the parliamentary positions were not so very clever. She implored her colleagues to consider acting professionally at

● The MP from Malawi encouraged her female colleagues to consider standing in for parliamentary positions, arguing that women were diverse and should not be afraid of their diversity.



**TOGETHER:** The leadership of the SADC Parliamentary Forum posing with the chairperson representatives of the Regional Women's Parliamentary Caucus after the meeting at Gigis on Thursday. (Pic: Simon Shabangu)

all times so that they could earn respect amongst even men. A South African MP said most women were discouraged by the competitive nature and adversaries of politics.

She said the political environment was so hostile that most women could not effectively compete in it. To make matters worse, the SADC member states electoral systems did not protect women against the politi-

cal nature of politics by at least providing a proportionate representation system for men and women.

Lack of commitment on the part of the government to address these concerns also made the situation even worse. Instead of improving, the MPs said, they were retarding. "I don't know whether we now have to stand upside down to be heard," said an infuriated South African MP.

## Senator Mngomezulu tells SD story better to SADC MPs

THE Swaziland government has removed all cultural impediments to the development and attainment of women's rights.

Addressing a meeting of the Southern Africa Development Community (SADC) Parliamentary Forum Regional Women's Parliamentary Caucus, Senator Bonsile Mngomezulu said all the social challenges that were associated with customary laws have since been done away with in Swaziland.

### Challenge

The senator said child or forced marriages, which were still a challenge to some parts of Africa, was now history in Swaziland. Senator Mngomezulu said the Swaziland government has taken long strides in addressing child and women related issues, citing the Children Protection Act, 2012 as one piece of legislation that has been put in place with the view to improve the status and welfare of women in Swaziland.

Senator Mngomezulu told the Women Assembly that even those unfortunate school going children who happened to be

impregnated they retained their right to proceed with education.

### Type

The type of education being offered to the girls was itself non discriminatory, according to the senator. She said the challenge was now with girls themselves to ensure they steered clear of any illicit relationships that would ruin their future.

She said government's role of putting in place a legislative framework that would enable both girls and women to prosper in their various spheres had been done.

The senator said the same principle applied in the provision of health services. She said the country had no discriminatory laws and people had equal access to health services irrespective of their colour, gender or even sexual orientation.

"Every person has a right to be treated and no questions are asked," said the senator.

Senator Bonsile Mngomezulu attended the women caucus together with Senator Princess Phumelele from the Swaziland Parliament.

## Basothos practising archaic culture

AN MP from Lesotho told the meeting they were still faced with a huge challenge in her country with regard to child marriages.

The Basotho legislator said they had a customary law that allowed for arranged marriages of young girls between the ages of 5 to 15.

She said there was a need for her country to harmonise the customary laws with the national constitution. The female legislators engaged in a discussion after an impressive presentation by United Nations Women HIV and AIDS Regional Advisor Caroline Nyamayemombe. The presentation was centred on: 'Renewed commitment on women, the girl child and HIV outcomes of the 60th session of the UN Commission on the Status

of Women.' In her presentation, Nyamayemombe noted that there were some people who had suddenly started advocating for a shift in the attention paid to HIV/AIDS.

She said those advocating for the paying of attention to new challenges were wrongly assuming that HIV/AIDS had been successfully tackled and overcome.

The reality was that the deadly virus was still much a challenge to the African people, especially women who carry the most burden of looking after most African families in African societies.

Most importantly, she said research has revealed that the majority of HIV/AIDS affected people were in Africa and, therefore, the issue remained much an African problem.

## HIV/AIDS budgets dwindling

THE women caucus raised concern that national budgets to fight the deadly HIV/AIDS epidemic were dwindling.

They felt that the budget reductions were done by the SADC member states at a time when the infection rate was alarmingly increasing. Mostly affected were young teenage girls who are mainly infected by men between the ages of 25 to 35. The legisla-

tors were told that these were mainly men who were in gainful employment and could afford to rent apartments and provide all the niceties that girls were desperately and greedily looking for. An MP from Zimbabwe said she was very much concerned that the budgets to combat HIV/AIDS was declining without any one raising a finger to protest that yet too many were infected

and affected in Africa.

The MPs decried that a majority of HIV/AIDS campaigns were run by non-governmental organisations which come and go, wondering what would happen the day they disappear for good. A recommendation was made that the SADC PF should be transformed into a fully-fledged parliament to ensure decisions were implemented. The MPs emphasised on the need to support each other.

## MALAWIAN CHIEF STOPS 800 MARRIAGES

The women caucus was told of a female chief of Malawi who was brave enough to stop 800 arranged marriages to young girls.

The chief was considered a heroine amongst the women of Africa and was honoured in the previous session of the SADC PF for her

bravery and responsible decision.

The women learnt that in some SADC states, violence against women, of varying types, was still very prevalent. Governments in the SADC region were accused of being quick in signing treaties on women's rights but very slow in implementing them.

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# MPs REPORT CARD



**MP**  
**Phesheya**  
**Hlatshwayo**  
Motshane MP

- Connects over 1500 homestead with electricity
- Avails six bridges plus a dip tank for electorate

**MOTSHANE** – With less than 18 months remaining before the electorate go to the polls, residents under the Motshane Inkhundla have rallied behind their incumbent MP Phesheya Hlatshwayo for successfully implementing over 60 percent projects that were targeted for his term of office.

This is reflected in the constituency report that when the legislator assumed office in 2014, only five electricity projects out of 45 that had been targeted were managed to be covered by the previous incumbent.

However, when MP Hlatshwayo took office the residents tasked and assigned him to implement and complete the 37 electricity schemes that had been left unfinished. The schemes cut across at least six chiefdoms.

The people wanted to see the light. And from what has happened, light is what they see now. They are happy and are ready to do the talking with their vote, again.

A recent survey has reflected that at least 35 electricity schemes have been attended to within three years and this has brought joy and a sigh of relief to the electorate under the Motshane constituency.

Over 1 500 homesteads that did not have electricity before the 10th Parliament have had their homesteads connected in a space of three years, under the incumbent legislator.

Most communities, according to the survey, that have benefited include Ekupheleni, Nduma, Sigangeni, Luhlelweni, Siphocosini and Mantabeni Chiefdoms.

It transpired that at Ekupheleni about 375 homesteads benefited from the electricity scheme. About 68 homesteads got electricity connection at Nduma (Motshane) while 285 homesteads at Sigangeni now have access to electricity.

At least 192 were connected at Luhlelweni while 370 were connected at Siphocosini. About 302 were connected at Mantabeni.

Oscar Mlotshwa, Indvuna Yenkhundla, said a good working relationship and hard work shown by the young MP created a warm environment towards the implementation of the projects.

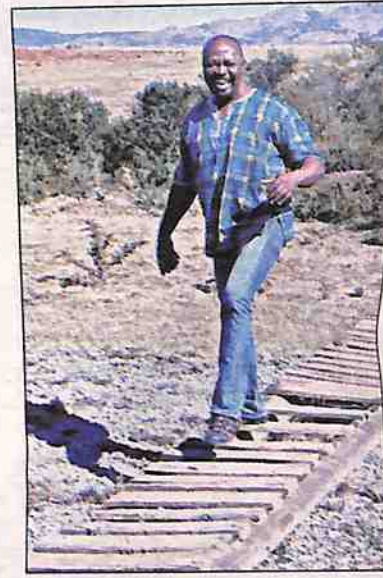
Unlike in other Tinkhundla, the MP and his Indvuna are working as a team without any animosity. In some areas, Indvuna is always accused of sabotaging the MP with the hope of unseating him in the next race to parliament.

“Our MP has done well in attend-

## MP COVERS 60% PROJECTS WITHIN 3 YEARS IN OFFICE



**HAPPY MAN:** MP Phesheya Hlatshwayo standing next to the Embo Water Project that supply over 450 homesteads. **RIGHT - NO MORE:** MP Hlatshwayo at the old foot bridge.



**ALL OUT:** Residents of Sigangeni busy with the construction of the Msungutane Dip Tank. **RIGHT - REASON TO SMILE:** Motshane MP Phesheya Hlatshwayo with the constituency Headman Oscar Mlotshwa stand at the Ekulambeni foot bridge.



**TARRED:** The newly tarred Mpolonjeni road.

ing to proposed projects. He is a workaholic and this has led to us achieving most of our targets,” said Mlotshwa who is happy to work with his MP.

This is confirmed by the success they have achieved in the three years of working together.

MP Hlatshwayo said he was happy that over 60 percent of the projects that were brought to his office have been implemented. He said this has been made possible by the team of workaholic development officers running the Motshane constituency.

“As a way of reporting back to the people of Motshane Inkhundla, I can say over 60 percent of the projects we had targeted when we assumed office have been implemented. The projects include 37 electricity schemes, construction of foot bridges and a bridge, the con-

struction of meeting halls and dip tanks,” he said.

### ■ NO MORE DROWNING, CROCODILE ATTACKS

**LUHLELWENI** – The persistent reports of people drowning and crocodile attacks that had been giving residents from Luhlelweni sleepless nights have since become a thing of the past.

This comes after the construction of a foot bridge worth E800 000 at Ekulambeni. The foot bridge is one of the projects that were pioneered by MP Phesheya Hlatshwayo after residents complained about drownings and crocodile attacks at the Ekulambeni River.

Gogo Lomthantazo Maziya who voted for the current MP said the bridge has brought a sigh of relief to parents and the pupils who attend school across the bridge.





**READY TO ROLL:** The Nduma Royal Hall that is about to be completed. This is one of the projects implemented by MP Hlatshwayo.



**MISSION ACCOMPLISHED:** The Makhwane Bridge that connects Ekupheleni and Ngwenya Industrial area. About 400 residents benefit.



**MOTHER NATURE:** Motshane Indvuna Yenkhundla Oscar Mlotshwa at the river stream.



**AT WORK:** Residents busy at the Msungutane Dip Tank.

She is happy her vote never went to waste.

"This project is very profitable to us and we are very happy. Our MP has done us proud hence the Lord should bless him," she said.

#### ■ 400 RESIDENTS JOIN HANDS, ASSIST GOVT

**SIGANGENI** – Over 400 residents at Msungutane, a community under Sigangeni area, have come out to assist with the construction of a dip tank worth E300 000.

Tired of travelling afar to dip their cattle, the residents voluntarily availed themselves to assist government in a project that was pioneered by the incumbent MP and constructed the Msungutane Dip Tank.

The dip tank is expected to be complete in the next two months. Prior to its construction, this publication has established, that farmers had to travel over 10 kilometres in order to access the nearest dip tank.

The residents argued that this resulted to most pupils getting to school

late every Tuesday because they had to attend dip first.

An elated Oscar Mlotshwa, Motshane Constituency headman, said the construction of the dip tank might also contribute to improving the performance of pupils that had all along been forced to travel long distances to a dip tank hence getting late at school.

"It is one of the big projects that we are happy as a constituency to complete. It is also set to cut traveling costs and further contribute in reducing the stress to travel for most pupils who are also herdboys," he said.

#### ■ MP AVAILS STATE OF THE ART HALL

**MANTABENI** – Residents wishing to host events including weddings and sermons will no longer have travel far to rent a hall following the construction of a state-of-the-art multi-purpose hall at Mantabeni.

Already the hall which is found at Bhekephi Primary School has reached its final stages of construction and ready for usage.

MP Phesheya Hlatshwayo said a sum of E280 000 was contributed from the constituency fund towards the construction of the hall.

"We can encourage residents seeking services of the hall to approach the school administration where all information will be available about rental. It is a good hall and would compete with those found in town," he said.

#### ■ LEGISLATOR GETS E180 A MONTH FOR ORPHANS

**MOTSHANE** – Bilateral agreements between Young Heroes Empowerment and this constituency has resulted to 298 double orphaned children being paid E180 per month.

MP Phesheya Hlatshwayo said the relationship between his constituency and Young Heroes dates back to 2013.

He said his constituency became the first to benefit under the empowerment program pioneered by Young Heroes.

Under this program, he said, a data aimed at identifying the figures of underprivileged children in the constituency was collected and Young Heroes came on board to empower the affected children.

"As a constituency we were able to successfully manage the program to a point where it eventually attracted

### PROJECTS IMPLEMENTED BY THE MP

#### ■ EKUPHELENI CHIEFDOM

- Mahangeni electricity scheme (129 homesteads)
- Lubhaca electricity scheme - 20 homesteads
- Ncemaneni electricity scheme - 53 homesteads
- Mguleni electricity scheme - 67 homesteads
- Kukhanyokusha electricity scheme (106 homesteads)

#### ■ NDUMA (MOTSHANE) CHIEFDOM

- Nkoyoyo electricity scheme - 52 homesteads
- Maceleni electricity scheme - 16 homesteads

#### ■ SIGANGENI CHIEFDOM

- Sigangeni electricity scheme - 100 homesteads
- Msungutane electricity scheme - 19 homesteads
- Lisinamvuva electricity scheme - 27 homesteads
- Umvambi electricity scheme - 20 homesteads
- Sigelvu electricity scheme - 19 homesteads
- Mahamangweni scheme - 100 homesteads (phase 1)

#### ■ LUHLENDLWENI CHIEFDOM

- Masakaza electricity scheme - 100 homesteads
- Luhlelweni electricity scheme - 92 homesteads

#### ■ SIPHOCOSINI CHIEFDOM

- Ncabaneni electricity scheme - 96 homesteads
- Embo electricity scheme - 83 homesteads
- Ntsetse electricity scheme - 34 homesteads
- KaNyama electricity scheme - 43 homesteads
- (Sicela Kukhanya) scheme - 114 homesteads

#### ■ MANTABENI CHIEFDOM

- Nkhube Hlabazonke scheme - 177 homesteads
- Nhlane electricity scheme - 72 homesteads

#### ■ MPOLONJENI CHIEFDOM

- Ntambande electricity scheme (56 homesteads)
- Nhlanganisweni electricity scheme (20 homesteads)

#### ■ OTHER PROJECTS

- Emaceleni bridge
- Mbuluzi low-level bridge
- Hawane bridge
- Nduma Royal residence Hall
- Mguleni low-level bridge
- Makhwane bridge
- Ekulambeni foot bridge
- Msungutane dip tank
- Sitasive water project
- Embo water project
- Bhekephi Hall
- Ncabane bridge



**INSPECTION:** The newly constructed community hall at Bhekephi Primary School.

more sponsors. Currently, about 57 residents have been hired under the empowerment program and are earning a lucrative salary," he said. The MP said the introduction of the empowerment program has contributed in terms of improving the lives of most under-privileged children who are now taken care of.

#### ■ ROAD TO MPOLONJENI AN ICING ON TOP

The icing on top of everything that residents of this Inkhundla have seen during the term of the current MP is the Mpolonjeni road which has been tarred.

While previous MPs fought and somehow did not succeed, it was during MP Hlatshwayo's term of office that traveling to Mpolonjeni has become easy.

The road will be officially launched by the minister of public works soon and already residents are smiling from eye to eye with this development. Previously, it was extremely difficult to drive to the area because of the state of the road. Many an MP before the current one lost their seats because of failure to get the road fixed.

#### ■ MP SPENDS E100 000 ON SPORTING ACTIVITIES

**SIGANGENI** – Motshane Member of Parliament Phesheya Hlatshwayo says he has spent over E100 000 in terms of sponsorship towards various sporting activities.

The legislator said a sum of E60 000 was put in the Sigangeni Turn the Page league.



# ALL SWAZIS MUST HAVE FREE ACCESS TO LEADERSHIP - MP



**REMOVE THE WALL: Gege MP Mbongiseni Malinga.**

Stories by Sabatha Dlamini  
Magubheleni

**GEGE Member of Parliament (MP) Mbongiseni Malinga says the wall that divides the nation from its leaders must be removed for holistic, non-discriminatory community development to be realised.** Addressing throngs of teachers under Gege

Constituency in the Shiselweni region, MP Malinga said people from all walks of life must have free access to their leadership, especially their elected representatives.

He said the success of the people under his constituency in particular and the nation in general, depended largely on cooperation between leaders and those they lead.

This was during a retreat

organised by the legislator for all teachers from the schools under the Gege constituency.

As a representative of the people under his constituency, MP Malinga asked the teachers to join him in collectively improving the living standards of the people of Gege and collectively shaping the nation's future through positive contribution.

## Seven MPs visit Gege constituency

**ABOUT seven Members of Parliament (MPs) visited Magubheleni, under the Gege constituency, to know of the projects by MP Mbongiseni Malinga.**

Zombodze Emuva MP Titus Thwala said they believed that 'iron sharpens iron', hence their desire to rally behind their colleague to see for themselves the legislator in consultative engagements with his electorate.

MP Thwala said they were proud to have MP Malinga in the country's tenth parliament, adding that it was for that reason that they elected him into the Pension Fund Board, a rare and respectable appointment for an elected member of parliament.

"We are learning a lot from Malinga on how to build a nation. You are lucky to have found a gem in him," said MP Thwala, himself a teacher by profession.

MP Thwala said when someone has found a gem, it was upon that person to cherish it and hold on to it dearly for it was only when you have lost your gem that reality strikes you that you had gold in your possession.

"We are proud to be working and learning from Honourable Malinga and we hope you shall also support and cooperate with him in his endeavour to develop the community," said MP Thwala. These MPs were; Mthokozisi Kunene from Shiselweni Two, Njabulo Mabuza from Khubutha, Sicelo Jele from LaMgabhi, Titus Thwala from Zombodze Emuva, Christopher Gamedze from Mafutseni and Senator Adam Bomber Mtetwa. Senator Mtetwa, who also doubles as president for the National Football Association represented the minister of sports, culture and youth affairs David Ngcamphalala.



**SMART: Zombodze Emuva MP Titus Thwala.**

## Teachers are catalysts for development

**FOR the nation to attain its national developmental goals, teachers must be at the forefront for both human and economic development.**

Gege MP Mbongiseni Malinga said since time immemorial, teachers have been at the forefront in the human resource development efforts of the country.

He said teachers have the capacity to influence people either positively or negatively at a very tender age and, they had so far remained the largest contributory sector in the human resources development efforts of the country.

"As we stand here, we are products of our teachers. It is for that reason, therefore, that we should give all the recognition and respect that is due to the teaching professionals for having chosen this noble profession," said MP Malinga.

The legislature said teachers should not only love themselves but also love the pupils they teach.

"I hope we are opening a new page, whereby teachers will revert to their calling and love their pupils to the extent of removing the sorrows that painfully exist in some of them," he said emphasising that children came from diverse backgrounds.



**ATTENDING: A section of the teachers who attended the SNAT Extraordinary General Meeting at SNAT Centre.**

## TEACHERS DESERVE CREDIT

**MP Malinga says he is saddened by the fact that when schools perform poorly, only teachers are blamed for that dismal performance.**

Strangely though, Malinga said when schools results were impressive, everybody wanted to be associated with them, even those whose contribution has been very minimal.

MP Malinga said it was quite apparent that every parent's dream is for a better future for their children. And to achieve that goal, he implored every one of them to join hands with teachers and support them in their desire to help produce successful children, for a successful nation.

"We have always believed that good results are only obtainable through urban schools. That notion should be rejected by every stakeholder in the development of our children and by extension, our communities," said the legislator.

Malinga said parents, directly

and indirectly, through their schools committee representatives should provide all possible assistance to both the school administration and teachers individually.

Likewise, MP Malinga implored the teachers to desist from the tendency to deeply involve themselves in local community politics, to the extent of taking sides and compromising their principles. He said, teachers, by virtue of their positions and the objectives they stood for in the various communities, where they were posted by the government, should be accessible to people from all walks of life.

A Swaziland National Association of Teachers (SNAT) representative in the constituency, who was referred to only as Gwebu, said they really appreciated the efforts by MP Malinga to bring them together for a common purpose. He said this was a consultative meeting they deeply

cherished, providing ample time to interact with themselves and share ideas on the best strategies they could apply to improve their work.

"We are aware that there are costs involved, which the MP has incurred. But I can assure you these costs have not been put to waste. It is always a good investment to spend money on productive people like teachers," said Gwebu.

He said the MP's gesture to bring them together was very encouraging and, without a doubt, the teachers would return to school highly motivated and eager to go the extra mile in producing the most impressive results. He said what MP Malinga has done for them was in line with government policy which makes it possible for its employees to have a wellness day. On top of that, he said they had the annual World Teachers Day, which was celebrated internationally.



## 65 NABBED FOR DD

By Gugu Simelane  
Mbabane

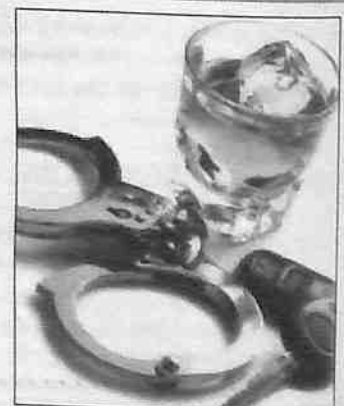
**ABOUT 65 people have been arrested by the Royal Swaziland Police (RSP) Service for drink dri-**

**CONFIRMED: Police Information and Communications Officer Superintendent Khulani Mamba.**

**ving over the past weekend.**

Police Information and Communications Officer Superintendent Khulani Mamba yesterday said these incidents happened in different places around the country.

On the other hand, on Saturday at 18H45 a VW Polo sedan lost control and knocked down an unknown male pedestrian at Ndlunganye area. The car was driven by a 26-year-old man of Ngwane Park along the Mbabane-Manzini highway and knocked down the man, while crossing the road. The man was seriously injured and he was rushed to Raleigh Fitkin Hospital, where he was certified death. Police are still investigating the case.





# FATHER OF ACCUSED DAGGA TRAFFICKERS GETS HIS CAR BACK

Stories by Jozane Maziya  
Mbabane Magistrate's Court

A man who is fathers to two young men who were nabbed for dagga trafficking in his car has appeared before the court with an application to have the vehicle temporarily returned to him while the trial continues.

The vehicle, a Toyota Lexus was taken in to police custody after Thembinkosi and Celumusa Magagula of Maphalaleni were found travelling in it and were in

possession of dagga weighing 9.29 kilograms.

The brothers were nabbed on May 24, at the Ngwenya border post.

The crown represented by Buddy Masangu asked the father of the two accused, Bernard Magagula, if he could tell the court how his sons possessed the vehicle on that fateful day.

## Across

He told the court that he had sent them out on an errand across the border in South Africa.

Crown Council Masangu then

asked Bernard if he was aware that the car had been taken from his children because they had been transporting dagga of which he replied that he was unaware of that.

The crown rested its case before it was argued as motivation for his application by Bernard that although his vehicle had been used to commit the crime of transporting dagga across the border he (Bernard) was not one of the accused.

He told the court that he had not sent the boys on an errand with drugs but had in fact sent them on a

legitimate errand.

He claimed that he was unaware that the boys would end up engaging in criminal activity.

The crown did not object to the application to have the car returned to its owner, Bernard.

## Condition

Magistrate Sifiso Vilakati granted the application on the condition that the vehicle in question would not be disposed of while the matter is on trial. The vehicle's appearance must not be altered in anyway and it must be availed before court whenever ordered.



BEFORE HIM: Magistrate Sifiso Vilakati.

Bernard Magagula agreed to abide by the conditions of the court and after producing papers to prove that he is the rightful owner of the vehicle it was returned to him.

## I did not travel far from home - drunk - driver

A man has attempted to get a lighter sentence after being convicted for three traffic offences by informing the court that despite being caught driving drunk, he had not driven far from home and was not intending to go far either.

The accused, Bonginkosi Sithole of Mvutjini was busted driving his Opel Astra whilst under the influence of alcohol on May 29, near Somnjaloase road.

He was also charged with two other traffic offences all from the same day.

Sithole was charged with reckless driving which resulted to him colliding with another car and further scratched it.

The third charge brought against him was that of failure to produce a valid driver's license when instructed to do so by officers of the law.

The accused pleaded guilty to all three charges and was found guilty and convicted as per his plea.

A curious Mbabane Magistrate Sifiso Vilakati asked Sithole why he had been driving under the influence of alcohol.

The accused told the court that it was a mistake adding that he had not

planned on travelling far from his home and had not travelled far from home when he was stopped and a breathalyzer test was conducted on him by police.

Magistrate Vilakati warned the accused that the distance travelled, under the influence of alcohol, was not a factor that is taken into consideration when one is caught driving under the influence.

"It is simply against the law to drive even the shortest distance while under the influence of alcohol," the magistrate said.

Sithole was ordered to pay for the repairs to the vehicle that he had scratched whilst driving under the influence of alcohol.

The accused was also asked by the magistrate why he had not produced his driver's license, when asked to do so by the police, and he shocked the entire courtroom when he said he was not even the holder of a valid driver's license.

In mitigation, Sithole continued to tell the court that he believed he was travelling a distance so short that it should not require a driver's license.

He said he also felt that he should be given a lenient sentence because he did not travel far from home.

However, magistrate Vilakati was not impressed and informed the accused that he would not pass a lenient judgment.

"You drive drunk without a license and then you expect this court to be lenient, I will not be lenient," he said.

He was fined

E1 500 or spend 15 months in a correctional facility in respect of count one. He was fined E500 each for counts two and three, these two sentences would run consecutively.

In a nutshell, Sithole was fined E2 000 and in default of payment he would spend 20 months in a corrections facility.



## I am unemployed - tearful accused tells court

A woman from Mbabane broke down and cried in court as she was charged with contempt and one traffic offence.

Nonhlanhla Ginindza was charged with contempt after she failed to appear before court on May 30, to answer for the charge of reckless driving.

It is said the accused ran a red light near Total garage in Mbabane.

It appeared to be a straight forward case of a guilty plea followed by a conviction but when the accused was asked why she had not appeared before court on May 30, she told the court that she was unaware that she was expected to do so.

Ginindza said she was only aware of the E60 fine which appeared on the ticket which she had received from traffic officers on the day she committed the crime.

She said he is yet to pay the fine because she is currently unemployed and could not even raise E60 which was the fine.

However, Magistrate Sifiso Vilakati asked the accused woman when she planned to pay the fine and she broke down and cried, telling the court that she was struggling financially.

Ginindza said she could not guarantee a date by which she would have paid as she does not know when she will next be capable of paying E60.

When asked how she paid her bills, the accused told the court that she had just become unemployed.

Ginindza was found guilty on both charges and fined E500 for each of the two counts. However, the magistrate suspended both sentences for a year on condition that she does not commit a similar offence during that year.

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**THANKFUL:** Umngani Lusendvo Fakudze thanking the Enikwakuyengwa authorities for inviting them to the ummemo ceremony at Enikwakuyengwa Royal Kraal.

**RIGHT - OBSERVING:** Indvuna Lutfwacula Fakudze watching the activities. (Pics: Mbono Mdluli and Samson Ncongwane)



**LUTSANGO:** Some members of the area's Lutsango regiment following the proceedings.



**WE WERE THERE:** A section of the residents who had come to witness the event.

# MPUMALANGA CHIEFS

Stories by Mbono Mdluli  
Enikwakuyengwa, South Africa

**CHIEFS** in the Mpumalanga Province in South Africa regard themselves as Swazis and they recognise His Majesty King Mswati III as their King.

This was made evident on Saturday during ummemo ceremony at Enikwakuyengwa Royal Kraal in Mpumalanga province in South Africa.

This area is a few kilometres from Oshoek Border Gate. Many of the speakers who got an opportunity to address the scores of people who attended the event made it clear that they reported to His Majesty King Mswati III.

The chiefs in attendance even expressed their happiness as there was a representative of the King who came to grace the event.

The King's representative was Enkhanini Governor Lusendvo Fakudze and other speakers included Enikwakuyengwa Chief Roy Nkosi and Mpumalanga House of Traditional Leaders (MPHTL) Chairman Kgoshi Mokeona.

Fakudze expressed gratitude on behalf of the King for being a guest at the traditional ceremony. He stated

● during ummemo ceremony at Enikwakuyengwa Royal Kraal in Mpumalanga province in South Africa



**PRESENT:** A section of the traditional authorities who had been invited to the ceremony

that he, and his delegation from Swaziland, were sent by the King to grace the event on his behalf.

## Grateful

"I am grateful of the attitude and spirit you have adopted as traditional leaders here at Mpumalanga province. Every time you stage an event of this nature, you know that you have to consult with the King before you go ahead. You still know

where your roots are," Fakudze said.

Fakudze affirmed to the authorities at Enikwakuyengwa, and the population of that area that they were indeed Swazis.

He said they were descendents of King Somhlolo (King Sobhuza I), through his son Fokoti. He urged the traditional leaders to stick to their culture and traditions because they defined them as Swazis.

## MPHTL Chair reads Riot Act to youth

**MPUMALANGA** House of Traditional Leaders (MPHTL) Chairperson Kgoshi Mokeona has strongly condemned unruly youth that brings nothing but chaos to the province.

Mokeona said this on Saturday during the ummemo ceremony at Enikwakuyengwa Royal Kraal.

The chairman said he was taken aback each time a young boy would decide to challenge a traditional leader's legitimacy.

"We have chiefs here who have ruled for about 30 years, but it is disturbing to find a young boy who is approaching 20 years of age challenging the legitimacy of that leader. When you sit down with that particular person to find out why he says such a thing, you find that there is no valid reason for him to say that," Mokeona said.

He said such actions even brought disrepute to the whole institution of traditional leaders in the province.

He said such would make traditional leaders not to be regarded with the respect they deserved. Mokeona said as an institution that was responsible for preserving traditional institutions, they would not allow such actions to continue. This was more so because in some instances, it would be found that the youth would not know even the history of their own family.

"At times, we would ask the youth to tell us about the history of his own family, only to find that they do not know it," he said. He said there was no way one could challenge traditional authorities without knowing the history of traditional leaders.

He said it was almost impossible for one to know such history without knowing one's family history. Chiefs, according to Mokeona, were not coming from nowhere, but they were installed by God, through the King.



**WARNING:** MPHTL Chairperson Kgoshi Mokeona sending a strong warning to the youth to stay away from violence.



**THE YOUNG ONES:** A group of young children getting ready to perform.



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# RECOGNISE KING MSWATI III



**CRAFTY:** Emangwane Dance Group performing after Chief Roy Nkosi's speech.

**WE ARE ONE:** Imbali from Enikwakuyengwa displaying a traditional dance.



## Enikwakuyengwa chief preaches education to youth

**MPUMALANGA Province youth has been advised to focus more on education so as to develop their respective communities.**

Enikwakuyengwa Chief Roy Nkosi said young people were the future of this world.

He praised the youth that rendered different cultural dances to spice the event.

"If you look at today's event, you will note that it was dominated by the wonderful performances by the youth so that we are happy and entertained. I urge the youth to take care of themselves and stick to education to understand the innovations taking place in our society and improve the nation," Nkosi said.

He warned the youth against abandoning traditional cultural practices and values. He said such was dangerous because they could not live without it as they could not be recognised as a nation. He said it was true



**WISE WORDS:** Enikwakuyengwa Chief Roy Nkosi encouraging the youth of the area to stick to education.

that today, they interacted with people from other countries. But this did not mean they should desert their culture in favour of the foreign cultures. The chief also emphasised on the importance of vocational education, saying such was important in today's world because there were many development projects that needed expertise on such. He also said it was not every person

who was gifted in formal education. Others were gifted in vocational education, hence the need to intensify its implementation in learning institutions.

He thanked Fakudze for being part of the ceremony, which takes place twice a year. He urged him to express their gratitude to His Majesty King Mswati III for sending a delegation to grace the event.



**HOW WE DO IT:** Amaqhawe esizwe Cultural Group giving their performance.



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- A recommendation for benefit sharing mechanisms particularly for local communities, as well as options for funding and joint ventures.
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# Communities, NGOs benefit from Mahamba hike's E115 000 proceeds

ABOUT E115 000 from the proceeds of this year's Mahamba Gorge hike has been distributed to different organisations and communities.

The distribution took place on Friday at Bethesda Church in Nhlangano, where all the beneficiaries were represent.

Beneficiaries included: Hlatikulu Methodist Orphanage; Mtsambama child headed family; Swazi Angels; Mahamba Lodge and Shiselweni Crime Prevention.

Mahamba Gorge Hiking Committee Chairperson Dr Phetsile Dlamini presented the cheques to the respective beneficiaries.

Dr Dlamini said it was something to cherish that, ever since the Mahamba Gorge Hiking initiative was introduced three years ago, it has been improving each year in terms of attendance; preparation; and success. She attributed this to all stakeholders in particular all sponsors.

She said as the event has become one of the region's 'trump card's in attracting tourists, and a yardstick in improving growth in the country's economy, it was time they took the event a step further.



**THANK YOU:** Chairperson of the Mahamba Gorge Hiking Dr Phetsile Dlamini seen presenting a cheque to a member of Mahamba Lodge Board of Trustees Douglas Lushaba.

"We should now concentrate on how to make 'Mahamba Gorge Hiking' grow in terms of activities, which will benefit not just the community around Mahamba. It is an initiative for the whole region. Therefore, it's

time we spread our wings. Let's not only concentrate on the gorge hiking alone. The hike is now a brand and so let's see the brand grow and spread throughout the region. Let's have other activities under the Mahamba

Gorge Hiking programme's wing," said Dr Dlamini.

The former Minister of Health said there were a number of other events that could be held, as a way of turning the region's fortunes around other than relying on the Mahamba Gorge Hiking programme.

"We should think out of the box and start moving. This region has rich historical sites and we should start making use of them, just like we have done with the Mahamba gorge," said Dlamini.

She said as a committee, their dream was to see the initiative grow and be an international event. Also present during the distribution exercise was the Shiselweni Regional Administrator Themba Masuku; who is the brain behind Mahamba Gorge hiking.

**The breakdown of the beneficiary distribution amounts**

- Hlatikulu Methodist Orphanage - E10 000
- Swazi Angels - E5 000
- The Methodist Church (SA-MC) - E15 000
- Simemeni, Masibini, Dlovunga and Vusweni (chiefdoms) - E30 000
- Anti Crime Clubs (Crime Prevention) - E50 000



**APPRECIATIVE:** Inspector Lucky Msibi from Crime Prevention wing, giving his remarks after being presented with a cheque of E50 000.

## Committee encourages unity

**CHAIRPERSON** of the Mahamba Gorge Hiking programme Dr Phetsile Dlamini has appealed to the committee of the Mahamba Gorge hiking and other players for unity.

In her remarks during the distribution of the proceeds for this year's event where various beneficiaries were presented with cheques, Dlamini said there should be no cracks within the committee and other stakeholders.

"We should not allow seeds of division to manifest as they will spoil the good work we have already started. We have to remain united and be focused," said Dlamini. She applauded the current committee members for executing their duties to the fullest.

"As people still in office, we encourage everyone to rally behind us. There is going to be a time where we will have to step aside and give others a chance and we are going to be expected to support them as well. This initiative is for a good cause and no one should be allowed to discredit it," said Dr Dlamini.

## Mahamba gorge hiking to have an office

**AS** the Mahamba Gorge Hike continues to be a great success annually, this initiative will now have offices to run the day to day operations of the programme.

Shiselweni Regional Administrator Themba Masuku, who is the mastermind behind the initiative, started three years ago, announced that there were plans underway to have the operations of the initiative run like an institution.

He said he was aware how strenuous it was for some of those who were presently part of the organising committee; with others doing this on a voluntary basis, expecting no payment.

"Everything we are doing, it has to be done professionally. We have realised that the present setup is not making our work easy, as we don't have an office which has to deal specifically with any matter that has to do with the initiative. An office is needed so as to assist some of us

who are concentrating on what our employer tasked us to do. We need people who will work full time in the office. Anyone who will need information about the gorge hiking will access our office easy," said Masuku.

The RA said to prove that Mahamba Gorge Hiking was going places and is keen to become a well run entity, it now boasts a legal team.

"There are now lawyers for Mahamba Gorge Hiking programme, as we have seen the necessity for having professionals around, so as to assist in crossing some of these bridges.

We now have an audit team which will peruse through our financial records, as a way of transparency and accountability to our sponsors. As we know that there is money involved, some sponsors deserve to know that, whatever they contribute is put to good use," he said.

Masuku also thanked the committee of Mahamba gorge hiking (head-

ed by Dr Phetsile Dlamini) for the zeal and vigour, it showed, since the inception of the programme three years ago. He said it was taxing sometimes to set aside everything and concentrate on an activity where no salary was paid.

"The committee has shown love and commitment for this region. Some sacrifice their valuable time for the success of this great initiative, which has brought meaningful changes to many lives. We have individuals who have been part of the exercise from day one and have not complained," said Masuku.

The RA also encouraged the committee to soldier on, even if there could be opportunists trying hard to discredit the good work that they were doing.

He said it was normal that when people were doing something good, there would be others interested to find mistakes in what they were doing. He said this should not dis-



**TOGETHER WE CAN:** Mahamba Methodist Church President Victor Dlamini with Dr Phetsile Dlamini and Shiselweni RA Themba Masuku at the distribution of the Mahamba Gorge Hiking proceeds.

courage the committee.

"Continue working hard so that the initiative is a success each year. Be aware that even among yourselves, you may differ, but that should not mean you are divided. Differing in opinion should not make one an enemy to another. In fact, it is healthy to have different opinions in a working situation like this, as we will realise whether we are still on the right track or straying," said Masuku.

The RA said the initiative, which

has earned the region a good name, needs to be led by men and woman of integrity. He said now people are aware what the exercise's objectives were; adding that the brand has become popular, not only just around the country, but also beyond the country's borders.

"Through this initiative, we have seen the attitude people within our region change, this area is now respected. This confirms the adage that Yith'Abantu (Thee People)," said Masuku.



# PIGG'S PEAK YOUTH TO ENROL ON MTN'S ONLINE EDUCATION PROGRAMME

By Sizwe Dlamini  
Pigg's Peak

MINISTER of Tourism and Environmental Affairs Jabulani Mabuza last Thursday promoted entrepreneurship amongst 160 members of the Pigg's Peak constituency.

Mabuza is also a member of parliament representing the area.

The youth descended at the Gobolondlo multipurpose hall, where the minister and dignitaries had convened.

The main objective of the meeting was to promote youth entrepreneurship and to hear what challenges the youth of Hhohho faced.

Mabuza then surprised the youth; enrolling 32 lucky members on MTN's online computer educational programme and with five of those enrolled received a free cell phone from MTN.

Registration took place at the event and the only prerequisite was that they must be computer literate and be familiar with the internet.

The minister encouraged the youth of Hhohho to think outside the box and develop ideas so as to start their own businesses thus further improving themselves and the community at large.



**GREAT OPPORTUNITY:** Minister of Tourism and Environmental Affairs Jabulani Mabuza addressing the youth while Pigg's Peak Mayor Thembisile Dlamini-Ngcamphalala listens.



**IN ATTENDANCE:** About 160 members of the Hhohho youth at the Gobolondlo multipurpose hall.

selves and the community at large.

## Potential

"People, fear of the Lord is the key to all your successes and will give you self control and that will allow you to use your potential to better yourselves. Right now 30 of you have been registered for a free on-line edu-

cational programme, to be offered by MTN Swaziland in conjunction with Microsoft. This is a very exciting opportunity for you and trust that you will use it wisely because you will have gained very important life skills that will help you excel in the future," he said.

Meanwhile, Swazi MTN Chief

Executive Officer Ambrose Dlamini said the programme they offered, in conjunction with Microsoft, was available on-line in a virtual class room setup.

He said it would allow the lucky students to improve their computer skills and become more familiar with Microsoft programmes and other applications.

Dlamini said those that enrolled would receive certificates upon completion.

On that note, Matsapha Town Board Chief Executive Officer Gciniwe Fakudze enlightened the youth on Junior Achievement (JA), saying that such a programme was meant for the youth who are either in school or out of school.

She encouraged the youth to support their local community thus keeping the wealth within the Hhohho region.

"There is no progress in Africa because we Africans do not support each other. We should copy the Asians (who support one another,) there is no point going to buy an item in Mbabane when the same is sold in Pigg's Peak," she said.

Also present at the event was Pigg's Peak Mayor Thembisile Dlamini-Ngcamphalala, who said the small town was grateful



**MY VIEW:** Matsapha Town Board Chief Executive Officer Gciniwe Fakudze addressing the youth of Pigg's Peak.



**EMPOWERING:** Swazi MTN Chief Executive Officer Ambrose Dlamini.

to host the youth of the region. She promised to continue the partnership with the minister, to improve the town as a whole.



**TALENT:** St Francis Primary School pupils entertaining the guests during the launch.

## 30 Pigg's Peak Inkhundla youth to join employability platform

By Mandla Laphondvo  
Mbabane

SWAZI MTN's Chief Executive Officer Ambrose Dlamini has announced that 30 young people from six communities under Pigg's Peak Inkhundla will be amongst the first to benefit from an employability enhancing online training scheduled to take off this week.

The training is provided by Swazi MTN in collaboration with Microsoft, as part of 21 Days of Y'ello Care; whose theme is "Investing in Education for All."

The 21 Days of Y'ello Care is a corporate social investment campaign

started by MTN ten years ago. The campaign is run across 22 countries with MTN operations, from 1 - 21 June every year.

## Participate

Amongst other aspirations, the campaign attempts to mobilise staff, and companies who come in as partners, to participate in high impact projects, which seek to improve the quality of life for people in rural communities, particularly schools.

Each MTN staff member, from the top to the bottom of the organogram, is afforded at least one day, to practically contribute towards "make another person's life brighter," in line with the company's mission.

participation, some staff members are in the field three, or even four times during the campaign.

## Initiative

The employability enhancing online training initiative was initially announced by Dlamini during the 21 Days of Y'ello Care launch last week Wednesday.

During a motivation session at Gobolondlo Hall, organised by Pigg's Peak Member of Parliament Jabulani Mabuza, Dlamini also extended the opportunity to young people who were part of the session.

Whilst the online training programs are undertaken as part of the annual social investment program, the cherry on top is that they will continue to run

beyond the life time of the Campaign.

The program targets high school, and tertiary trained graduates.

These participating graduates are prepared for the world of work through diverse, and practical training modules, which from Microsoft's experience, works

well to enhance participant's access to jobs.

"Swazi MTN will provide bundles to facilitate access to internet so that trainees are in a position to successfully complete the online course," said Dlamini.

Dlamini further pledged five basic mobile phones to the first five young people who will finish the training.

This year's 21 Days of Y'ello Care, costs close to E1 million, and was officially launched by the Honourable Minister of Education and training, Dr. Phineas Magagula, who was represented by the ministry's

Principal Secretary, Pat Muir. Muir appreciated the contribution the company is making towards advancing education in Swaziland. Muir appealed for the coverage of more school, to maximise the benefits from the main and support projects undertaken by Swazi MTN for this 21 Days of Y'ello Care Campaign.

Because the projects will work well to improve ICT-inspired learning, and general management of schools, Swazi MTN will explore avenues for expansion, and mainstreaming of these projects. The companies who have joined Swazi MTN as partners in this year's campaign include:

Macmillan; Microsoft; M26; Super Signs; Global Paints; Star Paint; Zoya Technology Solutions; Computronics; Build It; Afrisam; Huawei; PC Systems; Edit Micro; Printpak; and the Family Life Association of Swaziland.



**YES WE CAN:** Principal Secretary Pat Muir represented the Minister of Education and Training Dr Phineas Magagula during the official launch of the 21 Days of Y'ello Care.



# Mandela's step-daughter steers forum on women empowerment

By Nomfundo Sifundza  
Ezulwini

NELSON Mandela's step-daughter Josina Machel led a day long empowerment forum addressing solutions to violence against women and girls at Sibane Hotel last Thursday.

Machel, an abuse survivor herself strongly believes there is no justification to violence.

This she said as she told a story of how she was beaten and lost her right eye sight during the incident.

Machel and her boyfriend argued after she had to spend the night at her family home in Maputo.

"After insulting me, he punched me repeatedly in the face, resulting to my right eye being blinded instantly.

I knew after the third punch that I had to run away, I got out of the car and started running until I got to a quiet neighborhood. I screamed out for help but the only sound that resonated with mine were dogs barking," she said.

She lamented as the room was dead silent following her presentation.

## ...Machel interacts with St Michael's girls

JOSINA Machel, on Friday, visited St Michael's High school to address and interact the pupils.

Machel who is a physical abuse survivor aimed to teach all ladies who suffered abuse in the hands of people they trust, to stand up.

After that incident Machel said she took it upon herself to fight violence against women in Africa.

Coming from a political background, she has been an agent of change, as Machel joined her parents in the fight for independence in Mozambique.

Machel is a founder of Kuhluka Movement, an initiative set up to empower women survivors of abuse and to provide safe shelter; as well as comprehensive services to help restore and rehabilitate them.

The Kuhluka movement partnered with the Kirsh Foundation and Seeds of Hope Outreach (SOHO) to put the Sibane forum together and to ensure it made the profound impact it was supposed

Machel spent two years of her education in Swaziland at the Waterford Kamhlaba College.

### Feels

She strongly feels she is part of Swaziland, because the two countries Mozambique and Swaziland fought the same struggle to free-

dom.

Machel believed her duty was to fight against violence and at the end of the day see to it that it ends.

Machel wanted to see a world where women were free from any form of violence.



**CHALLENGES:** Thabsile Nxumalo from the Child Protection Unit, stating challenges faced by police on gender based violence.

women initiative through presentations. DPM's Monitoring and Evaluation Specialist in the Gender and family issues department Mpendulo Masuku tabled some



**SOCIAL CHANGE AGENT:** Kuhluka Movement Founder Former Mozambique President Samora Machel's daughter Josina Machel sharing her journey and passion for social change. (Pics: Thandeka Ndlangamandla)

statistics. He said 33 percent of women before reaching the age of 18 had already suffered sexual abuse. Masuku said one in five women aged 15-49 would be beaten by their husbands or partners.



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A Public notice is hereby published by the Swaziland Investment Promotion Authority to its stakeholders and investors on behalf of the Enterprise Unit of the World Bank and the Ministry of Commerce, Industry and Trade. The Unit is about to launch an Enterprise Survey in Swaziland where information will be collected in face-to-face interviews with owners and managers of 150 formal businesses throughout the country. The survey is conducted every 10 years, with 2006 being the last survey conducted in Swaziland.

The purpose of the survey is to form a clearer understanding of both the operations of businesses and the main obstacles that firms face in running and growing their business; and also to obtain an unbiased representative picture of the conditions and evolution of the business climate of Swaziland's economy. For that reason we would kindly request for your cooperation as the business community to participate in the survey which shall commence immediately after the 25th June 2016 with project completion being end of July 2016.

Responses shall not be attributed to individual or identifiable firms hence assurance is given to the confidentiality of results. We would very much appreciate if you would provide the Enterprise Unit of the World Bank with the information which shall be inquired about your investment in Swaziland. The data collected will be for the World Bank's purpose only and does not constitute a commitment or obligation of your company.

Thanking you in advance for your cooperation in this regard.

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#### INVITATION TO PARTICIPATE AT THE SOUTHERN AFRICAN TRADE EXHIBITION (SAITEX) SHOW

The Swaziland Investment Promotion Authority (SIPA) hereby invites local exporting companies to participate at the Southern African International Trade Exhibition (SAITEX) show which will be held at the Gallagher Convention Centre, Midrand, Johannesburg, South Africa from the 19<sup>th</sup> to 21<sup>st</sup> June 2016.

The SAITEX show is an annual exhibition for retail products which boasts a compliment of over 850 exhibitors from 49 countries as well as over 13 500 visitors from 72 countries (2015 statistics). The show runs concurrently with the continent's largest food and beverages show, the Africa Big 7 (AB7) show.

The show will provide an opportunity to showcase Swaziland export products, establish new buyers and suppliers and learn on new trends on the different sectors through high-level business seminars and matchmaking platforms.

SIPA will subsidize participation of local companies in the form of payment for stand rental fees as well as transport and customs clearance for exhibition samples. Companies are advised that only a limited number of companies can be facilitated to the show hence SIPA reserves the right to approve participating companies.

Selected companies will be required to send a representative to manage their exhibition stand. In this regard companies are expected to cover the travel and accommodation needs for their representative (s).

The deadline for applications is 9<sup>th</sup> June 2016.

For applications and more information about SAITEX 2016, please contact Mr. Linda Makhenya or Mrs. Thobile Mamba at 2404 0470/2/3/4 or email [lindam@sipa.org.sz](mailto:lindam@sipa.org.sz) / [diaminitho@sipa.org.sz](mailto:diaminitho@sipa.org.sz)



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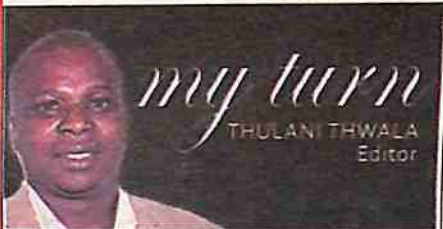


# FEATURES & OPINION

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## MTN Bushfire festival bushy



**BEFORE** I tackle today's subject which is the now internationally recognised annual MTN Bushfire Festival, I feel duty bound to say one or two things about the death of magician Mduduzi Gama.

I will ignore the defensive mode our police service has engaged in through their PRO Khulani Mamba.

Again, I will not apportion blame but rather allow history to do the talking.

Gama, according to a vendor, was allegedly left for dead by two police officers, whether in the middle or side of the road, it makes no difference.

He was left for dead.

According to the vendor, Gama looked weary. He had a gaping wound to the forehead. He was 'off-loaded' from a police van by two uniformed police officers.

In all honesty, the vendor had nothing to lose. The vendor had nothing to gain either by implicating the police. She never knew Gama was to later die.

She is just a vendor who is interested in the number of bananas she sells a day. She has no agenda or politics. If anything, police help her with nothing.

### Belongings

On the said day, the vendor saw a police van, two police officers and a dying man being taken out of it with his belongings. Police need to get the said officers and the van if that would help.

What the vendor saw is archetypal of our police force anyway- they can be that careless and reckless. Brutal if you like. They lie if given an opportunity. I always remember Mathousand, the man who died for a stove.

Another case in point is that of Mozambican Luciano Zavale who died with the integrity of our police force. He was left for dead at the RFM hospital ironically by two police officers who were to later lie that he was found somewhere around Manzini when in fact he had been tortured by them.

I will leave Ayanda Mkhabela's misfortune. She is a living testimony of what police's carelessness can do. Her children will always refer to her as a police 'cabbage'.

The denials by PRO Mamba in the Gama saga are akin to those that were made by his colleagues from Manzini in the Zavale case. A litany of untruths was told.

One being that Zavale fell from a bench and died. Listen to that rubbish.

A doctor's report suggested he was tortured until his lungs collapsed. Never mind that a year later there is still no report from the inquest that followed thereafter.

Once again in the Gama saga, like it happened in Zavale's, our money is about to be spent gratuitously as another probe into a

● Really, I see no point why a company would opt to channel money into a charity via a long, noisy and groovy route. What happened to direct injection? The Bushfire festival again becomes every Swazi's business when a heavy battalion of police officers are dispatched to provide security at the event



**BUSHY:** People who attended the Bushfire festival having fun.

death that could have been avoided will be set up. We waste.

A coroner who will leave her/his job will be appointed to waste our money. I think it is time something happens within the police force to set the tone. For now, I don't know what.

As things stand, in the absence of an independent body to help in such instances, police are investigating themselves once again. Something is not right. I hear the family wants revenge; I call for calm and patience.

This then brings me to the Bushfire Festival concoction. See, 10 years ago when the festival started it was none of my business. It looked like a private affair of one Jiggs and his family.

### Underprivileged

However, it became fully part of my business when the organisers started marketing it as a gimmick to raise funds for the underprivileged. I liked the thinking of mixing pleasure with serious national issues.

It again became my business when companies both private and public started pouring resources, that could have otherwise been directly channelled to the poor, into it.

Really, I see no point why a company would opt to channel money into charity via a long, noisy and groovy route. What happened to direct injection?

The bushfire festival again becomes every Swazi's business when a heavy battalion of police officers are dispatched to provide security at the event.

It also becomes our business when cabinet ministers spend hours hanging out there. They don't go there on their spare time; it's on our shift as taxpayers because we pay them.

Given the above, no one would argue

against the festival being a national concern (yindzaba yetfu sonkhe). I forgot to mention that schools around Lobamba and Malkerns have lessons adjusted to accommodate 'learning' at Bushfire.

They become part of the gig.

What is my point? My point is simple; it is time the organizers make public the financial statements of the festival, strictly the festival because it's now a public/charitable affair.

It is time they tell us how much they make from the three-day event, we must know.

I was happy that MTN CEO Ambrose Dlamini revealed that his company pumped in E1.2 million into the festival. Now, this should form the base of what I am requesting from the organizers of the successful event.

### Declare

All the companies that contribute to the 'good bushfire festival cause' must declare how much they donate because some of them are very public.

Again, they must explain why they opted to go via the festival to help the needy. I would have liked to see them go direct to the recipients to avoid the costly way of getting AKA from South Africa to perform at a fee.

Say for instance if the organizers can give us the list of companies including the monetary value of what they donated.

In the meantime, National Commissioner of Police Isaac Magagula calculates the overtime we pay the police officers who are placed on duty at the festival.

Magagula must then post the amount accrued as a donation to the festival from government.

The same goes for the organizers of the festival who must now declare how much is made from the gate takings. This, I say given the fact that over 25 000 people are said to

have attended this year's bushfire festival.

My rough calculations tell me that if you multiply the number of people who came through, with the average ticket price of E359, you get something close to E2 million.

I am certain it's way more than that because this excludes the price for a VIP ticket.

Add the MTN's E1.2 million to that, you hit E3 million. Again, this excludes the money paid by stall vendors to sell at the festival. I hear the prices are steep and that lead to the food they sell being expensive.

Have you ever heard of a slice of pizza sold for E25? Taximen servicing the party animals at the festival are also made to pay to be there.

I hear each taximan was made to pay E500 to be eligible to service the party animals that attended the festival. Also, it is normal that beer flows in such events and hundreds of thousands are made from its sale.

So, the balance sheet I am requesting will in turn assist us Swazis who are supporters of charity to evaluate if what the festival organizers give back to charity is satisfactory.

Beggars can't be choosers, I agree. But still being a beggar does not take away certain rights. As beggars we need to know the particulars because our name, is used to popularize the event. We have a right to demand answers from the public companies that take money via an *umdangalazo* to us. We like it clean and untouched.

### Beggars

We have in the past experienced annoying instances where the name of charity or us beggars had been abused by promoters who used it to maximize their profits.

If the bushfire festival organizers have difficulty in going public with their books they must remove the word charity that earns them sympathy and support from the gullible public.

Personally, I am not happy with what normally goes to charity from such events in general, not because of its size alone but because of the secrecy.

Government must help us get around this. There must be a representative from government to ensure our interests as beggars are protected.

I am sure MTN would agree with me on this because the E1.2 million would have gone a long way if it was channeled into the more practical 21 days of y'ello care that was launched last week. There is a lot of transparency there.

Like I stated earlier, the bushfire concept started as a private affair until it attracted public scrutiny because of its charitable tag, which I am certain was genuine.

I am not sure if I am asking for too much. I am hoping for more positive changes in the next edition.

I also implore MTN to evaluate if the E1.2 million cannot be directly donated to charity than going via the bushy route.

Yes MTN is private but given the nature of the business it is in, the public holds the key now that the monopoly is dead.

Thanks.



## ON THIS DAY

...JUNE 6

1932 - In the U.S., the first federal tax on gasoline came into effect. It was a penny per gallon.

1933 - In Camden, NJ, the first drive-in movie theater opened.

1934 - U.S. President Franklin Roosevelt signed the Securities Exchange Act, which established the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC).

1936 - The first helicopter was tested in a building in Berlin, Germany.

1941 - The U.S. government authorized the seizure of foreign ships in U.S. ports.

1942 - The first nylon parachute jump was made by Adeline Gray in Hartford, CT.

1942 - Japanese forces retreated in the World War II Battle of Midway. The battle had begun on June 4.

1944 - The D-Day invasion of Europe took place on the beaches of Normandy, France. 400,000 Allied American, British and Canadian troops were involved.

1946 - The Basketball Association of America was formed in New York City, NY.

1968 - U.S. Senator Robert F. Kennedy died at 1:44am in Los Angeles after being shot by Sirhan Sirhan. Kennedy was shot the evening before while campaigning for the Democratic presidential nomination.

1971 - "The Ed Sullivan Show" aired for the last time. It was canceled after 23 years on the air. Gladys Knight and the Pips were the musical guests on show.

1978 - "20/20" debuted on ABC.

1982 - Israel invaded southern Lebanon in an effort to drive PLO guerrillas out of Beirut.

1985 - The body of Nazi war criminal Dr. Josef Mengele was located and exhumed near Sao Paulo, Brazil. Mengele was known as the "Angel of Death."

1985 - The U.S. Senate authorized non-military aid to the Contras. The vote authorized \$38 million over two years.

1993 - Mongolia held its first direct presidential elections.

2005 - The United States Supreme Court ruled that federal authorities could prosecute sick people who smoke marijuana on doctor's orders. The ruling concluded that state medical marijuana laws did not protect uses from the federal ban on the drug.

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY



Robert Englund  
(Movie Actor) -  
June 6 1947 - 68  
years old



Jason Isaacs (TV  
Actor) - June 6  
1963 - 52 years old

## Resident Alien



Rev Carl Brook  
(1 Peter 2:11)

**'DO not mistreat or oppress a foreigner, for you were foreigners in Egypt.' - Exodus 22:21**

Last week, my son and I decided to scale the face of Sibebe.

As I looked down from the middle of that huge rock, clinging on by my toes and fingertips, I felt that warm, sick feeling in the pit of my stomach we are all familiar with: FEAR. Indeed, it's the first time I can remember experiencing this level of anxiety. "BE the lizard" I told myself, desperately trying to keep a low centre of gravity. As I reached across for the next finger hold my left arm shook under the strain, protesting: "you are no lizard!"

## Induced

Fear is a feeling induced by perceived danger that typically causes a change in our bodies (rapid pulse, shallow breathing, sweaty palms, etc.) and in our behaviour (fleeing, hiding, freezing).

These responses are based on how our minds assess the danger; our fears are therefore either rational or irrational. An irrational fear is called a phobia. Anxiety is distinguished from fear in that it is caused by threats we believe are unavoidable.

What are you afraid of? Check

## What are you afraid of?



the following list of common causes: demons / ghosts, cockroaches, spiders, snakes, heights, water, enclosed spaces, tunnels, bridges, needles, social rejection, failure, examinations, public speaking. (I see I'm not the only scaredy-cat when it comes to injections!) For Americans, apparently, the top ten include terrorist attacks, spiders, death, being a failure, war, criminal/gang violence, being alone, the future, and nuclear war. What is our top ten in Swaziland?

## Harmless

Remember the old nursery rhyme, "Little Miss Muffet..."? Poor spiders really do get a bad rap! Most of their 45 000 species are harmless, yet someone with arachnophobia (between 3 to 6 percent of the population) often feel uneasy in a place where webs are visible or that may harbour spiders. Objects that look like spiders or even realistic drawings of them can trigger

panic attacks. Whether this phobia is the result of genetics or culture is still not known.

We may laugh at the unfortunate minority who experience such irrational fears, but we have our own! Take xenophobia, our fear of strangers or foreigners. Why are we so afraid of them? Are we not 'deceived by what is perceived'? We believe they are here to steal our jobs, abuse our benefits, fleece our gullible.

## Panicked

This is the fear of contemporary Europeans, panicked at the thought of hordes of Syrian refugees flooding across their borders.

Consider the plight of the refugee, my friends. Abraham, Sarah and our Lord Jesus found sanctuary in Egypt. Jacob fled to Haran, Moses to Midian, Naomi to Moab, Ruth to Judah, David to the land of his enemy the Philistines. The Bible is full of the stories of characters and

peoples who were forcibly displaced. Indeed, since the time of Adam and Eve we have all been alienated from God's presence and it took a heavenly missionary, Christ, to bring us Home again.

Today, there is no country on earth untouched by the challenges of forced migration. In many cases, people from previously 'unreached' nations are camping on our doorsteps!

## Afraid

Instead of being afraid of them, let us embrace this God-given opportunity and see them as fellow humans instead of dangerous threats. Invite them in for a cup of tea, offer their children a lift to school, visit them when they're sick. In short, be a neighbour!

And who is my neighbour? Dear Lord, let me answer that question in your name. Amen

**Carl Brook is pastor at Mbabane Chapel**

## A fighter to the end

**THE daughter of icon Muhammad Ali has taken to social media to share with the world how he was a fighter up until the very end.**

The boxing legend died on Friday at age 74 in a Phoenix-area hospital at 9.10pm from septic shock 'due to unspecified natural causes,' family spokesman Bob Gunnell announced on Saturday during an afternoon press conference.

Gunnell revealed that Ali actually was hospitalized since Monday suffering from respiratory issues, as he battled Parkinson's disease for 32 years.

He shared that it was a 'very solemn' time when the boxer's family came together to say their final goodbyes.

Gunnell said the family is planning to hold a private funeral on Thursday for the icon, and that a public funeral will be held on Friday in Louisville, Kentucky at

the KFC Yum! Center starting at 2pm.

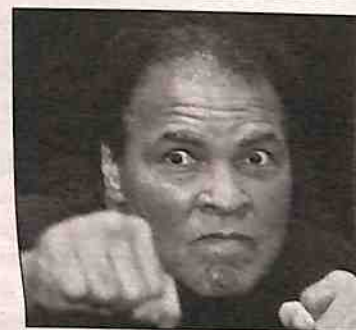
Former President Bill Clinton, Bryant Gumbel and Billy Crystal will be giving eulogies, as the champion had previously requested.

Gunnell also revealed that the three-time world heavyweight champion fighter did not suffer at the time of his death and said that he wanted people of all walks of life to be able to attend his funeral because he was a citizen of the world.

Louisville Mayor Greg Fischer announced that the city will hold a memorial for the boxing legend on Saturday morning.

Since the time of his death, his daughter Hana Ali has shared a few touching tributes to her father that provide an inside look as to how he was as a family man.

On Saturday, she took to Twitter and wrote how happy her family is



**RIP: Muhammad Ali.**

that her father is 'free,' but shared how he fought until the very end and thanked people for their support.

'Our hearts are literally hurting. But We are so happy daddy is free now. We all tried to stay strong and whispered in his ear, 'You can go now. We will be okay. We love. Thank you. You can go back to God now.'

'All of us were around him hugging and kissing him and holding his hands, chanting the Islamic prayer

'All of his organs failed but his HEART wouldn't stop beating. For

30 minutes...his heart just keep (sic) beating.

'No one had ever seen anything like it. A true testament to the strength of his Spirit and Will!

'Thank you for all for your love and support!!!'

Hana Ali, who is the author of his autobiography, *The Soul of a Butterfly and More Than a Hero* Life Lessons from Ali, also shared several photos of her him to Instagram.

In one sweet snap, she is pictured smiling next to him as he holds a chocolate bar and gazes warmly into the camera.

'Our father was a 'Humble Mountain' And now he has gone home to God,' she captioned the photo.

'Pray for the peace of his beautiful soul and for the happiness of his further journey.

'God bless you daddy. YOU ARE THE LOVE OF MY LIFE!'

In another picture she posted to Instagram, it shows him giving her a gentle kiss when she was a child. *Dailymail*





The Global Business  
ROUNDTABLE

## Platform

"WE believe God will use organisations like the GBR- Global Business Roundtable to ensure that His people take over and control the economies of the world."

**FACT:** One of the challenges facing modern business and private sectors globally is the fact that the current financial and economic systems and organisations, unless inspired by God and led by the Holy Spirit, will not prevail in solving the deepening economic problems of the world.

### History of GBR

GBR-Global Business Roundtable is a God-centered and inspired global business networking initiative which was prompted by a deep desire to start a prayer meeting for people in business as well as to support for working professionals in their various fields. Born out of fervent prayer, the GBR-Global Business Roundtable was established on August 21st 2009, and it began with 12 people, in Johannesburg, South Africa. The GBR-Global Business Roundtable started as a discussion forum as well as a support, networking and prayer group for people in business and various intellectual professions.

The GBR has now over 3000 members spread across various continents including countries such as South Africa, USA, Spain, Swaziland, Lesotho and Mozambique and many more.

### GBR Mission and Vision

# WHAT IS GBR AND WHAT IT STANDS FOR

The GBR- Global Business Roundtable as a networking organisation with a global member pool focuses on the complete development of a person in line with Gods plan for His Kingdom and not forgetting to love God with our entire being. This is achieved through focus areas including: Spiritual, Business and Entrepreneurship Development, Intellectual and Socio-Political and Economic Development, respectively, merely simplified as (Intellectual Development, Business Opportunities, Professional Development, Emotional Intelligence, Interpersonal Skills Development, Mentorship - Transfer of Skills and Knowledge, Business Coaching, Financial Intelligence - Wealth Creation and Estate Planning, Relationship Development -with God and with Fellow Man and the Principle of Loving your Neighbour as much as you Love Yourself, Authentic Leadership Development, Corporate Governance and Ethics, Relationship Development-Family, Business, Professional and Ministry)

Our founding principles emanate from the following scriptures: "Seek ye first the Kingdom of God and His Righteousness and all these things shall be added unto you" - **Matthew 6v33**... and Jesus said to him "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind". This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like it "You shall love your neighbor as yourself". On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets. - **Matthew 22v37** - 40

### GBR Culture and Values

We live and stand by the GBR values, that is: to be the light of the world, the City Hill that will draw all nations to God through our example and model. We also believe that in order to change the culture of the seven mountains of society, we are first to be the change that we want to see, for it begins with an individual at organisational level.

### Love

Our first and foremost value in GBR: We love God with all our heart, mind and soul, and love one another as we love ourselves (**Matthew 6:33**). We treat each other with utmost respect, give and show love and care. By this, shall all men know that you are my disciples. - **John 13:35**.

### Integrity and Honesty

We uphold utmost integrity and honesty in our dealings with each other and the external world. In a world full of corruption, this makes us stand-out and many are drawn by what they see at GBR.

### Excellence

We espouse the value of excellence in all that we do and refer to each other as "Your Excellency", to affirm and manifest the excellence in us. We also do everything with the spirit of excellence, professionalism and continuous improvement.

### Openness

We open a free and protected space for debates, engagements and dialogues on issues meant for the development of GBR and GFFJ.

### Servanthood

We serve with Christ-like humility,

enthusiasm, selflessness, with no regard for any earthly reward or recognition. We believe that God is the rewarder of those who diligently seek Him. We do not believe in self-glory, but attribute all glory to God.

### Collaboration

We collaborate with each other within and across teams on our internal projects and tasks as well as with external organisations that share our vision. We complement and not compete with each other.

### GBR MEETINGS

We have our meetings commonly known as sessions, every Tuesday and Thursday from the different regions of the country. Everyone is free to attend the GBR sessions, at no cost and anyone can become a member free of charge. After every session, we network... a powerful session where business deals are clinched and sealed over coffee and tea.

Our sessions start promptly at 6pm-8pm and the venues and days are as follows:

In Mbabane- City Court-last Tuesday of the month  
At Ezulwini-Bethel Court-first Tuesday of every month  
At Simunye-Simunye Club-second Tuesday of every month  
Manzini- third Tuesday of the month, presently at The Caritas  
At Nhlalanga- Ngwane Teachers Training College-every last Thursday of the month  
More on GBR shall be shared every Monday on this platform. For more information log in to the GBR web-site: [www.globalbusinessroundtable.com](http://www.globalbusinessroundtable.com) or contact: +268 78722063  
NB: This is a new column that would feature every Monday

## With and Wisdom

1. The problem is not that there are problems. The problem is expecting otherwise and thinking that having problems is a problem.  
- Theodore Rubin
2. Throw your dreams into space like a kite, and you do not know what it will bring back: a new life, a new friend, a new love, a new country.  
- Anais Nin
3. Too many people are thinking of security instead of opportunity. They seem to be more afraid of life than death.  
- James F. Bymes
4. He who is not everyday conquering some fear has not learned the secret of life.  
- Ralph Waldo Emerson
5. It's only when we truly know and understand that we have a limited time on earth -- and that we have no way of knowing when our own time is up -- that we will begin to live each day to the fullest, as if it was the only one we had.  
- Elisabeth Kubler-Ross
6. The very least you can do in your life is to figure out what you hope for. And the most you can do is live inside that hope. Not admire it from a distance but live right in it, under its roof.  
- Barbara Kingsolver
7. In three words I can sum up everything I've learned about life: it goes on.  
- Robert Frost
8. Never become so much of an expert that you stop gaining expertise. View life as a continuous learning experience.  
- Denis Waitley
9. Ethics should precede economics... We know this because we've seen the results of capitalism without conscience: the pollution of the air we breathe, the water we drink, and the food we eat; the endangerment of workers; and the sale of dangerous products -- from cars to toys to drugs. All in pursuit of greater and greater profits.  
- Arianna Huffington
10. The supreme happiness of life is the conviction that we are loved.  
- Victor Hugo
11. No one wants to die. Even people who want to go to heaven don't want to die to get there. And yet death is the destination we all share. No one has ever escaped it. And that is as it should be, because death is very likely the single best invention of life. It is life's change agent. It clears out the old to make way for the new. Right now the new is you, but someday not too long from now, you will gradually become the old and be cleared away. Sorry to be so dramatic, but it is quite true.  
- Steve Jobs

## Oscar Pistorius case: The unresolved issues

### DOLUS eventualis: quo vadis?

As we draw closer to the sentencing hearing in the Pistorius matter, which has been scheduled to start on June 13 2016, it is appropriate to reflect -- in terms of finally concluding on the matter -- on some of the key legal issues related to the case. Whereas most members of the public have probably at this stage 'had more than enough' of the case, there are some of those issues that remain unresolved, and it is important to resolve them.

Since the Constitutional Court (CC) did not grant leave to appeal for it to hear the matter, it is indeed 'the end of the road' for Oscar Pistorius himself in terms of not being officially labelled a murderer, and he will almost certainly now receive a heavier sentence. As far as the Law is concerned, however, the resolution of the issue of the correct application of *dolus eventualis* in cases of poten-

tial putative justification is not relevant only to the Pistorius case.

Since the CC will not address the matter of *dolus eventualis* in cases of potential putative justification in the Pistorius case, it is up to independent jurists who write on Criminal Law not to allow the issue to be left behind in the 'dust cloud' that this case has created. The purpose of the present two-part article is to ensure that any person who reads it will understand the basic contents of *dolus* (criminal intent) in South African Law. From a substantive Criminal Law point of view, two major issues still remain to be resolved. Although neither the Supreme Court of Appeal (SCA) nor the CC is likely to have the opportunity to address those issues soon, the lower Courts can still be guided by formal juristic writing in the event of a matter of putative justification arising. Indeed, the Courts often refer (sometimes extensively) to

juristic writing in substantiating their application of the Law. A recent example is particularly relevant for present purposes:

In the relatively recent case of *S v Brown* 2015 (1) SACR 211 (SCA), the SCA approvingly quoted Professor CR Snyman (who has been quoted countless times by the Courts in recent decades) at [104]:

"It is necessary, whilst engaging in the exercise referred to in the preceding paragraph, namely an evaluation of the evidence consistent with Brown's plea, to remind ourselves of the definition of *dolus eventualis*. In CR Snyman Criminal Law 5ed (2008) at 184 it is defined as follows:

"A person acts with intention in the form of *dolus eventualis* if the commission of the unlawful act or the causing of the unlawful result is not his main aim, but: (a) he subjectively foresees the possibility that, in striving towards his



SO CLOSE: Whereas most members of the public have probably at this stage 'had more than enough' of the Oscar Pistorius case, there are some of those issues that remain unresolved, writes Dr Roche Steyn. (eNCA/Dianne Hawker)

main aim, the unlawful act may be committed or the unlawful result may be caused, and (b) he reconciles himself to this possibility."



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## VITALS

Prime Rate	10.5%
First National bank	
Inflation Rate	8.5%
Central Statistical Office	
Mortgage Rate	9.5%
Swaziland Building Society	
Bank Rate	7%
Central Bank	
Petrol (u)	E11.00 per litre
Replacement	E11.05 per litre
Diesel	E10.95 per litre
Paraffin	E 7.15 per litre
Engen Garage	

## FOREIGN EXCHANGE RATES



Correct as at 02 June 2016

CURRENCY	BUY	SELL
US Dollar / SZL	14,9684	15,0184
British Pound/SZL	21,6794	21,7488
Japanese Yen/SZL	7,1326	7,1544
Swiss Franca/SZL	15,4680	15,5052
Botswana Pula/SZL	1,3696	1,3802
Australian Dollar/SZL	11,0616	11,1061
Canadian Dollar/SZL	11,6259	11,6638
Mozambique Meticals/SZL	3,5274	3,5863
Euro/SZL	17,0849	17,1419
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# GOVT OFFERS ANOTHER BOND WORTH E150 MILLION

By Linda Dlamini

...successful auction will make a total of E426 million in six months

**GOVERNMENT** has again announced its intention to raise E150 million through the public offering of a bond within the Swazi financial markets.

This auction comes just after government raised E200 million from the sale of the SG024 bond, which was auctioned on May 2016.

In January the government raised E76 million through auction of the SG023 reopening bond.

If the SG025 bond is fully allotted through the auction, the government would be able to raise E426 million in the debt markets over six months.

The SG025 bond, that the government intends to auction, has a maturity of five years and has a fixed coupon rate of 10 percent.

"On behalf of the Government of the Kingdom of Swaziland, the Central Bank of Swaziland is announcing the launch of a five year government bond. The coupon rate for this bond will be



GOVERNMENT BOND: Central Bank of Swaziland.

fixed at 10 percent. The auction date shall be June 15, 2016 for the sum E 150 million," said the Central Bank of Swaziland (CBS) in a statement.

### Issuance

"The purpose of the issuance is to: develop the secondary market; establish a fair market price; which will compensate

both the borrower and investors for interest rate risks; and to facilitate financial intermediation, whilst also meeting Government budgetary requirements," said the bank.

### Bond

Interestingly the CBS recently announced that government would be redeeming the SG013

bond which had the face value of E150 million, the exact amount the government will be seeking from the SG025 bond.

The bank called all investors, who were holding the bond, to visit or call the bank to update the register and ensure that their names were included in the register.

"The last day to register is June 9, 2016 and those whose names appear on the register on that day will be eligible for redemption payment which will be made on 20 June 2016," said the bank.

According to the SG013 bond Pricing Supplement dated May 23, 2011, the government will have to pay the principal, which is E150 million, plus the final semi-annual coupon on the day of redemption, which is on June 20, 2016. Thus it would appear that government would only have to pay the interest payments to investors as the proceeds from the impending auction, on June 15, 2016, would result in government receiving another E150 million.

## INSURANCE PENETRATION RATE SITS AT ONLY 2%

By Manqoba Makhubu

**THE** lack of innovative, simple, affordable and easily accessible risk solutions, as well as customer service and poor consumer education, has contributed to low insurance penetration, according to Liberty Life Managing Director Dumsani Dlamini.

With a population of over 1.3 million and a death rate of about 14.4 per 1000 people according to 2014 statistics, the country only has an insurance penetration rate of less than two percent with death and illness amongst the biggest risks.

Liberty Life Swaziland has partnered with Standard Bank to offer a unique and valuable bancassurance agreement.

"The partnership has seen us work together to bring innovative, simple, affordable and easily accessible solutions that meet

customer's financial needs," he said.

Dlamini was speaking during the official launch of the product which was held last Thursday at the Royal Villas, Ezulwini.

The solution is called the Platinum Life Plan and offers cover starting from E500 000 to E5 million. Liberty is the underwriter of the insurance.

### Believed

Dlamini said together with Standard Bank they believed that with the combined skills they have, they would assist the nation in planning for the future.

"We are committed to working towards growing insurance penetration in the country by continuing to develop innovative solutions," said Dlamini.

Since most people rely on their income to cover their mortgage and other bills in order to maintain their lifestyle, Dlamini said the question was what would happen should someone become

unable to work due to illness, injury or death?

"We, at Liberty together with Standard Bank want to emphasise the importance of planning today for tomorrow. In doing so, help make financial freedom possible for people working hard to take care of their families," said Dlamini.

### Finances

He said when life takes an unexpected turn for the worst, the focus should be on the wellbeing of families not finances, saying that with the Standard Bank comprehensive Platinum Life Plan customers will have complete peace of mind knowing that if they were to pass away or become unable to provide for their loved ones, due to critical illness, physical impairment or disability, they would get a lump sum to take care of themselves and their loved ones.

"Long term planning for unexpected or uncertain life events

needs to become more of a critical issue in our societies," he said.

"Liberty is not just our name. It is what we do. We walk the journey with our customers and partners to financial freedom because that's why we exist to make a difference in people's lives and make financial freedom possible and change their realities," he concluded.

### Economy

Meanwhile, Standard Bank Chief Executive (CE) Phil Mnisi said the banking sector, as a whole, have a goal to provide intermediation and grow the economy.

"For me if we can have that mindset, we have got a solid foundation to build on towards the greater vision that His Majesty has articulated of being a developed nation," he said.

He said the sector needs to come up with intermediate solutions and grow the Swazi nation at grass root level regardless where they were banking.



# GOVT NEEDS TO PRIORITISE THE INFORMAL SECTOR

Stories by Manqoba Makhubu

**DUE** to constant rise of unemployment levels in Swaziland across all sectors, the economy is slowly shaping towards the formation of the informal sector.

This assertion was made by Southern African Research Foundation for Economic Development (SARFED) Regional Coordinator George Choongwa.

However, he said government and other stakeholders seem reluctant in addressing the demands of this sector and nurture it to become even much sustainable, hence bridging the widening poverty gap in the country.

"The economy is characterised with wide and stagnant economic growth which is however likely to be under pressure as globalisation proceeds, transition and developing countries like Swaziland and its enterprises face major challenges for strengthening their human and institutional capacities to take advantage of trade and investment opportunities both on a regional and global context," said Choongwa.

He said while government make policies in trade and investment areas, it was the enterprises either formal or



**ASSERTION: SARFED Regional Coordinator George Choongwa.**

informal that trade and invest, therefore the supply-side bottlenecks in the trade and investment areas and how government and its development partners and the private sector itself addressed these constraints have direct implications on the economic growth potential of the country.

## Handle

"In as much as it may seem a complex matter to handle, it must be clear to state that to deal with this informality and to transform this sector successfully calls for explicit recognition of this complexity in the first place," he said.

Choongwa said government could consider looking at strategies that would transform this sector into a viable and resilient sector, "this would gain much capacity to grow, create productive employment and increase their productivity and competitiveness, and ultimately generate higher incomes for those operating in the sector." This would reduce the sky rocketing levels of unemployment to drastic levels.

"However, government must understand that such a transformation requires a range of interventions aimed at reducing the cost of doing business in the informal sector environment and to selective interventions tailored and targeted to address the specific constraints facing the informal enterprises in their diversity," said Choongwa.

## Desire

However, he said this trend has not yet been practiced on the economic front of Swaziland and as a result the emerging small businesses were discouraged to grow their respective businesses as desired, and yet this sector was considered to be the best job creation strategy because it created jobs typically through apprenticeship. Once the apprentice acquires necessary skills, they move out and set up

...An effective informal sector can create sustainable jobs

SARFED Regional Coordinator George Choongwa says the establishment of an effective informal sector has potential to create a large number of non-vulnerable jobs with decent pay in the short-run as well as in the medium and long term.

He said large and self-sustained economies like China and India started by nurturing small businesses which eventually became some of the world leading firms that have strengthened the private sector, hence stimulating economic growth and development.

The global perspective is premised on the evolving nature of the informal econ-

omy, in terms of its scope and activities over time.

Choongwa said the recent upheavals in the global economy, the resilience of the informal economy and the expanding informality in Africa have triggered a rethinking of the position of the informal economy in development policy.

"There is need, therefore, for better understanding of the informal economy and its changing role in contemporary development process and policy towards poverty and employment and inclusive development if Swaziland was to move forward as a developing state," he said.

equally small units.

"However, despite this great opportunity of growing the economy at Gross Domestic Product (GDP) per capita, jobs in this sector are still associated with low productivity, low incomes and vulnerability and yet some informal economic activities result from the response of formal firms to reduce labour costs and increase competitiveness through subcontracting chains or

by avoiding costs associated with organized labour and state regulation of the economy (such as taxes and social legislation)," said the coordinator.

He said, therefore, other informal sector enterprises may choose to remain informal in response to a hostile legal system and regulatory framework or may choose to operate informally after weighing the costs-benefits of informality relative to formality.

## SA TOURISM ANNOUNCES INDABA 2017 DATES

By Simon Shabangu

**THE** South African Tourism has announced the dates for the Tourism Indaba 2017.

The event which would continue to be sponsored by the Durban Municipality in collaboration with Kwazulu Natal Government would be held on May 6 to 8, 2017.

In a statement by the SA Tourism communications the organisation said proposals to have the Indaba merged with other tourism events with a view to elevate the trade show has not succeeded as it transpired that it would not be viable. The proposal from other quarters was to have Indaba merged with Meetings Africa which is usually hosted by the City of Johannesburg.

"Following great deliberation, SA Tourism has concluded that the strategic partnership model is not the best option to elevate Indaba and Meetings Africa at the present. Therefore SA Tourism confirms that, through its newly established Exhibition and Strategic Events division, its leading marketing and communications agency, and its exhibitions management agency, SA Tourism will deliver Indaba and Meetings Africa into the future. We continue to rely on our innovative and passionate tourism industry to support our efforts to make Indaba and Meetings Africa successful, world class events" reads the statement.

The statement further revealed that Meetings Africa would also continue to be hosted by the city of Johannesburg and Gauteng Province from February 28 to March 1, 2017. Local tourism



**ALL SET: The host KZN MEC Michael Mabuyakhulu and Swaziland Tourism Minister Jabulani Mabuza at the Indaba recently. (Pic: Simon Shabangu)**

industry players usually attend both trade shows exhibitions with the view of showcasing local tourism facilities and related businesses.

The locals have great interest in these shows because it is a platform where they sourced most of their business because they meet tour operators who are key the tourism industry in the country.

## Happy

Swaziland Tourism Authority's (STA) Marketing Manager Bongani Dlamini said as the local industry they were happy about the developments because initially the trade shows were strategized this way for a reason.

He said much as they complement each other they serve different interest and attract different markets.

Meetings Africa is more focused on meetings and big events, yet the Tourism Indaba is even broader because it accommodates all the sectors and structures under tourism.

The norm is that other preferred to attend both shows while others preferred the one over the other.

Dlamini said merging the two was not going to be a good idea at all.

He commended the SA Tourism did for conducting surveys and properly evaluate this before coming to a decision. "This was a perfect decision and we happily welcome it in the local front," he said. "The early announcement of dates for the trade shows is a good move from the organisers as it gives the industry players time to prepare and schedule accordingly. It helps us to plan properly even for other activities of the year. We are delighted that they were able to do things in good time," he added.

South African Tourism owns and manages both trade show exhibitions, Indaba and Meetings Africa.

The objective for both platforms is to create market access and business growth for African tourism products and services. A rapid review on Indaba conducted in 2014 investigated the role of Indaba and suggested ways to enhance the offering moving forward. This included execution of strategies to elevate the trade show exhibition and pairing with a strategic partner was one of the options suggested" reads the statement in part.

## SWAZILAND HAS SLOWEST GROWING ECONOMY

By Linda Dlamini

**THE** country is projected to have the slowest growing economy on the continent with its gross domestic product (GDP) at only 1.7 percent according to the African Development Bank (AfDB).

Economic growth expectations for Swaziland would remain low in 2016, at just below two percent per annum. The African Development Bank (AfDB) African Economic Outlook Report 2016 stated that Swaziland's economic growth slowed down in 2015 to 1.7 percent, mainly because of severe drought, with prospects in 2016 and 2017 remaining poor.

"Swaziland's growth prospects are predicated on improved weather conditions and enhanced policy efforts to address critical challenges in areas such as the business climate and export diversification," said the report. This view was also shared by the World Bank Outlook report 2016. "Swaziland's economic outlook is expected to continue on a downward path particularly in the short term. Real GDP growth is projected at 1.3 percent in 2016 down from 1.7 percent in 2015," said the report. "As a result of these weak economic prospects, poverty and inequality are expected to remain critical challenges as growth of disposable income and job creation slows down," reads

the report as part. A dip in foreign investment has been identified as one reason why Swaziland has recorded low growth prospects. "Foreign investment into Africa increased by 16 percent from to E862 billion in 2015, according to International Monetary Fund (IMF) figures," the AfDB reported. Mozambique, Swaziland's neighbour, received over E70 billion thus it was one of the leading African investment destinations in 2015.

## Trade

However, given the limited trade with Mozambique there was little economic spill over into Swaziland. The investment within Africa has been led by South Africa, Nigeria and Kenya, mainly in banking, retail and telecommunications. Morocco, through banking and insurance companies such as Attijariwafa and Saham Insurance, has become a major investor but mainly in French-speaking countries. South Africa is the top investor in the southern African region, about 80 percent of foreign investment into Botswana, Lesotho, Namibia and Swaziland comes from South Africa. The bank said "Another problem compounding the issue of slow growth is that Swaziland saw considerably less aid." "This is a regional problem as Southern African countries, notably Lesotho, Angola and South Africa, all have recorded low aid rates," the bank reported.



# SWAZIBANK CHANGING CUSTOMERS' BANKING EXPERIENCES

Stories by Manqoba Makhubu

**SWAZIBANK** Managing Director Zakhele Lukhele says the bank have been working hard to introduce changes and give customers a better service and user experience.

Currently, the bank is on the process of shifting to e-banking.

Lukhele said they have also introduced changes at the bank head office which included introducing a call centre to improve efficiency and free flow of information. He was speaking during a customer interaction event and briefing held at the bank's Ezulwini branch. "Our objective is to grow and to also help our customers grow too. Hence we are trying to improve our services, where there is still a gap we are still trying to keep up with our customer's needs," he said.

However, he said the bank's transi-



**CHANGES:** SwaziBank Managing Director Zakhele Lukhele speaking during the customers interaction event at the bank's Ezulwini branch on Thursday. (Pics: Lucky Simelane)

tion to e-banking won't happen overnight since it involved complex

processes. "We would like to urge our customers to bear with us as we work towards changing to the new banking platform," he said. He also encouraged customers to make use of the MasterCard, which was launched by the bank in 2014. "If you have the card then it is the same as having a credit card and we hope that customers will use the card, especially when shopping other than using cash," said Lukhele.

He said the card was a good alternative compared to cash, because cash is expensive to handle for banks and also it is also risky for people to carry cash around while shopping, especially when going outside of the country.

Recently, there has been a shortage of dollars, Lukhele said with the MasterCard there was no need to use cash, as the card could transact to any

## ...Advises consumers to review their financial resolutions

**MEANWHILE,** SwaziBank Managing Director Zakhele Lukhele says the steep increase in the cost of living should prompt consumers to review their financial resolutions.

"People should have margins so that when the interest rate increases they will be able to service their loans," he said.

He said with the increasing inflationary pressures, it was highly possible that the interest rate might further hike.

Currently, the interest rate is at seven percent. He urged people to budget properly and to avoid over committing

themselves on loans which could result to them failing to service their loans. With a projected increase of petrol prices, Lukhele said that might escalate inflationary pressures which could add a burden to the already strained consumers.

### Drought

"Since we are experiencing the ongoing drought the cost of food is increasing, but we are hopeful that maybe inflationary pressures will somewhat ease and interest rates would then decline and the affordability for most goods will return to normal," said Lukhele.

preferred currency.

The bank has also introduced a salary advance product which can be used with MasterCard.

Adding, Lukhele said although costs were increasing they have

tried over the years to avoid hiking their banking charges.

"We have recently reviewed our bank charges and we have concurred that they are still low and affordable," he said.



**NOMANINI:** Ezulwini Branch Manager Lungile Matsebula who came up with the bank's automated teller machine slogan.

## SWAZIBANK CUSTOMERS MEET 'NOMANINI'

**SWAZIBANK** customers were presented with an opportunity to see Lungile Matsebula who came up with the bank's automated teller machine slogan, 'Nomanini.'

This was during the bank's customer interaction event and briefing held at the bank's Ezulwini branch. According to Lukhele, Matsebula joined the bank in 2001, before he even joined SwaziBank.

Matsebula, also known as

*Nomanini* within the financial institution, is currently the Ezulwini branch manager.

### Applauded

Lukhele applauded Matsebula who had been with the branch since its inception for driving the growth of the branch.

Meanwhile, Matsebula thanked her team for playing an exceptional role with regards to customer service.

"The staff members here are passionate with customer ser-

vice, every customer that walks in here is king.

Their dedication is unquestionable though they are a small group," she said. She

said when the branch opened doors for the very first time there was not even a single account, "today we have thousands of accounts."

## Mananga centre partners with KwaZulu Natal University

By Linda Dlamini

**THE Mananga Centre for Regional Integration and Management Development** has partnered with the University of KwaZulu-Natal to offer short courses to Swazis.

The official launch of the partnership was held last Thursday at the Happy Valley Hotel, Ezulwini.

University of KwaZulu-Natal Extended Learning Chief Executive Officer Simon Tankard said they were very happy to partner with Mananga to provide quality education to the people of Swaziland. "Our intention through the courses we offer is for students to have a life changing experience," he said. He said there was a clear skills gap within the private sector especially in the area of business management.

The UKZN extended learning courses offer a broad range of executive and continuing educational programmes including business management, marketing and sales, finance, human resources, law and information, communication and technology (ICT).

"UKZN's aim is to capacitate individuals and organisations with critical knowledge, skills and resources to achieve their full potential," he said.

He said he hoped that they would contribute to Swaziland's ability to compete successfully in Africa and globally. Meanwhile, Mananga Centre for Regional Integration and Management Development Managing Director, Ranga Taru-vinga expressed his gratitude for the opportunity to offer courses from a prestigious university like UKZN. "Quality training is very important in the business world and as a result we are proud to be able to offer such training for the people of Swaziland," he said.

### Launch

Also present during the launch was Nedbank Chief Executive Officer Fikile Nkhosi. "As employers we encourage such partnerships as they increase the human capital that is available for us to utilise to maximise efficiency and productivity of organisations and thus drive economic development," she said. "We have observed with dismay the mushrooming of colleges that offer courses that are not worth the paper they are written on and I would like to take this opportunity to encourage the government to establish a body that will regulate qualifications in tertiary education," she said. Key note speaker for the event was Minister of Education and Training Phineas

Magagula who was representing the Deputy Prime Minister Paul Dlamini. "As a ministry we encourage the continued efforts by institutions like Mananga to offer high quality, credible education in this country as education is a key factor to economic development," he said.

"Testament of the government's drive to improve tertiary education is the current upgrading of a number of national tertiary institutions in the country," he said. The minister reminded the attendees that His Majesty said in his speech from the throne, 'How can I contribute to a meaningful sustainable economic development of my country.'

The minister said to emphasise that everyone should strive to help the country move forward and skills development is one way this can be achieved. Also in attendance was former minister Lutfo Dlamini who said the partnership would greatly assist the country as people would no longer have to leave the country for longer periods so as to increase their skill set.

"Now people will not have to go on lengthy study leaves which were problematic as they had an impact on company productivity due to the gap left by the person who had gone on study leave," he said.

## Access to credit grew my business - SME

By Linda Dlamini

**ACCESS to credit has a potential to increase the size of Small Medium Enterprises (SME's) in Swaziland.**

Mavis Zwane a seamstress from Siphofaneni said that due to the availability of credit from Inhlanyelo Fund she was able to grow her business within a short period of time. "In a short space of time we have had to expand the area in which we work and display our wares as the business is growing," she said. She said when she started her business it was just her. "But now I have employed a number of people and I am able to pay their wages," she said.

The entrepreneur's shop has a number of sewing machines and an embroidery machine all of which represent assets for her shop. "Access to credit has also allowed me to purchase assets for my shop which are critical to the expansion of my business," she said. The seamstress explained she specialised in the making of school uniforms around her area although she did do some jobs for other private companies.

"The school uniforms side of the business is seasonal, but continues to grow strong as there are more uniforms I produce than before, for different schools," she said. She said the availability of credit was also very important as it allowed her to fund her working capital requirements especially during the busy season. Zwane explained that during January to April the demand for uniforms shoots up

significantly and therefore, they needed a lot of raw material to be able to meet the demands of their customers hence they need capital to buy the raw materials. Zwane said when she started, the major financial services in the country were not interested in providing her with credit but now they are very interested in extending credit to her.

### Repayments

Meanwhile, Inhlanyelo Fund Executive Manager Wandile Kunene said because of the constant repayments that clients like Zwane were making they are able to create a credit history for her as evidence to financial institutions that she has the ability and character to pay off debt. "This is one of the advantages of obtaining a loan from the fund," he added.

Inhlanyelo Fund provides finance to over 10 000 grassroots entrepreneurs across the country through their constituencies.

The Inhlanyelo Fund is partly funded by Kirsh Family Foundation and Swaziland Kirsh Industries (SWAKI).

Speaking during the Swaziland Fair Trade (SWIFT) International fair trade day celebrations held last month Swaziland Development Finance Corporation (FINCORP) Group Managing Director Dumisani Msibi said SMEs have limited options for access to credit and there was a need to expand debt finance options for the sector through options like joint venture capital, private equity investments, quasi equity placements, and initial public offerings to broaden the chances of access to capital.



## BRIEFS

## Libya recaptures airbase from IS

**LIBYA** – A Libyan militia group said it recaptured a strategic airbase south of Sirte from Islamic State (IS) militants, local media reported. The Gardabiya airbase, just 12 miles south of IS-controlled stronghold Sirte, was retaken on Saturday afternoon, according to the Libya Observer news website. Libya has been in a political and security vacuum since the 2011 Arab Spring uprising and the ouster of the North African nation's long-time leader Muammar Gaddafi.  
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## At least 33 killed in bus crash

**ALGIERS** – At least 33 people were killed and 22 others injured when a truck collided with a bus which burst into flames in Algeria, authorities said. The accident took place yesterday at 02:50 (01:50 GMT) near the city of Aflou, 400km south of the capital Algiers, the APS news agency said quoting the civil defence. The bus slammed into a rocky embankment after the collision and caught fire, with most of the passengers who were asleep at the time burning to death, it said. Road accidents kill at least 4 000 people each year in Algeria.  
news24.



## Secret service wound two students

**NAIROBI** – Two secondary school students and a passer-by were hurt by gunfire Friday as hundreds of youngsters turned out to protest the arrest of pupils accused of defacing the president's photo, witnesses said. The trouble broke out after the arrest of eight 9th-year students aged between 15 and 17 for vandalising a picture of President Pierre Nkurunziza in their human sciences textbook, a teacher told AFP.  
eNCA

## Trial opens for journo union leaders

**CAIRO** – The trial of three top members of Egypt's journalists' union accused of allegedly harbouring two fugitive colleagues opened on Saturday with one defendant calling it an attack on public freedoms. Egyptian Journalists Syndicate president Yahya Kallash, secretary general Gamal Abd el-Rahim and freedoms committee chief Khaled Elbalshy have been charged with aiding fugitives after two reporters sought by police staged a sit-in at the union's offices.  
News 24

## 'Kenyan diplomat must go'

**NAIROBI** – Egypt demanded the dismissal of a Kenyan diplomat over her 'fabricated' charge that an Egyptian official had referred to sub-Saharan Africans as "dogs and slaves" during a conference in Nairobi. "Intensive investigations conducted by the ministry of foreign affairs over the past few days showed accusations against the representative of Egypt ... proved baseless and false," said ministry spokesperson Ahmed Abu Zeid.  
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## WEST AFRICA ANTI-TERROR FORCE TOPS SUMMIT AGENDA

**DAKAR** – West Africa should 'think harder' about developing a new anti-terror force, a top regional official said Saturday, as Niger announced the latest deaths among its troops battling Boko Haram jihadists.

Over the past year West Africa has suffered terror attacks on nations previously untouched by jihadists, as well as confronting an Islamist insurgency that began in northeast Nigeria but has spread to several neighbouring countries.

That meant greater intelligence sharing and military co-operation is required, said the incoming head of the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS) commission, which implements policy decisions agreed by its 15 members.

"The multiplication of terrorist hotbeds in our region compels us to share information on their activities, to communicate, co-ordinate and harmonise our efforts," said Benin's Marcel Alain de Souza at an ECOWAS summit in Dakar.

"This naturally makes us think



**STAY CLEAR:** Cameroonian soldiers from the Rapid Intervention Brigade tell a young boy to stay back while on patrol in Kerawa, Cameroon. (Timeslive)

harder about the creation of a regional intervention force against terrorism," he added,

according to comments released by Senegal's state news agency APS.

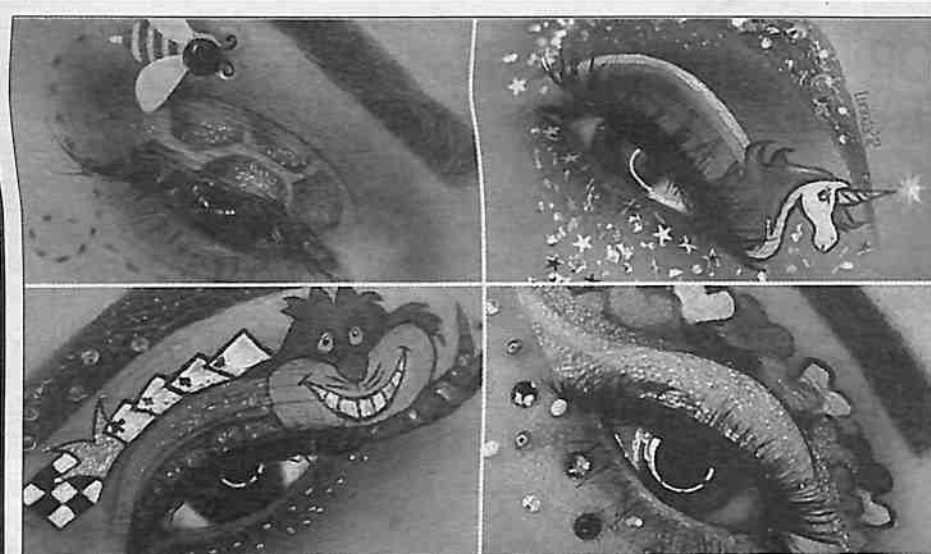
He was speaking after 32 troops were killed in a clash with Boko Haram fighters on Niger's border with Nigeria, one of deadliest tolls inflicted by the jihadists.

A multinational force from Nigeria, Niger, Chad, Benin and Cameroon already exists and is due to launch a major offensive on Boko Haram around Lake Chad.

## Insurgency

But Boko Haram's seven-year insurgency has left at least 20,000 people dead in Nigeria and made more than 2.6 million homeless, leading to calls for more support within the region.

Senegal's President Macky Sall, outgoing chairman of ECOWAS, said Muslim-majority states such as his own had nothing in common with Boko Haram, describing terrorism as an ongoing "source of concern". *Timeslive*



**EYE-CATCHING:** Talented make-up artists have been showing-off their incredible eye creations on Instagram. They include vibrant glitter creations and impressive character and nature-inspired looks. William Perkins has over 17 000 followers and has rocked looks inspired by bumblebees (top left), Pokemon characters and glittering heart looks (bottom right). (Dailymail)



**NEW BROOM:** Isabel Dos Santos.

## ANGOLA PRESIDENT APPOINTS DAUGHTER AS BOSS OF OIL FIRM

**ANGOLA** – Angolan President Jose Eduardo dos Santos has named his billionaire daughter Isabel to head the state oil firm Sonangol, according to a government statement published.

He appointed the 43-year-old Isabel dos Santos as chairwoman of a new board of directors of Sonangol, after sacking the previous board last month.

Isabel dos Santos has been ranked by Forbes magazine as the richest woman on the continent.

Critics say she amassed her vast fortunes thanks to the backing of her father who has ruled Angola for 35 years.

## Vowed

In a statement Friday Isabel dos Santos vowed that the new Sonangol board "will work to decrease production costs and optimise resources in order to increase the international competitiveness of the Angolan oil sector".

The eldest daughter of the Angolan leader, she is nicknamed the "Princess" and is ranked Africa's eighth wealthiest by Forbes magazine after building a vast business empire. *Timeslive*

## Troops Kill Top Boko Haram Commander - Army

**NIGERIA** – The Nigerian Army said that its troops in Borno on Friday killed a top Boko Haram commander known as and 18 other fighters.

A statement issued on Saturday by army spokesman, Col. Sani Usman said several arms, ammunition, vehicles and other items were recovered during the operation.

Usman said in the statement that the commander and his men were killed during a clearance operation on

the terrorists' stronghold at Chukungudu by troops from various army battalions with support from Air Force aerial surveillance.

Usman said the operation was conducted following intelligence report about the activities of the insurgents in the area.

## Credible

"Following credible information on the presence of Boko Haram terrorists at Chukungudu, a carefully planned operation comprising troops of 22 Brigade

Garrison and 153 Task Force Battalion as well as Nigerian Air Force Intelligence Surveillance Reconnaissance, was conducted.

"While advancing to the location, the troops encountered Boko Haram terrorists' ambush position at Muskari, Gilam and Hausasi.

"During the encounter at the camp, the troops killed 19 Boko Haram terrorists including their notorious leader, Ameer Abubakar Gana.

*allafrica.*



# Focus on SA scene

**CAPE TOWN** – The Democratic Alliance has called for Lumka Yengeni to be removed from her position as chairperson of the Parliament's Portfolio Committee on Labour.

This is after reports that she had been found guilty of breaching labour laws by the Commission for Conciliation, Mediation and Arbitration. The Sunday Times reported that Yengeni's former domestic worker, Lucia Dlephu, had taken the MP to the CCMA. Dlephu told the newspaper that Yengeni had not allowed her lunch breaks or leave, and that she had to be on duty 24-hours a day. DA MP Ian Ollis said this was unacceptable. Some of the issues raised with the CCMA included:

- Failure to supply a letter of appointment or an employment contract to the domestic worker;
- Failure to give the domestic worker a payslip;
- Not giving her employee leave, and never paying for any leave;
- Her employee was not paid double on public holidays, despite being forced to work on these days.

## LUMKA YENGENI MUST BE FIRED - DA



#LUMKAMUSTFALL: Lumka Yengeni.

The DA called for her to be removed from her position and replaced "with a chairperson who in fact does care about the rights of workers. 'This hypocrisy is simply unacceptable and in the interests of

the scores of workers and labourers in SA, the DA simply cannot allow her to remain as Chairperson of this Committee or any committee for that matter," Ollis said. *News24*.

## 85 000 supporters at ANC's Gauteng manifesto launch

**SOWETO** - The ANC Gauteng manifesto launch got underway hours late, after supporter buses were delayed but the governing party has not disappointed.

The good turnout at the FNB stadium in Soweto has silenced many critics. Party officials reported over 85 000 supporters were at the almost 95 000-seater stadium in stark contrast to the party's national manifesto launch in April.

President Jacob Zuma arrived at the FNB Stadium to a warm welcome and asserted that Gauteng is very important to the governing party.

### Emphasised

He emphasised that the ANC cannot lose its grip on the strategically important economic hub; addressing supporters during the party's provincial manifesto launch.

"Throughout its life the headquarters of the ANC was in



Gauteng. In no way can we have any party being in charge in GP.

### Responsibility

You, therefore, have a serious responsibility to defend and maintain the home of this mighty organisation...The ANC must win the 2016 local government elections convincingly all over the country, and also in particular, this province of Gauteng," he said.

Many people were seen leaving the stadium during the president's address.

*eNCA*

## PUBLIC PROTECTOR NOMINATIONS UNDERWAY

**CAPE TOWN** – Applications and nominations for a candidate to replace Public Protector Thuli Madonsela are officially open.

Nominations can be submitted until June 24, the ad hoc committee tasked with finding a new public protector said.

Nominations should include a motivation letter, as well as the CV of the prospective candidate. Applications would have to include the same information.

The advert has been published on Parliament's website, complete with requirements of the job. Earlier this week, committee members stressed the need for public participation in the process. Make CVs public *Economic Freedom Fighters*

leader, Julius Malema, called for CVs to be made public once submitted. A list of applications/nominations received would be published in order to allow members of the public to comment on the suitability of candidates, the advert states.

### Assured

The Committee Chairperson, Makhosi Khoza, assured MPs the process to replace Madonsela would be transparent and there would be no undercover dealings. The best candidate would get the job, she stressed at a meeting to outline the committee's work. Madonsela's term ends in October, and Parliament has tasked the ad hoc committee with nominating a replacement by August 31. *News24*

## ONLY ANC SHOULD GOVERN GAUTENG – ZUMA

**SOWETO** - President Jacob Zuma and Gauteng ANC chairperson addressed thousands of ANC supporters at the FNB stadium.

Gauteng must remain the home of the ANC, according to President Jacob Zuma. Speaking at the launch of the ANC local government manifesto launch held at FNB Stadium on Saturday, Zuma said no other political party other than the ANC should be allowed to govern the province, the hub of the country's economy.

"The ANC was formed in Mangaung but its headquarters have always been in Gauteng," said Zuma. He also made use of the provincial manifesto launch to call on party supporters and other citizens to vote for the ANC. At the start of his speech, many party supporters were seen leaving the stadium and it appeared they had had a long day due to delays in the start of the official proceedings.



AMANDLA: ANC president Jacob Zuma, his deputy, Cyril Ramaphosa, right, and other party leaders were at FNB Stadium to launch the party's manifesto for local government elections.

Despite this, Zuma, who received a warm welcome upon arrival at the stadium, continued with his speech. Gauteng premier David Makhura gave an update just before Zuma could speak regarding the attendance figure, saying about 85 000 people managed

to attend the manifesto launch at the 94 000-seater stadium, despite the logistical challenges experienced by some of the buses that were barred from ferrying people to FNB in the southern part of Johannesburg.

*Citizen*

## Mbete apologises for Malema's conduct in parliament

**DURBAN** - ANC national chairperson and National Assembly Speaker Baleka Mbete used a high profile funeral to apologise to South Africans for EFF leader Julius Malema's conduct in parliament.

Baleka was delivering a eulogy at the funeral of Lulu Dube, the last surviving daughter of ANC co-founder and president John Langalibalele Dube, in Ohlange, north of Durban.

"We have a youth that has no respect, Baba Buthelezi can attest to this as we work together in parliament," she said in reference to IFP leader Mangosuthu Buthelezi.

"I remember at one time I bumped into a leader of the Shembe church who asked me if it was us as the ANC who came up with the idea of overalls in parliament. I had to apologise on behalf of the likes of Malema," she said.

### Wrong

"There's nothing wrong with overalls at work but they serve a different purpose and in that house there's nothing that requires overalls," said Mbete.

Mbete also tore into ANC members engaged in factional fights.

She questioned why a leader would draw a gun and kill another at a party meeting.

"Mafukuzela (Dube) must be turning in his grave," she said.

Mbete called on ANC members to work without expecting reward saying their predecessors criss-crossed the length and breadth of the country on foot.

### Tolerance

"Now people want to be paid otherwise they steal or receive ill-gotten gains," she said.

Mbete called for political tolerance. "I want to say this: all parties have a right to campaign freely and we are not enemies."

*News24*

## Illegal cigarettes worth R2m seized in Durban raid

**DURBAN** - Two million rand worth of illicit cigarettes was found during a raid by police in Durban. Police spokesman Lt Colonel Shooz Magadulela said Metro and SAPS members held an intelligence driven operation in Mount Edgecombe where a storage unit with illicit cigarette boxes and boxes of fake cigarette was raided.

"A suspect aged between 35 and 45 was arrested. She was detained for possession of illicit cigarettes, contravention of the Tobacco Products Control Act 83/1993, contravention of the Customs and Excise act 91/1964, and fraud for using a false ID to rent. Investigations are continuing," said Magadulela.

*Sowetan*.



## TO MY GARDENER...

## I LEAVE MY GARDEN

● **Amazing tale of the grateful owner who gifted Britain's finest Japanese-style haven to her green-fingered good samaritan (and she even threw in a £1.6m house, too)**

**LONDON** - From its simple exterior, it would be impossible to guess that behind the red brick walls of a rural cottage in the heart of Kent lies the finest example of a Japanese garden in Britain.

Even more astonishing is that the gardener who spent more than two decades working unpaid to help create the glorious landscape was given the property by its grateful owner. And last week, that devoted gardener's family had advertised it for sale for £1.6 million.

The story of this extraordinary labour of love began in the 1960s when Jean Handcock and her husband Michael took a day trip to look for a countryside hideaway to buy. But they lost their way in the quiet lanes of Kent and found themselves in the tiny village of Seal, near Sevenoaks.

There they knocked on the door of Lantern Cottage to ask for directions, and it was opened by Audrey Ede.

This chance encounter led to a 20-year friendship during which Mrs Handcock would lovingly care for Mrs Ede's sprawling Japanese garden and eventually inherit it in Mrs Ede's will.

Mrs Handcock is no longer alive but her husband has never forgotten the day that changed their lives.



**BEAUTIFUL:** Jean Handcock spent more than 20 years working to help create the spectacular garden in Seal, near Sevenoaks, Kent. (Daily Mail)

"We knocked on the door and this lady answered who had obviously just put her lunch on," said Mr Handcock, now 82.

"She thought we'd come to see the Japanese garden. We told her we were looking for another cottage and she said, 'Well, if you're interested in cottages, you can come back and see mine at 3pm.' So we did, and that was the beginning of quite a relationship."

On taking up Mrs Ede's invitation, Mr and Mrs Handcock were escorted around what eminent garden historian Professor Christopher Thacker once lauded as 'the most convincingly authentic of the Japanese gardens created in the British Isles'.

#### Estate

The Grade II listed garden had originally been part of a 25-acre estate owned by wealthy fruit farmer Hugh Micklem. He com-



**SOLD:** The four bedroom detached property has now gone on sale for £1.6million after Mr Handcock passed the ownership to their daughter.

missioned the garden in 1919, and travelled to Japan to source trees, plants, rocks, a tea-house and garden ornaments, including granite lanterns.

Mrs Handcock (pictured) would regularly travel from her home in London to help restore the site to its former glory.

But Mr Handcock said that during their tour of Mrs Ede's oriental garden, they noticed that, although it was still exquisite, it had started to fall into decay.

Mrs Ede's husband - a former Army colonel - had died and the couple did not have children, so she needed help looking after the acre of land with its idyllic water features, ornate rockeries and exotic flowers.

#### Assist

Mrs Handcock, a keen gardener, was so taken with the garden's beauty that she offered to assist with its upkeep - and would regularly travel from her home in London to help restore the site to its former glory. 'She would go once a week or twice a week,' Mr Handcock revealed.

"She cut down boughs, opened up vistas and organised volunteers. She spent her whole life there."

"The garden wouldn't be there if my wife hadn't made the sacrifice of looking after it."

Mrs Handcock was never paid for looking after the site, but when Mrs Ede died in the 1980s, she discovered just how valued her work had been.

"I got a call one day from someone who said they wanted to get in touch with my wife," Mr Handcock said. "They were solicitors calling her to say that she had inherited the house and the garden." Asked why his wife had been given such a generous gift, Mr Handcock replied: "It was her kindness and all her help."

He said she was 'delighted' with the news that she now owned her labour of love, but quickly realised it would be quite a responsibility.

"Japanese gardens are not designed for ease of maintenance," he said.

But Mrs Handcock continued to tirelessly tend the garden until her own death in 2007.

The garden was occasionally opened for residents of Seal to marvel at the artistry of its landscape.

In 2011 Mr Handcock passed the ownership of Lantern Cottage and its amazing garden on to his daughter and it was recently put on the market for £1.6 million.

"I just hope the person who buys the house looks after the garden and appreciates it as we did," he said. *Daily Mail*

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## BRIEFS

## Zim makes travel mad Mugabe sick

**HARARE** - The MDC-T says the frequency at which President Robert Mugabe travels abroad will suggest that the elderly strongman "gets sick if he spends a single month in Harare". This comes after Mugabe recently left the country for Papua New Guinea where he is the only president attending the 8th summit of the heads of state and government of the African, Caribbean and Pacific nations.

The trip came after Mugabe returned from Singapore where he met his newly born nephew by his daughter, Bona. Ahead of that, Mugabe attended the Fort Hare University's centenary celebrations in South Africa.

## Libyans kill museum attacker

**KAMPALA** - A senior IS commander in Libya, Tunisian Khaled Al-Shayeb, who Tunisian security forces thought they had killed last October is reported to have finally died this week in clashes with Misratan fighters to the west of Sirte, in northern Libya, reported The Libya Herald. Shayeb, also known as Luqman Abu Sakhr, was believed to have been one of the terrorists who organised last year's attack on the Bardo museum in Tunis in which 22 people, mostly foreign tourists, were murdered.

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## Dar based trader eyes presidency

**ARUSHA** - A Dar es Salaam-based businessman says he will vie for presidency in Somalia in September this year. Mohamed A Nur, who is the CEO of City Garden Group of Companies, told The Citizen on Sunday that he would present his name to the country's parliament, which would elect the head of state. "In Somalia there is no functioning political party system. The names of independent presidential candidates are presented to the lower and upper parliaments which elects the president," he said. The 45-year-old Nur came with his family to Tanzania in the mid-1980s, shortly before the Horn of Africa country plunged into lawlessness followed by two decades of civil war and without any effective administration until 2012 when a formal central government was established.

allafrica.

## 'Life of crime pays in Cape Town'

**CAPE TOWN** - Thulani Mabuthi, 31, started a life of crime at 15 years old. Mabuthi joined the 28s gang later on in his life. Today he reflects why he became a gangster. Mabuthi was in and out of prison for most of his life before he tried to commit suicide. After attempting suicide, he says he found faith and religion and had a desire to turn his life around. With the help of City Mission, an organisation committed to rehabilitating ex-prisoners, Mabuthi now helps ex-convicted criminals follow in his footsteps. Mabuthi works at the first honest job he's ever had at Mechstar Motors in Cape Town.

News 24.

## Kidnap case sentencing to be issued

**CAPE TOWN** - Western Cape High Court Judge President John Hlophe is expected to start sentencing proceedings in the case against a 51-year-old Lavender Hill woman convicted of kidnapping Zephany Nurse 19 years ago. The woman was convicted in March on charges of fraud, kidnapping, and contravening the Children's Act for snatching three-day-old Zephany Nurse from her mother's hospital bedside on April 30, 1997.

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## CHRISTIAN HACKED TO DEATH IN BANGLADESH

**DHAKA** - Unidentified men hacked to death a Christian grocer near a church in Bangladesh's northwest yesterday, police said, amid concern at increasing attacks on religious minorities and secular activists by Islamist militants.

"Sunil Gomes was hacked to death at his grocery store just near a church at Bonpara village," Shafiqul Islam, deputy police chief of Natore district where the murder took place, told AFP. Another police officer, inspector Abdur Razzak, said the motive for the killing of 65-year-old Gomes was unclear. But the attack was similar to those on Hindus, Buddhists and members of other religious minorities in Muslim-majority Bangladesh in recent months.

The murder came just hours after the wife of a top anti-terror police officer was stabbed and shot dead in the southeastern city



**INHUMAN:** Bangladesh detectives inspect the body of Mahmuda Khanam Mitu, wife of the Superintendent of Police and Deputy Commissioner of Chittagong Metropolitan Police.

of Chittagong.

## Stabbed

Three assailants riding a motorcycle stabbed and shot Mahmuda Begum in the head as she walked her son to a school bus stop near her home, Chittagong Metropolitan Police deputy com-

missioner Moktar Hossain said.

Begum was the wife of Babul Akter, who has led several high-profile operations against the banned Jamayetul Mujahideen Bangladesh (JMB) militant group in the southeastern city in recent months. *eNCA*



**FREE BEER:** For many, the idea of receiving a free bottle of beer every day for the rest of their lives sounds like a dream and for a handful of ale drinkers in Belgium that fantasy has become a reality. Brewer Xavier Vanneste could no longer stand the idea that hundreds of his trucks were damaging the medieval streets of his beloved Bruges and decided to hatch an audacious plan. (*Dailymail*)

## CLINTON ATTACKS ON TRUMP FIRE UP SUPPORTERS

**CALIFORNIA** - Hillary Clinton's savage takedown of Donald Trump in her recent foreign policy speech has her supporters fired up.

As the likely Democratic nominee toured California on Saturday, crowds burst into applause at the mere mention of Thursday's speech, in which Clinton cast Trump as dangerously unqualified to be president. Supporters say they feel more confident and excited in the wake of the address — which could benefit Clinton, who has struggled to inspire enthusiasm throughout the drawn-out primary contest. "I loved it. I was waiting for that," said Leslie Milke, 56, of Woodland Hills, a profes-

sor at Los Angeles Mission College, who saw Clinton. "I knew she was capable of that kind of speech....It really made me feel energised. It made me feel like we can win."

Clinton's speech in San Diego previewed her intention to mount an aggressive campaign against the real estate mogul. In it, she said Trump would lead the nation toward war and economic crisis, contrasting it with her long years of diplomatic experience and public service. Looking to the November general election, Clinton, who is expected to clinch the Democratic nomination in the coming days, said that electing Trump would be a "historic mistake". *News24*

## CUBAN PRESIDENT RAUL CASTRO SLAMS OAS

**HAVANA** - Cuban President Raul Castro on Saturday slammed the secretary general of the Organization of American States (OAS), Luis Almagro, for his recent statements on Venezuela and said the island "would never" return to that organization.

"The OAS since its foundation was, is and will be an instrument of imperialist domination and no reform will change its nature and history. That is why Cuba will never return to the OAS," vowed Castro at the opening of the VII Summit of the Association of Caribbean States (ACS) in

Havana.

Castro criticized the position taken last week by Almagro on Venezuela, which saw him call for the organization to invoke its Inter-American Democratic Charter, leading to the potential suspension of Venezuela from the bloc for alleged "human rights violations and lack of democracy".

## Concern

"It is of deep concern that there is an unacceptable attempt to apply the Inter-American Democratic Charter of the OAS to intervene in the internal affairs of Venezuela," said the Cuban

leader.

He also reiterated Havana's support for President Nicolas Maduro's administration and said Caracas faces an "imperialist offensive" to topple its socialist government.

"We firmly oppose the destabilization agenda and economic war faced by Maduro's government and support the revolution that has brought social changes to the Venezuelan people," he added.

ACS foreign ministers discussed several issues of importance on Friday, including the political situation in Venezuela, which led to a common declaration of support



**BLASTING:** Cuban President Raul Castro.

for Maduro's government that will be evaluated by Caribbean leaders Saturday. *eNCA*





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## BENJAMIN DUBE A HIT AT FREE EVANGELICAL DINNER

By Majaha Nkonyane

**FAIRVIEW** Free Evangelical Church hosted a successful dinner at the Mavuso Trade Centre on Friday night and Crown Gospel award winner Bishop Benjamin Dube was a hit on the night.

The artist poured out his heart in an 11 set song that had everyone on their feet dancing and worshipping for over an hour.

The dinner was hosted for the purpose of raising funds to build a church structure for the Fairview branch, which has been fellowshiping in a tent for 28 years now. The event was opened by the local praise and worship team which sang for an hour and kept guests entertained with music.

The MCs for the night Mzwakhe 'Tjovitjo' Khumalo and VOC's Zodwa Thwala kept the event alive as they danced and sang along whilst sharing jokes throughout the night. Male artist of the year Linda



**IN FULL SWING:** Benjamin Dube left everyone begging for more during the Fair View Free Evangelical Assemblies Fund Raising Dinner held at Mavuso Trade Centre on Friday. (Pics: Thandeka Ndlangamandla)

Dlamini also performed two praise songs 'Gelekece' and crowd favourite 'Ukholo lami'. Just before he sang his third song, Bishop Benjamin Dube walked in and was acknowledged by the artist before he sang his last song 'Siyabonga' which was echoed by saxophonist Samuel Mamba.

Food was served right after the

first artist's performance and Fairview Free Evangelical Pastor Patrick Mabuza addressed the audience.

### Project

"The church engaged in a massive project, this is a vision I am carrying through as a son from my father the late babe *Skhova Msibi*, this was a man who had a great vision and

### SOME OF THOSE WHO PLEDGED ARE AS FOLLOWS:

● VOC -	E2 000
● Amanda Financial Services	E2 000
● Correctional Services	E2 000
● Tee and Jay Woodworks -	30 bags of cement
● Princess Dlamini -	E1 000
● Sikhondze Family -	5 bags of cement
● Dlamini family	3 bags of cement

because of royal engagements our father could not build us a house, we are now carrying through his vision to fellowship in a complete structure. This is a three phase building that needs E2 million to complete," he said.

The programme directors called onto the stage Senator Ndimiso Mdluli who introduced key note speaker for the night DPM Paul Dlamini. The MCs engaged the audience just before the DPM spoke in a fundraising strategy that saw people ascend to the stage to take pictures with him at E100 a picture. Dlamini soon addressed the audience and guests, opening his speech with a scripture from **Matthew 24 verse 14**. "The fact that you want to expand the church shows that you want more people to be saved, so that when Christ comes back

nobody will have an excuse. There will be no appeal on judgement day. God systematically monitors our steps from the day we are born," he said. He soon walked in line with the purpose of the event and gave E2 000 opening the giving and offering platform for the night. Matsapha Gospel Messengers soon took after the DPM and sang two songs which saw the whole house on their feet dancing and singing along. Thabile Mdluli of Tee and Jay briefly spoke of their support for the dinner.

Pastor Shody Msibi gave a brief motivation just before Alex Mngomezulu ministered on offering and introduced pledge forms for the night, he led by example and gave E20 000. The giving motivation was well received and the house gave.

Bishop Benjamin Dube took to the stage at 11:30 pm and opened his set with an old tune, 'I feel like going on', that he rendered for five minutes, before moving on to his second song 'Yebo linamandla' which was a crowd favourite.

The visiting gospel artist ministered eight more songs with motivation and preaching intervals in between and by the time he finished, the tables were empty with people on the edge of the stage singing and dancing along to every song the minister sang.

## #UNCLEAN SINGLE RELEASED... CAUSES FACEBOOK FRENZY

By Phumelele Mkhonta

A single titled **UNCLEAN** which was dropped on Friday has caused yet another Facebook hysteria; the origin of the song being the source of the frenzy.

Unclean was released following last week Monday's incident where Princess Ephraim who is a Channel S presenter posted offensive statements on Facebook, saying local artists are 'Shallow and Unclean'.

Her statement made a huge wave on social networking sites; local talents and fans took serious offence to her statement and made comments rebuking her.

Ephraim later apologised for her post, however damage had already been done.

Not more than four days after this incident, the track **UNCLEAN** was released and aired the very same day on national radio charts. The track was produced by Mozaik and it features; KrTC, Mozaik,



Princess Ephraim But nje I can nvr pay 1800 ku bushfire to watch local artists reason being thr music is still shallow xem n most of them dont bath well thy are unclean. local artists should do self check 1st 13 hours ago • Like • 2 • Reply.

Anakhonza and Mdura-HellaFunny. The song was titled

'Song of the Week'.

The track mainly rebukes the fact that she labelled local artists 'Unclean' and also insist that Ephraim does a self-check. This has all been done in a humorous manner.

### FACEBOOK COMMENTS:

**Facebooker1:**

"lol I checked n found d song z bwt 10mbs ngajika but after readin dis, I'm downloadin dis track RYT NOW...."

**Facebooker2:**

"Hahaha! Yoh guys this is what I call good music. You all killed it, big up! @ Mdu uyilayile nale channel S kuyifaka coz iyekele lomangcolane longatiwa wahlambalata emaswati yangacolis... #NiceTrack"

**Facebooker3:**

"Bantfu labanjenga #princessMangcolane batsi bayanyundza kani badlala ngesikhatsi. Track is on point, loving it big time >>> downloading #unclean. My new ringtone"

**Facebooker4:**

"But #PrincessE really sorted out any differences our artists might have temporarily had. Never have I seen any entertainment industry anywhere THIS United. Lol! #Clean #Togetherness #OneLove #UnitedInDissing"

### Some lyrics from the #Unclean song:

**BOMANGCOLANE/** sounds like a song Phuzekhemisi would do featuring yourself/you calling yourself a princess and then in the same breath you calling yourself Ephraim/choose one thing; are you a princess or you're a man/ You are more famous on Facebook than you are on TV/ And you are a TV presenter, but then again u are not in a real TV station/ KrTC are you sure you went to that show of hers/ Who was unclean/ *Asenikhumbule kahle Khonza...* or maybe Smallz was on that show you never know, I mean its SMALLZZzzz/ Come on/ You know this comedians, but you know what I'm clean, my jokes are clean *nami ng'hlobile/* I was hoping after that she was gonna say *MINE BENG'DZAKIWE/* I mean who says that/ I don't think she was sober// \*Sit Your Channel A\*\* Down...



**BIG NAME:** Actress Terry Pheto.

## TERRY PHETO TO PLAY WINNIE MANDELA IN NEW MADIBA SERIES

**JOHANNESBURG** - Some of Mzansi's well known faces will star alongside some of Hollywood's biggest names in the upcoming six hour mini-series titled 'Madiba'.

Actress Terry Pheto, who made a name for herself when she starred in the Oscar award winning local movie 'Tsotsi', will this time play Nelson Mandela's ex-wife, Winnie Mandela while actor Hlomla Dandala will portray the role of Thabo Mbeki's late father, Govan Mbeki. Seasoned actor Lawrence Fishburne, who is currently in the country, will star as Nelson Mandela in the series while Orlando Jones will star as Oliver Tambo, who was the ANC's longest serving member. **Drum**



# NDUDUZO, FRANS RENDER THRILLING PERFORMANCES

Stories by Simon Shabangu

**NDUDUZO** Matse and **Frans** Dlamini thrilled gospel music lovers at the Peace and Unity Music Concert hosted by Big Fish Music at Mbalenhle Stadium in Secunda on Saturday night. The pair which is making waves in

both local and South African Music scenes were among the many artists who performed at the show which featured a cream of the crop in the South African Gospel Music scene.

## Energetic

First to perform was Frans Dlamini who rendered a highly energetic performance and closed his set with his famous song 'Liphi Ithikithi Lakho' which left the audience in song and dance. Nduduzo Matse followed up immediately as they used the same band and backing vocalists.

He also lived up to the audiences expectation and gave a lively showing although it was brief as he only rendered three songs and left the audience yearning for more.

## Award

Also featured on the night was award winning Durban artists Sifiso Ncwane and Andile KaMajola among many others.

Ncwane gave a lively performance which kept the not so many people dancing around the pitch as the artist gave it his all and rendered an over an hour performance.

## 'Big Fish' at his best, despite poor attendance

**BIG** Fish Music lived up to their style and delivered a beautiful show for the people of Secunda who were excited about the show.

All the artists who were lined up for the show came through and did not only show up but also gave splendid performances. They all kept the music lovers warm from the biting cold weather as they kept their fans dancing right through.

The likes of Izinceku, Nduduzo Matse, Frans Dlamini, Jabu Ngcobo, Ayanda Shange, Denzel Erasmus, Phindile Phoky, Thula Mancoba, Lucky Gamede and Andile Ka-Majola were all

present.

However, Dumi Mkorkstard and Titsebe. Com were missing in action on the night.

The highlight of the show was when Sipho Makhabane took to the stage and joined Thina Zungu with whom they performed Makhabane's song titled the 'Devil is a liar'.

Makhabane was later joined by saxophonist Denzel Erasmus and Philile Phoky.

## Unity

Makhabane later asked the audience to join hands and he led them in prayer for the country's peace and unity as per the theme of the show.

## Sifiso Ncwane to celebrate awards with his Swazi fans

**MEANWHILE** Sifiso Ncwane who won three awards at the SAMAs said he will definitely come to Swaziland to celebrate with his fans because he knows they also contributed to his big win in many ways.

Ncwane won the Best selling digital downloaders' award, Best selling Music download (ring back) and Best selling overall music download. This was all for his last album 'Bayede Baba' which was released last year. The news was communicated to him while he was performing at the Peace and Unity Concert in Secunda.

He said he was grateful to the people of Swaziland for the love and support they have always given him through buying his music and also through prayers which he said have sustained him to get to where he is today. He said the awards came through

because they supported the hard work he is doing.

I will definitely come to Swaziland to celebrate this achievement with my fans there. I will be releasing my new album at the end of next month and I will come to launch the album and also celebrate the win.

## Prayers

This has not been an easy journey but through the prayers and support from my fans from South Africa, Swaziland and all over Africa I was able to achieve this and I still say Favour is my name" the elated Ncwane said.

He was however not in Durban to personally receive the awards but his manager and wife Ayanda Ncwane received it on his behalf and when she called to inform him about the news he immediately announced it to his fans as the news came while he was on stage performing.

## Ncwane rolled on the turf in jubilation

**IT** was a joyful moment for Sifiso Ncwane who won in all his nominated categories at the SAMAs in Durban.

He got the news while performing and immediately celebrated with the fans singing songs like 'favour is my name' and 'when Jesus says yes' among others.

Immediately he got off the stage the artist was overcome by joy and excitement and he sprang on to the ground and rolled around while shouting

"Three awards in one night, God you are wonderful, God you are great" he said.

He ran up and down behind the stage like a small boy not know-

ing what to do as he was seen fighting back tears at some point. People came through to congratulate him.

One being his host Sipho Makhabane aka Big Fish who congratulated him and commended him for honouring the invitation despite that the awards coincided with the show where he had already confirmed his participation. I really salute you and respect you for what you have done.

You preferred to come to this show in respect of the agreement we had for tonight's performance," he said as he congratulated him for the big win.

## Poetry steals show at Delphic launch

By Majaha Nkonyane

**IN** what was meant to be an event lined up with speeches, poetry stole the spotlight as local poets dominated the official launch of the African Delphic held at Sibane Hotel on Saturday night.

The event that began at 6pm was royally graced as some of the guests came from the Xhosa Royal household from South Africa, led by His Royal Highness Zolani Mkiva, famously known as "The poet of Africa".

The room was also graced with the presence of members of the Swazi royal family.

"The event marked the beginning of what is to be called a new hope for local artists mostly poets. It brings a new platform for local poets to sell their craft on a broader scale, compete constructively and give a wider platform to praise singers, slam poets and poets who read their poetry on stage. The Delphic launch will bring to Swaziland for the first time an international poetry festival, this is a project that is already funded and artists will be able to make money out of their craft. We wish to dedicate



**THE LEGEND:** African Poet Zolani Mkiva reciting one of his poems on Saturday during the launch of the Delphic Games at Sibane Hotel. (Pics: Thandeka Ndlangamandla)

this day to artists as this is a new beginning", Zolani Mkiva said. The programme was opened by Dede the Poet Sphiwo Dlamini who did a five minutes Siswati poem titled 'Imvelaphi yami', soon afterwards Q the poet, set a different tone with his English poem entitled 'the black poem' which was an array of beautiful punch lines and rhymes which was well received by the audience. Comedian Dr Shakes had a five minutes set leaving the house in stitches with his humour. MC for the night

praise singer Sandile Nxumalo (Msandi kababa) came on stage and briefly introduced the Delphic games also acknowledging the presence of Prince Gcinibandla in the house and other guests.

Poetry still dominated the programme as Sbulelo Jele Sbuj the kasi poet thrilled the audience with an audience interactive poem entitled 'Khuluma sonkhondlo'. Nomfundo 'MoCats' Sifundza took the poetry baton and delivered a siSwati poem 'Kulungiswa ngemlomo' just before

she changed the mood with the next act on stage Mdura the comedian. He had the whole house in stitches as he made skits of some of the poets in his jokes. The comedian quickly called on stage Aurelice Kunene a.k.a 'the Word Smith the poet', who shared an English personal poem titled 'My poem'. She was quickly followed by 'Thabani the poet' who did a siSwati piece that set a love tone and had everyone snapping their fingers to his lines.

The CEO of Swaziland National Council of Arts and Culture, SNCAC, Stanley Dlamini explained on how the country's artists will benefit from this programme. "It is our mission that we see Swazi artists competing on world stages and winning awards interna-

tionally," the media has been bombarding me with phone calls this past week inquiring about the presence of one local girl on one of South Africa's soaps "Skeem Sam". This is a great milestone for the country's artists, he said.

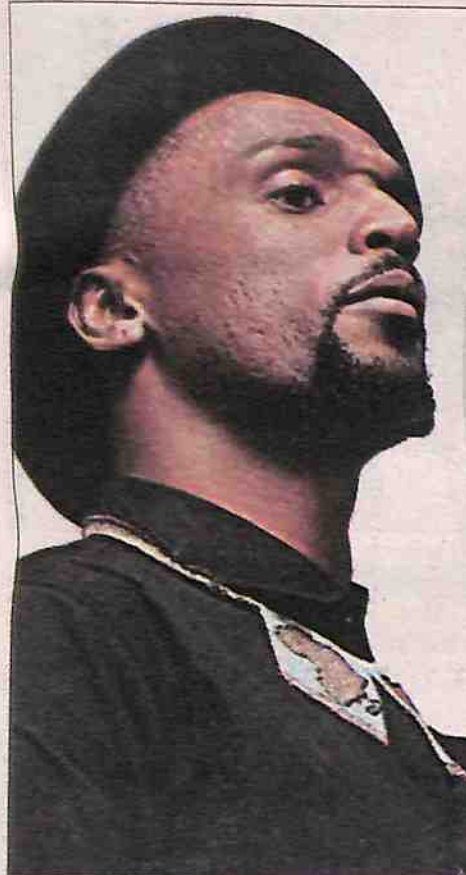
The introduction of the Delphic Swazi Charter committee soon followed, and it comprises Mathokoza Sibiya, Macford Sibandze, Larry Mhlanga, Nomfundo Sifundza, Qiniso Motsa and Dr Fana Lukhele. The programme sailed through with Qniso 'Qibho' Motsa sharing one his deep poems entitled waste lands, Ntokozo Mdluli, 'The Conductor of Words' delivered an English poem titled 'I wish I was disable'. He was soon followed by Ngomane Nkambule, 'Ngomane the poet' who delivered a siSwati poem shortly before Kholekile 'Khole' Shabalala closed the session with a beautiful rendition of music.

**EMOTIONAL:** Aurelice 'The word Smith' Kunene from Limkokwing University got everyone emotional with her poem titled "My Poem".





## 22nd SOUTH AFRICAN MUSIC AWARDS IN PICS



# NATHI MANKAYI BIGGEST WINNER

CAPE TOWN - Saturday night was a massive night for Afro-soul sensation Nathi Mankayi, who was crowned king of the 22nd Annual South African Music Awards at the Durban ICC, beating out stiff challenges from established superstars and fellow newcomers alike.

Nathi, whose album Buyelekhaya and single Nomvula sent the nation into a collective swoon last year, scooped five awards at #SAMA22 - for Best R&B/Soul/Reggae Album, Best Newcomer (supported by Apple Music), Best Male Artist, Best-selling Full-track Music Download and Best-selling Album of the Year.

Nipping at the young Eastern Cape-born

hitmaker's heels was iconic DJ and producer Black Coffee, with four #SAMA22 trophies on the night - for Best Dance Album, Best Engineered Album and Album of the Year (served hot by Nescafé) for Pieces of Me, as well as the International Achievement Award in recognition of his meteoric rise in the global dance scene.

The highly contested Amstel Record of the Year award, which is the only public voting category of the night, went to Roll Up by Emtee, after South Africa's avid music fans scrambled to vote using the #SAMA22 USSD platform ahead of the cut-off time during the awards ceremony.

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**CONGRATULATE:** AKA posing for the cameras at the 22nd SAMAs.

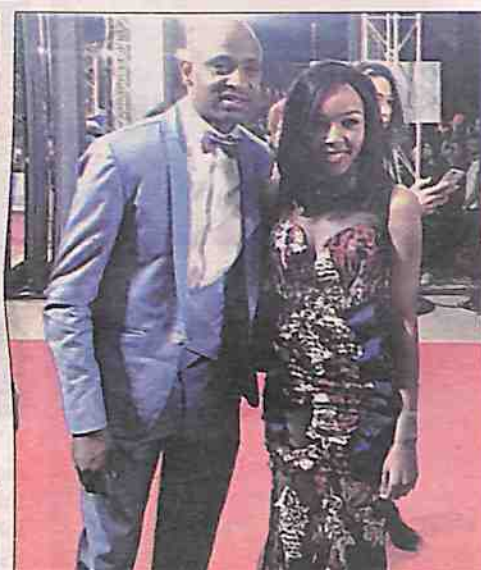
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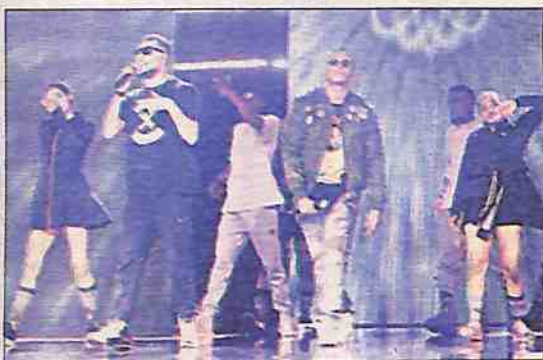
**SAY CHEESE:** Nandi Ngoma on the red carpet



**THANK YOU:** Emtee receives his award



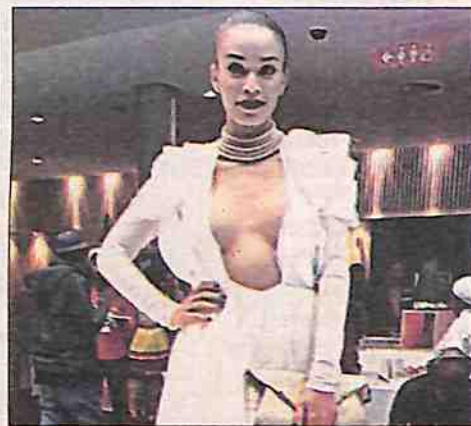
**KING OF KWATIO:** Arthuro Mofokate and a companion at the red carpet.



**MESMERISING:** AKA and Da Les performing at the Samas in Durban.



**SELFIE TIME:** Kyle Deutsch, Shakinah and Pearl Thusi at the awards.



**STUNNING:** Pearl Thusi also made it to the judgment seat and this time not for her hair. Thusi trended because the judges thought her dress looked like it came from the maternity section.



**GRACING:** Rappers Kid X with Kwesta.



**DURBAN'S FINEST:** DJ Tira and DJ Sox on arrival at the event.



**ALL SMILES:** Minnie Dlamini looking radiant on stage.



**NAKED TRUTH:** Boitumelo AKA 'Boity' chose to wear a rather revealing outfit which set social networks alight.



## HIGHLIGHTS

**Baywatch**  
Mon 06 Jun 2016, 16:05  
SONY MAX (128)

NEELY Capshaw returns to Baywatch, causing turmoil with Q and the Baywatch lifeguards. Meanwhile, Stephanie recruits Olympic swimming hopeful Cody Madison as a lifeguard.



**Heartbeat**  
Mon 06 Jun 2016, 19:33  
M-Net (101)

S1/E1 - Pilot. Golden Globe nominee Melissa George stars in this heartfelt medical drama. In the series premiere, heart-transplant surgeon Alex Panttiere uses unorthodox methods for a new patient in need of a heart.



**Doubt**  
Mon 06 Jun 2016, 20:00  
Mzansi Magic (161)

"S1/E9 - 1/9". Sanele is on the run and still desperate to prove his innocence. Lerato is put under tremendous pressure at work to deliver on the Mweliso story.



**Sanjay And Craig**  
Mon 06 Jun 2016, 17:50  
Nickelodeon (305)

TEENAGER. Sanjay Patel has an unusual best friend: a talking snake named Craig. Together the pair give new meaning to the phrase "terrible twos". In the third season, Sanjay invites friends for a sleepover but an embarrassing video could potentially ruin his pyjama party. Plus, Craig becomes obsessed with becoming a social media celebrity. Tune in every Monday from 6 June at 17:50 CAT.



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**MULTICHOICE honors Muhammad Ali with special channel on DStv and GOtv**

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today and run until next week Sunday, June 12, 2016 at 11:30am CAT.

The tribute channel will broadcast the legend's greatest fights, interviews and documentaries about his life.

DStv subscribers on the English packages: Premium, Compact Plus, Compact, Family and Access plus the Portuguese bou-



quets on Bue, Grande and Facil will be able to tune in. All GOtv subscribers on GOtv Lite, Value and Plus will also be able to cele-

brate the boxing legend's life. The schedule for the channel will be available on the TV guide.



## Yo ho ho and a plate of grubs

**WHILE you can bet a treasure chest of gold, diamonds and pearls that the food served on the set of the pirate drama series Black Sails (the fourth season is currently filming in Cape Town) is nothing but the best.**

The menu aboard ships in the Golden Age of Piracy in the early 1700s was anything but nutritious, appealing or even edible! Pirates lived in cramped, miserable conditions and suffered from debilitating diseases, with the majority of them dying before the age of 30 as a result of warfare, the gallows or, indeed, a very poor diet.

Shipboard food was limited to what would keep in the course of prolonged voyages. Bread came in the form of hardtack or "ship's biscuit", rock hard squares of flour-and-water dough that after a few weeks at sea was inevitably infested with weevils. Beef was salted or dried and so tough that sailors often carved it into buttons and belt buckles. Beer, ale and rum were the choice of drink since all kept better than fresh water.

Occasionally, pirate fare was far worse. Pirate Henry Morgan and his crew, stranded

in 1670, were forced to eat leather satchels while female pirate Charlotte de Berry's crew, shipwrecked and in desperate straits, turned to cannibalism, eating two slaves as well as De Berry's husband.

On the other side of the doubloon though, there was William Dampier, once described as "a pirate of exquisite mind". As well as a buccaneer, Dampier was also a naturalist, author, world traveller and adventurous foodie. Over a thousand entries in the Oxford English Dictionary are attributed to Dampier, many of them having to do with food. Dampier gave us such terms as barbecue, cashew, kumquat, soy sauce and tortilla. Dampier was certainly an adventurous eater, sampling flamingos ("the flesh is lean and black yet very good meat"), armadillos ("tastes much like land-turtle"), locusts ("very moist, their heads would crackle in one's teeth"), sea lions and Galapagos tortoises - the flesh of which he compared to chicken. He also recorded what may be the first recipe for mango chutney, noting: "When the mango is young, they cut them in two pieces, and pick-

led them with salt and vinegar, in which they put some cloves of garlic. This is an excellent sauce, and much esteemed."

Other than hardtack and salt beef, the closest we may get to a genuine pirate dish today is salmagundi, a concoction of meat, fish, vegetables, and fruits and which some refer to as a precursor to day's "Chef's Salad". For those adventurous enough, try this recipe from 1712: "Chop into small chunks turtle meat, chicken, pork, beef, ham, pigeon and fish. Marinate with spiced wine and roast. Add the meats to boiled chopped cabbage, anchovies, pickled herring, mango, hard-boiled eggs, palm-hearts, onions, olives and grapes. Add pickled chopped vegetables and garlic, chilli pepper, mustard, salt and pepper, and serve in a mound upon a large dish."

The second season of Black Sails launched on HISTORY (186) on Tuesday 24 May at 20:30. The series stars Toby Stephens, Luke Arnold, Hannah New, Luke McGowan, Tom Hopper and a host of South African actors such as Sean Cameron Michael, Louise Barnes and Fiona Ramsey.

## Hitlist: Celebs before and after

**LIVING** the celebrity life must be a struggle seeing as some stars have chosen to go under the knife or drop a few pounds all in the name of fame.

It's shocking to see what some celebs look like now compared to what they looked like when they first came into the industry. The change is not always for the better because, in surgery, things don't always go according to plan as we've seen in Botched, Fridays at 21:00 on E!

From Mshoza and Lil Kim to Melissa McCarthy and Johan Hill, watch as Mish and Sips discuss amazing celebrity transformations:

In keeping with the major body changes, see as ordinary people battle their weight issues in My 600lb Life Fridays at 20:00 on TLC Entertainment and what happens to all the extra skin left over when people lose weight in My Extreme Excess Skin Fridays at 20:55 on TLC Entertainment



Lil Kim.



Mshoza.



# ★ Celebrity ★ Watch ★

## Demi Lovato puts on a brave face

LOS ANGELES - After six years together, Demi Lovato and Wilmer

Valderrama revealed the end of their relationship with a joint statement on Friday night. And on Saturday, the 23-year-old put on a brave face as she was seen out since news of the shock split, attending the UFC 199 event at The Forum in Inglewood, Los



**BRAVE: Demi Lovato.**

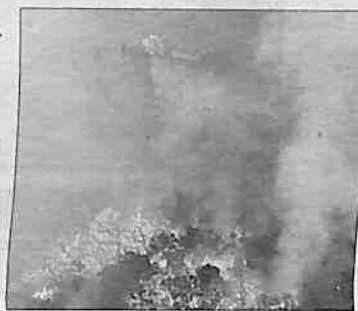
Angeles. Demi looked serious as she watched the fight, but later

was seen laughing with friends in the stands. The Cool For The Summer singer wore a silver metallic Chanel bomber jacket. She left her messy bob down, and accessorized with sparkling earrings. The former Disney star announced the end of her and Wilmer's relationship in an Instagram post saying they were 'better as best friends.'

*Mail Online*

## Wildfire prompts evacuation of upmarket LA suburb

LOS ANGELES - Celebrities could be forced to leave the sanctuary of their estates as a roaring wildfire tears through southern California. Kim Kardashian and Kanye West left their Calabasas home on Friday just before a third-alarm



brush fire sparked up on Saturday in the area, causing a mandatory evacuation. As that fire started three others broke out in southern

California, NBC 4 reported, burning 200 acres of land and threatening 3 000 homes. The fire forced mandatory evacuations in the Highlands, Eddingham and Adamsville neighborhoods, fire officials said. 'Three thousand homes

are evacuated, which is about 5 000 people,' Tony Corrales, city manager of Calabasas, told CNN. *Mail Online*

## Zolisa's con drama!

JOHANNESBURG - Zolisa Xaluva's fame is biting him in the butt! The former

Generations actor says he has been forced to watch helplessly as a conman masqueraded as himself. And he swindles people on Facebook. The Zabalaza actor said he tried to open a case last year, but didn't get any help from the cops. The angry Zolisa responded to allegations that an aspiring



**CON DRAMA: Zolisa Xaluva.**

actor, Yongama Mrwetyana (20),

took a nine-hour bus trip from Mthatha to Joburg in a bid to realise his dream of becoming an SABC actor.

Yongama said he was made to believe he's earned himself an acting role in Generations: The Legacy and Isibaya by a person claiming to be Zolisa on Facebook. Speaking on Sunday Sun, Yongama said he saw a post on Zolisa's Facebook page last month, calling on aspiring actors to email him their details, so

they can become actors on prime-time programmes. *Daily Sun*

## Mothers 'slam' AKA, Bonang!

JOHANNESBURG - Bonang and AKA's love affair is the talk

of the town - but allegedly Bonang has a mother-in-law problem, and so has AKA! After going public about their affair, AKA's mum, Lynn Forbes allegedly rejected Bonang as her future daughter-in-law. Now, Sunday Sun understands Bonang's mum



**SLAMED: Bonang Matheba and her Mum.**

Charlotte Mokoena, is rumoured to have also disapproved of her

daughter's relationship with the award-winning rapper. Sources close to the situation said Bonang's mum told her daughter to stay away from "other people's property". The source says Bonang's mum has her daughter's back, but she's clear she doesn't like AKA and won't accept him. And AKA added a complication last week when he tweeted to complain about his ex, DJ Zinhle,

taking pictures with his mum. *Daily Sun*

## Muhammad Ali was a fighter to the end

PHOENIX - The daughter of icon Muhammad Ali has taken to social media to share with the world how he was a fighter up until the very end. The boxing legend died on Friday at age 74 in a Phoenix-area hospital at 9.10pm from septic shock 'due to unspecified natural causes,' family spokesman Bob Gunnell announced on Saturday during an afternoon press conference.

Gunnell revealed that Ali actually was hospitalized since Monday suffering from respiratory issues, as he bat-

tled Parkinson's disease for 32 years. He shared that it was a 'very solemn' time when the boxer's family came together to say their final goodbyes. Gunnell said the family is planning to hold a private funeral on Thursday for the icon, and that a public funeral will be held on Friday in Louisville, Kentucky at the KFC Yum! Center starting at 2pm. Former President Bill Clinton, Bryant Gumbel and Billy Crystal will be giving eulogies, as the champion had previously requested. *Mail Online*

## Malaika in album drama!

JOHANNESBURG - Faded kwaito and house music producer Godfrey 'Guffy' Pilane has allegedly turned his back on Malaika. Sunday Sun sources claimed Guffy was offered a chance to produce Malaika's last album - but he refused. A source said group members, Tshedi Mholo and Bongani Nchang, split a few years ago to go solo, but forgot they owed Sony Music one album as per their contract. The source said the group



**DITCHED: Malaika group.**

approached the faded music pro-

ducer as they believed he would do a good job. "Malaika wants to do a comeback album and only Guffy can do it. But Guffy turned them down. He's relocated to North West to pursue other business ventures," said the source. Another source claimed Guffy was dishonest, as he's in the studio working with a new band called

Encore, working on an album to be released in July. *Daily Sun*

## Michelle Keegan reunites with hubby Mark Wright...

MANCHESTER - Michelle Keegan and Mark Wright reunite-

ed on Saturday after raising suspicions of a marriage rift when she stepped out without her wedding ring - and her husband - on her birthday. But, as sources now explain to MailOnline, the actress was in fear of losing her precious £20,000 sparkler as she partied with ex-Coronation Street co-stars straight after filming Our Girl on Friday. The 29-year-old was forced to deny that she had delib-



**REUNITED: Michelle Keegan and Mark Wright.**

erately taken it off because of troubles with her one-year mar-

riage, as she stood by the ex-TOWIE hunk, also 29, at training for Soccer Aid at Manchester's Old Trafford, the next day. A close source told MailOnline on Saturday: 'Michelle left her wedding ring behind [for Ryan Thomas] leaving party] because she came straight from work on Friday.

## Minnie reaches 1m followers on instagram!

JOHANNESBURG - SA 'It girl' - Minnie Dlamini - Instagram. Minnie Dlamini is the most followed South African celebrity on Instagram. She secured her titled yesterday when she hit the 1 million mark on her Instagram page. Whatever she's doing is clearly working for her and she should keep it up. Well done Minnie! *Daily Sun*

**1 MINNIE-ON: Minnie Dlamini.**



## WEEKLY SOAPIE DIGEST

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TODAY

WHILE suspicion is cast on Samson, the Zungus decide they need a plan of action to address the storm brewing in Memel.



ISIDINGO

TODAY

SIZWE sees a way out of his predicament, Gabriel doesn't like it one little bit. Tyson finds Nina's weakness and exploits it. An unexpected show of kindness raises Samantha's spirits.



**WAY OUT: Sizwe.**

Muvhango

TODAY



**DIFFERENT VIEW: Vele.**

JAMES reduces Nthabeleng to tears. Vusi and Rendani are onto Sthe. Vele sees a side to Mmboswobeni she never knew existed.

RHYTHM CITY

TODAY

ZINZI and Sakhile secretly get back together. The listeners love RuffNek's song. Shakes is furious when Zolani gives him bad news. Lerato gets wind of RuffNek's success. Renellwe confronts Zolani about her varsity fees and he proposes a deal.



**IN THE WIND: Lerato.**



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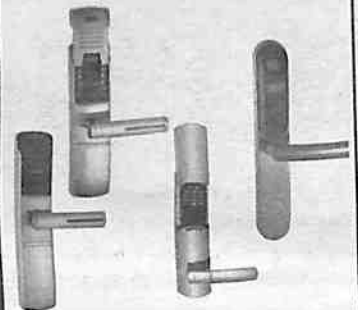
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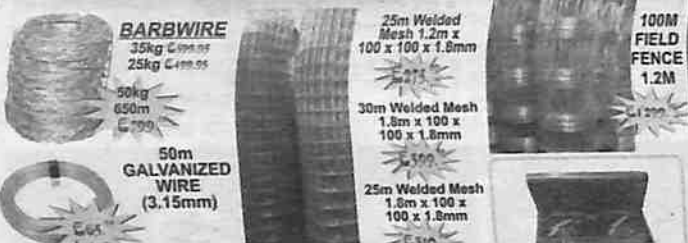
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# FOREMAN PAYS TRIBUTE TO HIS FOE, FRIEND ALI

**UNITED STATES -** George Foreman no longer wonders why a devastating defeat at the hands of Muhammad Ali in the fabled *Rumble in the Jungle* of 1974 proved the catalyst for an enduring friendship.

"Everybody falls in love with him, you can't help it," Foreman told CNN a day after the three-time heavyweight world champion Ali died in Arizona after battling Parkinson's disease for decades.

Foreman and Ali are forever linked by that clash in Kinshasa, where Ali knocked out the previously unbeaten Foreman in the eighth round to regain the crown he hadn't held since being banned from boxing in 1967 for refusing to fight in the Vietnam War.

Amid the tributes pouring in for Ali's principled stand, Foreman noted that 40 years ago, Ali's stance had made him a pariah.

"Everybody turned on him," Foreman said. "I was doing an interview in Miami, Florida. He came into



**HUGE LOSS:** Former boxer George Foreman has paid tribute to Muhammad Ali (Inset). (AP)

the gym and they turned the cameras off."

The Supreme Court's reversal of Ali's draft evasion conviction gave him a second chance "and he was the greatest show in the world," Foreman said.

And Foreman was a key player in the drama.

"I got hit and knocked out, so I can hardly remember anything," Foreman said, although he did recall that he went into the bout blithely confident of victory. *eNCA*



## Phelps stumbles ahead of US Olympic trials

**LOS ANGELES -** Michael Phelps, aiming to add to his tally of 18 Olympic gold medals at the Rio de Janeiro Games, was beaten again on Saturday at an invitational swimming meeting in Austin, Texas.

The 30-year-old US superstar came straight from hard training into the tuneup meet for the Olympic trials in Omaha this month.

He finished fourth in the 200m freestyle won by Townley Haas in 1min 47.86sec, with Phelps, clocking 1min 48.73.

The setback came a day after Phelps won the 100m free and finished second to Singapore's Joseph Schooling in the 100m butterfly.

The meeting is one of three elite events this weekend where US swimmers are warming up for the demands of trials, and overseas competitors are prepping for the Rio Games themselves.

In other Austin action, American Chase Kalisz posted

the third-fastest time in the world this year in the 400m individual medley, winning in 4:11.51.

Allison Schmitt defeated Missy Franklin for the second straight night, triumphing in the 200m free in 1:56.87 to Franklin's 1:57.78.

Franklin won the 200m backstroke in 2:09.45.

At the Indianapolis Pro Swim, American David Plummer notched the fastest time in the world this year in the 100m backstroke, winning in a sizzling 52.40sec.

"We've been working a ton on holding tempo, trying to get that speed up to where it needs to be and just holding it right at the quickest tempo I can hold," Plummer said.

"I feel like it's really starting to come around."

At the Pro Swim in Santa Clara, California, Emma McKeon won the women's 50m free in 24.85, leading an Australian one-two finish ahead of Brittany Elmslie.

*Sport24.*



**DEFEATED:** Banyana Banyana.

## Banyana Banyana suffers 1-0 defeat to Netherlands

**JOHANNESBURG -** Banyana Banyana suffered a 1-0 defeat to the Netherlands in an international friendly match played at the Mandemakers Stadium in Waalwijk, Netherlands on Saturday.

This was the first of two clashes between the two nations as the South Africans are preparing for the 2016 Rio Olympic Games.

Banyana started the match slowly giving respect to their much-fancied opponents.

Four minutes into the match, defender Noko Matlou conceded a foul on the edge of the box. From the resultant freekick, Netherlands captain Sherida Spitsie flew the ball past the South African wall and goalkeeper Roxanne Barker to take a 1-0 lead.

From then on the visitors

played catch-up and could not get their passes together.

The second stanza proved much better for the visitors, especially with the introduction of forwards Jermaine Seoposenwe and Linda Motlhalo for Sanah Mollo and Thembi Kgatlana just after the break. Bongiwé Thusi earned her first Banyana cap when she was brought on late in the match to replace Stephanie Malherbe.

In referee's optional time, Motlhalo was brought down on the edge of the box.

Captain Janine van Wyk took the freekick and her powerful shot was parried to the side by Loes Geurts in the Netherlands goal - perhaps South Africa's best chance of an equaliser.

That would be the last chance for Banyana, as they went down to home side in an entertaining affair. *eNCA.*

## Federer, Del Potro test injuries on grass

**STUTTGART -** Roger Federer and Juan Martin del Potro will test injuries as the Wimbledon run-up period begins today at the Stuttgart Open grass event.

The former clay week switched surfaces a year ago in an edition won by Rafael Nadal. Though the Spaniard is out of action with a wrist injury and was not entered, his absence will be more than made up by the arrival of Federer.

The 34-year-old Swiss was due to practise yesterday on the courts laid a year ago by Wimbledon specialists and given the unofficial seal of approval in 2015 after John McEnroe had a hit on them during dedication ceremonies at the Weissenhof Club.

Federer wisely skipped what was the wettest and coldest French Open in decades to let back pain subside, with tournament organisers saying he has trained in Switzerland and is arriving fit.

Del Potro won Stuttgart in 2008 -



**OUT TO WIN:** Roger Federer. (AP)

the first of his 18 career trophies - when it was played on clay; he has chosen the venue for his first match in five weeks since losing in the Madrid second round to Jack Sock.

The Argentine has been dealing with a wrist injury, playing only 13

matches in 2016.

The Federer effect is expected to be massive at the box office, with tournament director Edwin Weindorfer making sure the main court grandstand was able to accommodate an additional 1 500 seats. *Supersport*

## MotoGP mourns death of young star Luis Salom

**BARCELONA -** The Catalunya MotoGP was hit by tragedy, when Moto2 rider Luis Salom died after an accident during the second practice session for Sunday's race.

The 24-year-old Spaniard lost control of his bike on turn 12 of the Barcelona circuit. No other riders were involved but pictures indicated that Salom's bike left the track at high speed in the corner, which has an asphalt run-off section rather than a gravel trap.

Rider and bike collided with airbags at the edge of the circuit with little to slow them down. Medics reached the scene of the accident within minutes, where Salom was found to be in car-



**LATE:** Moto2 rider Luis Salom.

diac arrest. A statement from MotoGP's medical director detailed frantic efforts to save him.

"CPR continued at the trackside for 18 minutes, but taking into consideration Salom's life threatening condi-

tion, a decision was taken to transport him by road in an ambulance," it said. "Treatment continued for an additional 40 minutes during the ambulance transfer, but oxygen saturation deteriorated." *CNN*





## Mashaba sings Bafana's praises

**JOHANNESBURG** - Bafana Bafana coach Ephraim 'Shakes' Mashaba said he was thoroughly impressed by his team's dazzling performance that saw the visitors dismantle Gambia 4-0 in one of the greatest performances by the senior national team.

Two goals in the first half by the gangling Thamsanqa Gabuza and a stunning double by the outstanding Keagan Dolly in the second half saw Bafana Bafana record one of the biggest away victories in this Afcon 2017 qualifiers.

"That was total football from the boys and it only goes to show the amount of potential we have in the country. Winning by such a massive margin and away from home shows this team can go places," said Mashaba.

### Draw

The Bafana mentor said with the draw of the 2018 FIFA World Cup in Russia around the corner, this was the confidence booster the team needed.

"Since our arrival here in Banjul, Gambia had constantly warned us that they wanted to humiliate us to finish the campaign on a high. But my boys had other ideas; their desire to win, the hunger in their eyes and will to do something special was there for all to see.

"This team has massive potential and can go places if we keep it together, have no injuries and maintain our focus. Can this be one of the best Bafana Bafana teams ever? I think the team that played Gambia on Saturday here can really go places and achieve lots of things going forward; something special is really brewing," added Mashaba.

*supersport*

# MOZA END RWANDA'S HOPES

**MOZAMBIQUE** - Mozambique edged Rwanda 3-2 in a thriller on Saturday at Amahoro Stadium to end the latter's hopes of qualifying for Afcon 2017 in Gabon.

Os Mambas captain Elias Gaspar Pelembe opened the scoring in the 10th minute when his powerful strike from outside the box caught

the Amavubi off guard finding its way into the top right corner past a flat-footed Eric Ndayishimiye.

The visitors enjoyed most of the ball possession thereafter but the Amavubi worked cautiously in search of an equaliser.

In the 32nd minute, central defender Emery Bayisenge forced a very good save from goalkeeper

Jose Ventura Guirruogo who dived to the left to punch away his free-kick.

### Corner

Jacques Tuyisenge, who was playing upfront, got to the end of the resulting corner kick by Jean Claude Iranzi but Guirruogo was quick to pick it up.

Four minutes later, Tuyisenge

slotted home past Guirruogo for the equaliser to send the hundreds of fans at Amahoro Stadium into celebration.

However, a lapse in concentration combined with miscommunication in central defense saw Apson David Manjate reinstate Os Mambas' lead one minute from the stroke of half time. *supersport*



**DREAM KILLERS:** Mozambique edged Rwanda 3-2 in a thriller at Amahoro Stadium to end the latter's hopes of qualifying for Afcon 2017 in Gabon.

## Uganda go top after Botswana win

**JOHANNESBURG** - Uganda overcame Botswana 2-1 in a crucial 2017 Africa Cup of Nations (Afcon) qualifier on Saturday afternoon.

The Group D encounter was played at the Francistown Sports Complex in Botswana's second City, Francistown.

The victory took Uganda to the top of Group D standings, while Botswana remained third on the qualifying group.

The Cranes of Uganda began the

match brightly with their captain Geoffrey Massa being ruled off-side just two minutes into the crucial encounter.

However, the deadlock was broken in the ninth minute when Kizito Luwagga ran onto Tony Mawejje's long ball into the Botswana box and fired past goalkeeper Kabelo Dambe.

The home side were awarded a free-kick outside the Uganda box six minutes later and Kabelo Seakanyeng forced Uganda keep-

er Onyango into a comfortable save from the set-piece.

Massa came close to doubling his side's lead in the 24th minute when he unleashed a thunderous shot from a free-kick which tipped over the crossbar by Dambe.

### Change

Zebras head coach Peter Butler decided to make his first change in the 36th minute. Ofentse Nato was replaced by fellow central midfielder Lesego Galenamothale.

Cranes shot-stopper Onyango was called into action two minutes before halftime when he gathered Galabgwé Moyana's curling free-kick as Botswana searched for an equalizer.

Onkabetse Mankgatai level matters for Botswana when he pounced onto a loose ball inside the Uganda box and he beat Onyango from close range four minutes into the second-half.

However, the Zebras' celebrations were cut short as Khalid Aucho silenced the home crowd with a good finish after running onto a long ball into the Botswana box. *goal.com*

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# PELE: NEYMAR DOESN'T HAVE QUALITY OF MESSI, RONALDO

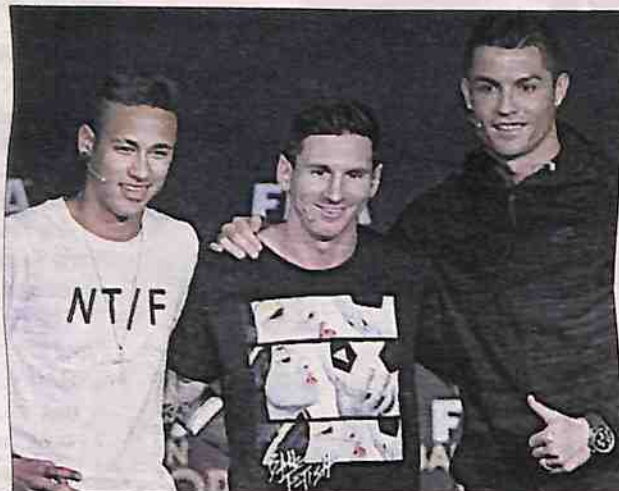
RIO - The legendary former forward says that Neymar has an abundance of quality, but does not feel he is on the same level as his Barcelona team-mate or the Real Madrid superstar

Brazil legend Pele insists that Neymar does not have the quality of either fellow Barcelona superstar Lionel Messi or Real Madrid icon Cristiano Ronaldo.

Neymar forms a key part of Barcelona's formidable front three - labelled 'MSN' - alongside five-time Ballon d'Or winner Messi and Luis Suarez, while he is the face of Brazil's new generation as captain.

The 24-year-old, who scored 31 goals in all competitions last season, finished third behind Messi and Ronaldo in Ballon d'Or voting after helping Barca to a superb treble in 2014-15.

But countryman Pele - arguably the greatest player of all time - maintains that Neymar is not in the same bracket as Messi and Ronaldo.



**DIFFERENT LEVELS:** Neymar, Lionel Messi and Cristiano Ronaldo.

"I've known Neymar since he was little and many years ago his coaches told me he was very good," Pele told Marca.

## Quality

"That is so but he doesn't have the quality of Ronaldo or Messi.

"If I had to say who the number one player is today, I would say Lionel. The Portuguese has a different

style of play but the best is Messi, in my opinion." Asked about Neymar and whether he overplays the game at times, Pele added: "Not everyone does this - Zico didn't and nor did Pele - so it's not common to everyone. "Each one has his own style. But you have to always respect your opponent, like Romario did for example," goal.

## Dunga's side frustrated in Copa America Centenario opener

RIO - The boos rang out at full-time, all around the Rose Bowl.

From the Brazilian fans, for their own team, who had offered a display which summed up the nation's footballing ills of recent years.

From Ecuador fans, for the officials, who they believed had denied them a huge scalp in their opening Copa America Centenario clash.

To cut to the chase, the key moment in this game came in

the 66th minute. Miler Bolanos ran down the left flank and crossed the ball just as it hit the goal-line.

His low effort was somehow humiliatingly fumbled into his own net by Alisson, who almost had to go out of his way to achieve it.

However, the assistant referee raised his flag and the goal was ruled out, with the officials saying the whole ball crossed the goal-line before Bolanos hit it. No sin-

gle replay could completely confirm what had happened, but the majority made it seem like a legal goal had been unfairly ruled out.

Ecuador cried robbery, Brazilian fans just cried about what their team has become. They lacked that crucial spark, that something special.

Neymar was sitting in a box, clowning around with Justin Bieber, Lewis Hamilton and Jamie Foxx, unable to help his team after Barcelona forced the Selecao to choose whether to use him at the Copa or the Olympics, not both. *daily mail*

## Match goes to penalties - takes world-record 52 to settle

**CZECH REPUBLIC - Two teams in the Czech fifth division - SK Batov 1903 and FC Frystak - have set a new record for the longest-running shootout in history.**

A game in the Czech Republic was decided by 52 penalty kicks on Friday, the longest shoot-out in history.

Fifth division teams SK

Batov 1903 and FC Frystak - both from southeastern Czech Republic - drew 3-3 after 90 minutes of a regional championship match.

## Shoot-out

It took 52 spot-kicks for the shoot-out to end 22-21 to Batov. The previous world record was 48 kicks.

Frystak had opportunities to win at 4-4, 11-11 and 14-

14 but midfielder Jan Hrebacka missed the deciding penalty, sending it over the bar in front of a crowd of around 150. The full shoot-out was filmed by a fan and placed on YouTube.

Hrebacka was quoted by Czech newspaper DNES as saying "we wanted to go home", with chairman Vratislav Rudolf joking about missing a "family barbecue".

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The Southern African Customs Union (SACU) has adopted a Vision and Mission statement and a new Work Programme for promoting sustainable development and deeper integration within the SACU region. The SACU Secretariat hereby invites suitably qualified and experienced citizens of Botswana, Lesotho, Swaziland, Namibia and South Africa to submit their applications for the following positions.

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## ENGLISH PREMIERSHIP



# 'VARDY WANTS TO SIGN FOR ARSENAL'

**LEICESTER - Jamie Vardy wants to leave Leicester City for Arsenal, admits Olivier Giroud.**

The England striker, who flies to France with the Three Lions squad today for Euro 2016, is on the verge of completing a £20million transfer to Arsenal.

It is set to see Giroud given competition up front in the Premier League next season but the France forward is welcoming the signing.

I have been told that Jamie wants to join us and it's very good news for us,' Giroud told Sky Sports after scoring twice in France's 3-0 win over Scotland on Saturday night.

'I think we can be complementary and that's all I can say. He's a fantastic player, so it's good news for us.' Asked whether Arsene Wenger would abandon his 4-2-3-1 formation for a new system to accommodate himself and Vardy, Giroud answered: 'Obviously four-four-two.'

He added: 'As I said in the past I am happy with competition. We have always had fantastic strikers at Arsenal and I want the best for this club.'

Hopefully he is going to help us win this title.

'The boss wanted to sign at least one or two strikers, so I expected a top striker and I think it will benefit the club and hope-

fully he is going to score a lot of goals like he did at Leicester.'

Leicester manager Claudio Ranieri also admitted to an Italian

newspaper "Yes, it's all true."

Vardy only signed a new four-year contract with Leicester in February and is preparing to represent England at Euro 2016, which starts next week.

*dailymail*



MOVE: Jamie Vardy.

## I want to leave Chelsea as a boss!

**LONDON - The Belgium playmaker is keen to make amends after a poor season for the Blues last season and talks about his expectations with Belgium ahead of Euro 2016.**

Eden Hazard has ruled out a move to Paris Saint-Germain and insists he will rediscover his form at Chelsea.

The Belgium international struggled to find any form under Jose Mourinho at Stamford Bridge last season and scored just six goals after his 19 in the previous campaign.

Hazard has subsequently been linked with a move away from Chelsea, and in particular French champions PSG, though the 25-year-old has now rejected the speculation.

"I have a contract until 2020. I don't want to finish like this," he told

Telefoot. "If I have to leave, I must do it like a boss. Like I did in Lille."

"PSG are not among my projects right now."

Hazard also believes that he can help Belgium win Euro 2016, though he will not be too disappointed should they reach the semi-final stages.

*goal*



RULED OUT MOVE: Eden Hazard.

## Chelsea launch bid for Kante

**LEICESTER - Reports are surfacing that Chelsea have made a £20million bid for Leicester City's N'Golo Kante as they seek to expand their options in midfield.**

The Blues are said to have turned their attentions to the Foxes' defensive midfielder, while they also continue negotiations with Roma over midfielder Radja Nainggolan.

The France international arguably took many fans and managers by surprise by his

major influence and towards the end of Leicester's title-winning campaign, not only was he being considered amongst the top-performing new signings in the Premier League, but his performances also saw him garner a great deal of attention from various top clubs around Europe.

**Previously**

The 25-year-old has previously been linked with moves to Arsenal and Juventus, with Chelsea most recently said to be seriously looking to add the

player to their books ahead of the 2016/17 campaign.

Kante was instrumental in helping Leicester lift the title, making 37 league appearances and averaging an impressive 4.7 tackles and 4.2 interceptions per match.

If the Frenchman does make the move to Stamford Bridge, he will be competing with the likes of Kurt Zouma, Nemanja Matic and John Obi Mikel for a starting berth.

*sport24.*



PLAY MAKER: N'Golo Kante.

## Gascoigne to appear in court over 'joke'

**LONDON — Former England soccer player Paul Gascoigne will appear in court on June 17 for making an alleged racist joke.**

British prosecutors said Saturday that Gascoigne will be in court to answer a summons and be charged with an offense of racially aggravated abuse.

Britain's Press Association said the 49-year-old Gascoigne allegedly made the joke about a black security official at one of his stage shows called "An Evening with Gazza" in Wolverhampton, central England, on November 30.

Police have since been investigating a complaint about Gascoigne's conduct during the show.

One of British soccer's most gifted players, Gascoigne has faced years of alcohol and mental health problems.

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## RONALDO BACKS 'UNIQUE' ROONEY FOR ENGLAND ROLE

**LONDON - Portugal star Cristiano Ronaldo has hailed the "unique" Wayne Rooney and believes the England captain still has a crucial role to play in the national team.**

Rooney's place in the England line-up has been questioned with strike duo Harry Kane and Jamie

Vardy in fine form ahead of Euro 2016.

But former Manchester United team-mate Ronaldo has no such queries, insisting the 30-year-old is a key for Roy Hodgson's side.

Ronaldo and Rooney have history at international level, with the Portuguese star getting the

Englishman sent off during a clash at the 2006 World Cup.

"A match against England would be very emotive for me - because of Wayne Rooney and because of many other things too. Roo is now a leader and that's not a surprise," the Real Madrid star told the Daily Mirror. "I was always convinced

that he would be a star for England and, inevitably, captain one day.

It's a perfect role for him after the era of [David] Beckham and [John] Terry.

"For me, the character and pride of Rooney is unique - he's still very important for England."

*goal*

## US consortium take control of Swansea

**LONDON - A consortium headed by American businessmen Jason Levien and Steve Kaplan has purchased a controlling stake in Swansea, the Premier League club announced yesterday.**

The deal, concluded after lengthy negotiations, will see Huw Jenkins remain in an executive role and charged with the day-to-day running of the club.

"Jason and Steve have vast experience in running sporting franchises in America," Swansea said in an official statement on their website. "Jason is managing general owner of MLS side, DC United



TAKE-OVER: Swansea City players celebrating a goal.

while Steve is the executive vice-chairman of the Memphis Grizzlies in the NBA.

"Both see the takeover of Swansea City as an exciting opportunity for long-term growth

in the club in every area."

Levien has also held roles at the Grizzlies and Philadelphia 76ers and also works as an advisor to Inter Milan majority owner and president Erick Thohir, who co-owns DC United with him.

It is understood that the American duo has acquired around 60 per cent of the club, which finished 12th, on 47 points, last season under new Italian coach Francesco Guidolin.

The deal is subject to official ratification by the Premier League.

The move is the latest in a spate of foreign investment in the lucrative English topflight with the biggest success story involving Leicester City.

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# DJOKOVIC CRUSHES MURRAY

● in four sets to claim French Open title at Roland Garros and complete career Grand Slam

PARIS - Andy Murray provided a tease that he could win an unlikely French Open title but was ultimately blown away as Novak Djokovic made history at Roland Garros.

The world No 1 subdued a brilliant opening from the 29 year-old Scot to win the final 3-6 6-1 6-2 6-4 and confirm his claims to be among the greatest players ever.

In taking a twelfth Grand Slam the Serb became only the third man ever to hold all four of the Major titles at once, completing the full house with a magnificent display that Murray could not equal.

He has now done something that the likes of Roger Federer and Rafael Nadal have been unable to do – carrying off the non-calendar Grand Slam as Rod Laver and Donald Budge did before him. The Novak Slam lives and could yet become a calendar quartet.

Murray threw everything he had at the first set to shock his opponent, but simply could not keep up that level of ultra-commitment in the face of a defiant Djokovic and a partisan crowd.

Every key indicator went the other way after that – the first serve, second serve, returns and winner count completely in the world number one's favour. Murray, forced back behind the baseline, tried to stay



**CHAMP:** Novak Djokovic made history at Roland Garros by winning the French Open title against Andy Murray.

calm, tried to get angry – especially with the overhead camera – but found himself comprehensively outplayed.

He should curse the fact that he was born only a week apart from this remarkable athlete, who showed

there is clear blue water between himself and the best of the rest, which is what Murray has again proved himself to be in this clay court season.

## Fault

The Scot at least asked the ques-

tion at the end with a gutsy late surge, breaking back to 4-5 from 2-5 in the fourth set. Djokovic egged the crowd on as he felt his way to the finish line, and finally clinched it, after a nervy double fault and backhand error on his first two match

points.

Murray netted the third with a backhand, and climbed over the net to congratulate him before Djokovic drew a heart on the court and laid down in the middle of it.

Djokovic had walked out to the louder roar from the crowd, with Serbian flags being waved in all corners of Court Philippe Chatrier. Murray was trying to break his record of never having won on his first appearance at a particular Grand Slam final, and it was clear that he would be getting less encouragement on another grey and heavy day.

The Serb played as perfect a return game as could be imagined at the start, breaking to love. However, Murray's response was majestic, breaking him straight back with a deft backhand lob.

After an easy hold he broke for 3-1 when Djokovic sent a forehand long, although his problem had been whacking too many of them in the net. He actually seemed in shock at the quality coming at him from the other end.

Murray's only distraction was having French TV interviewer Nelson Monfort removed from his row of support crew but he kept his head to move to 5-3.

He had a spot of luck at 15-0 when umpire Damien Dumusois overruled a line call on second serve and, bravely but erroneously, gave Murray the point as the return went long. The whistling was deafening but again Murray kept his composure and took the set on a third set point when Djokovic netted a backhand.

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## I leave Sundowns a happy man – Cheeseboy

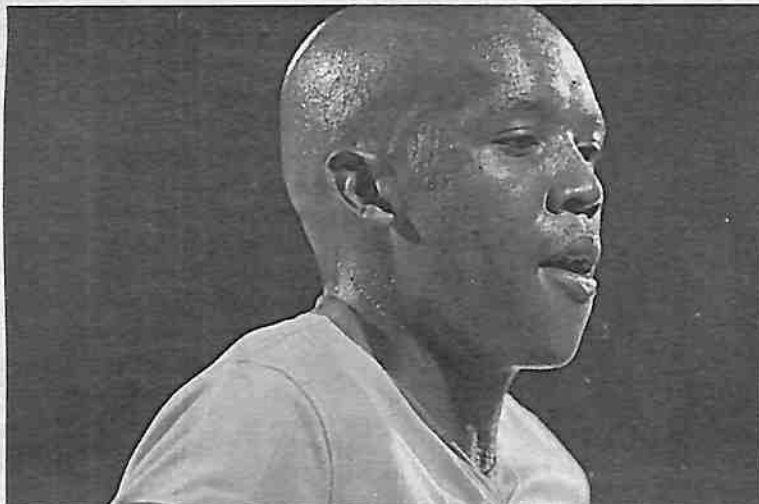
PRETORIA - "I am grateful to the club president, the technical team and management for giving me a chance to be part of the Sundowns family," said Lebogang Mokoena.

Flamboyant midfielder Mokoena's time is just about to expire at Chloorkop, and while the skilful player spent the majority of the past two seasons on the side-lines, nursing reoccurring injuries – he says he leaves Mamelodi Sundowns a happy man.

Mokoena broke into the scene as a teenager in the early 2000s playing for Orlando Pirates. The former Buccaneer man will be out of contract at the end of the month. Mokoena said Mamelodi Sundowns granted him permission to leave the club, according to reports.

"I met with the club and they allowed me the chance to move on next season.

"I won't forget my teammates and the fans for such wonderful support



**HAPPY MAN:** Mamelodi Sundowns Lebogang Mokoena.

all these years. I leave Sundowns a happy man. I enjoyed my stay at the club and as I said I am grateful for the opportunity I got to play for a big team like Sundowns," he said.

"I am looking forward to starting

life elsewhere next season. I am still 29 years old. I still want to win championships. I have achieved a lot of things in football but I am still hungry to achieve more," he added.

*citizen*

## Doctor set for Chiefs' technical director

JOHANNESBURG - According to media reports, Komphela has been given the green light to appoint his own assistant coach for the upcoming season.

Kaizer Chiefs assistant coach Doctor Khumalo is reportedly set to be appointed the club's new technical director ahead of next season.

According to Sunday World, Amakhosi chairman Kaizer Motaung has already offered Khumalo the position, but it is unclear at this stage if the former midfielder has accepted the job.

The newspaper reports that the move is aimed at paving way for coach Steve Komphela to bring in his assistant coach for the 2016/17 PSL

season.

Reports suggest that Komphela intends to bring in his former assistant at Maritzburg United, Mandla Ncikazi, who is currently working with Clinton Larsen at Golden Arrows.

Ncikazi has been linked with the assistant role at Chiefs since Komphela made his big move to the Soweto giants in June last year.

However, nothing came out of it as Khumalo continued to serve in his role as the club's assistant coach to Komphela, with the former Free State Stars tactician also denying media reports that he wouldn't work with his former Bafana Bafana teammate.

*goal*

## Dolly given the superstar treatment

GAMBIA - Keagan Dolly was reportedly mobbed by thousands of local supporters after a virtuoso performance that included scoring two beautiful goals from range for Bafana Bafana against Gambia.

Bafana thrashed Gambia 4-0 in the Africa Cup of Nations qualifier at the Independence Stadium in Bakau.

Dolly, who has just played a key part for the Mamelodi Sundowns team that wrapped up the Premier Soccer League title with a record 71 points last month, and was nominated for the PSL's Player of the Season Award, must feel he has the world at his feet.

The left wing provided both assists

for both Thamsanqa Gabuza's first half goals on Saturday, then scored two superbly-struck long-range goals in the second half.

In August Dolly will be the South African Under-23s' star player at the Olympic men's football tournament in Rio, on a truly global stage.

"This has been some year for me. I have won lots of things, been selected for major awards and now being called for the national team and do this," Dolly said.

"It gives me a wonderful feeling but I want to continue working hard so that I repay the faith my coaches have placed on me."

*timeslive*

## Chippa intend to keep Manzini

JOHANNESBURG - Goal has gathered that the Chilli Boys intend to retain the services of Manzini for the upcoming season despite interest from three PSL clubs.

Chippa United are not looking to sell Lerato Manzini, who has attracted interest from both Ajax Cape Town and Bidvest Wits. Lamontville Golden Arrows are

also believed to be still keeping an eye on the striker after failing to sign him from Bloemfontein Celtic last year.

## Goals

Manzini impressively netted seven goals despite starting only three Absa Premiership games for Dan Malesela's side this past season. Goal has learnt from an impeccable source that Chippa will not

entertain offers for the 25-year-old striker. "Well, Ajax, Arrows, and Wits are some of the teams that have shown interest in Lerato, but Chippa are not willing to part company with the player. They are reluctant to losing other players," the source told Goal. Chippa captain James Okwuosa and winger Joseph Molangoane are expected to leave the Port Elizabeth-based side ahead of the opening of the transfer window in July. *goal*



# SIHLANGU BEAT GUINEA IN AFCON



**OUR PRIDE:** Sihlangu players getting ready for their match against Guinea, during the AFCON 2017 Qualifiers second leg match, at Somhlolo National Stadium yesterday. Sihlangu won 1-0.



**ONE MAN DOWN:** Guinea's Francois Kamano blocked by Njabulo Ndlovu, while Machawe Dlamini is left on the turf.



**FROM BEHIND:** Mcolisi Lukhele outpacing his opponent.



**CLOSE HIM DOWN:** Tony Tsabedze attempts to go past his opponent.



**CHALLENGE:** Mthunzi Mkhontfo being challenged by Ibrahima Traore.



**OOPS!** Sabelo 'Sikhali' Ndzinisa and Ibrahima Traore in a tussle for the ball.



**GUEST:** Acting Prime Minister Paul Dlamini with other dignitaries.



**YES:** Sihlangu supporters committee Chairman Lenhle Masuku on cloud nine.

**OH NO!** Guinea coach Mohammed Bangoura.



**GRAND ENTRANCE:** Referees leading Sihlangu and Guinea players to the field of play.

**OH YES:** Coach Harries 'Madze' Bulunga.

Pics: Lucky Simelane



# 2017 Qualifiers



**POSE:** Guinea national team posing before their clash against Swaziland.



**MY BALL:** Sifiso Mabila winning the ball from Sylla Idriss.



**BALL CONTROL:** Sabelo 'Sikhali' Ndzinisa controlling the ball while a Guinea player closes in.



**JOY:** Sihlangu supporters celebrating their team's victory.



**HAPPY PEOPLE:** Some of the national team followers in a jovial mood.

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*Sunday Mirror*

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*Daily Star*



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*Teamtalk*

● Leeds want Man Utd striker Ashley Fletcher on a year's loan.  
*Teamtalk*

# PLS HAPPY WITH RESERVE LEAGUE PROGRESS - HORTON

By Sibusiso Masilela

**SOCCER - THE Premier League of Swaziland has expressed joy over the progress of the Reserve League in the past three seasons.**

On behalf of the association, executive member Steve Horton said the league had continued to play a major role in the development of local football.

Horton was speaking during the 2015/16 season grand closing at Manzini Club on Saturday.



**VICTORIOUS:** 2015/16 PLS Reserve League champions Young Buffaloes in jubilation after being crowned at Manzini Club. (Pics: Lucky Simelane)

"We are quite impressed with the improvement in the Reserve League as it is serving its main purpose of producing players for elite teams. We are already yielding the fruits of the initiative and we are happy with the

number of fans that are here today (Saturday) to witness the games. This shows that the league has gained popularity over the years among the spectators," he said.

Horton further congratulated

the champions Young Buffaloes for clinching their third consecutive league title.

"Well done to Young Buffaloes for winning the league title. I must say that the league is continuing to unearth young talent from the junior ranks. Buffaloes have been doing well in the Reserve League and this is proven by the number of trophies that they have won in the past three seasons."

The army side were crowned the 2015/16 champions following a 2-all draw against Royal Leopard in front of over 400 football lovers.

## Muntu set to retain MRPA chairmanship

By Sibusiso Masilela

**POOL - MANZINI Regional Pool Association Chairperson Muntu Dlamini will be reinstated in his position during the elections to be held on July 9.**

This comes after he was the only nominee for the hot seat during a meeting held at the Manzini Library on Saturday. Other candidates set to make the new executive are Mbongeni Gamedze, who has been nominated for the secretary position while

### THE LISTS OF NOMINEES:

**Chairperson** - Muntu Dlamini  
**Secretary** - Mbongeni Gamedze  
**Treasurer** - Mhlaba Dlamini  
**Members** - Sifiso Dlamini, Beyonce Kunene, Themba Shongwe

Mhlaba Dlamini is set to take over as the treasurer. Only two will be elected as members between Themba Shongwe, Beyonce Kunene and Sifiso Dlamini.

The nominations were conducted by Musa Manyatsi from Scandza Pool Club.

Dlamini said the meeting was a huge success and fur-

ther thanked the members, who attended the event.

"We would like to thank all the members, who took their time to attend the meeting which was aimed at building the future of the sport. We are still to announce the kick-off of the new season and members will be informed on any other developments."

## BAS league resumes on a high

By Dumsani Mnyakeni

**POOL - DEFENDING champions Mbabane Pool Club started the second of the Billiards Association of Swaziland (BAS) league on a high after beating Fonteyn 16-9.**

This was during the games under Hhohho region played at Gingers Jazz Club.

The games attracted a lot of local spectators, who witnessed great skills displayed by the teams.

All the teams were a marvel to watch with the players living up to expectations.

The capital city giants were looking at nothing but to maintain their position at the top of the log table as they have a better goal difference over their arch rivals City Inn Lions, who have a game in hand.

Their game against Singapore B set to take place over the weekend was postponed.

It was payback time for Fonteyn, who beat the six-time champions 13-12 in a thrilling encounter. The league started early this year and seven teams are battling it out in the E15 000 sponsored tournament.

This tournament is expected to finish in September to give way for the African Pool Tournament.

From this tournament, seven players will be selected for the national team.

This will be after a round of play-offs that will be open to every pool player in the country.

## King's Cup tournament a success

By Sanele Jele

**VOLLEYBALL - THE Swaziland National Volleyball Association Vice-Secretary Eric Zwane says the King's Cup tournament was a success.**

Zwane made these remarks during the annual games played at Bosco Skills Centre yesterday.

"The games were successful, especially because we saw more teams taking part in the tournament. There were five male premier teams and 10 ladies teams. Coming to the tournament, I must say that the games were exciting and competitive as all teams came prepared," Zwane said.

He said they were happy with the standard displayed by the teams.

"Even the teams that made it to the finals had to bring their strongest sides to beat their opponents. It was not easy to predict the winner in both the semi-finals and finals. This proves that teams



**CHAMPS:** Correctional ladies were crowned champions after cruising over Chilly Babes 3-0

### THE FULL RESULTS:

**Finals Males**  
Correctional 3 RSP 2  
**Females Finals**  
Correctional 3 Bob Ladies 0  
**Semi finals males**  
RSP 3 USDF 1  
Correctional 3 Customs 0

**Female semi finals**  
Bob Ladies 3 Chilly Babes 1  
Correctional 3 RSP 0  
**Losers Finals females**  
Chilly Babes 3 RSP 2  
**Male losers finals**  
Customs 3 USDF 1

have improved over the years. We applaud the teams for the splendid display and also thank volleyball fanatics for attending the games in great numbers," he said.

The tournament saw eight teams battling it out for the annual tournament. These included four male teams in Royal Swaziland Police, who beat USDF 3-1 and Correctional, who advanced

to the finals after beating Lomahasha Customs 3-0. Correctional were eventually crowned champions after beating RSP 3-2.

On the ladies premier, Bob Ladies managed a 3-1 win over Chilly Babes while Correctional sent RSP packing, beating them 3-0. Correctional were crowned champions after thumping Bob Ladies 3-0.

### TOP FOUR LOG:

	P	W	L	P
1. Mbabane Pool Club	7	6	1	18
2. City Inn Lions	6	5	1	18
3. Singapore A	6	4	2	15
4. Stones	6	3	3	10



# DPM, Prince Masitsela proud of Sihlangu

By Sibusiso Masilela

**SOCCER – ACTING Prime Minister Paul Dlamini has congratulated Sihlangu Semnikati following their 1-0 victory over Guinea yesterday at the Somhlolo National Stadium.**

Dlamini said the local team showed hunger and determination throughout the match which eventually led them to their first home victory in the ongoing AFCON 2017 qualifiers.

"I would like to thank the boys for working hard throughout the match which was very tough. They showed character throughout the match and ensured that we take the maximum points. We hope they will continue working hard in the next match against Malawi to enhance our chances of qualifying for the finals."

The DPM said the fighting spirit among the players was the defining factor. Dlamini further thanked the (more than) 3 000 football lovers, who came in their numbers to watch the Group L encounter.

"We are grateful for the support and commend the good behaviour showed by the Swazi's in this encounter. We hope they will contin-



**PROUD:** Acting Prime Minister Paul Dlamini with other dignitaries.

ue behaving themselves in other upcoming international matches."

Also making remarks was Prince Masitsela, who expressed his joy over the nation's pride famous win.

"We thank the Almighty God for giving us strength to win this tough match. Credit should go to the players for protecting the country's image with this win. I would also like to commend the opposition for displaying the spirit of fair play despite the

loss."

The prince said playing against Guinea was not a walk in the park as they players needed to fight throughout the match. A Sabelo 'Sikhali' Ndzinisa second half strike ensured that the Harries Madze' Bulunga-led charges completes a double over the West Africans and further revived the hopes of making it through to the finals of the continent's showpiece to be held in Gabon next year.

## We stand a good chance of qualifying for finals

By Sanele Jele and Dumsani Mnyakeni

**SOCCER - SIHLANGU fans believe the team now stands a good chance of qualifying for the 2017 AFCON finals following the nation's pride 1-0 victory against Guinea yesterday at Somhlolo National Stadium yesterday.**

A number of the fans interviewed after the second leg of the 2017 AFCON qualifier against the West Africans are optimistic the Harries 'Madze' Bulunga-led charges could make history by qualifying for the first time in the prestigious tournament to be hosted in Gabon next year.

They applauded the players for displaying a spirited performance against one of the highly rated countries in Africa.

**Here is what they said:**  
**Ayanda Ndzinisa and Gugu Tsabedze**

"I am very happy that Sihlangu managed to win today. I was a bit worried about the opponents after reading reports that their squad comprised mainly of Europe-based players and that

they were ranked higher than us in the FIFA rankings (Guinea (55) and Swaziland ranked (117). You can see the difference. I want to thank the players for making the country proud. I pray and hope that we will qualify for the 2017 AFCON finals."

**Sdumo Ngwenya**

"I am very excited about our win today but I feel we could have scored more goal as we created numerous scoring opportunities. We now have to beat and qualify to go through."



**Nomalungelo Dube**

"This was a great performance by the players following the recent loss against Zimbabwe. They played well today and I must say that I was happy with the performance. If we can continue with this good form, we can beat Malawi and qualify."



**Mduduzi Gina**

"Sihlangu have done us proudly. I was happy to see the team winning today (yesterday). It was a tough match but we could have scored more than one goal. I think the coach



finals to be held in Gabon. Well done to all the players."

**Lucas Mnyakeni**

"I was happy to see Sabelo 'Sikhali' Ndzinisa in the starting line-up. This player is a workaholic and I knew he would score. I am happy with the overall performance of the team. The journey continues and I hope we will win against Malawi."



**Sydwell Shongwe**

"We have improved as a team and I must say that we play good football. The coach has done a good job with the players and Sihlangu will soon be a force to be reckoned with. The referee was spot-on as there were no controversial decisions."



## Zimbabwe's victory hinders Sihlangu's qualifying dream

By Sabelo Majola

**SOCCER - ZIMBABWE beat Malawi 3-0 in Harare yesterday to qualify for the Africa Cup of Nations 2017 in Gabon, hindering the chances for Sihlangu to make their debut in the prestigious African soccer tournament.**

Sihlangu's only qualifying chance would now be finishing as the best runners-up. When determining the best runners-up, the group of the host nation (where only matches between three teams are counted for the standings) is not considered, as well as any group where only three teams are left due to the withdrawal of one team.

Sihlangu stand a good chance of finishing as best runners-up if they win their away game to Malawi on September. 'The Flames', as Malawi national team side is nicknamed, are sitting at the bottom of group L with two points from five matches and their hopes of reaching Gabon are over. The same applies to Guinea. Zimbabwe will play Guinea in their last match of the qualifying stage and the latter's triumph will make Swaziland's chances of finishing as best runners up even bigger. Kalisto Pasuwa's men now have 11 points on top of the group and have reached the continental showpiece after Guinea lost 1-0 to Sihlangu yesterday.

Teams	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA	GD	Pts
Zimbabwe	5	3	2	0	11	3	+8	11
Swaziland	5	2	2	1	6	8	-2	8
Guinea	5	1	2	2	4	5	-1	5
Malawi	5	0	2	3	4	9	-5	2



**YOU DID WELL:** Jerry Masango congratulating Sihlangu goalkeeper Sandile 'Nkomishi' Ginindza and Sanele Mkhweli.

## 'Nkomishi' delighted on finally getting a chance

By Sabelo Majola

**SOCCER - MBABANE Swallows shot-stopper Sandile 'Nkomishi' Ginindza expressed his delight at getting a chance to man the poles in their game against Guinea yesterday.**

Swaziland completed a double over the West African country in the quest to qualify for Gabon, winning 1-0, courtesy of Sabelo Ndzinisa's second half strike.

Interviewed after recording a clean sheet, 'Nkomishi' said he had been waiting for this opportunity for a long time and was happy to help the national team triumph over the visitors.

"It all comes down to working hard and persevering, waiting for that opportunity to show what you can do for the team.

I was anticipating the chance

this time and I am grateful to the coach for giving me the opportunity," he said.

Ginindza added that he was looking forward to another game in the national team colours and again to record another clean sheet.

Young Buffaloes' Nhlanhla Gwebu has been the favorite in the goalkeeping department with head coach Harries 'Madze' Bulunga giving him the responsibility to man the poles for all the past AFCON 2017 Gabon qualifying games and the 2018 FIFA World Cup qualifying matches.

Meanwhile, Sihlangu's lone goal scorer and Swallows' forward Sabelo 'Sikhali' Ndzinisa said scoring the goal was a precious moment for him as he aspired to drive the national team to yet another victory against Malawi in the same competition on September.



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## SIHLANGU BEAT GUINEA AGAIN

● team records 3-1 aggregate score against West African side after beating them 1-0 at the Somhlolo National stadium yesterday.

Stories by Qondile Ntiwane

Sihlangu..... (0)1  
Guinea..... (0)0  
(Sihlangu wins 3-1 aggregate score)

**SOCCER - THE nation's pride Sihlangu proved superior over West African side Guinea after beating them 1-0 at the Somhlolo National stadium yesterday.**

It was a goal from striker Sabelo 'Sikhali' Ndzinisa, a minute into the second half of the game, that handed the locals their second victory against the opposition, after beating them 2-1 in the first leg played in Casablanca, Morocco in

June last year.

The striker intercepted a cross from lanky attacker Felix 'Fela' Badenhorst and outsmarted a Guinean defender before rattling the far right corner of the net.

Sihlangu is now second in Group L with eight points and three points behind log leaders Zimbabwe, who also recorded a win against Malawi in a home game yesterday.

The first half of the highly tactical clash was nothing to write home about as both teams failed to give a convincing showing despite being availed a few chances to score.

Sihlangu could have opened the score sheet in the 16th minute but a soft shot by Badenhorst outside the

box landed straight into the hands of the opposition's goalkeeper Naby Yattara.

Playmakers Mcolisi 'General' Lukhele and Badenhorst missed glorious opportunities in the 21st and 22nd minute, respectively when their shots, taken inside the box, missed the target by inches.

### Defence

The visitors were unfortunate not to have scored a minute before the breather when a shot by Issiaga Sylla bounced off the goalposts and was cleared away by the impressive Sihlangu defence.

The second stanza saw a better performance from both teams, but it was the locals that came hard on

## GROUP LOG

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1 Zimbabwe	5	3	2	0	10	3	7	11
2 Swaziland	5	2	2	1	6	8	-2	8
3 Guinea	5	1	2	2	4	5	-1	5
4 Malawi	5	0	2	3	4	8	-4	2

## SELECTED AFCON 2017 QUALIFYING RESULTS:

Mauritius	0-2	Ghana
Kenya	3-2	Congo
Comoros	0-1	Burkina Faso
Swaziland	1-0	Guinea
Lesotho	1-2	Ethiopia
Zimbabwe	3-0	Malawi
Madagascar	1-6	RD Congo

## REMAINING FIXTURES:

SEPTEMBER		
Malawi	vs	Swaziland
Zimbabwe	vs	Guinea

## THESE BOYS ARE FIGHTERS – 'MADZE'

**SOCCER - AN elated Sihlangu head coach, Harries 'Madze' Bulunga, has described his charges as fighters.**

Interviewed after their 1-0 victory against Guinea in the second leg of the AFCON Qualifiers clash, played at the Somhlolo National Stadium yesterday, the coach praised his charges for a job well done.

The coach said his was happy to have collected the maximum points, which now places them second in Group L with eight points.

"This was an important game for us and we are happy to have won it. It was a 'must win situation' and we played perfectly. These boys are real fighters and they go all out if they really want something. I am really happy with their performance, even the youngsters in 'Pupu' and 'Mzoro', who came in as substitutes," he said.



**FIGHTERS: Sihlangu head coach Harries 'Madze' Bulunga.**

The coach said their main objective was to accumulate 11 points in order to increase their chances of qualifying for Gabon.

"We are hoping to repeat the same feat and collect all three points when we play Malawi in September. I believe we are still in it. We will then wait for CAF to

decide if we get a slot or not," he said.

The coach said his charges stuck to the game plan, which worked to their advantage.

### Balance

"The plan was to find a balance between defending and attacking and we managed to do it. We also

managed to destabilise their defence, especially from flanks where they were vulnerable," he said.

Quizzed on the performance of skipper Tony 'TT' Tsabedze, who was rested for Banele 'Pupu' Sikhondze, the coach said the winger would be back to his old self in no time.

"Tony is over his injury but just needs game time so he can regain his form. Otherwise, we still need his leadership skills in the team as our captain," he said.

Meanwhile, his Guinea counterpart Mohammed Bangoura said he was disappointed by his team's performance during the game.

"My team had difficulty in applying the game plan in this game and that worked against us. Swaziland were tactically disciplined and they gave us a tough time during the game," he said.