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CLOSE CALL: Republican presidential hopeful Donald Trump and his wife Melania cast their votes on Election Day.

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CLINTON'S LEAD WAFER-THIN WITH JUST A DAY TO GO

As a series of polls give her a margin of no more than four points

NEW YORK - The day before the election and the presidential race put both candidates on a knife edge.

Hillary Clinton led Donald Trump in most four-way polls by three or four points, according to data published on Monday.

That includes the CBS News and the ABC News/Washington Post polls, where she was ahead in both by 47 points to Trump's 43.

That's outside the margin of error for both surveys.

Fox News said the Democrat was four points ahead of her Republican rival, at 48 points to 44.

The latest CNN poll of polls on Monday also gave Clinton a fourpoint lead over Trump and predicted she'd get 46 per cent of the vote, compared to his predicted 42 per

This CNN Poll of Polls, which doesn't have a margin of error, is an average of the seven most recent nationwide telephone polls.

A Bloomberg poll had Clinton three points ahead, at 46 to 43 - within its error margin, as was her two-point



TICK, TOCK: Donald Trump checks his watch at a 'Midnight rally' in Leesburg, Virginia in the early hours of Monday morning. He trails Clinton by three or four points in most polls.

lead in a Rasmussen survey. But two other polls published later on Monday showed Clinton with a more comfortable six-point lead: 50 per cent to 44 in a Monmouth University survey, and 47 to 41 from NBC News/Survey Monkey.

Other surveys, however, lean towards a Republican victory.

The LA Times tracking poll, which has tended to show Trump at an advantage when other polls gave Clinton the lead, presently has the billionaire at 48 points to the Democrat's 43.

The IBD/TIPP four-way tracking survey similarly shows Trump ahead, at 43 points to Clinton's 41.

Clinton was given an eleventh-hour reprieve on Sunday when the FBI said it had not found any evidence to change its July verdict of no charges for her use of a private email server while secretary of state. The polls were largely completed before the announcement.

The agency was forced into conducting a lightning speed investigation after it caused an uproar with its declaration that it had found emails on devices belonging to Anthony Weiner, estranged husband of Clinton aide Huma Abedin. Agents only examined messages sent to and from Clinton, from a reported trove of some 650 000.

Daily Mail



BLACKOUT: RFM Hospital suffered a power outage on Sunday and Monday, a situation that greatly affected the mortuary thus causing bodies to start decomposing.

65 vehicles scrapped off the road by cops

By Nozipho Sibiya Mbabane

ABOUT 65 vehicles mostly public transport, were scrapped off the road by the Royal Swaziland Police traffic department in a massive roadblock along the Nkwalini road yesterday

The Mbabane traffic department carried out vehicle checks and stopped more than 100 motorists who were travelling along the Nkwalini-Siphocosini road. The government vehicle inspectors, in collaboration with Mbabane traffic police mounted a high powered inspection zone at Nkwalini where the public service vehicles were expected to report for inspection.

Acting Chief Police Information and Communications Officer Assistant Phindile Vilakati confirmed that they were 65 vehicles scrapped off the road for being unroadsworthy yesterday.

"We carry out these checks in order to make sure that motorists are driving cars that are in good condition," she said.

Vilakati said most vehicles were found to have worn out tyres, faulty handbrakes, suspect lighting and steering systems and many other faults. She said there were 46 mini buses, two buses, only one midi bus and trucks that were found to be unroadworthy.

"Only four private cars were scrapped off the road," Vilakati

VICTORY LAP: Obama spent much of his speech reflecting on his own election in 2008 and the successes of his administration - establishing Clinton as his successor and promising only she could continue the work that he had done.

Obama passes baton to Clinton

WASHINGTON - It was Hillary Clinton's night in Philadelphia on Monday, but it was Michelle and Barack Obama who stole the show.

The outgoing first couple stepped up before a packed-out crowd of thousands in Independence Square, outside the very building where the Declaration of Independence was signed, to reflect on the past eight years and to look forward to a promised future of hope an prosperity - pending a Clinton presidency. The crowd had already been warmed up by music from Bruce Springsteen and Jon Bon Jovi, and a speech by Bill Clinton, but even that build-up wasn't enough for the emotional heights that Michelle Obama reached in her time on the podium. Mrs Obama has become quite the professional orator - and arguably Team Obama's MVP - over the past few months, but her voice quavered as she opened up her speech. "This is truly an emotional moment for me for so many reasons," she said. "First we are one day away from once again making history. Tomorrow we have the chance to elect someone who is singularly qualified to be our president: our friend Hillary Clinton." Daily Mail

Celebrities head to the polls

NEW YORK - As the polls opened Tuesday morning, celebrities were just as eager as the rest of us to get in and cast their vote for president.

Famous New Yorkers such as Kelly Ripa and Neil Patrick Harris proudly displayed the state's 'I voted' stickers in social media posts.

Ripa appears to have hit the polls before heading in to work on Tuesday, bringing along her eldest son Michael, 18, who was participating in his first election.

"Nothing like the feeling of witnessing your child vote for the first time. Nothing, MAKE IT COUNT!" Ripa captioned the photo.

Harris pointed to his 'I voted' sticker in the back of a car. While he didn't say who he cast a vote for, Harris has voiced his support of Hillary Clinton before and even performed at a Hillary fundraiser last month.

Law & Order: SVU star

Mariska Hargitay also showed up at the polls in New York City on Tuesday. She had a friend take a picture of her as she was filling out a ballot behind a screen.

But be careful before staging a similar photograph. Many states ban photos inside the voting booth.

Model Karlie Kloss posted a picture of herself filling out her ballot and urged her followers to make sure they cast their vote today as well.

"One of the greatest privileges we have as Americans is a voice. I'm proud to say I did my part, now it's your turn," she wrote.

It's unclear who Kloss is voting for. While she may be friends with a more liberal celebrity set, her longtime boyfriend is Josh Kushner, the younger brother of Ivanka Trump's husband Jared Kushner.

Daily Mail



I VOTED: Fashion designer Marc Jacobs slapped his sticker on his mouth and gave the thumbs up. He wrote #ImWithHer.

NDMA reaches out to 27 homesteads

By Nozipho Sibiya Mbabane

THE National Disaster Management Agency (NDMA) has reached out to 27 homesteads that were affected by storm over the weekend.

NDMA Communications Manager Setsabile Sibisi confirmed that they have thus far helped 27 homesteads in Nhlambeni, Mafutseni and Mtfongwaneni yesterday.

"At Nhlambeni we have helped 10 victims, while at Maruiseni we attended to 14 homesteads that were affected and three at Mntfongwaneni Inkhundla," she said.

Sibisi said the storm left people in need of shelter and food and NDMA was meeting those with Red Cross.

"For two days following the storm, NMDA has delivered assistance to families in the neighborhoods of Nhlambeni, Mafutseni and Mntfongwaneni," she said.

Sibisi said some of these families have literally lost everything and are starting all

"They have no homes, no clothes, and no food. It's going to take them a long time to get back on their feet, and we'll be with them every step of the way," she said.

She said for now they have given them tents for shelter and food parcels that will keep them going.

NDMA aims to promote disaster reduction programmes and awareness campaigns to drastically reduce disaster risk and strengthen disaster victim's resilience especially for drought victims. They also develop and strengthen Legal and Institutional Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR). They enhance and improve coordination and relief assistance for disaster victims.

NDMA also enhance and improve timely provision of food and material assistance

POWER BLACKOUT AT RFM, DEAD BODIES DECOMPOSE

COVER STORY

By Sifiso Nhlabatsi Manzini

THE heavy storms that caused power outages in most parts of the country led to dead bodies kept at the Raleigh Fitkin Memorial (RFM) Hospital's mortuary decomposing.

The hospital suffered a power outage on Sunday and Monday a situation that greatly affected the morgue

 Usually under such circumstances where there is power outage, health institutions activate their backup power generators, however for RFM this was not the case as they were struck by double tragedy. The generators which were supposed to provide backup power failed to operate on Sunday

thus causing the bodies to start decomposing.

However, the extent of decomposition could not be ascertained but sources said a pong had started coming from the direction of the mortuary on Monday.

Usually under such circumstances

where there is power outage, health institutions activate their backup power generators, however for RFM this was not the case as they were struck by double tragedy.

The generators which were supposed to provide backup power failed to operate on Sunday.

This resulted to everything powered by electricity not functioning; and this included the mortuary where the dead bodies are kept.

Sources based at the hospital revealed that this resulted into the dead bodies starting to decom-

Worth noting is that according to experts in really cold and dry climates, a body might not start smelling for days, while in hot and wet climates the body will give a stench within hours.

There are claims the hospital had to use candles as a source of light. It is said the electricity outage happened from Sunday 6pm until Monday 7am.

RFM Administrator Leonard Dlamini confirmed that they did encounter power outage from Sunday up to Monday.

Dlamini however, stated that there was no major damage caused by the blackout.

He said their generators were exposed thus they failed to pick up after the supply of electricity by SEC was affected by the storm.

Dlamini said they had to spend Sunday night in the dark as they were only able to fix the generators on Monday.

Public owes Swazi TV millions

By Mbono Mdluli Lobamba

THE Swaziland Television Authority (Swazi TV) is owed millions in unpaid television licenses.

This was revealed by Minister for Information, Communication and Technology (ICT) Dumisani Ndlangamandla yesterday.

This was during the debate of the first quarter performance report by senators who are members of the portfolio committee of the ministry of ICT.

Ndlangamandla, however, did not say directly that Swazi TV was owed that amount of money.

"Right now, people who have television sets are about 150 000. If you take that number of people and multiply it by E180, you can then come out with an answer.

That answer provides the amount of money that is with the people. The television station we have can truly survive on that amount of money," Ndlangamandla said.

He also urged the senators to cooperate with the television station by paying their TV licences.

He said the last time he was in Parliament for a similar business, he asked parliamentarians who had paid

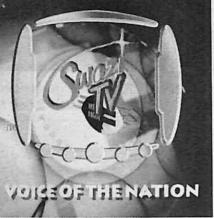


PAY UP: Minister of ICT Dumisani Ndlangamandla.

their TV licences to raise their hands. Unfortunately, the minister could only see a few hands being raised. That meant some parliamentarians were not paying their TV licences.

Paying for television licences cost E180 per year for each and every owner of a television set. If the number of people having TV sets is still 150 000, that will mean Swazi TV would be collecting E27 million per

The law requires that every person who has a television set should pay a TV licence of that amount in a space of a year. This money is used to pay



for the costs of running Swazi TV. It does not matter if that particular TV set owner watches Swazi TV or not.

Ndlangamandla also told the legislators that they were experiencing problems regarding the setting up of the antennas on various mountains

"We try to make the antennas accessible so that it can be easy to maintain them.

'That will help in giving quality signals to the audiences. We then build roads that will lead to the places where they are situated. The problem is that there are people who then build their homesteads to have access to the tarred roads we build to the

He then said this matter would be reported to the department of land management so that such people could be dealt with.

around the country.

mountains," he said.

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Senator Sibusiso threatened for his submissions

By Mbono Mdluli Lobamba

SENATOR Sibusiso Shongwe gets threatened for making submissions in Parliament.

The senator said this during the debate of the first quarter performance report of the ministry of tinkhundla administration and development.

Shongwe was actually asking Minister for Tinkhundla Administration and Development Mduduzi Dlamini if he knew how important his ministry was.

He said the ministry should do something to ensure that the people of this country were developed by this ministry.

He said the fact that there were people who were of foreign origin running businesses meant that Swazis



THREATENED: Senator Sibusiso Shongwe.

were not empowered to compete with the foreigners.

Whilst making his submissions, Shongwe would say he had a problem because there were certain people who would threaten him after submitting.

"There are people who then go to my place of residence to enquire about my submissions," Shongwe

Senate Deputy President Ngomuyayona Gamedze ordered whosoever was threatening Shongwe to stop that with immediate effect. He said such talks of threats should stop in Parliament.

Every legislator in Parliament was free to make submissions without fear or favour.

"People are following what is done in Parliament. They will not take kindly to the fact that some legislators are threatened for making submissions. Such cases should be dealt with by the office of the Senate President and the minister responsible for Parliamentary affairs," Gamedze said.

MORE ON NHLAMBENI COMMUNITY HEAVY STORM



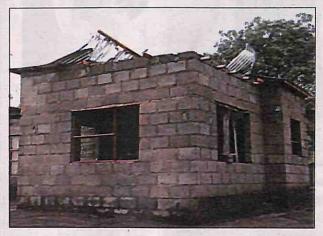
DAMAGE: One of the teachers' houses at Nhlambeni Community Primary School that was also affected on Sunday.



IT'S TERRIBLE: Nhlambeni Inkhundla Bucopho member Vusi Masina with Swazi Observer reporter Sifiso Nhlabatsi at a Dladla homestead. (Pics: Lucky Simelane)



NO SHELTER: The house which was occupied by Melusi Nhleko a Grade Seven pupil at Nhlambeni Community Primary School.



BLOWN AWAY: Part of the Shongwe family's main house which was also blown off by the heavy storm.



DAMAGES: Items of a Simelane family lying idle after the heavy storm.



NOT FAIR: One of the houses at KaNjelu under Nhlambeni Inkhundla affected by the storm.



THIS IS BAD: Masina leaving after inspecting Mamba homestead.



NEARLY BLOWN: Another house at Simelane homestead which was nearly blown off.



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COPS DESTROY E2.3m DAGGA

By Sizwe Dlamini Pigg's Peak

DAGGA worth E2.3 million was destroyed by the Swazi Anti Narcotics Unit in front of state witness in Pigg's Peak Magistrate Simangele Mbatha.

Pigg's Peak was in smoke as a massive 3954.510Kg of confiscated marijuana was

destroyed in a furnace at an undisclosed location by the Swazi Anti Narcotics Unit.

The confiscat-

ed marijuana was in police custody since July 2016 and came from all the four regions Peak Magistrate Simaof the Kingdom ngele Mbatha invited of Swaziland.

According to fore the dagga burn-Magistrate Mbatha who was invited as a state witness,

the marijuana was taken from the various police evidence rooms with the bulk of it being taken from cases that have already been presented before the various magistrate's courts within the kingdom.

WITNESS: Pigg's

as state witness be-

ing exercise at the

Pigg's Peak Police

station yesterday.

Acting Police mouthpiece Phindile Vilakati stated this was the third mass burning of dagga this year.

Region	Weight (KG)	Swazi street value (E)
Hhohho	1 811.314	1 086 788.40
Shiselweni	910.627	546 376.20
Manzini	1 012.550	607 532.40
Lubombo	220.015	132 009.00
TOTAL	3 954.510	2 372 706.00



NORTHERN HIGH: Dagga from Northern Hhohho weighed a massive 1811.314KG worth E1million about to be burnt. (Pics: Sizwe Dlamini)





TASHA: Dagga being burnt at an undisclosed location in a furnace by members of the Anti Narcotics Unit.

Standard Bank Swaziland

New appointment



The Board, Management and staff of Standard Bank Swaziland are delighted to welcome Mr. Mvuselelo Fakudze as the new Chief Executive of Standard Bank Swaziland effective 1 December 2016.

Mr. Fakudze is currently a partner at PricewaterhouseCoopers in Swaziland. Mr Fakudze, a chartered accountant by profession, has been with PwC for fourteen years, six of which were at partner level

His service at PwC was broken with four years that were spent at Absa and later Barclays Africa where he was part of the executive management team responsible for thirteen Barclays Africa Operations outside South Africa.

"I am honoured to be tasked with leading Standard Bank Swaziland, with its significant financial services operations and proud 153 years of moving forward. I have accepted the appointment with excitement and profound sense of responsibility upon me "said Mr. Fakudze.

Mr. Fakudze will replace Mr. Phil Mnisi who left the bank to join Swaziland Sugar Association in August 2016.

Panic as 25 pupils rushed to hospital

the Nyamane Primary pupils complained of stomach aches after eating biscuits

By Starsky Mkhonta Nhlangano

THERE was panic when a total of close to 25 pupils from Nyamane Primary groaned in pain complaining of stomach aches.

It is reported lessons came to a halt last Thursday after the pupils were seen sprawled on the ground and groaning in pain, something that caused panic to the teachers as well as the rest of the other pupils.

There was confusion and tension among teachers as they ran around like headless chickens trying to find out what could have led to the children falling sick at the same time.

It is believed all the pupils in a Grade Five class were rushed to Nhlangano Health Centre and this was after they were said to have eaten some biscuits offered to them by a classmate. A girl who usually brings biscuits to school as her lunch is said to have offered some of them to her classmates as she at times shares with them.

But on the day in question, her classmates started feeling sick.

It is said it was just after 8am when the pupils started feeling stomach aches, with some complaining of dizziness and others having running stomachs. Others complained of fever and sweating. The pupils had already taken their morning meal served to them by the school.

On the day, it was sour porridge and at first it was thought that the pupils had fallen ill after having eaten the meal offered by the school. But this was later ruled out as being the cause of the attack.

It was then that others in the Grade Five class started suspecting it could be the biscuits they were offered by a classmate that caused them to feel ill. The perception was the biscuits offered by the girl had expired.

However, at the hospital doctors dismissed that assumption as they discovered out of all the pupils, there was only one who was suffering from a stomach ache, ruling out the possibility they were all ill because of the biscuits. With operations brought to a halt in the school there were fears what had happened to the Grade Five class had the potential of drawing even the attention of the public and means were made to find out the cause of all that was taking place.

Others are said to have even suspected the school was besieged by demons as never before in its history had such a thing been experienced.

"It was agreed that all should be left to medical experts to decide and prove as to what was exactly happening and the pupils were taken to hospital," a source close to the matter said. At the hospital, doctors found nothing wrong with the pupils that had eaten the biscuits.

From a medical point of view, it was suspected the pupils only suffered a psychological effect after oth ers had started showing signs of illness. "It could be one of the pupils had a stomach ache and then others started linking it to what they had eaten. Otherwise, the doctors could not find anything suspicious except only one pupil had a stomach problem but even that was just a normal case," said another source. At the hospital, the pupils were given the medication which others did not even bother to take as they were feeling fine and healthy and returned to school on the same day.



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FIRSTLY...

NIGERIAN PASTOR HAS SPECIAL MESSAGE FOR SD private sessions with them later

By Nozipho Sibiya Ezulwini

NIGERIAN based Bornfree International Ministries Senior Pastor Philip Osung has a special message for the Kingdom of Swaziland, which he would deliver during his revivals which started at Faith Christian Fellowship Ministries in Ngwane Park last night.

Pastor Osung arrived in the country through Ngwenya
Border gate yesterday. He is in the country courtesy of Faith Christian Fellowship Ministries Founder, Apostle Jeremiah Dlamini, who met him at the border. Interviewed at Lugogo Sun Hotel, the senior pastor said he had a special message for the country which he would deliver during revivals at Ngwane Park Faith Christian Fellowship Branch, where he will be a guest speaker till Friday.

"The people of the Kingdom of Swaziland are privileged as their curses will be reversed as they kept people from succeeding in life whereas abundant life was promised to all," he said. He also revealed how he prayed SPECIAL MESSAGE: Nigerian based Bornfree

SPECIAL MESSAGE: Nigerian based Bornfree International Ministries, Senior Pastor Philip Osung, speaking during an interview at Lugogo Sun, on his left is Apostle Jeremiah Dlamini. He arrived through Oshoek Border Gate yesterday and will deliver a special message during the rivivals at Faith Christian Fellowship Ministries in Ngwane Park from last evening until Friday. (Pics: Lucky Simelane)

for deliverance from self imposed curses which people have no recollection of, resulting in their prosperity not realised whereas their God given destiny was that of greatness. "The people of Swaziland will smile again despite their past," said the pastor, further mentioning women who couldn't conceive would immediately do so by just seeing

him. He also mentioned
Swaziland is privileged as it is
the first country he had honoured
its invitation since he had been
rejecting many such which were
flooding him. "The services are a
sign of restoration for God's will.
Pastors are also invited to get
their deliverance and prophetic
word, and to also be mentored by
the man of God who will have

private sessions with them later. I am an Evangelist by calling with strong prophetic, healing, deliverance and miraculous anointing. The strongest grace upon my life is that of the opening of infertile wombs, which women experience on a daily basis," he said.

He said he had seen countless women who couldn't conceive now with children after his deliverance. Faith Christian Fellowship Ministries Founder Apostle Jeremiah Dlamini said people who wanted a one on one session with the pastor should make an appointment with him prior. "We only expect people to only contribute some offering to the pastor, and people will receive their miracles."

However, Dlamini was not specific in what form should the offering be. He said Bornfree International Ministries is one of the fastest growing ministries in the city of Lagos, with proven signs and wonders. He said Pastor Osung is also an author of over 60 books, including Let's Pray for Nigeria, Living in Prosperity, 15 Keys to Unlimited Success, Breaking the Cycle of Delay, Prophetic Destinies in Satanic prison.

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Any person who wishes to lodge an objection to the above-mentioned application may do so with the Secretary of the Liquor Licensing Board in writing, sending a copy to the applicant by registered mail to reach him/her at least ten days before the sitting of the Board.

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CENTRAL MEDICAL STORES FLOODFI

By Sifiso Nhlabatsi Manzini

MEDICINE and medical supplies worth millions of Emalangeni belonging to government almost got damaged when the Central Medical Stores located in Matsapha got flooded during the storms that hit the country over the weekend.

Yesterday, staff at the Central Medical Stores were hard at work trying to remove the water that flooded the place. Worth noting is Central Medical Stores is the unit responsible for the receipt, storage and distribution of medicines and medical supplies among other duties.

All medicine donations made to the ministry are received and distributed through Central Medical Stores, revealed by the Ministry of Health Dr Sibongile Ndlela Simelane some time back. The Central Medical Stores (CMS) is responsible for the supply chain management of all health commodities including medicines in the public sector.

This department supports the mission of the ministry by providing preventative, curative and diagnostic medicines that are of acceptable quality, safe and effective.

The main objective of central medical stores is to ensure a regular uninterrupted equitable supply of quality medicines and medical supplies to the health facilities thus ensuring the general Swazi population can access these commodities

Medicine housed in the stores is worth millions and this can be confirmed by the fact that in 2014 World Vision Swaziland handed over pharmaceutical drugs with an estimated value of E30 million to the ministry of health. During the same year Elizabeth Glaser Pediatric AIDS Foundation (EGPAF) and Project C.U.R.E from the United States of America

(USA), through the ministry of health, gave the country medical equipment worth over E5 million (\$500 000).

All these meds were housed at the store which was affected by the storm. The water is said to have permeated through windows and made leaks on the roof top and made its way inside the building starting from the top floor dripping downwards.

According to Director of Health Dr Vusi Magagula, fortunately, enough even though the place was flooded no medication was affected.

Magagula stated he was still to receive a report of the damage caused, stating however he was informed that the meds were intact.



MANZINI NEWS

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Manzini Council rolls up sleeves, fixes damaged roads with priority given to most affected

♦he City of Manzini is one of those that have been blessed with rainfall over the past few weeks; and from the look of things the downpour is not about to end. The Municipal Council of Manzini is grateful to Almighty God about this blessing as it signals an end to the drought spell that had put the country under threat.

However, it is also true that the heavy rains have had a negative effect on the municipality's roads both gravel and surfaced (tarred).

Well, the good news is that Council has sprung to action and proven that she is equal to the challenge. An assessment of the entire road network within the Manzini urban area has been conducted and indications are that 14 roads in various townships have been affected severely hence require urgent attention. These are Donegal, Mendip, Lyne, Caswall streets (both in Fairview), Kurra Jong, Flamboyant streets (both in Coates Valley), Peter Crescent, Lingce, Linda, Ian, Shadrack, D98, Stanley streets (in Ngwane Park) and Tenbergen street in the Central Business District.

These are the roads that will be given maintenance priority and, thereafter, the remainder of the roads will also be attended to. You may have noted, dear reader, that Council has been using sand (gravel) to fill up the potholes on surfaced roads.

The reason is that, due to the heavy rains, some of the potholes have become huge that they require filling with gravel and compacting before covering with bitumen. As soon as the holes have fully dried up, bitumen patching will be applied. You will recall that bitumen is largely made up of oil; and oil and water are not the best of buddies hence the requirement for the potholes to dry up before bitumen patching is done.

Council has also noted that a number of bridges, such as the one located along Ngwane street near Riverstone Mall, the one near the main bus rank along Meintjies street,



SILT REMOVAL: A Council grader removing silt that had accumulated on a surfaced road. Manzini Council is also busy fixing roads that have been damaged due to heavy rains.

the one in Ngwane Park (Stanley bridge) as well as the bridge along Ngwane Park main road (just below Ngwane Park Primary School) have gathered silt (loose sand).

Council has started de-silting

(removing the silt) these bridges and it is still a work in progress.

The following shows the status of Council's intervention on the 14 roads.

Read on...

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- 3. Flamboyant
- 4. Mendip
- Kurra Jong
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- 7. Linda
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- Not yet attended to. Will have been fixed by Wednesday next week.
- Council was busy on it at the time of compiling
- Not yet attended to. Will have been maintained by next Wednesday.
- Not yet attended to. Will be done next week.
- Not yet fixed. Will have been fixed by next Wednesday.
- Already fixed.
- Not yet attended to. By next Wednesday it will be in a good condition.
- Not yet attended to. Will be done next week.
- Not yet done. To be attended to next week.
- Already fixed and in good condition.
- Already fixed and in good order.
- Potholes filled.
 - Potholes filled.
 - Potholes not yet fixed





ON BEHALF OF DUPS: Daniel Dlamini requested Council to budget for cremation of paupers.

...THANK YOU FOR ATTENDING STAKEHOLDER BUDGET SUBMISSIONS MEETING



FIX MEINTJIES STREET: Make Horton urged Council to budget for maintenance of Meintjies Street, the street linking the main bus rank with Manzini Central School.



FROM A WISE, OLD MAN: Nkosiphiwe Dlamini urged Council to upgrade Sterkstroom roads from gravel to bitumen standard.



PLEASE DON'T FORGET THE GRILLS: Gogo Hanna Magongo urged Council to budget for steel grills at entrance to residences that get flooded during heavy rains.



THE LAST WORD: Manzini Council Finance Committee Chairperson and Councillor for Woodmasters, Sibusiso Lukhele, thanked stakeholders for attending the meeting.



Tibiyo warns of con 'scholarship agent'

By Nomthandazo Nkambule Mbabane

TIBIYO Taka Ngwane is warning the public not to entertain any person masquerading as the organisation's 'scholarship agent'.

It is said the organisation has been inundated by calls from concerned individuals verifying the credentials of the said 'agent'. When reached for comments, Tibiyo Taka Ngwane Manager Public Affairs Musa Ndlela advised the public to consult their offices if they want a scholarship or bursary and should desist from dealing with anyone from the streets on such matters

Agent

He said they had no scholarship agent. Ndlela said when making a scholarship request, one must bring forth



a birth certificate, acceptance letter from where she/he has been accepted (acceptance letter) and other documents.

He added that there was no application fee payable at the moment.



Public Service Pensions Fund

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PUBLIC NOTICE / SATISO

DEATH GRATUITY DISTRIBUTION BY PUBLIC SERVICE PENSION FUND

The Public Service Pensions Fund invites the following deceased members' families to meetings to be held at the following scheduled times and dates at the Pensions Building, along Mhlambanyatsi Road. Family members are requested to bring certified copies of the following: proof of identity, death certificate, birth certificates, marriage certificate(s) and any other relevant documents.

Lihhovisi letemhlala phansi (PSPF) licela tihlobo tanaba labalandzelako kutsi tivele enhloko hhovisi ngalamalanga netikhatsi letilandzelako.

Tiyacelwa kutsi tiphatse sitifiketi sekufa semufi, titifiketi tekutalwa tebantfwana bemufi, titifiketi tekutsatsana, nabomatise bebuve (P.I.N.) ID nato tonkhe tincwadzi letingasita.

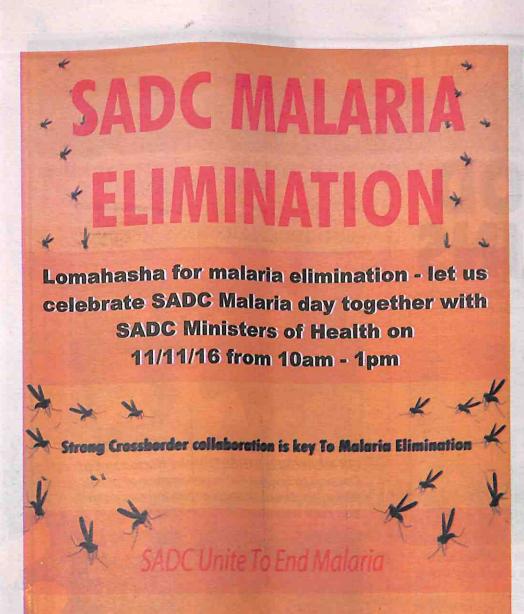
The following deceased members' families are invited to attend a meeting on the following dates:

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Nam	e of Deceased	Ministry	Empl. No	Date of Death	Time
1.	Magagula Jabulani	Agriculture	2459211	23.10.2016	09h00
2.	Matsebula-Ginindza Tsidie L.	Health	3971721	12.10.2016	09h45
3.	Nsibande-Dlamini Ruth B.	Health	6268121	14.10.2016	10h30
4.	Tsabedze Eugene Lwazi D.	Police	7451809	16.09.2016	11h15
5.	Nkambule Siphila	Defence	101847678	24.09.2016	12h00

Nam	e of Deceased	Ministry	Empl. No.	Date of Death	Time
1.	Vilakazi Nontokozo P.	Health	39996749	06.10.2016	09h0
2.	Mndzebele Naureen Thembi	Education	6575881	08.10.2016	09h4
3.	Simelane Msongelwa Piti	Agriculture	2115588	22.05.2012	10h36
4.	Simelane-Dlamini Duduzile E.	Education	4277635	17.10.2016	11h15
5.	Simelane Menzi Alex	Police	7438729	08.10.2016	12h0
	DAY 16 NOVEMBER 2016				
	e of Deceased	Ministry	Empl. No.	Date of Death	Time
1.	Mamba Bongani M.	Education	101774280	24.10.2016	09h00
	Mhlanga Thulile Promise	Works	2498539	18.102016	09h45
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	Dludlu-Nkabindze Londiwe S.	Education Agriculture	2702124	15.10.2016	
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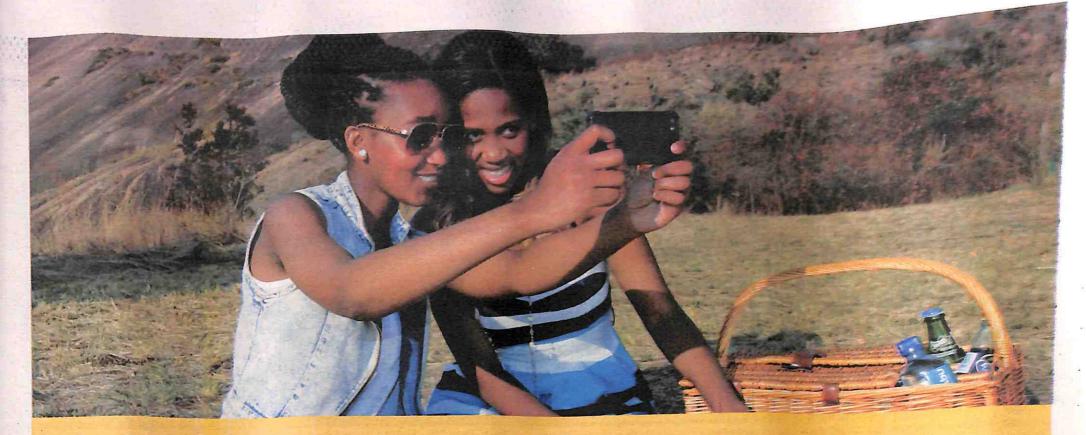
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EPILEPSY IN THE SADC REGION: BRIDGING THE GAP?

The Swaziland Epilepsy Organization (SEO) would like to draw stakeholders' attention to the following:

- Epilepsy is one of the major brain disorders worldwide and should be considered a health care priority in Africa. It is triggered by abnormal electrical activity in the brain resulting in an involuntary change in body movement, function, sensation, awareness and behaviour. The condition is characterized by repeated seizures or "fits" as they are commonly called.
- 2. The condition has serious physical, psychological, social and economic consequences for the concerned persons and their families. In spite of global advances in diagnosis and treatment in recent years, about eight million people with epilepsy in Africa are not treated with modern Anti-Epileptic Drugs (AEDs) which are often expensive. Epilepsy is a treatable condition yet the treatment gap in the SADC region remains very high.
- 3. People with epilepsy, sometimes along with their family members, are often stigmatized. This stigmatization generates a hidden burden, which discourages patients from seeking the diagnosis and care they need and deserve. Another fallout of stigmatization is the discrimination, as people who experience seizures but are able to work are unemployed; and many who are able to find employment are underemployed. The solutions to these problems a re too complex to be solved by individual organizations.
- 4. The approval of the World Health Organization (WHO) Resolution on the Global Burden of Epilepsy by the Sixty-Eighth World Health Assembly in May 2015 was historical for all of us. The level of support that the Resolution received at the World Health Assembly was overwhelming. The resolution provides a powerful tool to engage national governments into implementing effective actions to improve medical and social services for the people with epilepsy, promote public awareness about epilepsy and allocate resources to epilepsy research.
- It is now the duty of the different governments in the SADC region to explore this unprecedented opportunity to the best of our advantage. We plead with Member Statesof the SADC region to include epilepsy in the agenda of the next SADC Summit.

Mr. Mbusomuni Mahlalela National Director Swaziland Epilepsy Organization



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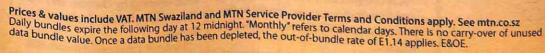
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US EMBASSY INTERDICTED FROM PAYING CONTRACTOR

By Linda Jele High Court

THE High Court has issued an order interdicting the Embassy of the United States of America to Swaziland from paying a contractor that was working at its new site in Ezulwini.

The interim order was issued to Tamen Link Investments against Haja Investments and the US Embassy by High Court Judge Ticheme Dlamini yesterday.

Tamen Link has alleged it entered into a contract with Haja Investments to lease scaffolding equipment to be used by the latter in

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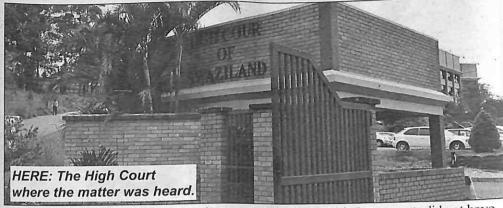
It is hereby notified for general information that the Liquor Licensing Board will hold its sitting to hear the following applications at the Ministry of Justice Conference Room on the 29 November 2016 starting at 09.00hrs.

Region Manzini

1.Victoria Horton P.O. Box 1116 Manzini, renewal of a Bottle Store situated at Portion 51 Farm 264 Sterkstroom known as Grannies Bottle Store.

Any person who wishes to lodge an objection to the above-mentioned application may do so with the Secretary of the Liquor Licensing Board in writing, sending a copy to the applicant by registered mail to reach him/her at least ten days before the sitting of the Board.

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rendering services at the US Embassy site at Ezulwini. It is alleged the contract was entered into on March 29, 2016 and it was agreed Haja Investments would pay E1 526.25 per day for the rented scaffolding equipment. It was alleged the parties agreed Haja Investments would make monthly payments of E36 630 for as long it kept the equipment.

However, it failed to make payments as alleged despite that it took possession of the equipment for use at the embassy. This is contained in a founding affidavit filed by Tamen Link Investments Managing Director Thandeka Tsabedze filed before the High court.

The allegations contained therein are still to be tested before court and Haja Investments and the Embassy are yet to file their responding papers.

"In breach of the agreement the first respondent (Haja Investments) has not made payments in terms of the agreement and it's currently indebted to the applicant in the sum E271 087.03," Tsabedze said.

She claimed her company got wind that the company was expecting payment from the embassy.

She claimed Haja Investments did not have assets except the payment it is expecting from the embassy.

She said it is for that reason her company is seeking an order interdicting the embassy not to pay the company pending finalisation of the court case.

She also applied for an order directing the embassy to pay Haja Investments' dues to it until the fees are fully settled.

She submitted her company would suffer irreparable harm if the order would not be issued in its favour because Haja Investments does not have assets worth more than E10 000.

She claimed the matter was urgent because the embassy was due to make payment to Haja Investments anytime, therefore if an order would not be made, it will suffer irreparable harm.

The High Court issued an order barring the embassy from paying Haja Investments pending finalisation of the case. The matter was postponed to November 18, pending filing of papers by both parties. Tamen Link Investments was represented by lawyer Derrick Jele from Robinson Bertram Attorneys.

Snake bites only treated in hospitals not clinics

By Gugu Simelane Mbabane

THE ministry of health has advised those bitten by snakes to be taken to hospitals not clinics.

Director of Health in the Ministry of Health Dr Vusi Magagula said anyone who has been bitten by any kind of snake should be immediately rushed to a hospital or a health centre that has a doctor not a clinic. He said a doctor is the only medical practitioner that is authorised to administer the anti-venom antidote.

"Doctors are the only ones who have the know-how of administering the medication and also deal with complications of patients who have been bitten by a snake,"he said. He further said all health centres and hospitals have been equipped with the antivenom antidote.

Tips for avoiding snakebites:

- Understand the types of environments where people are likely to encounter snakes. For example, wooded areas with deep piles of leaves or stacks of wood are frequently home to snakes.
- If you encounter a snake, get away from it. Do not attempt to pick it up or threaten its safety in any way. More than half of all bites occur when people interact inappropriately with snakes.

If you are bitten

- Identify the type of snake if possible. If a smartphone or other camera is available, take a photo of the snake and bring it with you to the hospital.
- Get away from the snake.
- Do not attempt to suck out the venom.
- Do not apply a tourniquet unless you have a great deal of knowledge about snakes and the effects of snakebites. For some types of venom, a tourniquet can actually do more harm than good.

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that, in terms of Section 36 of the Water Act of 2003, Middle Lusutfu Hydropower (Pty) Ltd (MLH) has applied for a Water Abstraction Permit for power generation purposes at their proposed 12 MW Lower Maguduza Hydropower Scheme. The Swaziland Electricity Company (SEC) has appointed MLH to undertake the establishment and operation of the power scheme for the PPA duration whereafter SEC will own and operate the scheme for the remainder of its useful life. A Joint Venture of Knight Piesold Consulting (Pty) Ltd and GIBB (Pty) Ltd have been contracted for consulting services.

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Objections to be delivered: he inspire but

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Family members 'kill' neighbour over cellphone

By Linda Jele High Court

FIVE family members have been arrested and charged for the killing of a neighbour in a fight allegedly sparked by a lost cell-phone during a gathering.

The incident happened on October 22, at Maliyaduma during a gathering at a Ngwenya homestead. It is alleged Thabiso Ngwenya, Sanele Siyaya, Cyril Lukhele Senzo Maphalala and Mzwandile Hlatshwako assaulted one Ronny Dlamini with fists and kicks during a fight.

Dlamini was admitted to hospital and died on November 1 as a result of the injuries inflicted during the alleged skirmish.

The five suspects have alleged there was a gathering at the Ngwenya homestead and their friends and relatives were in attendance.

As the proceedings went by, Dlamini complained he had lost his cell phone and blamed some of the family members of having stolen it.

It is claimed the family members and friends did not take kindly to the accusation and threatened to assault Dlamini.

However, the situation was clamed down and they enjoyed feasting on the meat served. However, late in the evening Dlamini allegedly raised the issue again and threatened to beat up his suspects. It is alleged the family members tried to kick him out of the homestead, but he refused and retaliated by assaulting some of the suspects. He was allegedly kicked out of the homestead.

However, he returned later with a mob of friends armed with bush-knives.

The mob allegedly demanded to know why Dlamini's cellphone was stolen and assaulted some of the family members and their friends they accused of having stolen the cellphone.

This is contained in an affidavit for one of the suspects in their application to be admitted to bail by the High Court. The application was filed by lawyer Linda Dlamini from Mabila Attorneys. It was heard by High Court Judge Ticheme Dlamini and the crown was represented by Principal Crown Counsel Lomvula Hlophe. Hlophe did not oppose the application for bail.

Hlatshwako claimed when they were attacked by Dlamini and his mob of friends, they retaliated in self defence.

"I submit I was under threat and they were all bound to kill me together with my friends with the bush knives, hence I had to act in self defence and protect myself by fighting back, lo and behold with my bare hands while they are armed with bush knives," he said.

He submitted he did not know who inflicted the fatal wound on Dlamini, because it was at night. They all submitted they were acting in self defence. They undertook to abide by bail conditions and never to escape the court's jurisdiction.

Bail was fixed at E50 000 for each one of them, E5 000 of which is cash and the remainder to be sureties valued at E45 000.

Meanwhile, a 28-year-old man of Nsingweni yesterday asked the court to release him on bail in order to go back home to care for his pregnant wife.

Patrick Vilane is facing a murder charge in that he stabbed to death Mndeni Dlamini with a knife on the chest on September 3.

He claimed he did not commit the offence, but was desirous of being admitted to bail to care for his heavily pregnant wife and his three young children.

His bail was not opposed by the state and it was fixed at E15 000.

He was ordered to pay E5 000 cash and provide sureties to the value of E10 000. He was represented by lawyer Sabelo Chicken Dlamini in the matter.

FODSWA WANTS TWO SEATS IN SENATE

Stories by Mbono Mdluli Lobamba

PEOPLE living with disabilities in the country now want seats in senate. Federation of People Living with Disabilities in Swaziland (FODSWA) President Mandla Methula said they wanted to be represented by at least two people at senate.

He explained to the Members of Parliament (MPs) who are members of the portfolio committee of the Deputy Prime Minister's (DPM's) office. The portfolio committee was chaired by Sandleni MP James Simelane and its secretary was Assistant Clerk at Table Mathokoza Dlamini.

The committee was taking submissions from FODSWA which were aimed at amending certain clauses of the Persons Living with Disabilities Act, 2015.

"What we are asking for from you MPs is that you should find a way of making it possible that when you elect members of the Senate, you should reserve two seats for people living with disabilities. We are aware that the law at present says out of the 10 senators that you elect, there should be five males and five females. We ask that you reserve at least one for each gender," Methula

FODSWA wants representation in workplaces

PEOPLE living with disabilities have called for a two percent representation in workplaces.

The physically impared told members of the portfolio committee of the office of the Deputy Prime Minister (DPM). They made it clear they wanted the representation to be implemented across the board. They said they wanted to be represented in every organisation in all industries. FODSWA President Mandla Methula urged the Parliamentarians to cooperate with them in this regard.

"When we talk about equal employment opportunities, we talk about representation in all organisations that are formed to produce with an intention to make money. We do not expect the physically impared to be represented only in low paying jobs where even the working conditions are questionable," Methula said. Another issue that was tack-



MY POINT: Hhukwini MP Saladin Magagula.

led was that of a disability grant. This was raised by Hhukwini MP Saladin Magagula, who is not a member of the committee. Magagula was there as an MP who was interested in the matters involving people living with disabilities. Magagula was concerned about the inclusion of disability funds in the Persons with Disabilities Bill of 2015. "I am concerned because there is nowhere where I see a distinct mentioning of a disability fund that will be paid to people living with disabilities," Magagula said

In response to his concern, Sandleni MP James Simelane, who also chairs the committee. said there was a National Advisory Council that would be catering for matters affecting all people living with disabilities in the country. "One of the objectives of the council is to improve the lives of the people who live with disabilities. The council will be tasked with securing funds to ensure that they are paid," Simelane said. The officers who work with FODSWA also assured Magagula that the issue of the disability fund was well catered for in the bill.

Shongwe's suggestion and said they would also consider it as it was a valid opinion.

However, Matsanjeni North MP Phila Buthelezi was of a slightly different opinion. He was of the view that people with disabilities should lobby the August House to amend the Act that was enacted for Senate elections. "For now, what they are talking about will not help that much. What FODSWA should do now is to lobby for the amendment of the Elections of Senate Act of 2013. They should amend the Act so that it includes what they want to see happening," Buthelezi

Members of FODSWA were basing their request on Section 30 (2) of the constitution which states, "Parliament shall enact laws for the protection of persons with disabilities so as to enable those persons to enjoy productive and fulfilling lives." Members of the organisation also stated that it was imperative for the country to conform to Article 3 (c) of the United Nations Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities.

They said the convention called for full and effective participation and inclusion in society. They argued that for Parliament to accede to this convention, it should reserve seats in both Houses solely for people living with disabilities. Parliament, FODSWA said, should call for Swaziland to ratify this convention.

said. Mbabane West MP Johane Shongwe advised that the organisation should also find a way of approaching the appointing authorities with the same subject matter. "I think you should also find a way of presenting your proposal in respectful manner to the appointing authorities so that maybe, you find that when they appoint, they also consider people with disabilities," Shongwe said. Methula accepted

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PUBLIC NOTICE

ANNUAL BUDGET CONSULTATIVE MEETINGS

The Ngwenya Property Owners, Business Community, Residents, the General Members of the Public, Government Ministries, Parastatals, NGOs, Regional Transportation Association, Education Sector, Health Sector, Sports Association, Youth Organizations, Special Needs Associations, Professional Associations, and all other interested stakeholders are invited to its ANNUAL BUDGET CONSULTATIVE MEETINGS wherein all Board Stakeholders will be given an opportunity to make submissions.

Date	Target Group	Venue	Time
Saturday	Ngwenya Farm owners	Ngwenya Meeting	11,00 a.m.
12 November 2016	and all Ngwenya Village residents	Hall	
Saturday 12 November 2016	Mchalageni, Nkhungu and Kadake residents	Back to Jesus Church	2-30 p.m.

Please note that your input is important to the Board as it continues to deliver services. Your attendance of the meeting is crucial to make budget submissions. Kindly note that if for some reason you are unable to attend the meetings, kindly drop us your suggestion through an e-mail on ngwenyatown@realnet.co.sz. For more details or clarification, please dial 24424634 during working hours

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The Recruitment Manage KPMG Advisory (Swd) (Pty) Ltd Umkhiwa House, Lot 195 Kal Grant Street, Mbabane Email: recruitment@kpmg co.sz

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Swazi Observer Wednesday November 9, 2016

ABOUT 19 JOBS LOST IN DRESTRY COMPAN

By Sizwe Dlamini Pigg's Peak

ABOUT 19 jobs have been lost in two forestry companies as the entities have purchased new machinery.

The new machines have reportedly replaced the employees.

Workers at both the Plantation Forest Company and Peak Timbers are complaining that the new automated forest processor machines are 'taking away' their valuable jobs.

The automated forest processor machines were introduced to the northern Hhohho forestry industry almost two years ago and have now become a machine of choice at both major forestry companies in Pigg's

"These machines can do the work of nine employees at once, they chop down the trees, peel off the tree bark and then process the timber by cutting it into planks. All these jobs had been done by at least nine workers but now

As new machinery to be used is purchased

the machines only require two workers to operate," a worker who preferred anonymity said.

Another worker stated that the timber companies were desperate to replace man power with automated mechanical power because it is cheaper and machines do not complain, eat or sleep.

Salaries

"We are losing our jobs to these machines as the companies do not like paying salaries so they brought in these machines to do our work. So far 19 employees have lost their jobs to these forest processors," another worker said.

Peak Timbers Communications Liaison Nhlanhla Nxumalo however disputed the fact that the forestry companies were taking jobs away from the workers.

He said the main reason why people were losing jobs in the region was because of their reluctance to work in the forestry industry.

"We are not taking away peoples' jobs, the truth is people in Hhohho do not want to work in the forestry industry and we are forced to hire people from as far as Mankayane and Lavumisa to come all the way to Hhohho to work," he said.

Nxumalo also stated that the machines were safer as they could be used in dangerous areas where human beings could get hurt.

Access

He said as a major forest company they had to take care of their employees.

"The machines access dangerous parts of the forests, another thing is that as a company we have deadlines. The machines are able to work nonstop to meet those quotas whereas the workers complain about the work load, the machines are there to supplement the work force not eliminate it."

Nxumalo emphasised that workers were not being replaced by machines.

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Qualification and Experience

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Qualification and Experience

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- Computer Technology Skill
- The person should have good planning and organizational skills, and a high results orientation.

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- Maintain, develop and implement accountant knowledge within the day to day operations of the organisation

Qualification and Experience

- B Com Accounting, studying towards Chartered Accountant (CA) would be an added
- 5+ years experience in a financial /accounting position plus management experience.
- Working knowledge of IFRS statements and application of IFRS and other regulatory requirements critical
- 3 year Article Experience with preferable strong exposure to financial instruments

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- Client interaction, relationship management experience
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Qualification and Experience

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- 2 years Client interaction, relationship management experience
- Computer Technology Skills

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NORTHERN HHOHHO NEWS

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THE northern Hhohho region still leads in dagga production and dagga related activities. Manzini is catching up in terms of dagga production not sales.

According to current police records released by the Anti Narcotics Unit, the Hhohho region still leads in terms of all dagga related activities.

Manzini is gaining ground because it is seen as the centre of all Swaziland business. The Maguga project had displaced a lot of dagga dealers who used to cultivate along the Nkomazi river basin.

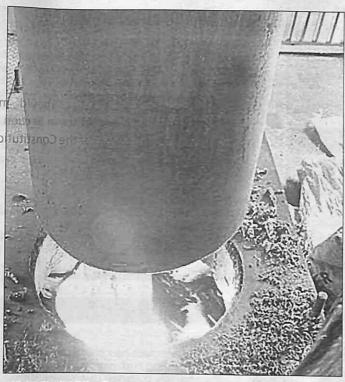
The displaced individuals fello no cated to Mliba which is under Manzini and this is where a large amount of dagga is being cultivated in the region.

Another reason why Manzini continued to thrive in terms of dagga production was the fact it is also a transit point where dagga dealers happen to get arrested while they are still loading the dagga.

Assistant Superintendent second in charge Justice Mabuza of the National Anti Drug unit said according to current numbers Northern Hhohho still leads with almost half of the total amount of dagga originating from that area.

"Hhohho in the last three months has produced a massive 1 811.3 kg of dagga worth an estimated E1 million in street value. That puts Hhohho so far ahead of the other regions but Manzini is in second place in terms of production as a massive 1 012.5 kg has originated from

HHOHHO IS LEADING IN DAGGA PRODUCTION



UP IN FLAMES: Dagga being burnt in a furnace.

the region, only 800 kg less than Hhohho."

Mabuza further stated dagga production numbers had not shown a decrease but has shown a scary consistency.

Noticed

"We have noticed the quantity of dagga we burnt in July is almost the same as the quantity of dagga burnt yesterday. That shows people are still growing this illegal herb regardless of police intervention. RSP had to do more to strengthen its efforts to control dagga."

Commented

Mabuza further commented on the Royal Swaziland Police force's commitment to fight against the social disease (dagga) that is having an adverse



CONTROL: Assistant
Superintendent second in
charge Justice Mabuza of
the national anti drug unit
speaking outside the Pigg's
Peak Police station before
the dagga burning exercise
yesterday.

effect on the youth and the fact that dagga was slowly becoming a nationwide not just a Hhohho regional problem.

Mabuza said "we have noticed dagga is now nationwide not just a Hhohho problem and as the police we will continue to make arrests and serve the public without fear or favour. Marijuana is a drug and leads many of its users

Cops destroy dagga worth E9.6m through fire

THE Royal Swaziland Police (RSP) Service destroys dagga worth around E9.6 million annually through fire.

RSP Acting Police Information and Communication Officer Superintendent Phindile Vilakati said the dagga burning exercises is conducted four times a year (quarterly).

Hhohho has dagga worth E4.8 million burnt annually.

Shiselweni would make an estimated E2.1 million, Manzini E1.6 million annually and Lubombo E1.1 million burnt in furnaces.

getting involved in other crimes like rape, theft and murder. It is a shame, in some areas, we as the police are threatened by just patrolling next to dagga dealers fields but we will continue making arrests".

Mabuza stated the amount of dagga in the fields continues to grow as police exhibit rooms are still filled with undistroyed dagga.

Work

Mabuza said, "we as the police still have a lot of work to do as the amount of dagga in the fields continues to rise and continues to worry us as this shows people are still growing dagga"

Mabuza concluded by stating school children should avoid dagga as this will impede their future and asking parents to not sell or give children these drugs as this will result in children behaving violently in society creating an advese effect for the communities at large.

Wife hacker must get custodial sentence - SWAGAA

SWAZILAND Action Group
Against Abuse (SWAGGA) says
the man accused of hacking his
wife 23 times with an axe must get
a custodial sentence with no fine

The man is also expected to forfeit all his fatherly rights to the child he tried to murder with an axe last Thursday evening.

SWAGGA Communications

Communications

Officer Silindelo Nkosi said the state should not wait for the actual death or harm of the two-year old girl before any action is taken by the state.

"SWAGGA expects a harsh custodial sentence for 28-year-old Mxolisi Hlophe from Nginamadvolo who tried to murder a minor with an axe only to be impeded by the mother of the minor who ended up getting injured in the process," she said.

Nkosi said prevention is better than



cure, in this instance and the state should protect the minor and not let the would-be murder even close to her as he already disputes the child's posterity.

Paternity

"Hlophe already disputes the child's paternity that alone means he should go and obtain a paternity test to prove he is not the child's father. Even after he has done the test he should never be allowed to set foot next to the child again," she stated.

Nkosi stated the sheer brutality of

the crime was enough to prompt all authorities involved to protect the two-year-old minor from ever seeing her attacker again.

"The man claims not to be the child's father, he should refrain from the child's life, this is in accordance to a clause contained in the Sexual Offences and Domestic Violence Bill 2015 which the Swaziland Gender Consortium is currently advocating for," she said.

Incident

Nkosi was speaking in the aftermath of an incident where a man chopped of his wife's arm with an axe in an attempt to kill his own two year-old minor who witnessed the whole ordeal.

The child's mother Deli Sifundza is still admitted in the Pigg's Peak government hospital female ward and was showing signs of recovery when visited yesterday.

Number of foreigners arrested for dagga increasing

FOREIGN nationals are said to be getting more involved in dagga trade in the country.

RSP Assistant
Superintendent second in charge Justice Mabuza of the national anti drug unit said the number of foreign nationals being arrested abroad and inside Swaziland for dagga related crimes has increased over the last five years. "We have statistics that show the number of foreign nationals being arrested outside and inside of Swaziland for dagga related incidents has increased con-

siderably," he said. Mabuza stated the increase could be brought on because of Swaziland's unfortunate title as one on the best dagga producing counties in the world according to the UN (United Nations)

Arrested

"It might be foreign nationals are risking getting arrested for dagga because Swaziland may possess the best herb. A large number of foreigners arrested over the last five years because of dagga has increased considerably inside and outside Swaziland.

TRIO FINED E24 000 FOR DAGGA POSSESSION, TRAFFICKING

By Sizwe Dlamini Pigg's Peak

MAGISTRATE Siphosini Dlamini fined three men E24 000 for dagga possession and having cash totalling E2 900 suspected to be accrued through illegal activities.

The trio appeared at the Pigg's Peak Magistrate's Court to answer for the charge of dagga weighing 10 kilograms and for drug trafficking as they had E2 900 in hard cash.

The car which the trio used to transport the illegal herb allegedly belongs to a soldier based in Lobamba and is currently in police custody.

Ntokozo Vilakati (31) from

Lobamba, 26-yearold Zweli Dvuba from Sitjeni as well as 22-year-old Mbuso Gola from Malkerns were all caught with the dagga hidden inside the white Toyota sedan at

Luhlangotsini. They further had a combined total of E2 900 in cash that was believed to have come from illegal activities involving the sale of dagga. The men were arrested last Friday at Luhlangotsini in a routine police road block. The dagga was found concealed under the driver's seat as well as inside the car's glove



DAGGA: Picture sourced from the internet.

compartment by traffic police.

"The car belongs to my aunt who is a soldier after the investigations are finished I will deliver it back to her," one of the suspects said. The three men also

did not object when they were asked by the magistrate if the money they were apprehended with remained in police custody until the conclusion of the trial. All three men were granted bail of E8 000 each by senior Magistrate Siphosini Dlamini and are due for a remand on November 14, 2016 and trial is set for April 28.





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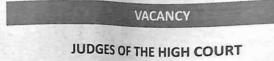
Qualifications

The basic salary is Grade 83:

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Candidates should meet the qualifications as provided for in Section 154 (1)(b) read with Section 157 (1) of the Constitution of Swaziland of 2005.

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Qualifications

Candidates should meet the qualifications as provided for in Section 154 (1) (a) read with Section 157 (1) of the Constitution of Swaziland of 2005

SALARY

The basic salary is GRADE 76

Applications

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I want to be a permanent Swazi citizen - SA traditional healer

By Phesheya Kunene Mbabane Magistrate's Court

A South African traditional healer on Monday appeared in court for being in the country illegally.

He asked the court to allow him to make his stay here a permanent one as he felt safe here than in his country of origin.

Nephthaly Mopeli of Cape Town made his appearance at the Mbabane Magistrate's Court for contravening section 14(2) of the Immigration Act 17/1982. He was arrested on Sunday the same day he entered and remained in the country without a travel document.

Mopeli was officially charged for this offence at Lobamba police station where he has been kept and while appearing before Senior Magistrate Nonhlanhla Dlamini, he first apologised for not using the right channels of being in the country. He further requested to be a permanent resident in the country.

"I am sorry to all Swazis for being here unlawfully, all Swazis are my children and I feel at home here. I faced so many challenges while in South Africa that eventually forced me to come here," Mopeli said. The 58-year-old man who comes from the Basotho tribe told the court that some people wanted to kill him in South Africa mainly because of his trade. He insisted that his mind was now made up about relocating into the country however his dream will have to wait as Dlamini told him that he would be deported back to his country after serving his sentence.

"You must use the right channels if you want to be in the country, for now, you will be deported back into South Africa," Dlamini said.

The traditional healer, who calls himself a modern doctor, was sentenced to pay a fine of E500 or four months imprisonment. His attempts to lessen the fine to E400 hit a snag as he was told to approach the High Court for an appeal.

Speaking about his trade, Mopeli said his herbs were very good to an extent that some of his muthi was stolen. "They want me dead in South Africa, I do not want to live there anymore, they know my stuff is good and that is the main cause of all this. A certain Chief asked me to live here as my intention is now to heal Swazis and that did not work out as I was still going to do it the proper way when the police arrested me. My herbs cure all kinds of diseases," he alleged.

Mopeli said he would definitely come back using the right channels this time around.

Man duplicates Corban keys, helps himself to material

By Starsky Mkhonta Nhlangano

A man believed to be an electrician was arrested after he sneaked into Corban Electrical with an intention to steal.

The unidentified man was a regular customer at Corban Electrical, which is metres away from the Nhlangano Police Station.

It is claimed that he had a key to the shop and would use it to open each time he needed something. He entered the shop during the night.

It is not known as to how he got the keys to the shop, but police are investigating. It is suspected that he was able to get duplicate keys.

Last Thursday, the man entered the shop with the intention of stealing, however, that was foiled after one manager went to the shop but was shocked to find doors unlocked.

Meanwhile, the 'customer' was busy loading some material to take home.

The manager called one of the

employees entrusted with keys to the shop and enquired as to why she did not lock the shop.

"He told her that he was at the shop and was worried as to what actually happened. He then looked around and there he noticed keys on the counter. He again alerted the lady that he had found keys and they were exactly the same ones used in the shop when opening and closing. She told him that she had all the keys with her and wondered

as to what the manag-

er was talking about," said a source. Having being disturbed, the 'customer' climbed to the ceiling to hide waiting for the manager to leave. The manager took the keys left on the counter and locked the doors and proceeded to the police station to report that he suspected that the shop had been broken into. When the man descended from the ceiling, where he was hiding, he had to find a

way of exiting the shop. He managed

to move to another business and was caught behind the refrigerators of that enterprise.

It is said the shop's employees were shocked after learning that the person found trying to steal was their regular customer.

"Almost everyone was shocked as no one could think that someone considered as a loyal customer could

do such a thing. It's now rumoured that he has been doing this for a long time and he got the keys to the shop using cunning means. Others have disclosed that he has confessed that he started doing such dirty work way back in June this year. Stock taking will deter-

mine how long he started such a bad habit," said a source. Acting Chief Police Information and Communications Officer Assistant Phindile Vilakati confirmed the arrest of a man who had some explanation to do on how he got inside the building.



SPEECH: Shiselweni Regional Administrator Themba Masuku delivering his speech during the Gala Dinner.



REMARKS: Pastor Sindi Malindzisa who is wife to High Praise Assembly founder Apostle Jethro is seen making her remarks during the gala dinner.

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HIGH PRAISE ASSEMBLY NETS E90 000 IN GALA DINNER

By Starsky Mkhonta Nhlangano

ABOUT E90 000 was raised during a gala dinner by High Praise Assembly held on Saturday.

The event which was combined with the 12 years church anniversary was attended by close to 500 people including clergymen from different churches. There was also the official launch of the High Praise Assemblies Live Praise and Worship DVD/CD recording.

High Praise Assembly
Founder Apostle Jethro
Malindzisa said through the
dinner, they had targeted to
raise at least E450 000 which
would help see the completion of a church structure.

"Considering the economy of Nhlangano, I think the amount that was raised was fine. However, we still have a long way to go," he said.

Apostle Malindzisa said the money raised included cash and pledges.

It was still to be known as to how much in total after calculations which included the sale of tickets. He said as a church, they were impressed with the overwhelming support from all stakeholders. He said he was



FOLLOWING: Business people who were part of the Gala Dinner at High Praise Assembly following the proceedings.



ATTENDED: Evelyn Baring High School
Principal Tom Diamini also attended the Gala
Dinner.

humbled to see even the leadership from different church bodies attend the event. The Apostle thanked all churches which joined them during the event adding it was an event of noble cause as it also united them as a God's family. He said it was important for churches to support each other on any activity. "I think the organising committee has excelled and we see an improved event in future. We are still

to sit down and do a postmortem and then we will amounce a lineup of fundraising drives in order to meet the target we intend to raise for completing the church. Otherwise, we still have our hands opened for those individuals or companies still wishing to make contributions," said Apostle Malindzisa. The Apostle said any contribution towards the project would be more than welcome.

King Mswati 111 and

SOS TO CELEBRATE 25 YEARS OF EXISTENCE

By Lungelo Nkambule Mbabane

THE SOS Children's Village will this month celebrate 25 years of existence in the country.

The organisation which operates in 135 countries globally and has been in the country since 1991 and will on November 19, commemorate its 25 years of existence.

The commemoration will kick off with a corporate family fun day at the Mbabane village as well as the Ben

Dunn Memorial golf tournament which will take place at the Royal Swazi Sun Golf Club. Later on, a corporate gala dinner will be held at the Royal Swazi Convention Centre. The aim of all the three events is to collect funds and corporate partners have been invited to take

On behalf of SOS,
National Coordinator Dudu
Dlamini said as an organisation they felt 25 years was a
good cause for celebration
as they now had active community based structures
which responded to the
plight of vulnerable children
and families within their
communities and play a supportive role in addressing
their needs.

"Our family strengthening

programmes are visible and effective. Today the programme is reaching at least 3 236 children and youth. At

least 90 percent of the integrated youth are independent and are contributing to the development of their communities and country," she said.

In Swaziland, SOS
Children's Villages operated
in all four geographical
regions. The first village
was officially opened in
Mbabane by His Majesty

named eNgonweni in 1991. The second was in Nhlangano and was officially opened in 2001 by Prince Masitsela who was representing His Majesty King Mswati 111. The third was in Siteki and was also officially opened by the King and named Ekutfokomeni in 2010. The organisation's national offices are situated in Manzini, the same region where the fourth programme will be established, at Emphini. The organisation provided care and support to children who are at risk of losing parental care and children that have already lost parental care. The children were supported through two approaches: family based care where children in the target group are placed in the care of SOS families and are resident within the SOS Children's Villages. There were also family strengthening programmes where families of origin are supported in their communities.



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REFRESH WHAT YOU THINK ..



MACFORD WELCOME SIBANDZE

A very funny friend of mine, filthy rich in intellectual humour, after hearing that I am on a fishing and hunting expedition to broaden the base for poetry, suggested that I invite ex South African President, Thabo Mbeki to recite his famous 'I AM AN AFRICAN' poem.

A little far-fetched as it seemed, it would have been the best served meat ever for the arts, to have one of Africa's best, (if not, in Swazi soil) through an invite from the artsa great milestone indeed! Unfortunately, though Mbeki wa Mzizi, a descendant of the Swazi tree, is no longer president, you still have to deal with a lot of protocols when inviting him, even if you can squeeze a talk with him through certain contacts, one would swear the man is still a president. So you just let it pass as many good days have been let to pass anyway!

But let us assume, even if it is for a minute, that it came to pass, I would have devised an epic dramatic, technical running order whose engines was going to be propelled by the gods of Africa themselves-a great opportunity to evoke the ancient gods of Africa: from the Munhumutapa Empire into the Drankensberg mountains. Somehow the programmes of Africa, of serving the best for last can be distasteful and boring.

Follow

I would have opened up with the Chief's (Mbeki wa Mzizi) -performance and after that let children play! This is now common in the US-the main act perform first and others follow, don't you think it's cool? To perform when all eyes are on you! How can you be the 'first' man then perform last? Is it not like looking for weapons whereas carrying them? Don't laugh, this is no laughing matter-to see the 'first' performing when many are snoring with a little (un) controlled fart! (Gaseous Theory) Anyway, this is Africa, somewhere in the Tropic of Capricorn and you don't challenge stereotypes but reinforce them because change is pain.

How I wish Mbeki would be with us this coming Saturday in the Big Night of Poetry! How I wish! I wish! I wish! I wish! (R. Kelly song) Serious, I say this because heaven knows, Thabo Mbeki is one of Africa's greatest writers and orators. His imagination, voice and stage presence would have awakened the sleeping giant of poetry in the country and for the first time it

INVITE 'POET' THABO MBEKI IN THE E20 000 POETRY COMPETITION!

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would pack audiences in every auditorium. But even though for obvious reasons Thabo Mbeki will be only with us in spirit, physically, we won't let this cup pass us. With the support of my editor, Thulani Thwala, whom, I have seated with dignitaries, because in other worlds, editors are dignitaries, we are going to touch the open sky, as we count some of our legacies.

AWARDING LOCAL HEROES

On this day we have taken upon ourselves (myself and Larry Mhlanga) to award five local heroes in poetry who have been through it all. They need to be encouraged because being an artist is the most difficult thing in Swaziland. These are Black Note, Black Bremer, Qibho Intellectual, Beko The Storyteller and Last Man! I have been lucky to have seen these five perform and I can tell you with authority that they can fit anywhere in the world. I say this because I have been around and I have seen people and places.

And at my age I have no time for hollow flattering and shallow pleasantries. So I am genuine, even to myself, that they are representing and we salute them for making a living through their talents. These breed represents post modern poetry that has rhymes and rhythm. Their style and rendition is thought provoking, sophisticated and borders on intellectual discourse. They are not your average small minds and shallow thinkers but have so much depth! Moreover, they have a great semblance of drama and comedy-a recipe for every drama menu. Because a drama that does not make people laugh, is a drama that must be laughed at, so says Jersey

AWARDS, **COURTESY** OF TEE AND JAY

Grotowski!

The awards have been sponsored by Tee and Jay to the tune of E8000. They will be

divided into two: five will be for the awardees with their stage names engraved and the other five will be for the five winners and these will be engraved later as of now we don't know the winners! Again, a big thank you to TEE and JAY and their brilliant Marketing Manager, Thabile Mdluli. To the arts, it means a lot because it is rare for such artists to receive accolades (except choirs of course) and it helps to have marketing managers who have been on stage because they know the limitations of the arts!

NO AWARDS Of course not everyone will get awards bomngamu-niyeva! We can't give everyone but we have to start somewhere! I am aware that awards by their nature are controversial because they open a barrage of gossip and hum-de-lela! But I always say to those who have not yet received them, it does not mean you are not the best! And I always make an example of myself, that I have never been awarded in the arts in Swaziland and it's highly possible that I will never be awarded! But does that mean I am not the best? Hahaha...I am the best though I am awarding myself..LOL. Interestingly, everyone I work with has been awarded. And they all came through these hands! Oh! You are laughing again, don't please! And it's possible that the best award I will get would be that little cheap red rose in my funeral. You! Uyinhleka bayeni! I repeat, don't

laugh,

though funny, it is no laughing matter! All I want to say, is that you should not despair, awards or no awards, you are still the best.

BACK TO 'POET' THABO MBEKI

"I AM AN AFRICAN" was a poetry speech Mbeki made on behalf of the African National Congress in parliament on May 8, 1996, on the occasion of the passing of the new Constitution of South Africa. Shockingly, at the time Mbeki was not even the president, to be afforded such statue, but vice for Mandela. Again this was a close-nit South Africa enjoying two years of independence. In today's cracked to the seams South Africa, he would not even finish the first stanza without 10 interruptions-cry the beloved country! The speech defined the political mood of the moment in post-Apartheid South Africa and enhanced Mbeki's reputation as a political orator, which has earned him to be

likened to Martin Luther King The poem

gained so much popularity when Mbeki took office in 1998 and became an academic refer-

point and intellectual debate till his atrocious exit in 2007. It also showed that when Mandela was president, administrative authority was in the office of the vice president! And when Mbeki became president, power took a quick trip to the office of the president! With South Africa, standing between a 'morgue' and a "grave' (the words that invited me insults uyaphindza futsi?-the devil is not on leave!) going to parliament is like going to a slaughter house or firing squad-a portrait of a young man drowning! Like I said the centre does not hold as an old party lies in tatters! But a loss for politics is a gain for the arts as we sing, dance and recite poems about the living, the dying and the

And this is exactly what we are going to do in less than 72 hours from now, on November 12, at the George Hotel! We are going to fill the auditorium and witness a dialogue of brains displaying sheer artistry. To me this will be the best send off after 30 years in the industry because I will retire on stage and say 'hello' to goodbye on charity and welcome the new projects that are lined up for me. No one will blame me of course, because beloved people, I played my role. Perhaps you never loved me. Perhaps I never loved you. But beloved people, I played my role! And selfless is not being selfish to thyself! The best philanthropist is one who has something to show!

A giver who has nothing to show is like an Egyptian mummy whose embalmment was a pretence that the dead are alive! But don't be shocked when I retire from retirement because giving and sharing is in my DNA. Hope to see you at the George and thank you for buying the tickets. On Saturday alone, Dynamic Distributors bought 10 tickets at once, encouraging, neh? You can still get them for only E50 at Nandos in Manzini, Matsapha

and Mbabane and Ocean Basket at Ezulwini and Mbabane. See you there! Be there! And 'Poet' Thabo Mbeki was Mzizi, wa Dlamini will be

with us of course in spirit!

AFRICAN: Former SA President Thabo Mbeki.

...NOVEMBER 9

1979 - The United Nations Security Council unanimously called upon Iran to release all American hostages "without delay." Militants, mostly students had taken 63 Americans hostage at the US embassy in Tehran, Iran, on November 4.

1981 - US troops began arriving in Egypt for a three-week Rapid Deployment Force excercise. Somalia, Sudan and Oman were also involved in the operation.

1981 - The Internation Monetary Fund approved a \$5.8 billion load to India. It was the highest loan to

1982 - Sugar Ray Leonard retired from boxing. In 1984 Leonard came out of retirement to fight one more time before becoming a boxing commentator for NBC.

1984 - A bronze statue titled Three Servicemen," by Frederick Hart, was unveiled at the site of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial in Washington, DC.

1989 - Communist East Germany opened its borders, allowing its citizens to travel freely to West Germany.

1990 - Soviet President Mikhail S. Gorbachev signed a nonaggression treaty with Germany.

1992 - Russian President Boris Yeltsin, visiting London, appealed for assistance in rescheduling his country's debt, and asked British businesses to invest.

1997 - Barry Sanders (Detroit Lions) became the first player in NFL history to rush for over 1 000 yards in nine straight seasons. In the same game Sanders passed former Dallas Cowboy Tony Dorsett for third place on the alltime rushing list.

1998 - A federal judge in New York approved the richest antitrust settlement in US history. A leading brokerage firm was ordered to pay \$1.03 billion to investors who had sued over price-rigging of Nasdaq stocks.

1998 - PBS aired its documentary special "Chihuly Over Venice."

2004 - US First Lady Laura Bush officially reopened Pennsylvania bus them Avenue in front of the White oretta Chase, Love sanitasbeg of esuoH

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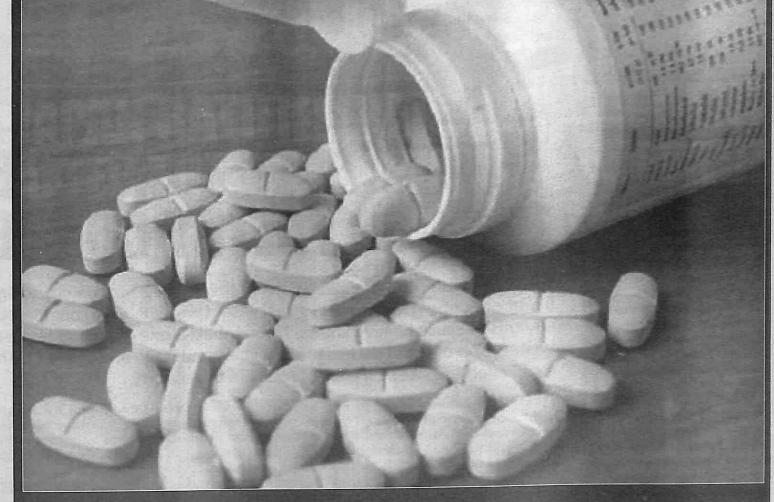




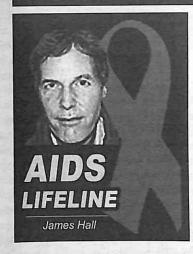
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Vanessa Lachey (Tv Actress) -November 9 1980 (36 years old)



Manufacturing ARVS here in SD



SOMETHING for the BioTechnology Park in Matsapha to consider: production of the one drug that is keeping more Swazis alive than any other? That drug, of course, would be antiretroviral drugs (ARVs).

These are currently made overseas and must be imported.

Naturally, Swaziland can't venture into such a sophisticated operation all alone. However, if a coalition of African countries got together to work out a manufacturing template, it might be possible by the time the BioTechnology Park becomes a reality.

Conceive

The idea of locally made ARVs may be one whose time has come, according to the Third National HIV and AIDS research conference (NHARCON) 2013 that was held in Ghana last week. Not only was the idea muted, but a call went out to stakeholders to conceive of ways to produce antiretroviral drugs in that country. Health officials in Swaziland

will watch the Ghana situation closely. If it can be done there, efforts will be made to duplicate the process here.

Ghana has high ambitions to completely eradicate HIV and AIDS in the country. Ghana and Swaziland depend on ARVs as the foundation of HIV treatment. In both countries there has been an increase in the number of mothers living with HIV who receive ARVs to prevent mother to child transmission of HIV, and this increase has been one of the positive advances in the battle against the disease.

We shall await the publication of the Accra conference for recommendations on how that country might produce its own ARVs. However, a template is not hard to imagine, or to replicate in Swaziland.

Obtained

The "rights" (patents) to the medicine would have to be obtained from the pharmaceutical firms that invented the various ARVs in use. These firms would be paid royalties out of the sale of the drugs to hospitals and clinics. (ARVs cannot be purchased "over the counter" in pharmacies via doctors' prescriptions, at least not yet. ARVs are included in a full programme called Antiretroviral Therapy -ART-which includes HIV testing and counselling from trained counsellor.)

The need for a sophisticated factory to make these drugs is obvious, as is the need for an oversight mechanism to monitor the manufacturing. But this is true for a number of businesses already in existence in Swaziland. The Biotechnology Park once it is established seems a likely place to situate such an operation. The park is intended to draw highly-skilled technicians, engineers, industrial designers and researchers. Added to these for the purpose of ARVs manufacturing would be medical chemists. The one drawback would be market size. Ghana is a large country which can

absorb all the ARVs one factory could produce. Although Ghana's per capita HIV infection rate is lower than Swaziland, the number of HIV-positive Ghanaians is greater than here.

Swaziland would be faced with the same dilemma the country would encounter if it were to make any other type of consumer goods, from automobiles to ovens. Our population is relatively small, and so is

our market for consumer goods. So, how does manufacturing survive here? The answer is exports. Swaziland is a wellknown supplier to the world of sugar, citrus and timber products such as paper pulp. This is made in quantities much greater than the number of sugar packets, oranges or timber the local market could buy. Refrigerators manufactured here are shipped over-

seas or around the region. When Cadbury was producing sweets in Matsapha, the factory output was not sold in local stores but was exported elsewhere.

Swaziland would obviously be a purchaser for ARVs manufactured here. That would be the point of the enterprise, to provide a cheaper alternative to drugs brought in from abroad. But for a costly and sophisticated operation like pharmaceutical manufacturing, the local market would not be enough. ARVs made here would by economic necessity have to be sold also in South Africa, Mozambique and elsewhere in the region.

Immense

If that were to happen, the benefits for Swaziland would be immense. Just as the region looks to Swaziland for Coca-Cola syrup made in Matsapha, so too would Swaziland become a centre for ARV supply.

From there, it would just be a matter of imagination to advance into other pharmaceutical products. Many of these are many regionally in South Africa. If it can be proved making drugs in Swaziland is cheaper, and the supply would be reliable, then clearly the existing pharmaceutical interests in South Africa would be given a run for their money. As for people living with HIV and AIDS, they would enjoy the security of a locally made supply of the drugs on which their lives literally depend. Government, which purchases the product, would pay less. Donor agencies that partner with government to buy ARVs would also benefit from reduced costs.



MOMENWHOWO

LISTEN ACT RISE



WHEN women from all walks of life recognise there are many factors that unite them than those that divide them, fighting for justice in all aspects of their lives becomes simplified.

Dlamini

The article's point of departure being the homogeneity of the fate of women, "women who work" refers to all women- from the housewife to the high flying executive in the corporate world.

Misleading

This is misleading, right? Maybe, maybe not. Where does one get off to claim a housewife

works? Good question, but the best question to ask is "what is work?" It's the best question because in an attempt to answer the question, one is forced to probe whose definition it is in the first place.

Careful scrutiny points to the fact the popularised definition has some elements of violence embedded to it. What we know to constitute "work" is violent in

It is this violent nature of the word that has led to the oppression of women becoming a deeprooted problem in society. The work done by a majority of women is not recognised as work because it does not earn a wage. But does that take away from the fact women are also doing work just because it is within the work of men profit is found? Do women really fail at production and adding value when we discount outdated prejudice?

Socialisation

Thanks to the hardly-challenged socialisation process, the woman works in the home as a chef, nanny, cleaner and gardener, yet her contribution to the family and society is not valued because unlike men, most of her work is in the home.

At her very best, the woman uses her own physical-self, effort and pain to reproduce and sustain the world.

Somehow, the woman's work remains outside the system of national accounts. Herlabouris unseen, invisible and unrecognised and in conventional terms, yielding no economic benefits.

There is definitely a need for reform where the issue of women's economic justice is

concerned. This dehumanising "norm" which forces a bulk of the female race to abandon human dignity by carrying out roles and responsibilities incompatible with the dictates of human rights, particularly, women's rights is alienating. One thing is certain: we cannot afford to premise our future on a notion that has dehumanisation and alienation attached to it solely because of the suicidal outcome.

To borrow from Marx, women who are working outside the home have acquired a false consciousness which has convinced them they are better than women who work in the home. This necessitates the disruption of the existing status quo.

Women need to rise and, just as One Billion Rising founder Eve Ensler once said, acknowledge the fact that no other future exists but the one they are creating for themselves.

Recognising

If they allow the powers that be to shape their future for them, the resultant alienation will lead them to not recognise themselves in the years to come.

How work has been defined and has led to "working" women being alienated from the women who work in the home.

When we see women as capable of transforming the world, especially through cooperation for a sophisticated transformation, it requires they see each other as allies.

There should not be "them" and "us". In the absence of camaraderie, solidarity amongst women is undermined to the triumph of the oppressive forces. Women share the same fate in a

patriarchal society where men have a sense of entitlement in the appropriation of the product of a woman's labour (childbirth)- by default, the child is his or her father's.

As such, women are alienated from the product of their labour. On the other hand, the product of the woman's labour strengthens the men-they become more of men when they are fathers at the expense of women whose reproductive role has been made to be a source of their own degrada-

Further, a case can be made of how women are alienated from the act of labour.

Interests

In societies where women are expected to bear children regardless of their interests and where men make decisions on their behalf such as the use of contraception, just as Marx predicted, the reproductive function becomes dreary and dangerous. In this regard, she is reduced to an appendage for the smooth functioning of men and fulfill his interests and not hers.

Ultimately, based on a conclusion drawn by Marx: in her work, therefore, she does not affirm herself but denies herself, does not feel content, but unhappy, does not develop freely her physical and mental energy but mortifies her body and ruins her mind. From the tragedy depicted here, women have no choice but to rise in solidarity against their exploitation not only in the obvious areas of their exploitation, but also in a revolutionary fashion that seeks to address neglected areas such as economic justice for women.

"(About a cookbook...)

- What about this one? Maids of Honour? - Weeelll, they starts OUT as Maids of Honor...but

they ends up Tarts." - Terry Pratchett, Maskerade

2. "You would wind up as a cat, I told her. They don't need anyone else. I need you, she replied. Well, I said. Maybe I'll come back as catnip."

Jodi Picoult, My Sister's Keeper

3. "Only one English word adequately describes his transformation of the islands from worthless to priceless: magical."

- Kurt Vonnegut, Galápagos

4. "Mathilde returned and strolled past the drawing-room windows; she saw him busily engaged in describing to Madame de Fervaques the old ruined castles that crown the steep banks of the Rhine and give them so distinctive a character. He was beginning to acquit himself none too badly in the use of the sentimental and picturesque language which is called wit in certain drawing-rooms.'

- Stendhal, The Red and the Black

5. "Here comes Mamma Vauquerr, fair as a starrr; and strung up like a bunch of carrots. Aren't we suffocating ourselves a wee bit?' he asked, placing a hand on the top of her corset. 'A bit of a crush in the vestibule, here, Mamma! If we start crying, there'll be an explosion. Never mind, I'll be there to collect the bits--just like an antiquary. 'Now, there's the language of true French gallantry,' murmured Madame Vauquer in an aside to Madame Couture."

- Honoré de Balzac, Père Goriot

6. "Sometimes you have to break a rule to save the system."

- Dean Koontz, Dragon Tears

7. "Jason smiled and took a sip of his coke before responding. "I'm not sure how to reply to that. I thought about just giving you a nasty look. But I see you already have one."

- Mark A. Cooper, Face-Off

8. "There is not a man of common sense who would not chuse to be agreeable in company; and yet, strange as it may seem, very few are" - The Town and Country Magazine. vol. 11, 1779

9. "Richard looked up to find a thirty-ish, tall, black haired man sauntering towards him with a smile that said "You can trust me", but really meant "Don't believe a word I say". This was Jack, and he hadn't changed a bit."

- Alexander Ferrick, HACK3R

10. "In my dictionary, romance is not maudlin, treacly sentiment. It is a curry, spiced with excitement, and humour, and a healthy dollop of cyni-

- Loretta Chase, Lord of Scoundrels

11. "There is no greater hiding place for a secret than within the mind of a madman." - Alexander Ferrick, HACK3R

12. "Three, reckoned the captain, ourselves make seven, counting Hawkins, here. Now, about honest

Most likely Trelawney's own men," said the doctor; those he had picked up for himself, before he lit

Nay,' replied the squire. 'Hands was one of mine.' I did think I could have trusted Hands, added the

- Robert Louis Stevenson, Treasure Island

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10.5% Prime Rate First National Bank 8.3% Inflation Rate **Central Statistical Office** 9.5% Mortgage Rate **Swaziland Building Society** Bank Rate

Central Bank

Petrol (u) E11.00 per litre Replacement E11.05 per litre E10.95 per litre Paraffin E 7.15 per litre

Engen Garage

By Linda Dlamini

GOVERNMENT balances within the financial market system have contracted by 85.4 per cent to reach E453.8 mil-

According to the Central Bank of Swaziland (CBS) Money and Banking statistics report, net govemment balances amounted to E453.8 million, 63.4 per cent lower than recorded in the preceding month and 85.4 per cent lower when compared with September 2015.

"The month on month decline in net government balances was largely on account of a fall in government deposits, mainly government's current account. Government deposits declined by 16.6 per cent over the review month to close at E3.9 billion," the CBS said.

Gross Official Reserves amounted to E8.2 billion at the end of October 2016, lower than the E7.5 billion recorded in September 2016.

According to the CBS, the observed growth in reserves was on account of the inflow of the Southern African Customs Union (SACU) receipts at the beginning of October 2016.

"Import cover amounted to 3.9 months at the end of October 2016, higher than the 3.6 months recorded in September 2016," read the report in part.

The CBS said when valued in Special Drawing Rights (SDR), the reserves settled at SDR438.5 million, higher than the SDR386.3 million recorded in September 2016.

"When compared with October 2015, gross official reserves were 8.9 per cent lower when valued in lilangeni terms and 5.5 per cent lower when valued in SDR terms," the CBS said.

Meanwhile, the CBS said credit extended to the private sector grew by 0.6 per cent month on month to E12.4 billion.

"The improvement in credit extended to the private sector was mainly observed in credit to other sectors mainly local government and public non-financial comporations and credit to house

holds and non-profit institutions serving households. Credit to businesses on the other hand reflected a decline from the preceding month," reads the report in part:

The CBS said credit extended to other sectors amounted to E961.8 million, 2.2 per cent higher than recorded in the preceding month and 79.8 per cent when compared with September 2015.

"The month on month growth was observed by a 9.5 per cent rise in credit to public non-financial corporations, and a 4.8 mer

cent increase for local governments. Credit to other financial corporation's on the other hand fell by 0,8 per cent from the preceding month," the CBS said.

With regards to credit extended to businesses, the CBS reported a contraction of 0.6 per cent month on month and of 0.3 per cent year-on-year.

"The month-on-month fall in credit to businesses was driven by a 15.7 per cent decline in credit to distribution and tourism, a 7.4 per cent decrease in real estate. Agriculture and Forestry shrunk by 2.1 per cent and whilst construction contracted by 1.7 per cent," reads the report as part.

Adding the CBS said sectors that reflected month on month improvement in credit uptake include the community, social and personal services which increased 35.8 per cent, transport and communications by 4.4 per cent, manufacturing by 3.5 per cent as well as mining and quarrying by 3.5 per cent.

FOREIGN EXCHANGE RATES



Correct as at 0	8 NOV 2	2016
CURRENCY	BUY	SELL
US Dollar / SZL	13.4000	13.4500
British Pound/SZL	16.6133	16.6753
Japanese Yen/SZL	7.7621	7.7896
Swiss France/SZL	13.7605	13.7991
Botswana Pula/SZL	1.2757	1.2939
Australian Dollar/SZL	10.3153	10.3552
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SEC PLAN TO SPEND E100 MILLION FOR RELIABI By Manqoba Makhubu

THE Swaziland Electricity Company (SEC) plans to spend about E100 million in the next two years to improve transmission reliability.

This was one of the reasons stated in the utility's 20.19% tariff increase proposal to the Swaziland Energy Regulatory Authority (SERA).

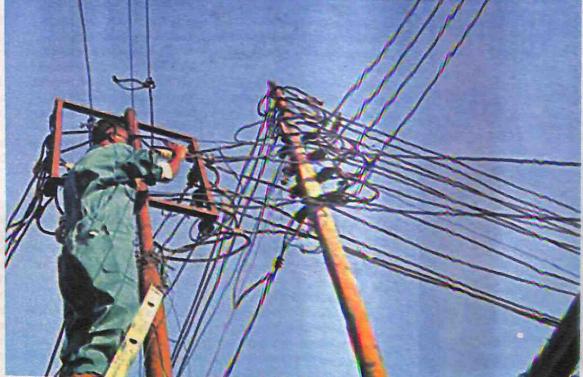
The company's transmission capital expenditure for 2017/18 was approximately E44 million and about E56 million for 2018/19.

The projects include installation of lines to strengthen reliability and placing strategic transformers to be rolled out in the next two years.

On the other hand, the utility intends to spend over E72 million on distribution capital projects. "these projects include combiunits, ABC installation and construction of staff houses and depots extensions."

SEC further stated that it research and development department was presently working on feasibility studies to ascertain a number of projects that the company has to embark in order to ensure future sustainability.

The feasibility studies include Lubhuku coal fired power station. This follows successful completion of the exploration exercise by the company.



"The report confirms that there is 24Mt of measured coal resource and that there is 48Mt of indicated or inferred coal fired power station feasibility study tender was completed and the preferred service provider has been identified," said SEC.

Other projects include the Lower Maguduza land purchase, SEC's 5MW Solar Power Plant at Lavumisa and Edwaleni power line construction.

About E266 million has been projected to roll out these projects. However, the utility said

the success of the implementation lies on the approval of the new tarriff rates.

SEC said it has considered the fact that a stable supply of electricity is essential to power economic growth and also improve the quality of life, hence the proposed increase of tariffs since presently, electricity prices do not cover the full costs of supplying electricity.

"Although the proposed tariff hike for Swapiland seems high, it is imperative that SEC as a utility be afforded the opportunity to

recover the revenue required in order to ensure that the process of projects and maintenance are effectively implemented, allowing the utility to meet requirements of the standards and of the regulator, as well as ensure that customer satisfaction is achievable," said the power utility.

SEC also argues that in comparison with the region, the country's rate is still considerably more affordable for the user, with no levies on the domestic user and extra charges for continencial WISETS.

POOR PROJECT MANAGEMENT HURDLE FOR MOST BUSINESSES

Stories by Linda Dlamini

MOST businesses embark on capital expenditure programs for various reasons, however, some are not successful as a result of poor project management.

QualConsul QS Managing Director and University of the Witwatersrand Professor Raymond Nkado said there were numerous reasons why project management fails, managers who see these pitfalls were less likely to be affected

"One challenge that leads to project failure is when there are weak linkages between project out-

comes, whether short or long-term, and the client's key strategic priorities," he said.

Nkado said if the company has a very weak board of directors then the project was also likely to fail.

"This is because leadership is very important at any organisation and it follows that lack of it leads to the organisation suffering," he

Another challenge identified by the professor is the lack of effective project team integration between the client, the supplier team and the supply chain which impedes project management.

"Evaluation of project proposal driven by initial price rather than long-term value for money is yet another reason for project failure," he said.

Nkado said senior management should at all time have a clear understanding of, and contact with, the supply industry at senior levels in the client organisation.

"Skills shortage is rife in project management therefore this also presents a problem for companies when it comes to implementing their projects. There is a clear lack of personnel with regards project management skills, and also risk management and project costing. This results in projects failures," he

In project management the issue of project failure was always tied to the issue of governance struc-

"Issues of governance include procurement which is critical for any project. Another issue includes governance is contract administration. Project managers that sort these issues out are more likely to complete their project not only in time but also on budget," he said.

Nkado said project managers should show uncompromising rigour of the project they were involved in.

"The manager should ensure appraisal before commencement of the project. Monitoring and control during the execution phase is very important. Review and monitoring post execution of the project is also important," he said.

New tariff good base for price subsidisation - SEC

By Manqoba Makhubu

THE Swaziland Electricity Company (SEC) feels the proposed electricity tariff is in line with the electricity price subsidisation which is rolled out by the regulator, Swaziland Energy Regulatory Authority (SERA).

SERA had engaged a consultant to reduce or eliminate electricity price cross subsidisation.

At the initial stages of the project, SERA Chief Executive Officer Vusumuzi Mkhumane said currently domestic users were paying 41 percent low of the actual rate they were supposed to be paying and the difference was paid by businesses including small and medium enterprises (SMEs).

Cost burden

He said this was meant to ease the service cost burden on businesses, while at the same time ensuring affordability of the service to the less fortunate. This was in line with the Southern African Development Community's (SADC) decision to ensure tariffs were cost reflective by 2019. The country also ratified the agreement.

"We are convinced we should start applying staggered increases within our tariff structure in a bid to reduce the cross subsidies," said SEC.

"This has been done by increasing the domestic tarriff marginally higher than the average tarriff increase and applying a lower increase on the major customer tarriff category," further stated the utility.

Meanwhile, SEC anticipates that its customer base would increase by three per cent from 177 398 to 182 314 customers in 2017/18 and a further four percent increase to 189 248 in 2018/19.

For both these years the growth was anticipated from domestic and small commercial customers, "this growth is mainly driven by the availability of funding to rural domestic customers by Micro Projects and other donors." Utility

Therefore, the utility anticipates a 3.30 percent increase in units sold to customers for 2017/18 and a further one percent increase in 2018/19.

In preparation for the anticipated customer growth and demand, for the 2017/18 financial year, the utility has made a total provision of about E145.5 million to in plement capital projects and E263.2 million for the 2018/19 financial year, "these amounts have not been factored into the regulatory asset base as they have not started at all. Only the depreciation component for these projects has been included in our depreciation

SERA would begin consultations prior to SEC's approval where stakeholders would be expected to make submissions.

The deadline for submissions would be on November 18. Consultations would begin on November 21 and run up until December 10 for different stakeholders

If approved by SERA, the increases will be effected on April 1, 2017 and April 1, 2018 according to the utility's proposal to

LABOUR BROKING NEEDS TO BE REGULAT

LABOUR broking should not be outlawed but rather should be regulated as it plays a crucial role in the economy.

This is a view shared by a number of participants at the stakeholder meeting which was organised by Institute of People Management (IPM) to discuss the Employment Bill, 2015.

IPM President Duduzile Nhlengethwa said, "There was an intense debate on the issue of labour broking that ensured during the meeting.

Other members were for outlawing labour brokers outright whilst the majority of the presenters stated there is need for regulation of labour brokers rather than prohibition of labour brokers," she said.

Nhlengethwa said those for a clause that prohibits labour broking argued the practice abuses employees' rights and dehumanise them as employees hence it should be outlawed completely.

"However, those against outlawing mentioned that it made business sense to regulate in that cer-

tain industries strive for better use of labour brokers, the spirit of free enterprise will stifle the operation of businesses if outlawed. Furthermore, having such a provision is inconsistent with Convention 181 of the International Labour Organisation (ILO) Convention," she said.

Proposed

Nhlengethwa said one of the ways that were proposed that the bill was bringing a better protection in that all employers including labour brokers should stop repeated renewals of fixed term contracts and the provision of social security benefits to all employees.

Nhlengethwa further mentioned it was stated the bill allows all members the right to collective bargaining including domestic employees, consequently, trade unions must come up with creative ways to engage and mobilise or organise workers in all industries to promote dynamism within the trade union movement.

The contentious issue of labour



IPM President Duduzile Nhlengethwa.

broking in the Employment Bill, 2015 is under Section 122.

"A person carrying on a private employment agency or any other person shall not enter into a triangular form of a contract of employment with any person for the purpose of supplying an employer with the labour of that other person either for profit, gain or any other reason," reads the Bill

Nhlengethwa said there were other contentious issues emanating from the bill that were discussed like the issue of severance and service benefit, leave pay, the referral of industrial relations issues to the High Court, the effectiveness of the Labour Commissioners Office, to mention

Views

"However, the views of the human resource managers marked the beginning of other discussions on the bill that are still going back to the Labour Advisory Board (LAB) that has the responsibility as per the provisions of the Industrial Relations Act, 2000 as amended to review legislation concerned with employment in the country; the LAB will then present the Bill to the Minister of Labour and Social Security who will in turn present it to Cabinet, then the Attorney General who will gazette for public comments before it is presented to both Houses of Parliaments," she said.

Employers should create wellness programmes for employees

EMPLOYERS should create a financial wellness programme for their employees so as to increase their productivity and enhance their overall or generic personal wellness.

Metropolitan Swaziland Pricing and Actuarial Specialist Samkelo Ginindza said money could be a huge source of anxiety for employees and therefore, employers should think about the financial wellness of their employees. Without the necessary planning, certain unpredictable life changing events pose a further threat to the financial wellness of their employees.

"Stress is distracting and when employees worry about their financial wellness, they lose focus and are less productive in the office," he said.

"By improving the financial wellness of employees, we are also contributing towards the financial wellness of the employ-

"Having said that, Momentum is also looking at implementing a programme that would speak to the financial wellness of organisations more directly. We have already tested the concept and we are very positive it will yield the desired result for our clients," he

Solutions

"Momentum's broad range of insurance solutions and health offerings give the best possible financial solution, because good financial wellness enables individuals and corporates to achieve their purpose in life," he added.

Ginindza said paying closer attention to employee wellness also shows employees their organisation cares about them as individuals, inspiring loyalty and

motivation.

"When employees feel their employers care about their health and well-being, they're more engaged.

"As Momentum we have seen wellness is very broad and includes topics like physical wellness, financial literacy and education, financial empowerment and many others which means employers can immediately start tackling anyone or more of these topics depending on which one is more 'accessible' to them, but ultimately all of these contribute towards financial wellness. Investing in financial wellness boosts the overall well-being of employees, increasing their health. productivity and engagement," he

"Momentum is committed to helping employers fulfil their employees' lifelong financial

needs, by providing relevant and unique solutions to suit their budget and individual circumstances. It is our aim to build and maintain enduring relationships by providing transparent, simple and effective solutions, and further designing communication channel these solutions" he said.

Ginindza said financial wellness programmes were not nearly as commonplace as retirement plans or group life insurance coverage within the workplace, but recent research reveals why employers may want to consider adding financial literacy as a priority within the workplace.

Ginindza said when employees lack an understanding of their financial circumstances or how to effectively manage changes in their financial lives, the employees and employers suffer the consequences.

ACSA SUSPENDS 3 TOP BOSSES

JOHANNESBURG - Airports Company SA (ACSA) suspended three senior managers yesterday amid allegations of bribery, corruption and unfair practices within its supply chain management.

However, ACSA said it would not suspend Chief Executive Bongani Maseko, who would continue in his role. The board announced its decision to suspended procurement manager Percy Sithole, general manager for regional airports Jabulani Khambule and legal counsel Bongani Machobane with immediate effect.

The board took a decision not to suspend Maseko, who would continue in his role while the disciplinary process unfolded. It would continue with further investigations, the company said.

The forensic report into irregul him will larities in ACSA's supply chain management was conducted by Dr VS Mncube Consulting on behalf of the ACSA

board and presented to the Maseko ha

board in August.

It investigated allegations that tender flaws had led to Exclusive Books losing the OR Tambo International Airport and Cape Town International Airport tenders.

It also investigated how City
Lodge was awarded tenders for
the construction and operation of
3-star hotels in OR Tambo
International Airport, the
Bloemfontein Airport and Port
Elizabeth Airport despite them
failing to meet requirements specified in the Request For Proposal
documentation and tender advert.

City Lodge also allegedly failed to submit their tender documentation within the deadline on November 16, 2007, at noon.

Investigation also probed how ACSA awarded black-owned

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Enterprises (TTE with emergency
grass-cutting and vegetation contracts plus the runways, taxiways,
aprons and road surfaces work
without a tender process.
The report stated that both tor-

The report stated that both tenders involved the discontinuation of the current service providers and emergency issuing to TTE.

"One of the alleged cancellations was due to the tax clearance having expired, which we have not performed any procedure to

prove or disprove the allegations.
We could not find evidence that a proper process of

on behalf of the ACSA ESCA SED: Airports Company SA Chief Executive Bongani board, and presented to the Maseko has escaped suspension in an ongoing investigation.

emergency appointments was followed with TTE, there are no records found so far of the other companies who competed against TTE during the emergency appointments," the report read.

The report found ACSA did not have a clearly defined Enterprise Development Policy in terms of its Cleaning Staff Empowerment Tender, which was aimed at providing staff the opportunity to be part of an empowerment initiative

It was found that two out of the five companies appointed were not evaluated by ACSA, and were not on the shortlisted companies that presented their proposals to the company.

The investigation found Maseko's failure to address the written complaint of Exclusive Books despite the matter being referred to his office by the company secretariat on or about July 7, 2015, thereby exposing ACSA to reputational and possibly litigation risk.

Business Report

Small businesses battling in KZN

DURBAN - While there was a decrease in the number of small, medium and micro enterprises (SMMEs) in KwaZulu-Natal last year when compared with 2008, the number of black-owned SMMEs has grown nationally.

This is according to a study released by the Bureau of Economic Research, which was commissioned by the Small Enterprise Development Agency.

The 2008 statistics were based on a report by the Trade and Industry Department on the country's SMME sector. The study found that the number of SMMEs in KZN declined by 11 per cent from 2008 to 2015. Most of the losses were in the formal business sector as 27 615 businesses were no longer in operation last year.

The reasons for the decline included a lack of infrastructure and access to finance, too much red tape in government, high levels of crime and a volatile economic climate.

The Mercury

DA highlights faults in new liquor bill

JOHANNESBURG - The official opposition has warned the Department of Trade and Industry (dti) that the Liquor Amendment Bill, which seeks to hold manufacturers liable for offences that take place in unlicensed pubs and shebeens, was flawed.

DA spokesman Dean Macpherson said yesterday that the bill would have serious implications for the government and unintended consequences in increasing the age limit from 18 to 21 years.

The department was in Parliament last week to brief the portfolio committee on trade and industry on the bill.

Trade and Industry Minister Rob
Davies announced in September that the
bill was out for public comment until
December 1.

Macpherson said the DA had noted some serious flaws in the bill, and they had a number of reservations.

Business Report

Nearly 60% of Nigerian flights delayed in 3 months

LAGOS - Nearly 60 per cent of domestic flights were delayed in Nigeria in just three months to the end of September, local media reported on Monday, citing statistics from the country's aviation regulator.

The Nigerian Civil Aviation Authority (NCAA) recorded 7 722 delays of the 13 097 scheduled flights operated by eight airlines in the third quarter; 253 services were cancelled in the same period.

Arik Air, Nigeria's biggest airline, was responsible for the bulk of delayed and cancelled flights, followed by Air Peace. Airlines have blamed the



delays on a shortage of aviation fuel because of a shortage of foreign currency to pay suppliers. Nigeria slipped into recession in August after being hit by months of dwindling revenue caused by the fall in global oil prices. Gross domestic product is expected to shrink in 2016 by 1.6 per cent, the African Development Bank said in a recent statement.

Nigeria's aviation sector in particular has taken a beating. Some international airlines have halted flights altogether and at least one domestic carrier, Aero Contractors, suspended operations indefinitely.

International carriers United Airlines and Iberia have stopped flights to Nigeria because of difficulties getting revenue out of the country.

The result has made travelling even more of a headache in Nigeria, which was already notorious for shoddy airports and bribe-hungry staff.

Last year, a travel website rated the West African country's Port Harcourt International Airport the worst in the world, describing it as "the dirtiest and most corrupt airport in Africa."

AFP

REBOSIS ON A ROLL WITH PROFIT OF R2.4BN

JOHANNESBURG - Listed property fund Rebosis reported yesterday a huge jump in operating profit to R2.4 billion for the year to end August - bolstered by earnings from its retail assets and commercial office portfolio, as well as acquisitions.

Rebosis's operating profit surged 169.36 per cent higher than the R904 million reported in 2015.

The Rebosis share price shot up more than 10 per cent in the morning to trade at R12.15 a share, as the market digested the results. It closed up 4.55 percent at R11.50 on the JSE yesterday.

The company reported that its

total revenue for the period also increased 79.21 per cent to R1.81bn, up from R1.01bn, while headline earnings per share rose to 86.59 cents from the 85.55c reported in 2015.

Rebosis chief executive Sisa Ngebulana said: "We have achieved these results despite increased cost of debt from 8.2 per cent to 8.9 per cent, due to extended debt and interest hedges taken over a four-year profile."

Rebosis has a 67.5 per cent interest in New Frontier Properties, which owns three dominant shopping centres in the UK.

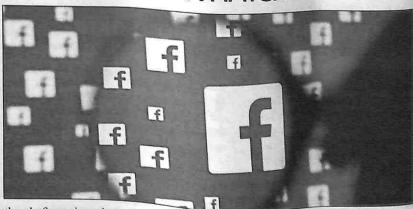
Business Report

FACEBOOK PAUSES USE OF WHATSAPP DATA

LUXEMBOURG - Facebook agreed to suspend its planned use of data from UK users of its WhatsApp messaging service for advertising purposes, the nation's privacy watchdog said as it vowed to "keep pushing" so people get more control.

"We've set out the law clearly to Facebook, and we're pleased that they've agreed to pause using data from UK WhatsApp users for advertisements or product improvement purposes," UK Information Commissioner Elizabeth Denham said in a blog post on Monday. "We have now asked Facebook and WhatsApp to sign an undertaking committing to better explaining to customers how their data will be used."

WhatsApp's changes are the first steps by Facebook toward monetising



the platform since the social network's chief executive officer, Mark Zuckerberg, sealed a deal to buy the app for US\$22 billion in 2014.

European Union data protection regulators, who include the UK commissioner, last month said Facebook must stop processing user data from WhatsApp while they investigate the privacy policy changes the company announced in August. The Article 29 Working Party said on October 28 that it had "serious concerns" about the sharing of WhatsApp users' data for purposes that were not included in the terms of service and privacy policy when existing users signed up to the service. *Bloomberg*

R212m RELEASED FOR SA DROUGHT RELIEF

PRETORIA - Much-needed relief was brought to eight provinces when the Department of Agriculture made an additional R212 million available in drought aid.

The department said the country was battling the worst drought since 1992.

Seven provinces had so far declared a provincial state of drought disaster.

The Western Cape has declared a local state of disaster in three municipalities - the Central Karoo, Eden and the West Coast.

Gauteng is the only province that

Gauteng is the only province that has not yet declared a state of drought disaster.

The department said in the 2015/16 financial year, which ended in March, it had allocated R263m towards drought relief. In addition, provinces made R198m available "to assist affected farmers with animal feed and water reticulation for livestock".

"For the 2016/17 financial year the department further requested drought relief assistance from the National Treasury through the



HELPING OUT: The Department of Agriculture has made an additional R212 million available in drought aid.

National Disaster Management Centre.

"Some R212m has been made available for the provision of animal feed for the remainder of 2016," the department said in a statement.

Of that, the Western Cape was allocated R12m.

The highest amount - R38m - was allocated to the North West province.

"The drought's devastating effects pose a risk of social upheaval.

"Some parts of the country are experiencing some rain, but the country in its entirety is receiving below average rainfall as compared to previous seasons due to the El Nino phenomenon.

"Most rivers are not flowing normally and dam levels are at their lowest in a decade," the department said.

Agri Western Cape spokeswoman Jeanne Boshoff said: "Agri Western Cape is grateful for the R12m coming our way since the Western Cape hasn't received any drought assistance from the national government to date." *Pretoria News*

'Manufacturing sector capable of creating more jobs'

CAPE TOWN - The Komani Industrial Park Revitalisation Project, launched by the Department of Trade and Industry (DTI), will see new jobs being created in townships and rural communities in the Eastern Cape.

In collaboration with the provincial and local government of the Chris Hani District Municipality in Komani, Trade and Industry Minister Rob Davies explained the project is the fourth industrial park to be launched this year and is anticipated to create more jobs for locals, thereby boosting the local economies.

"To date, the four launched parks combined, employ almost 40 000 people," added Davies at the launch on Monday.

Davies said during the first phase of the revitalisation programme, seven SMMEs were appointed as sub-contractors at the value of R5.3 million.

"Seventy-one local labourers were employed and 63 percent of these were youth," added Davies. According to Davies, there was a need to create opportunities for more people in the manufacturing sector.

"The manufacturing sector is capable of creating more jobs and thus it must be supported.

We also need to search for jobcreation opportunities that will boost the economy," said Davies.

Davies went on to provide examples like agro-processing and clothing and textile which could also address the unemployment challenges, when supported.

According to Davies, the Black Industrialist Programme, with an objective to increase role-players in the manufacturing sector, has to date supported 22 black industrialists and 1 500 jobs have been created. R1.5 billion has been injected to support these industrialists.

Mfundo Tsheketshe, the provincial chairperson of the Black Management Forum, said: "We welcome the initiative because it inspires hope for the local people as this will create jobs and boost our local economy."

The launch marked the completion of the first phase of the project, which covers security upgrading of the industrial park. The (DTI) has so far invested R22.5 million in the revitalisation of the Komani Industrial Park. This was in response to a call by President Jacob Zuma to work towards full-scale industrialisation and inclusive growth.

ANA

'My Samsung Galaxy J5 caught fire'

PARIS - A Samsung phone user in France says her Galaxy J5 smartphone caught fire and exploded on Sunday.

The model is different from the Galaxy Note 7 that has been recalled worldwide.

Lamya Bouyirdane told The Associated Press on Monday she

noticed the phone
was very hot after
she asked her fouryear-old son to pass
it over during a
family gathering at
her home. She said
she threw the phone
away when she
realised it had
"swollen up" and
smoke was coming
out.

"I panicked when I saw the smoke and I had the reflex to

throw it away," said Bouyirdane, a mother-of-three in the south-western French city of Pau.

The phone then caught fire and the back blew off. Her partner quickly extinguished it.

Bouyirdane said she bought the phone new last June on a website offering discounts.

The South Korean company recently recalled millions of its Galaxy Note 7 smartphones globally because of a problem that caused the batteries to overheat and catch fire.

William Stofega, a mobile analyst for IDC, said the incident in France was most likely an isolat-

ed one, noting the phone has been on the market for several months now and this is the first report of a battery fire that he's aware of.

"These reports tend to cluster," he said.

He added problems involving lithium-ion batteries used in not just smartphones,

but also laptop computers, have been around for years and there's no easy fix for them.

Manufacturing defects or even a small amount of damage can cause a short circuit, resulting in an overheated battery and potentially a fire.

Samsung said in a statement it cannot on the case yet because

comment on the case yet because the company has not investigated it.

"We are unable to comment on this specific incident until we obtain and thoroughly examine the device.

Customer safety remains our highest priority and we want to work with any customer who has experienced an issue with a Samsung product in order to investigate the matter and support them," it said in the statement. "The issues with the Galaxy Note7 are isolated to only that model."

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Chinese exports drop for seventh month

BEIJING - Chinese exports sank for a seventh consecutive month in October as weak global demand dealt a blow to the world's number two economy following recent signs of stability.

The data was released yesterday as export-oriented companies in China feel their margins squeezed by rising labour costs and increasing competition from southeastern Asian countries.

Overseas shipments fell 7.3 percent on the previous year, while imports fell 1.4 percent, with both coming in below expectations in a survey of economists by Bloomberg News.

China is the world's biggest trader



in goods and its performance affects partners from Australia to Zambia, which have been battered as its expansion has slowed to levels not seen in a quarter of a century. With exports totalling \$178.2-billion (R2.39-billion) and imports

\$129.1-billion the trade surplus dropped to \$49.1-billion in the month. Customs earlier gave the figure in yuan terms, showing a 3.2 percent drop in exports and a 3.2 percent increase in imports year on year. AFP

Toyota profit tumbles on strong yen, but lifts full-year view

TOKYO - Toyota said yesterday its April-September net profit dived 25 percent, hit by a sharp rally in the yen and as North American vehicle sales fell again, but it upgraded its full-year outlook.

The world's biggest vehicle maker reported a net profit of 946.1 billion yen (\$9.1-billion) in the first half of its fiscal year, down from 1.25 trillion yen in the same period last year.

Operating profit fell nearly 30 percent to 1.11 trillion yen, while revenue was off 7.2 percent at 13.07 trillion yen.

However, the Japanese automaker boosted its full-year to March net profit forecast to 1.55 trillion yen



from an earlier 1.45 trillion yen estimate.

"Despite the positive factors such as cost reduction and marketing efforts, operating income was down... due to the significant impact of yen appreciation," Toyota said in a statement.

The decline in Toyota's profits underscore the negative impact a

resurgent currency has had on firms doing a lot of business abroad.

Japan's exporters reaped windfall profits over the past few years as government efforts to kickstart the world's number three economy sharply weakened the yen.

That was good for firms such as Toyota and rivals Honda and Nissan because repatriated foreign profits were worth more when the yen was weak and because it boosted their competitiveness overseas.

But the currency has rallied since the start of the year as volatile equity markets and Britain's vote to exit the European Union boosted demand for a unit widely seen as a safe investment. AFP

PRESIDENT ZUMA MISSES DEADLINE ON ABRAHAMS

JOHANNESBURG-The Presidency has asked the Freedom Under Law for more time to review its request.

The Civil Rights Organisation had given President Jacob Zuma until 4pm on Monday to suspend National Prosecuting Authority Boss Shaun Abrahams.

It also wants two other prosecutors suspended.

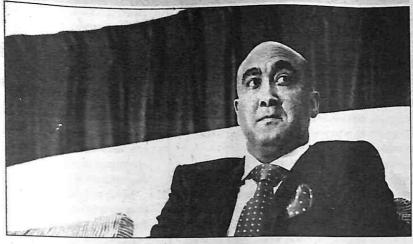
FUL says the three are responsible for withdrawn fraud charges against Finance Minister Pravin Gordhan.

"We will have to consult with our lawyers again, we will have to decide whether we are going to press on," said Johann Kriegler.

"At the moment it seems highly unlikely that unless we get a satisfactory response from the president to the effect there will be a suspension, we will be going to court."

According to the presidency, it learnt from media reports the Helen Suzman Foundation (HSF) and

... Presidency denies receiving letter



WANTED OUT: National Prosecuting Authority boss Shaun Abrahams.

Freedom Under Law (FUL) wrote to Zuma regarding the alleged "impropriety and unfitness" of the National Prosecuting Authority head to hold office.

"The letter gives an account of

how the NDPP and the prosecutors who dealt with the matter involving the Minister of Finance and others misconducted themselves," the Presidency said in a statement.

Zuma to face another no-confidence vote

CAPE TOWN - National Assembly Speaker Baleka Mbete has scheduled a vote of no confidence debate for tomorrow.

The DA says it has received a written confirmation from Parliament.

The debate comes in the

wake of a Public Protector State of Capture report implicating President Jacob Zuma in his dealings with the Gupta family.

Zuma has been under pressure since the report was released.

eNCA

Zuma in Ethiopia to discuss Libya

JOHANNESBURG - President Jacob Zuma arrived yesterday in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, to attend the African Union (AU) high-level committee on Libya.

The presidency said Zuma is attending the meeting of heads of

The meeting has been convened by the Chairperson of the AU, President Idriss Déby Itno of the Republic of Chad, to review the evolution of the situation in Libya.

The meeting is also looking at regional and international efforts aimed at addressing the turmoil in that country.

Five years after an armed insurrection resulted in the overthrow and death of long-time leader and strongman Muammar Gaddafi, Libya continues to find itself in turmoil.

Members of the AU high-level committee on Libya include Algeria, the Republic of the Congo, Egypt, Mauritania

(Chair), Niger, South Africa and Uganda.

The AU representative for Libya is the former president of Tanzania Jakaya Kikwete.

"President Zuma will also participate in the Second Extraordinary Summit of the Volunteering Nations of the African Capacity for Immediate Response to Crises (ACIRC)," said the presidency.

Discuss

"The aim of this summit is to discuss the status of the ACIRC Force following the conduct of the Utulivu Africa I and II Command Post Exercises and the verification of the pledged capabilities from May 2014 to April 2015." ACIRC, which was established in 2013, consists of "volunteering nations" - Algeria, Angola, Benin, Chad, Burkina Faso, Egypt, Mozambique, Niger, Rwanda, Senegal, South Africa, Sudan, Tanzania and Uganda. ANA

NGOs pressure Zuma to suspend Abrahams

JOHANNESBURG - The Helen Suzman Foundation and Freedom Under Law said they wrote to President Jacob Zuma urging him to suspend the head of the National Prosecuting Authority (NPA), Shaun Abrahams.

On Monday, the presidency denied receiving the letter, saying there was

no receipt of this correspondence.

The NGOs said they wrote to Zuma on 1 November urging him to suspend Abrahams and two senior staff after the NPA issued a formal summons against Finance Minister Pravin Gordhan and two former Sars

This adversely affected the rand.

The president was given until 4pm on Monday to respond, but in a statement asked for another two weeks to respond.

According to the NGOs' letter, Abrahams' admission he didn't apply his mind or see supporting documents before issuing the summons was reckless. eNCA

Sars wins racism case Wits exams continue without disruptions

JOHANNESBURG - The Constitutional Court said the ruling Jacobus Kruger be reinstated is unreasonable and must be set aside.

Chief Justice Megoeng dismissed Kruger's argument that he's a pastor and has black friends.

Kruger was taken to a disciplinary hearing where he pleaded guilty saying stress had led to his racist outbursts.

He was initially given a final written warning and suspended without pay for ten days.

But dissatisfied, Gordhan

immediately fired Kruger. Sars had to justify overturning the sanction to dismissal or explain the relationship was irreparably harmed.

But it failed to do that. Kruger took his dismissal to the

CCMA where he won. Sars lost its subsequent appeals in the Labour Court and argued the case before the Constitutional

Court in August. The revenue service maintains it cannot be expected to retain an employee it lost faith and confidence in.

eNCA

JOHANNESBURG - About 4 000 University of Witwatersrand (Wits) students wrote exams on Monday with no disruptions after protesters' bid for an urgent interdict to stop them was rejected by the South Gauteng High Court.

Wits Senior Communications Officer Shirona Patel said the institution maintained a full security presence around the campus.

"In order to ensure the safety and security of students during the examination period and to ensure examinations are not disrupted, additional security checks have been put in place. Students must arrive 50 minutes before the exam to go through the appropriate checks.'

She added the exams would finish on 30 November.

Former Wits student representative council (SRC) and #FeesMustFall Leader Mcebo Dlamini appeared in the Palm Ridge Magistrate's Court



PEACE AND CALM: University of Witwatersrand students have continued with their examinations without any disrup-

yesterday to apply for bail.

He was previously denied bail by the Johannesburg Magistrate's Court,

Evidence

Magistrate Albertus Roux said releasing Dlamini would not be in the best interest of justice because state evidence proved he would not be able to keep protests peaceful.

He indicated Dlamini had ignored the Wits court order restraining stu-

dents from disrupting normal university activities and harassing, intimidating and causing damage to property of the university, its staff or students.

The 30-year-old old Dlamini has been charged with public violence, theft, malicious damage to property and assault with intent to cause grievous bodily harm.

Africa News Agency





TRAGIC END FOR BOY BORN WITH HIS HEAD UPSIDE-DOWN

• Indian teenager whose story moved the world dies just eight months after life-changing surgery

• Mahendra Ahirwar had a condition making his head hang at 180-degrees

• 13-year-old, from Madhya Pradesh, India, needed help to do most things

• He suddenly passed away eight months after neckstraightening op

NEW DELHI - A 13year-old boy in India whose head was hanging at a 180-degree angle has died just eight months after life-changing surgery to fix it.

Mahendra Ahirwar, who suffered from a rare condition called congenital myopathy which made the muscles in his neck so weak his head would hang, had been absolutely fine in the morning.

His mother Sumitra, 36, said he had his lunch on Saturday, lay down to watch TV and at around 3pm passed away.

Dr Rajagopalan
Krishnan, who completed
the surgery to straighten
his neck in February this
year, said he was left
shocked by his sudden
death.

He said: "I can only conjecture a massive cardiac or pulmonary event might have occurred and often there are no premonitory symptoms in such cases. I think myopathy and poor chest muscles caught up with him in the end.

"He was among the bravest children I've seen since my return to India and I see the most terrible and neglected deformities."

Dr Krishnan said: "For me, the joy and smile on his face when his head stopped sagging was one



RARE CONDITION: Before the operation Mahendra, pictured, was unable to go to school. But after the operation he was allowed to join the other children, while wearing a neck brace. (Pics: Daily Mail)



of the defining moments in my decision to operate on children with neglected and awful spinal disorders. Anguish

"I am sure his absence will cause anguish to everyone who was involved in his care, his smile was brighter than the sun after his neck was straightened."

Today Mahendra's father Mukesh Ahirwar, 42, and his mother Sumitra spoke of their devastation.

Sumitra said: "I had so many plans and dreams for him. I wanted him to grow big. He dreamt of opening a general store and we were going to help him. His dreams are shattered now.

"He'd been playing in the morning, had breakfast, took a shower and took a ride on his wheelchair inside the house. After having lunch, he asked to watch TV. I switched on his cartoon, and he coughed twice.

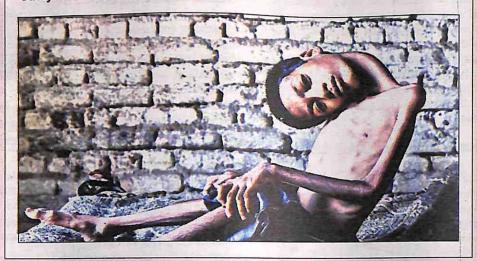
'He asked me to rub his chest and then tried a third cough but died. I started crying loudly and called his name. I ran outside, I kept shouting "my son isn't moving", and a neighbour phoned the doctor.

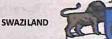
Daily Mail





CROCKED: Schoolboy Mahendra Ahirwar (pictured) had a rare condition which made his neck muscles so weak his head hung to one side and he saw the world at a 180-degree angle. In February Mahendra (pictured, with Dr Krishnan) spent a fortnight in the Apollo Hospital in Chennai, before being allowed to go home to recover. Sadly he has now passed away.







GOVERNMENT

INVITATION TO TENDER NO.218 of 2016/17 FOR CONSTRUCTION OF LOHLALANI RIVER CROSSING AT NGONINI

The Ministry of Public Works and Transport is inviting Category C2 Civil Engineering Contractors registered with the Construction Industry Council to tender for the construction of the above-mentioned River Crossing at Ngonini.

Tenders must be accompanied by a General Receipt of E300.00 (Three Hundred Emalangeni Only) non-refundable, payable at the Government Revenue Office. Payment must be directed to Head 53, Responsibility Centre 2101; Item code 21132.

Documents can be collected from the office of:

The Chief Roads Engineer Ministry of Public Works & Transport Headquarters, Office No: 84

from Wednesday 09 November, 2016, upon production of the General Receipt. A compulsory site inspection shall be held on Wednesday 16 November at 10:00AM. Prospective tenderers are to meet at the MRS/D97 junction at Sihhoye. Contact 7602-0682 or 7802-1222 for directions.

Tenders must be enclosed in a sealed envelope and must be marked as follows:

The Secretary to the Government Tender Board Treasury Building P.O.Box 38 Mbabane

Tenders must be delivered to the offices of Tender Board, Treasury Building P.O. Box 38 Mbabane, Swaziland, before 09.00AM on Friday 02 November 2016, and deposited in the Tender Submission Box. Tender bids that are late, telegraphic, electronic and faxed will not be considered. The Envelope must be sealed and clearly marked with the correct tender title.

Valid Certified Copies of the following documents must be attached to the tender document:

- A valid Trading Licence (for Builder/Contractor);
- A valid Trading Licence (for Builder/Contractor);
 A valid Tax Compliance Certificate (for Government Tender);
- A valid Labour Compliance Certificate;
- Tender Security (E5000.00);
 General Receipt (E300.00);
- General Receipt (£300.00);
 A valid Construction Industry Council Certificate of Registration;
- A valid S.N.P.F Clearance Certificate.

The Ministry of Public Works and Transport does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender. Any attempt to influence the outcome of the tendering process shall result in immediate disqualification.

SECRETARY
SWAZILAND GOVERNMENT TENDER BOARD

BRIEFS

Orphans go hungry amid food shortages

DAKAR - Thousands of Ebola orphans, teenage mothers and children in charge of households in Sierra Leone are struggling to feed themselves and their families amid widespread food shortages in the West African nation, a British charity said. While most families devastated by Ebola have received humanitarian aid, at least 1 400 children orphaned by the epidemic urgently need support, according to Street Child.

Gunmen free 21 prisoners in Mali

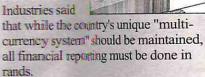
BAMAKO - Unidentified gunmen freed 21 prisoners in the southern Mali town of Banamba late on Sunday in what Mali's justice minister described as a "terrorist attack". Mamadou Ismael Konate said on Monday the six attackers had wanted to release "two terrorists" but said they had already been moved to another town. Konate said one prison guard had gone missing after the raid but he provided no further details. An army spokesman said the attack had occurred around 2100 GMT.

Reuters

Firms urge use of rand as main currency

CAPE TOWN Zimbabwean firms have reportedly arged the government to adopt the South African rand as its "reference currency" instead of the US

dollar.
According to
Bloomberg, the
Confederation of
Zimbabwe



Reuters

Bond notes 'are being printed in Zim'

HARARE - If Zimbabwe's little-liked bond notes aren't being printed in Germany or South Africa, where are they being printed? Zimbabwe, of course, say opposition officials. Until recently, the Reserve Bank of Zimbabwe claimed German firm Giesecke & Devrent (G&D) would print the notes, which are apparently to be put into circulation at the end of this month.

Zimbabwe's privately-owned Newsday on Monday quoted central bank chief John Mangudya as refusing to say where the notes will be turned out, claiming only: "They are not being printed in Germany or South Africa."

News 24

Egyptians bracing for hard times

CAIRO - Egyptians are looking at a period of hardship as the government unrolls austerity measures including a floating pound that has drastically depreciated the currency and raised prices, analysts say.

The measures, in return for a \$12 billion IMF loan, had been avoided by governments fearing unrest, but President Abdel Fattah al-Sisi says Egypt no longer has the luxury of

postponing them.

News24

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MOZAMBIQUE UPBEAT ON DEBT CRISIS, INVESTORS NOT SO SURE

MAPUTO - Mozambique's finance minister has a plan to deal with a debt crisis that threatens to derail one of Africa's most promising frontier economies but investors are far from convinced.

Adriano Maleiane told money managers in Maputo last week an independent audit should bring transparency to billions of dollars of secret debts while negotiations with creditors would calm financial markets and bring the International Monetary Fund (IMF) and Western donors back to the table.

However, in interviews, bondholders, energy executives, Western diplomats and political analysts expected Mozambique's crisis will run deeper and longer than Maleiane says as debt talks hit hurdles and a planned gas



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boom is delayed.

"There will be no quick fix," one banker, who holds
Mozambique government debt, told Reuters. "There is a lot to

iron out and we need evidence of long-term stability before restructuring," added the banker, who spoke on condition of anonymity. President Filipe Nyusi's government last week appointed risk management firm Kroll to conduct an audit into secret loans, a condition for the IMF to resume aid talks with this war-scarred southeast African nation. The Mozambique government said earlier this year it arranged sovereign borrowing without parliamentary approval, as required by law.

Maleiane said he does not think the audit will uncover any more secret loans, but left the door open by asking anyone who knew about extra debt to come forward.

"That doesn't fill me with confidence," said another bond-holder who declined to be identified because of the sensitivity of the issue. "If the finance minister doesn't know, who does?"

News24

Zanu PF to blame for Zim's cash crisis

HARARE – The current economic crisis in Zimbabwe is a result of Zanu PF's sole control of government after the end of the Government of National Unity, a senior economist said Monday.

Labour and Economic Research Institute of Zimbabwe (LEDRIZ) Director, Godfrey Kanyenze told a Civil Society Organisations' coordinating meeting on the introduction of bond notes that Zanu PF had never made the economy an issue since they took over sole control of government in 2013.

Issue

"The economy was never on the centre of things. In fact the people were never a centre of discourse for Zanu PF, the issue was always about power and

succession. The rebound that we saw in 2009 started trending downwards," he said.

He said people should not expend their energies on whether or not they wanted the bond notes but rather deal with fundamental economic issues affecting the country like rampant corruption and warped policies.

ANA

Zimbabwe says NO to homosexuality

HARARE – The
Zimbabwean government
has reportedly rejected
calls for allowing same
sex-marriages in the country, saying, however, that
it would accept other recommendations in line with
the country's constitution.
According to the state-

owned Herald newspaper,
Deputy President
Emmerson Mnangagwa
told the United Nations
Human Rights Council
Working Group that
Zimbabwe would not allow
homosexuality in the country.Mnangagwa, however,
revealed that the country

would accept 142 other recommendations that were in line with the country's harmonised constitution.

"With regards to areas that we felt we would not accept, it is issues of gays and homosexuality, which is unlawful in our country.

News24

Morocco still undecided on government coalition

RABAT - A month since winning Morocco's parliamentary elections, Islamist Prime Minister Abdelilah Benkirane is still haggling over his future governing coalition.

The October 7 poll dealt a resounding victory to Benkirane's Justice and Development Party (PJD) - but

not large enough to form the majority needed to form a government alone.

At the head of a coalition government for five years, Benkirane was reappointed and charged with forming a new government after winning 125 out of 395 seats in the lower house.

He has since been haggling

with potential coalition partners - but excluding his party's arch-rival, the Authenticity and Modernity Party (PAM), which came second in the election with 102 seats.

Analysts say the election, in which all other parties made net losses, established a bipartisan system.

AFP

Algerian president in France for medical checks

ALGIERS - Algerian President Abdelaziz Bouteflika flew to the southern French city of Grenoble on Monday for what the presidency said were "periodic" medical checks.

The 79-year-old had a stroke in 2013 which weakened his mobility and ability to speak. He now uses a wheelchair and works from his residence in Zeralda, west of Algiers.

Bouteflika went to Grenoble "for a private visit during which he will undergo periodic medical checks", a statement said.

No further details were available about where he will undergo the checks in the city where he was also treated in November 2014 and December last

In April this year, he also underwent "routine medical checks" in Switzerland, the APS news agency reported at the time, again citing a presidency statement.

There are regular rumours in Algeria about the state of the president's health, with opposition leaders quick to evoke the idea of a "power vacuum".

Bouteflika has led Algeria for the past 17 years. In 2014, his decision to seek a fourth mandate sparked criticism from those who questioned his ability to rule.

He did not campaign and cast his ballot from a wheelchair, but still won 81 percent of the vote.

AFP

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JAPAN RATIFIES PARIS AGREEMENT AFTER THE PACT ENTERS INTO FORCE

TOKYO-Japan yesterday ratified the 2015 Paris Climate Change Agreement to cut emissions and prevent climate change, four days after the global pact officially entered into force.

The agreement seeks to wean the world economy off fossil fuels in the second half of the century, limiting the rise in average world temperatures to "well below" 2.0 degrees Celsius (3.6 Fahrenheit) above preindustrial times.

The delay in ratification could limit Japan's ability to influence negotiations on the finer details of the agreement. Those talks were set to formally begin during the COP-22 meeting in Morocco that started.

Representatives from nearly



RECTIFIED: A man walks past as steam rises from stacks at the Yokkaichi industrial complex in Yokkaichi. Mie Prefecture.

200 countries convened in Marrakesh, Morocco for two weeks to discuss the nuts and bolts of the Paris accord and the policies, technology and finance needed to ensure the Paris goals are achieved. "Japan aims to play a leading role in crafting arrangements that raise transparency in each country's emission cuts to help accomplish the spirit of the Paris agreement," Japan's Prime Minister Shinzo Abe said in a statement vesterday.

Backing for the accord from several European nations, Canada, Bolivia and Nepal last month pushed the agreement past the 55 percent of emitters limit needed for implementation, with U.S. President Barack Obama calling for other nations to sign up "as soon as possible."

The agreement is meant to cut global greenhouse gas emissions, mainly from burning fossil fuels, to limit floods, droughts, more powerful storms and rising ocean levels. Japan has also been criticised for pressing ahead with plans to open scores of new coalfired power plants at home and as Prime Minister Shinzo Abe's government pushes coal burning power technology abroad.

BRIEFS

HK jury retires to consider murder trial

LONDON - A Hong Kong jury yesterday retired to consider its verdict in British banker Rurik Jutting's double murder trial, a gruesome case involving graphic video of the torture and killing of two Indonesian women in his luxury high-rise apartment in 2014. Jutting, 31, has pleaded not guilty to murder arguing diminished responsibility due to drug and alcohol abuse and sexual disorders, but guilty to manslaughter. Reuters

Woman pushed to her death in front of train

NEW YORK - A woman shoved an unsuspecting traveler off a New York City subway platform into the path of an approaching train on Monday afternoon, killing the victim instantly as bystanders watched in horror, police said. The victim, also a woman, was pushed onto the tracks as a southbound No. 1 train pulled into the Times Square station around 1 p.m. Reuters

Mass grave found in area recaptured from IS

BAGHDAD – Iraqi police forces said they found a mass grave at the agricultural college in an area that was recaptured

from the Islamic State group. The grave was found in Hamam al-Alil area, about 14 kilometres (8 miles) from



the southern outskirts of Mosul, the last IS-held Iraqi city."Federal police found a mass grave west of Hamam al-Alil in the agricultural college," the police said in a statement.

AFP

Former US attorney general Reno dies

MIAMI – Janet Reno, the first female US attorney general and a lightning rod for Republican attacks during Bill Clinton's presidency, has died in Florida, US media reported on Monday. She was 78. Reno, who had been suffering from Parkinson's disease, was the top US law enforcement officer throughout Clinton's 1993-2001 presidency.

She came under fire barely one month after becoming attorney general for her handling of a botched April 1993 FBI raid on an armed religious cult in Waco, Texas. More than 80 people died when the Branch Davidian cult's compound went up in flames.

AFP

Israel opposes France's peace initiative

JERUSALEM – Israel on Monday reiterated its firm opposition to a French plan to hold an international conference before the end of the year to restart long-stalled peace efforts with the Palestinians. France's envoy for the plan, Pierre Vimont, met in the morning with Israeli acting national security adviser Jacob Nagel and diplomatic envoy Yitzhak Molcho before holding talks with the Palestinians. The Israeli officials called for "direct negotiations between Israel and the Palestinian Authority" and said "any other initiative only pushes the region further away from this process." AFP

Palestinian teens sentenced to jail over knife attacks

JERUSALEM - An Israeli court sentenced three Palestinian teenagers to more than a decade in prison on Monday for stabbing Israelis, including a 14-year-old involved in one of the most high-profile attacks.

The sentences drew criticism from Palestinians and rights activists who said the youths should not be given such long jail terms.

Ahmed Manasra, 14, was sentenced to 12 years after having earlier been found guilty of the attempted murder of two Israelis, a 20-year-old and a 12-year-old boy.

He was 13 at the time of the October 2015 attack in the Jewish settlement neighbourhood of Pisgat Zeev in annexed east Jerusalem.

The stabbings led to a propaganda war between Palestinians and Israelis, sparked by surveillance footage later released of the incident.

Manasra carried out the attack along with his 15-year-old cousin Hassan, who was shot dead by security forces. The two Israelis were seriously wounded.

In addition to the jail term, the Jerusalem district court ordered Manasra to pay €19 000 in compensation to the adult victim and €23 746 to the boy, the ruling said.

His lawyer Lea Tsemel said she planned to appeal the sentence.

The sentencing and trial were closed to journalists because Manasra is a minor. Prosecutors had requested 12

AFP

Don't ignore the people - Farage

Nigel Farage threatens to lead 100 000-strong march outside
 Supreme Court on day of Brexit appeal ruling

LONDON - Nigel Farage is planning to lead a 100 000-strong march outside the Supreme Court to coincide with its historic ruling on whether Parliament must be given a vote on Brexit.

It will serve as a 'reminder' about June's historic Brexit vote and is being organised by the Ukip-affiliated Leave EU group.

The march would start in

Trafalgar Square and move down Whitehall towards Parliament Square and to the Supreme Court in Westminster.

It is expected to coincide with the start of the Supreme Court's four-day hearing of the Government's appeal against last week's hugely controversial judgement that Parliament must be given a vote on triggering Article 50 - the formal

process for leaving the EU.

The hearing is expected to start on December 5, but a decision is unlikely until January.

Protest

A spokesman for Mr
Farage said the march is
'among a series of thoughts'
about how to protest against
Parliament delaying the
Brexit process and said no
firm plans for a march had
been made.

Daily Mail

France green party picks 2017 presidential candidate

PARIS – France's green party EELV on Monday elected MEP and former Greenpeace activist Yannick Jadot as its candidate for next year's presidential election.

Jadot, 49, won the party's primary with 54 percent of the vote, defeating fellow MEP Michele Rivasi who took 40.75 percent.

An environmentalist and humanitarian who coordinated Greenpeace campaigns in France between 2002 and 2008, Jadot was elected to the European Parliament in 2009.

Cecile Duflot, a former ecology minister in President Francois Hollande's Socialist government, had been con-



ELECTED: France's green party EELV on Monday elected MEP and former Greenpeace activist Yannick Jadot.

sidered the frontrunner but was knocked out in the first round of the EELV party primary on October 19.
Jadot was the surprise winner, scoring 35.6 percent to Rivasi's 30 percent.
Turnout in Monday's runoff

was 80 percent, some 10 percentage points higher than for the first round.

The presidential vote is set for April 23 and May 7, with centre-right former Prime Minister Alain Juppe tipped to win. *AFP*



ENSATIONAL SANDS THRIL F DURBAN'S INK HOP FEST

Stories by Nomfundo Sifundza

AFRO soul sensation Sandziso 'Sands' Matsebula does not only have looks to make his memory last forever but he on Saturday proved to Durban that his voice is his powerful force.

The artist was the only international act to grace the annual Durban based Ink Hop Festival. An event only consisting of South African artists.

According to his manager Phila Dlamini, Sands took to the stage and did his usual best, performing his hit songs 'Vuma, Tigi, Mbali' and his other tracks in the upcoming album.

Dlamini stated that the demand for Sand's album was getting higher by the day. This he was able to ascertain from the numerous pre-sale payments

King Terry secures

'After dark' venue, date

By Nomfundo Sifundza

LARGER than life rapper Akhona 'King Terry' Bhengu has clinched his usual Pub N Grill spot as the venue for his upcoming 'After Dark' live concert experience. Bhengu has also secured December 2 to be

the date for what promises to be one of the biggest shows he has pulled thus far. The rapper, well known in the entertainment circles for his hardworking nature and

determination is at it again with his apt event preparation and later dishing out an energy

This world class live concert comes after

the rapper and his forceful team pulled off a

The series ended on a high last month, with

talented performers such as KrTC, DJ Mbo,

Master P and the man himself King Terry

series of shows dubbed 'Royal Nights'.

...'Tigi' topping Ligwalagwala FM charts

THE singer's latest release 'tigi' has claimed the number one spot on South Africa's Ligwalagwala FM's Top 20.

Sand's has been releasing hit after hit ever since he focused more on his solo career.

'Tigi' follows right after hit 'Vuma's video reshoot by South Africa's Isibaya production crew.

The Vuma hit song is less than a year old but has been massively played locally and international-

Before his entire focus on his solo career, the

made to the artist's account. The two decided to do a pre-sale for the Sands of Time' album in order to be left with only deliveries when the album artist had been linked with hip hop artist Qibho Intalektual and they trended as Oibho and Sands.

Even then, the duo thrilled as they were almost all the time booked.

Sands is currently managed by a South African based Phila Dlamini, who made it clear last week that he still has bigger plans for the Swazi muso, than what they have already achieved together.

Until the Sands of Time album drops, the rest of the world dances to 'tigi gigi gi' as the song now trends on social media.

finally drops. It is expected to drop in the next two weeks from now.

Abuzz Social media has been



gle 'Tigi' the song title has been on quite many status updates, all applauding the beautiful work put on it and of course, Matsebula's voice.



MsCosmo simply a gem

By Lungelo Nkambule

5fm's DJ MsCosmo once again proved that dynamites come in small packages.

The petite South African club DJ who was the headlining act at DJ Wicked's birthday party over the weekend proved why she is one of the best female deejays in the industry.

Fresh from New York, MsCosmo gave an electrifying set driving the crowd wild.

She dropped the latest club bangers and had people of all ages dancing the night away. She came on stage at 2.30am and had everyone dancing up a storm.

The deejay who made her way into the club right after midnight was seen with her crew dancing

in appreciation of local artists and deejays who performed before. MsCosmo said she loved Swaziland and she wanted to come back.

Other deejays who played on the night also gave breath taking sets said it was an honour to play at DJ Wicked's party because he had done so much to improve the standard of the industry.

Party lovers who all came clad in white said this night reminded them of the good old days when SwaziBoy entertainment reigned the night life. They said more nights of this nature were necessary so they could let their hair loose. One fun lover said "we work hard we need to play hard more nights of fun like this are necessary."



SWAZI JIVE THREATENS FORCEFUL EXIST FOR THASA

By Nomfundo Sifundza

THE ongoing fight between two of the most contributing entertainment stables in the country Thasa Group and Swazi Jive is intensifying as the latter threatened to send a security company on the former should he not do as ordered.

Sakhile Nkambule, founder and director of Swazi Jive claimed to have ordered Thabo Christian Sishwashwa through email to evacuate the Swazi Jive premises he had been renting out for business.

Nkambule had first stated that Swazi Jive had given the office space to Thasa after seeing potential in him and his not so conducive working environment at Sdwashini.

He later said, although he

would not delve into payment issues for the office space "but Thabo did pay his due rent for the first three months he joined us, then I would not like to open any other can of worms concerning legal issues."

Chance

In a statement, Sishwashwa issued to this publication on Monday, he stated that he would not by the slightest chance evacuate the offices until Nkambule verbally communicates with him.

He (Sishwashwa) claimed to have not received the said email by Nkambule and confirmed that it was business as usual for him.

"I cannot say anything more or less my sister, until Nkambule speaks directly to me business continues as usual" he affirmed.





... Sakhile just loves Twitter rants

SAKHILE Nkambule took to his usual social media rants and posted tweets that centred on Sishwashwa's dishonesty.

He further went on to leave none to the imagination as he later posted that his public relations team had warned him on posting any other piece of information about the issue at hand after posting a handful stream of tweets.

Nkambule's twitter rants follow after his first biggest rant which saw South African heavyweight AKA being pulled out of the Hipnotik Festival line-up.

The entertainment stable director further claimed that he does not intend to tarnish Sishwashwa's brand but simply does not ever want to walk in the same corridors as him.

"He has so much capability but there is just no more need for him at Swazi Jive anymore" Nkambule said.

On the other hand, Sishwashwa preferred to remain mum when reached for comment on other possible business terms with Nkambule.

"I maintain the same sentiments, no move will I make until Nkambule directly approaches me," he said.

Industry

filled performance.

tearing the stage.

According to performers who were able to headline the Royal Nights episodes; the concept came right at a time when the local entertainment industry was growing rapidly. "We all can see it is about time, we do our own big things instead of waiting for foreign promoters to feature us in their shows, in our own country," Bhengu reckoned.

The selfless rapper promised to unveil other local acts that would be featured on the After Dark concert "I don't believe in doing this amply for myself.

"This is an industry that would head to the ight direction if we all held hands" he said.

MPHENDVULO'S ART EXHIBITION ABRUPTLY POSTSPONED

By Phumelele Mkhonta

pawap's talented senior artist, Mphendvulo Dhlamini's showcase dubbed 'The exclusive Art Exhibition of Contemporary Recyclartism' which was slated for last Friday at the Mbabane Library was abruptly postponed on the day of the event.

Dhlamini was supposed to showcase 30 of his master pieces he has created over the years; he uses twigs, pallets, grains from our trees and river sand soil as a

now slated for this Friday

finish to his paintings.

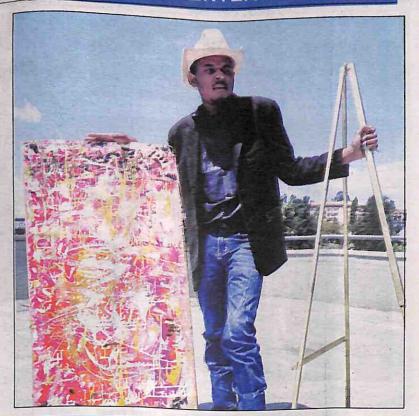
Dhlamini was incorporated in last year's Exhibit in Lobamba Museum which was hosted by the Swaziland National Council of Arts and Culture.

He has exhibited his material in most of Arts Awakes shows Arts Awake being a stable for talents.

With great disappointment, Dhlamini said he had problems beyond his control but he promises art lovers the exhibition will go on as planned, but on another date. "The pre-arranged venue was locked just hours before the event.

We could not fix the situation as the person responsible was already out of town. I know it was not their intention for the show to be sabotaged so the show will go on in the same venue this Friday. I apologise for inconvenience caused to my supporters and art lovers," said Dhlamini.

Entry to the art exhibition is still free.



'Mtanya' changes name to 'Nate'

By Nomfundo Sifundza

LOCAL afro soul rising star Nathaniel James affectionately known as 'Mtanya' has decided to re-brand himself and changed his name to 'Nate'.

James's music career has seen him frequent a number of top class restaurants in the country. Which he has now done for the longest period and so "It is time I take it a notch higher, it starts with re-branding myself" he said

He has also performed at the annual biggest festival in the country, the Bushfire Festival of the Arts as well as on international ground.

Nate has a following in the corporate sector as he has also rendered at the Global Business Roundtable (GBR) sessions held monthly across the country.

The 23 year old vastly talented and experienced musician takes after South African rapper Ricky Rick who changed his name to 'King Kotini' which by the look of images from the internet, he is adhering to.

Nate said he opted for the new name inorder to appeal to all sorts of audiences.

The young man said he has one album under his belt which he recorded at a studio in Johannesburg, owned by veteran Robbie Maline.

James also stated that he would from now on perform most of the songs in the album in the events he would be booked at in order to push sales.

James is one of the few artists in the country who actually make a living out of their

LIGHT OF CHRIST TO HOST FUNDRAISING FESTIVAL

By Majaha Nkonyane

IN a bid to complete the first phase of their structure, Light of Christ is hosting a fundraising concert on December, 17 which will be held at the church structure in Matsapha from 1800 until the next morning.

The church has spent over five million in the first phase of the structure and is still projecting to spend E10 million in order to complete the structure.

This was revealed by the church's project manager Tholeni Dlamini, at a media launch held at LaCasserole.

The brief media launch was also attended by the founder of the church Elias Shongwe who expressed his gratefulness towards the nation on what they have given to date.

"We would like to thank everyone who has assisted us to date with offerings, this also goes to business people who have assisted us to date.

We would like to further request the nation to continually support us as we work towards building the house of the Lord. We are still in talks with some South African artists to come and be part of this event but we have not confirmed with any yet," Church Founder Elias Shongwe said.

Structure

Shongwe further revealed they are hoping to have the church structure completed by Easters next year.

The event will have artists like Shongwe Nekhuphuka, Frans Dlamini, Nduduzo Matse, Police Gospel messengers, Shiba, Maculuve, Linda Dlamini and Phatwakahle.

Linda Dlamini spoke on behalf of the artists and assured the nation as artists they will deliver, he also urged the nation to come support and they will be praying for this event to be a success.

Whilst at the event ACASWA pledged with ten bags of cement and made mention as an association they support this initiative and further urged the nation to vote for Shongwe neKhupuka in the category for best artist of the year and song of the year.

PROMISES: Linda Dlamini speaking launch which was held at LaCassero Shongwe who is the founder of Light



PROMISES: Linda Diamini speaking during the Light of Christ Media launch which was held at LaCasserole. RIGHT - FOUNDER: Elias Shongwe who is the founder of Light of Christ church in Matsapha was also present at the media launch. (Pics: Majaah Nkonyane)



IN ATTENDANCE: Members of the church who were part of the media launch.



ATTENTIVE: Members of the church listening to one of the speakers during the media launch.



SUPPORT: The church members who came to support the vision of the church.



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HIGHLIGHTS



NEED FOR SPEED TOMORROW 19:30 | M-NET MOVIES ZONE (139)

'Fast And Furious' fans will not want to miss 'Need For Speed'. This high-octane, street-racing movie starring Breaking Bad's Aaron Paul will keep you on the edge of your seat.



CRIMINAL MIND: BEYOND BORDERS TONIGHT 22:00 | M-NET CITY (115)

A specialised International Division tackle international crimes, in this spin-off of the popular drama. In

the series premiere, the unit travel to Thailand when three volunteers go missing in Bangkok.



ANTARA FRIDAY 18:00 | ZEE WORLD (166)

S1/E1 - 1/1". Aditya finds out that Anuradha kept a huge secret from him for all these years. The policeman tells Kaveri that she can't look after Antara therefore he has to send her to an orphanage.



TOMORROW 18:00 | M-NET CITY (115)

Emmy winner Sharon Stone stars in and produces this action-packed series. In the series premiere, the newly elected vice president discovers that she's been assigned her very own secret operative: Agent X.



BLACKLIST BACK FOR SEASON FOUR

GOLDEN Globe-nominee James Spader returns as Raymond "Red" Reddington in Season 4 of the action-thriller The Blacklist.

Season 3 topped the drama and espionage with a fast-paced plot involving former FBI Agent Elizabeth Keen, who, having suffered through a traumatic childbirth, was tragically "killed"- and then quite unexpectedly discovered alive.

Throughout the arrival of numerous villains (including one Alexander Kirk, who claimed to be Liz's father), the FBI's most wanted criminal, Red, remained as cool as a cucumber-especially when he found out that Liz survived.

Season 4 opens right where Season 3 left off: everyone finds themselves in the middle of a crisis and there's a job to be done. Again,



Liz, her new-born baby, and badguy-turned-good-guy-turned-loving-father Tom Keen are in danger. Liz is still being held prisoner by Alexander Kirk, and his startling paternity revelation may have some serious implications.

The Blacklist stars James Spader as Raymond "Red" Reddington,

Megan Boone as Elizabeth "Liz" Keen/Masha Rostova, Ryan Eggold as Tom Keen, Harry Lennix as Harold Cooper, Diego Klattenhoff as Donald Ressler, Hisham Tawfiq as Dembe Zuma, Mozhan Marnò as Samar Navabi and Amir Arison as Aram Mojtabai.

The Hit list: 2016 MTV EMAs

SIPS and Mish are back with another webisode of The Hitlist. Sticking to the theme of MTV, they turn their focus onto the 2016 MTV European Music Awards.

There's no denying that MTV never disappoints when it comes to a good awards show, just take the MAMAs for example.

Taking place in the Netherlands this year, the EMAs has promised to be a great event with Bruno Mars, DNCE, OneRepublic, Martin Garrix and Afrojack set to attend and Bebe Rexha billed to host. From the glitz, the glam and the drama, the EMAs stage always plays host to some of the most talked about moments.







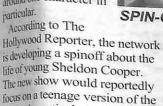
International Celebrity News





ggT Spin-off about Sheldon character in works

HOLLYWOOD. Attention Big Bang Theory (BBT) fans: You could soon have twice the BBT in your lives on a weekly basis, because CBS is reportedly working on a spinoff series centered around one character in





SPIN-OFF: Big Bang Theory.

comes from Big Bang co-creators Chuck Lorre and Bill Prady along with showrunner Steve Molaro, though none of the current BBT cast is involved, according to THR. Eonline

Brangelina's children to remain in mother's custody

LOS ANGELES -Angelina Jolie and Brad Pitt have come to a custody agreement regarding their children.

E! News has learned that all six of their children-Maddox Jolie-Pitt, 15, Pax Jolie-Pitt, 12, Zahara Jolie-10, and twins Knox Jolie-Pitt and Vivienne Jolie-Pitt, 8—will remain in Angelina's

custody. We've also learned that Angelina's main concern has always been the safety and well being of her children.



CUSTODY AGREEMENT: Pitt, 11, Shiloh Jolie-Pitt, Angelina Jolie and Brad Pitt.

Meanwhile, a separate source explains to us that the couple didn't "settle" on anything regarding their children and that there is no change in the status of their previous voluntary agreement. Eonline

genius theoretical physicist and

ROTTERDAM - He was caught whispering into her ear in a steamy snap backstage at the MTV EMAs.

And Idris Elba was rumoured to have taken things further as he wooed Jourdan Dunn at an afterparty on Sunday night in Rotterdam. The Luther star, 44, was said to be 'very flirty' with the striking supermodel, 26, and the pair reportedly left the bash holding hands in the early hours of the morning.

A witness at the after-party told The Sun: "Idris took a table



FLIRTING: Jourdan Dunn and Idris Elba.

tucked away in the corner with comfy sofas and was talking to a number of girls earlier in the night. Dailymail

T.I. confirms split from wife, Tiny

NEW YORK - T.I. appears to have confirmed rumours that he and wife Tameka "Tiny" are separated. Here is how the website SandraRose.com is reporting it: Earlier this year,

Sandrarose.com broke the news that T.I. and Tiny were living separately after she caught him cheating with an Instagram groupie.

In a moving Instagram post on Monday, T.I. explained that his seven children are his motivation

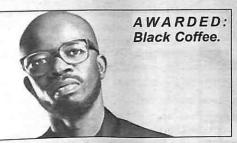


for working 18-20 hour days with SEPERATED: T.I. and little sleep. MTO Tameka "Tiny." **SA Celebrity News**

Black Coffee wins big at AFRIMAS

LAGOS - Even though he didn't walk away with an MTV EMA on Sunday evening, DJ Black Coffee was still all smiles after. being crowned the best male artist in Southern Africa at the AFRIMAS.

The 2016 All Africa Music Awards (or AFRIMA) were held on Sunday evening in Lagos. Nigeria; celebrating some of the biggest acts on the continent.



And even though a long list of South Africans were nominated for awards at the prestigious event, only Black Coffee and Jimmy Dludlu walked away with prizes. Sowetan

Skeem Saam's Eric survives hijacking attempt

GREENSTONE - Popular Skeem Saam actor Eric Macheru is "grateful to be alive" following an alleged hijacking attempt this past weekend.

Speaking to TshisaLIVE on Monday, Eric said that he was at an intersection in Greenstone, Johannesburg on Sunday evening when a man approached his vehicle.Sensing danger, Eric skipped the robot and sped off, only for the man to jump in a car and give chase. Eric said another car then joined the chase. "The (other) car appeared in front of me and hit his brakes there and then I



swerved to the left and sped off, skipping more robots," he added. Timeslive

Masekela cheerful despite small crowd at his concert

ROCKVILLE - Legendary jazz trumpeter Hugh Masekela praised a small crowd that attended his annual Heritage Festival in Rockville, Soweto, Iast Saturday for inspiring him.

Masekela's show at Elkah Stadium was the third in the series, in which he invites other artists to perform with him. Masekela walked onto the stage

with his well-known swag. As someone who has performed on stages all over the world, he said audiences reacted differently

to his music. "Look at them ... they are so amazing. They are special and



GRATEFUL: Hugh Masekela.

unique. They inspire me to give more because I don't see myself as [more] important than them."

Scoop claps back at radio critics

JOHANNESBURG - Scoop Makhathini is back on radio! But not everyone is impressed.

The outspoken star made his much-anticipated return to radio this past weekend, with a slot on Tho Touch's Touch Central.

And while many fans hailed the star's return, a few listeners took to Twitter to share their disappointment at the show.

But of course, Scoop - never one to back down from a fight - soon took a few of his haters head-on.

He responded to one fan's disappointment, by telling the user: "You disappointed yourself, dog." Hitting back at another fan's



BACK ON RADIO: Scoop Makhathini.

plea for him to stop singing along to songs, Scoop said that it was his show and he would do what he wanted. Timeslive

WEEKLY SOAPIE DIGEST

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REALISES: Mabuyi

Sunday, once again proves what a powerful inyanga he is. Mabuyi finally realises what is bothering Gog'Ntozabantu. Solomzi and Ngwebedla appear to have big plans for the chieftaincy.

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TODAY

The connection between Calvin and Daniella grows. The retrenchment option is hard for Bradley to deal with. Lerato and tionship comes under strain because of the money they found.



Zukisa's rela- RELATIONSHIP **UNDER STRAIN:** Zukisa.

Muvh∑ngo

TODAY



RUINED FRIENDSHIP: Thandaza.

Thandaza and Serithi's friendship might be tainted for good. KK leaves MMC in handcuffs. Teboho wants answers!

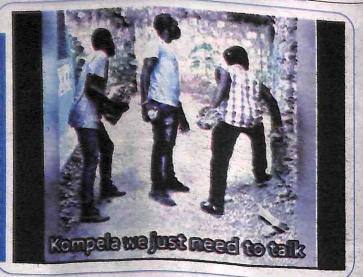




TRIES HIS LUCK: Bash.

Bongi is shocked when she learns there is a murder investigation. Kop tells the kids that he plans on selling beers in the yard. Bash tries to get Rene a gig.

DAY THE OF PICTURE



TODAY'S HOROSCOPE

Capricorn December 22 - January 19 New forms of creativity and self-expres can be seen now particularly as new avenues for

accomplishment become available. This is very good, because as you know, the last few days have seemed rather

stressful. Completing old, hard to end projects is a good accomplishment. Increased confidence and a more outgoing manner may be the key that opens many a new door in your

Aquarius January 20 - February 18 -

You have an enhanced sense of personal possibility and potential as you work with others in a group project. You can see the abilities of others and gain ideas for your own advancement in or

out of the workplace. This is a time of positive psychological growth, which can lead to great personal success if you follow through with it. Everything points to your taking the initiative in the leadership arena. You will find yourself coming up with all sorts of favourable ideas.

Pisces February 19 - March 20- Others

usually follow your

leadership. You may have noticed people follow your lead because you have a way of working efficiently with advanced ideas, new

methods or an eye for how things should be This causes many people to come to you for answers or for something similar to enlightenment. The people that are with you in the workplace are, again, around you to learn.

Aries March 21 -April 19- This morning, you may find yourself at odds with others regarding regular routine

matters. A little give - and - take will help to create some changes that you will like. You will be able to insert some positive, commonsense alternatives that may be helpful. Connecting with others through an attitude of teamwork will make for profitable results.

Taurus April 20 - May 20 - You may find yourself having emotional differences with someone. Those around you, or the situation you find yourself

in, may not feel right to

you. It is good to know this situation is of short duration - you are in the mood to seek the right solution for all. Your instinctive orientation at starting over from scratch - healing comes from destroying the roots of a disturbance.

Gemini May 21 - June 21- This is a great time to be with others and to work as a team. Discovering what you truly believe in - fighting for it,

even is a high personal priority. Religion, law, politics, travel and higher education are some of the arenas where this takes place. This is a time of



testing your limits to see how far you can go. Learning what makes people tick is exciting and enlightening psychological information.

Your instinctive orientation at this time is toward getting down to the essentials and starting over from scratch healing comes from destroying the roots of a disturbance. An emphasis on close relationships and a

preoccupation with ideas of fairness and harmony are part and parcel of the mental cycle you have just begun.

Cancer June 22 - July 22 - You are powerfully motivated, even driven, and there is a tendency to be impulsive. The tendency is to act first and ask questions later. You have blind courage and sheer guts - a self starter. Now that you have the idea, know that power struggles could occur today. You will be able to overcome any of these difficulties with your sense of awareness. You set a good example for

Leo July 23 – August 22 - You have discovered some ways to save money and now is

the time you also give confidence to others. You will benefit from analytical insights, getting to the heart of things penetrating. You may be sought after

for your recommendations regarding work issues. This afternoon you may receive a phone call from a young person in your family. You will be able to be understanding and handle whatever is of importance to this youth.

Virgo August 23 - September 22 - The makings for a bright and witty day are at hand. Your emotions or the emotions of others seem to finally be in balance and

in sync with the group. At this time, you are not interested in stiming the pot, as it were. This is a period of great mental activity and heightened communication with others.

Intellectualism, the exchange of ideas and the idea of being smart as a fox are the things that have special appeal now.

Libra September 23 - October 23 -

Someone may challenge your values or good taste today. You will benefit from taking a more inward direction, turning away from the outward world and

allowing new ideas to have time to filter through to others. This day will become more positive moment by moment. Your instinct at this time is toward getting down to basics and closing old issues, files, records, cases or anything else that has remained too long.

Scorpio October 24 -November 21-This could be a frustrating time both at home and at work. The work it takes to reach oals is worth the effort. Keep your eye on the goal and enjoy watching the puzzle

develop into the goal you see in your mind. Things are happening and your career or path depends on your own ambition and drive. Sagittarius November 22 - December 21 -You are in a strange mood this day perhaps meditating. You sense things with the mind and

understand feelings are understand reeiings are thoughts too. You enjoy moving quickly through your day but you may also realise there is more to life than rushing through each day at high speed. Poetry, music and the arts uay at high speed. Focusy, music and the arts interest you, as do psychology and the psyche. You may decide to return to school for more You may declare to retain to solitor for education. It is likely you will be in some sort of social work soon.

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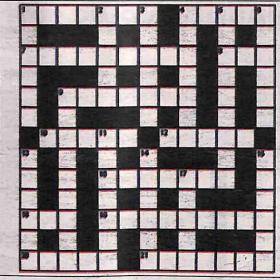
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Themed Crossword - 10 **Puzzle Choice**



Down

1. Edible nut (6) 2. Bran (5)

Used to brew a beverage (6)

4. Add sugar (7) 5. Sponge cake

(5,4) 6. Cooler (6) 9. Servings of boiled or steamed

dough (9) 11. Baked pasta dish (7)

13. Chewy confection (6) 14. Fatty oil (6) 15. Dairy product

(6) 17. Prepare a turkey (5)

Across

1. Fruit (7) 4. Rice and raw

fish in seaweed (5) 7. Preserve made from citrus fruits (9)

Frozen dessert

(3) 9. Unfreeze (7) 10. Aroma (5) 12. Edible bulb (5)

16. Pastry (7) 18. Drink made with juniper berries

(3) 19. Wine source

(9) 20. Sample (5) 21. Vanilla ` (7)

Don't break the table

A man goes to a bar and sees a fat girl dancing on a

He walks over to her and says, "Wow, nice legs!"

She is flattered and replies, "You really think so?"

The man says, "Oh definitely! Most tables would have collapsed by now."

USELESS FACTS

1. All 50 states are listed across the top of the Lincoln Memorial on the back of the \$5 bill. 2. Almonds are members

of the peach family.

3. Winston Churchill was

born in a ladies' room during a dance.

4. Maine is the only state whose name is just one syllable.

5. The youngest pope was 11 years old.

BRAINTEASERS QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Yesterday's brainteasers

1. Which weighs more, a pound of feathers or a pound of bricks? Answer: Neither, they both weigh one pound. 2. What building has the most stories?

Today's brainteasers Answer: A library.

1. Railroad crossing without any cars. Can you spell that without any R's?

2. What is brown and sticky?

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MADRID - Cristiano Ronaldo has won Marca's Alfredo di Stefano award for the best player in La Liga for the 2015-16 season and he collected the trophy on the day he penned a new five year, £365 000-a-week deal at Real Madrid.

Ronaldo netted 35 goals and provided 11 assists for Madrid in the Spanish division last season as his side finished second to Barcelona. He also netted 16 times in the Champions League on the way to lifting the trophy for the third time in his career and the second with Madrid, before going on to help Portugal to glory at Euro 2016 in France in the summer. "The 2015-16 season was filled with many

emotions with the Champions League and the European Championship," Ronaldo told the audience upon being presented the award at the Florida Retiro in Madrid.

Contract

"Today has also been a very special day with my contract renewal and a prize from MARCA. What else I can ask for? 'I'm very happy. This motivates me to keep working and get better in the next few years."

The 31-year-old also took the opportunity to underline his ambition of cementing Madrid's place at the summit of La Liga as they look to reclaim the Spanish league from fierce rivals Barcelona.

Daily Mail



MURRAY VOWS NOT TO FLOP IN LONDON AGAIN

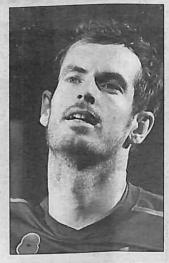
LONDON - Andy Murray admits that there have been times when he has felt 'fried' coming into the last event of the tennis season.

His relatively average record at the Barclays ATP World Tour Finals backs that up, but then he has never entered with the buoyancy of the world No 1 status that was officially accorded to him on Monday.

Murray awoke at his Surrey home atop the world rankings, but by mid-afternoon was given a stiff reminder that his new position is no guarantee of receiving a preferable draw.

Instead, the four man John McEnroe Group he finds himself in could hardly have worked out more difficult. By contrast Novak Djokovic heading the inappropriately named Ivan Lendl Group could not have asked for a more benign trio of opponents that were available.

At least the 29-year-old Scot feels more ready for the challenge at an event where he has never got past the semi-finals



VOWS: Andy Murray.

in seven previous attempts.

"For the last couple of years the circumstances have been a bit trickier," said Murray, who plans to rest until resuming practice on Thursday.

Prepare

"Last year I was getting ready for the Davis Cup final and preparing on clay, it's not the right way to prepare if you're trying to win it against the best players." Daily Mail



NEW KIT: Manchester City midfielder Gundogan cuts a relaxed figure at the shirt's official photo shoot.

GERMANY REVEAL NEW 1990-INSPIRED HOME KIT

BERLIN - Premier League stars Mesut Ozil and Ilkay Gundogan led the way as Germany unveiled their new home shirt, one inspired by their 1990 World Cup-win-

Joachim Low's men will wear the new but still traditional white jersey for the first time when they face San Marino in a World Cup qualifier on Friday, November 11. Germany's new kit draws

upon the design of the away shirt worn by the world champions more than two decades ago, with the most striking feature the graphic on the chest - one which has since gone on to become iconic in street and skateboarding culture in the country.

The home shirt will be worn by Low's side throughout their qualifying bid for the 2018 World Cup in Russia, and fea-

tures a black, red and gold collar and the reigning world champions' emblem.

Germany and Bayern Munich defender and World Cup winner Mats Hummels said at the launch of the new kit: "I am a fan of our more traditional kits, but the new variant is even cooler and more dynamic. I really like it."

Travel Germany travel to lowly San Marino with another victory on Friday all but assured.

The 2014 World Cup winners have won all three of their games on the qualifying road to Russia, sweeping aside Norway, Czech Republic and Northern Ireland so far.

They've also been boosted by the news boss Low has extended his deal with his country until the end of Euro 2020.

Daily Mail

LUKE SHAW TRAINING ALONE AT CARRINGTON

MANCHESTER - Luke Shaw has been placed on an individual training regime at Carrington this week while the majority of Manchester United stars are

A large proportion of Jose Mourinho's squad are on international duty, while many of those not picked by their countries have been given days off.

Shaw, though, is spending a large chunk of this week being put

through his paces at the club's training base.

Among other things he will work with the physio, in the pool and complete a running programme this week, while Chris Smalling is also thought to be working on a foot problem at the Aon training complex in Carrington.

Criticised

Both players were publicly criticised by Mourinho last weekend, the manager claiming Shaw

announced himself unfit to play at Swansea on Sunday morning.

It is understood, however, that Shaw never travelled with the United squad to South Wales on Saturday, adding further mystery to Mourinho's denouncement of the 21-year-old and defender Smalling.

"There is a difference between the brave, who want to play at any cost, and the ones for whom a little pain can make a difference," Mourinho said. Daily Mail

Boks up for 'physical' England clash

LONDON - South Africa's Allister Coetzee has promised the Springboks will relish the "physical battle" when they face an England side coached by his former colleague Eddie Jones at Twickenham on Saturday.

The Springboks have lost five of their last nine Tests, including last month's record 57-15 defeat by world champions New Zealand in Durban.

That prompted calls for Springbok coach Coetzee's resignation, with some critics arguing South Africa had moved too far away from their traditional power game in trying to play a more expansive style of rugby that did not suit their players.

The pressure on Coetzee increased as South Africa, albeit without several first-choice picks, started their tour of Europe with a 31-31 draw against the scratch Barbarians at Wembley on Saturday, where only two tries in the closing minutes prevented defeat.

England, by contrast, have won all nine of their Tests since Jones, like

Coetzee appointed after the World Cup, took charge. "As Eddie says, you've got to match South Africa's physicality, Coetzee told reporters at South Africa's London hotel on Monday. "It will be a physical battle, I can guarantee you that," added Coetzee, who worked alongside Jones when they were both members of the South Africa backroom staff under then coach Jake White that helped the Springboks win the 2007 World Cup.

Dominance

"Rugby's about physical dominance," explained Coetzee.

"I feel comfortable with the words 'physical dominance'. "It's about coming out on top at scrum-time and mauling. England maul a lot as well. 'We're looking for more variation at line-out time but the maul has always been a strength of ours. "In terms of South African rugby, we want to find that balance and not let go of what made us a powerhouse before. We'd like to keep that and build on that."

Anderson continues free fall in world tennis rankings

JOHANNESBURG - Kevin Anderson has continued his descent in the ATP singles rankings as he has dropped 12th places to 70th.

In the rankings released on Monday, Anderson completed a drop of 60 places from his career-high 10th he achieved in October 2015.

The 30-year-old has had regular struggles with injury over the last year, and only last month fell to outside the top-50 in the world for the first time since 2011.

Rankings

SA's number two, Lloyd Harris, meanwhile, occupies 287th spot in the rankings. The 19-year-old continues to rise up the rankings after beginning the year in 358th spot. On the doubles side, Raven Klaasen maintained his 15th place in the doubles rankings.

Chanel Simmonds is the top-ranked women's singles player at 395th in the world. Simmonds also holds top spot in the doubles at 274th.

African News Agency



ENGLISH PREMIERSHIP



it Xhaka must keep control of his action

LONDON - Arsene Wenger will urge Granit Xhaka to get control of his emotions during Sunday's north London

derby.

Xhaka will be available again after a three-

match ban against Tottenham on Sunday, and

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with Santi Cazorla still struggling with injury could go straight back into the starting XI - as he was in the Champions League win over Ludogorets, But Wenger admitted that he is concerned about the Swiss midfielder's discipline in such a fiery game, with Xhaka having picked up three yellow cards and two reds in only 13

games this season so far. "I am a bit concerned, yes, because discipline is important," Wenger said last Thursday.

"We want to be effective in all situations we face. In a derby it is important to keep

control of your reaction and have a strong discipline, because it's part of the effectiveness in this kind of game.

"He's normally a very composed and calm guy. Sometimes on the field he has the reaction that is a bit impulsive. He knows that.

"He has to work on that and keep control of his reactions in the game."

Xhaka is likely to partner Francis Coquelin at the base of Arsenal's midfield after Wenger revealed that Santi Cazorla is still a doubt through injury.

"He has not practiced yet," explained the Arsenal boss.

"We will try and go out today and see where we go from there. He is a doubt yes."

Hector Bellerin should return, after Wenger confirmed that he could have played in Bulgaria in midweek but was not risked, while Theo Walcott is also likely to be fit. Nacho Monreal and Kieran Gibbs are both doubts.

Tottenham come into the game without a win in their last six games, and having been beaten by Bayer Leverkusen in the Champions League on Wednesday. Daily Mail

Mourinho gets one-match touchline ban, fine

LONDON - Embattled Manchester United manager Jose Mourinho will serve a one match touchline ban and pay a £50 000 fine after being punished by the Football Association over two separate incidents last Wednesday.

The 53-year-old Portuguese received the ban for being sent to the stands during the 0-0 draw with Burnley last weekend and the fine for remarks he made ahead of the Premier League game with Liverpool.

He also receives a mandatory £8 000 fine for being sent to the stands. "Jose Mourinho has been fined £50 000 in relation to media comments he made prior to Manchester United's

game at Liverpool on 17 October 2016," read the FA statement. "An Independent Regulatory Commission heard that Mourinho accepted the comments he made on 14 October 2016 constituted improper conduct but denied they brought the game into disrepute, in contravention of Rule E3(1). AFP



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INVITATION TO TENDER FOR THE SUPPLY AND DELIVERY OF SPECIALIZED METEOROLOGICAL STATION CONSUMABLES

Tender Reference No. 219 of 2016/2017

The Ministry of Tourism & Environmental Affairs, Swaziland Meteorological Service now invites sealed Tenders for the provision of Specialized Meteorological Station Consumables for the up keep of observations stations network.

The Invitation to Tender document can be obtained at Swaziland Meteorological Service Headquarters (Secretary to Director), Mbabane, Swaziland for the price of E300 (three hundred Emalangeni), which against receipt should be paid at any Revenue Office (payment is non-refundable), reference number: 219 of 2016/2017, Government Account, Head 04, Responsibility Centre 1601, Item 21990

Tenders must be enclosed in a sealed envelope, which must be marked as follows:

"The Secretary to National Tender Board", Treasury Building, Mhlambanyatsi Road, MBABANE"

Further the envelope must be marked with following information: 'Ministry of Tourism & Environmental Affairs, Swaziland Meteorological Service (SMS)', 'Tender No. 219 of 2016/2017', 'Supply and Delivery of Specialized Meteorological Station Consumables', 'Do not open before 0900hrs, on Friday 9 December 2016'.

Tenders must be delivered to the offices of National Tender Board, Treasury Building, Mhlambanyatsi Road, Mbabane, Swaziland, by 0900hrs, Friday 9 December 2016 and deposited in the Treasury Tender Box.

Tenders received in time for submission will be opened at the Treasury Building at 0900hrs Friday, 9 December 2016. Tenders not deposited in the Treasury Tender Box, as well as late, telegraphic, electronic and faxed tenders will not be considered. Tenderers may attend the opening procedure.

The documents specified in "Instructions to Tenderers", including copies of current Tax Clearance Certificates, Trading Licence, Form J, Form C, Labour Compliance Certificate, SNPF, Certificate of Incorporation and a Tender Security of E 5000 must be included in the Tender. The Government does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender.

For further information, contact the following: Messer's, Bafana N. Simelane or Mbongeni I. Manyoni, Ministry of Tourism & Environmental Affairs, Swaziland Meteorological Service, P.O. Box 2652, Mbabane-Swaziland,

Email: manyoniian@gmail.com or bafanasimelane@swazimet.gov.sz

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Baxter's team finally have united look

IOHANNESBURG - Stuart Baxter helieves his SuperSport United charges are slowly closing the gap on being the finished article- a far cry from where they were this time last season under Gordon loesund despite signing heavyweight players to help them challenge for honours.

Baxter, who took over in January and is in his first full season with Matsatsantsa, spoke with confidence when assessing how far his men have come. SuperSport are through to the semi-finals of the Telkom Knockout after heating Tshwane rivals Mamelodi Sundowns 3-1 on penalties at the Lucas Moripe Studium on Saturday night. The result meant it was a big week for Baxter, pictured, after the 6-1 rout of Orlando Pirates four days earlier in an Absa Premiership clash in Nelspruit, which pushed them up the table to second place

"Ithought the first 45 minutes (against Sundowns) was the worst with the ball since I have been with SuperSport," said Baxter in his post-match comments. "But maybe that was my fault and we changed that in the second half. "I think at the moment we are playing with 80 percent of what we can do and I will be happy even if we get the extra 10 percent during the season."

Independent Media

Pitso admits his players nds are on

PRETORIA - Mamelodi Sundowns coach Pitso Mosimane concedes his players have their minds set on the FIFA Club World Cup after their CAF Champions League triumph.

The Brazilians were eliminated from the Telkom Knockout after a 3-1 penalty shootout loss to SuperSport United in the quarterfinals. The current Premiership champions will become the first

South African club to compete in the FIFA competition next month. "Somewhere and somehow when you want to make an excuse, it's better we're out of the cup. Let's catch up on the six games we are behind on the log and move on," Mosimane told KickOff.

"It's good for the league that we are out so we play and catch up. Let's be honest also - they are thinking about playing the World Cup. It's big. You can't have your cake and eat it. You have to leave the Telkom.

"We are not saying we lost this one because it's small. I hope I am not misquoted. I know how it can go: Pitso said "this one is small, this one big." No, please let's get it right.

"We accept the defeat. As long as we're still in the PSL we will play the Telkom next year." Sport24



FOCUS: Mamelodi Sundowns coach Pitso Mosimane.

Chiefs to take legal action against Itumeleng Khune?

JOHANNESBURG - Kaizer Chiefs are considering suing Itumeleng Khune for signing an endorsement deal without obtaining permission from the club, according to reports.

Khune became one of South Africa's highest paid players when he signed a new deal with the Glamour Boys in July 2015, and it seems his current contract prohibits him from signing with new personal sponsors without authorisation.

According to Sunday World, the 29-year-old is facing legal action from the club after inking a deal

with Danup yogurt. Khune has been actively endorsing the product on his official social media accounts.

"Khune basically breached contract of employment with Chiefs by signing an endorsement deal without the authorisation of the club," said an anonymous source as quoted by the publication.

"He is the property of the club and he can't go around endorsing products that are not aligned with the club, without the blessings of the club." The club's management is further angered with Khune as he

is pictured with team-mates, Keagan Buchanan and George Maluleka, at one of the products promotional events. Spokesperson of Danone, Sandra Dorville, declined to inform any further details of the current deal they have with the Bafana Bafana goalkeeper. "Khune and Danone have signed a confidential agreement that doesn't allow us to share the content of this agreement," she said. The goalkeeper also signed for Durban-based Newton Sports Agency last month as he set his sights on life after football despite

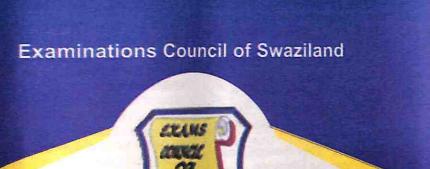
only being in his 20s.

"I like the way Newton Agency does business and knew they would be a good match for me in the next stage of my career," the Amakhosi star said.

Meanwhile, Khune will be in action this weekend for Bafana Bafana as Shakes Mashaba's charges look to claim maximum points against Senegal in their 2018 Soccer World Cup qualifier.

Bafana and Senegal clash on Saturday at the Peter Mokaba Stadium in a Group D encounter.

Kick-off





2016 MARKING DATES

Marking is scheduled to take place on the following date:

1. SGCSE

- 21 November 2016
- 2. SPC, JC, and PREVOC
- 5th December 2016

Thank you.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS ON THE PROPOSED ELECTRICITY PRICE INCREASE

- The Swaziland Energy Regulatory Authority wishes to inform the public and electricity consumers that the Swaziland Electricity Company has filed an application to increase the price of electricity by 20.19% for the financial year 2017/2018 and 2-18/2019.
- The Authority invites the public and all interested stakeholders to submit their comments on the proposed electricity increase before the Authority makes a final ruling.
- The Authority will also hold public hearings to gather comments on the proposed increase. Details of the

Stakeholder Group	Venue	Date	Time
Business Customers	SIMPA Hall Matsapha	21 November 2016	10:00am-1pm
Domestic/general public	Manzini Library	24 November 2016	10:00am-1pm
Domestic/general public	Siteki Hotel	26November 2016	10:00am-1pm
Government Agencies and Municipalities	SCOT	30 November 2016	10:00am-1pm
Domestic/general	Nhlangano Library	03December 2016	10:00am-1pm
Civic organisations and Trade Unions	Manzini Library	08 December 2016	10:00am-1pm
Domestic/general public	Pigg's Peak Red Cross	10 December 2016	10:00am-1pm

- People who will be allowed to make submissions during the public hearings will only be those who have submitted their comments to the Authority on time.
- The deadline for submission of comments is the 18th of November 2016. Members of the public that wish to make written presentations may submit their details and copies of their presentations to:

Fax; +24048384 Email; info@sera.org.sz

- Further information regarding the application and public hearings may be obtained from SERA's website at www.sera.org.sz or by calling +268 2404 2103, contact person is Mr Sabelo Dube.
- The Authority shall reserve the right to cancel a meeting in the case there are no submissions obtained from the public prior to the deadline of the proposed scheduled meetings.
- These public hearings will be conducted in line with our guidelines for handling public hearings, which are available on our website.

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YOUNGSTERS: Kagiso Rabada and Quinton de Kock.

Rabada, De Kock into top-20 test player rankings

JOHANNESBURG - Proteas youngsters Kagiso Rabada and Quinton de Kock have moved up to career-high Test player rankings following the conclusion of the Perth Test on Monday.

South Africa romped to a 177run victory over Australia in the first Test, courtesy of a top team performance and in particular from Rabada and De Kock.

Rabada has jumped 10 places to 20th position in the bowlers' table following figures of 2/78 and 5/92, which later earned him the player of the match award.

The 21-year-old is the fourth South African fast bowler to feature inside the top 20 after Dale Stevn (second but ruled out of the series due to a shoulder injury), Vernon Philander (11th) and Morne Morkel (13th).

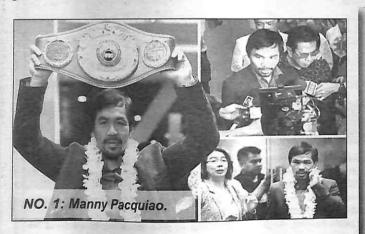
Rabada now has Australia's Nathan Lyon firmly within his sights as the 16th-ranked offspinner is 51 points ahead.

Because the Johannesburg-born fast bowler is still in his qualification period, he has an excellent chance of leapfrogging the Australian depending on how he performs in the Hobart and Adelaide Tests.

A bowler qualifies for a full rating after he has taken 100 wickets, while Rabada has claimed 36 wickets in nine Tests.

De Kock, scored 84 and 64 for which he has been rewarded with a jump of 11 places. This has put the left-hander in 20th spot in the batting chart.

The wicketkeeper-batsman has now become South Africa's third batsman to feature inside the top 20. Hashim Amla is sixth after dropping out of the top five following a five-place slide, while AB de Villiers, who is missing the series due to an injury, is seventh. Africa News Agency



PACQUIAO'S VICTORY OVER VARGAS HAILED BUT NOT ENOUGH

LAS VEGAS - Two boxing websites of repute in America have restored Manny Pacquiao to No 1 in their pound-for-pound-greatest rankings following his dominant world welterweight title victory over Jessie Vargas.

They also weighed into that calculation his impressive defeat of Tim Bradley in April, immediately before his brief retirement into politics.

It is a reasonable verdict on the Pacman, although they expect him to be displaced from top spot by the winner of the November 19 world lightheavyweight title fight between Andre Ward and Sergey Kovalev.

As for Pacquiao, he is content at the moment to have resumed his position as a world champion in the first fight of a come-

back. He is flattered to be installed as the pound-forpound king in some quarters and when asked for an estimation of his own position in that pantheon he laughs and says: "Somewhere below 50th." Pressed to pick a top three, he plumps for Gennady Golovkin followed by Canelo Alvarez, with Vasyl Lomachenko third.

The choice of Lomanchenko, the Ukrainian double Olympic and World amateur champion who now holds the world super-featherweight title, is interesting. Lomachenko is wonderfully talented and a candidate to be Pacquiao's next opponent, despite the weight difference. He is prepared to move up to 135 lbs. Pacquiao, even though he is the champion at 147 lbs, is willing to slim down. Daily Mail

BARCELONA APPEAL MESSI YELLOW CARD

BARCELONA - Barcelona have announced they will appeal the yellow card given to Lionel Messi during the team's 2-1 win over Sevilla on Sunday.

Messi was booked during the second half for time wasting as he attempted to put his boot back on after it had come off following a challenge from Sevilla's Steven N'Zonzi. A statement from Barcelona read: "The club has presented an appeal against the yellow card that Leo Messi received on Sunday in the match against Sevilla at the Sanchez Piziuan, which Barca won 2-1 thanks to a goal from the Argentine." Barcelona coach Luis Enrique explained after the game that Messi's laces were broken due to N'Zonzi's foul and that is why the player could not put the boot back on immediately.

Barca striker Neymar was also booked on Sunday and is one card away from a ban. Uruguay forward Luis Suarez will miss the team's home game against Malaga on November 19 after picking up his fifth yellow



card of the campaign during the encounter at Sevilla, resulting in an

automatic one-game suspension. Daily Mail

VELDWIJK RELISHING BAFANA DEBUT AGAINST SENEGAL

JOHANNESBURG - "My father will be among the crowd on Saturday. He is coming here in a few days' time and will be watching Bafana Bafana in action on Saturday," said the Netherlands-born striker, who qualifies for South African citizenship through his dad.

Veldwijk, who plays his club football for Kortrijk in Belgium, looked sharp at a training session in the blazing heat this morning at the match venue, Peter Mokaba Stadium.

"Everyone wants to go to Russia 2018 World Cup. That is every player's dream to play at the highest level and they don't come bigger than the World Cup," said the 1.97m hitman.

"I have been well received here,

the people are fantastic. They have welcomed me and my new teammates are terrific. There has been positive energy all round and I am so excited to be here.

"The only minor setback has been the blazing heat but that is why we came here earlier. By Saturday we have adjusted and should be fine."

He added: "They (Senegal) are a good team but I think we should have a good measure of them on Saturday, more so because we will be spurred on by our own supporters."

Kick-off is at 15h00 on Saturday.

Bafana drew 1-1 with Burkina Faso in their Group D opener in Ouagadougou on October 8.

Kickoff

KARANKA NEVER DOUBTED VALDES' ABILITY

CAPE TOWN - Aitor Karanka says he never doubted the ability of goalkeeper Victor Valdes after a difficult start to life at Premier League club Middlesbrough.

One of the most decorated keepers in European history as an integral part of Pep Guardiola's Barcelona team, Valdes' career has taken a downward spiral since leaving the Camp Nou. After a failed spell at Manchester United and a short loan stint to Standard Liege, Karanka snapped up the 34-year-old on a free transfer during the off season. The Spaniard's performances early in the campaign brought up questions whether he was good enough for the English top flight, but in Saturday's 1-1 draw with Manchester City, he produced a remarkable display against his former boss. Sport24

Curry sets new NBA record by hitting 13 3-pointers

NEW ORLEANS - Stephen Curry set an NBA record with 13 3-pointers - one game after missing all his long-range attempts for the first time in two years.

In doing so he helped the Golden State Warriors beat the winless New Orleans Pelicans 116-106 on Monday night. Curry finished with 46 points. three days after his league-record streak of 157 games with at least one 3 was snapped when he went 0 for 10 on 3-point tries in a 117-97 road loss to the Los Angeles Lakers.

This time, the two-time reigning NBA MVP shot 13 of 17 from beyond the arc in his seventh career game with double digit 3s. He went 16 for 26 overall.

When he broke the mark with 2:23



to go, Curry raised his right arm and pounded his chest.

The star guard shared the previous record of 12 with Kobe Bryant and Donvell Marshall.

It was Curry's first 40-point performance this season after he led the NBA with 13 such games last season. Fans chanted 'M-V-P! M-V-P! Daily Mail

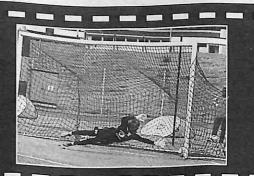












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Green Mamba	10	3	3	4	10	7	3	12
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Villa Stars	6	5	0	0	14	5	9	16	Mahashulane	5	0	0	5	6	15	-9	0
T. Sticks Comrades	6	4	0	2	8	5	3	12									
Mhlaleni United	6	3	2	1 2	11	4	4	11	S & S Malkerns Pro	mou P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	Pts
Fairview Chiefs	6	3	0	2	7	6	1	10	Team	5	4	0	0	10	3	7	13
Superstars Siboniso SeLwandle		3	0	3	7	7	0	9	Ngodini Current Toasters	5	4	0	1	7	4	3	12
FC North	5	2	2	1	6	6	0	8	Phondo	6	3	1	2	8	6	2	10
Home Sparrows	5	2	1	2	6	6	0	7	Cutter Cosmos	5	2	3	0	11	6	5	9
K. Flying Birds	6	2	1	3	10	15	-5	7	NdindaVolcanoe	5	3	0	2	4	3	-1	9
Combine Stars	6	1	3	2	6	5	1	6	Vickery Nomads	6	2	2	2	7	7	0	8
Young Tigers	6	1	3	2	5	6	-1	6	Makhungutsha	5	2	1	2	4	4	0	7
NkonkwaneCallies	5	1	2	2	2	4	-2	5	Izinyokanyoka	5	1	3	1	7	5	2	6
New Generations	5	1	2	2	7	10	-3	5	Power Sparks	4	2	0	2	6	5	1	6
African Chiefs	6	1	2	3	2	5	-3	5	1992 Home Talent	4	2	0	2	3	5	-2	6
Lwandle Classic	6	0	2	4	6	10	-4	2	Swazi Can United	6	1	3	2	3	6	-3	6
Wise Kids	1	0	0	1	1	7	-6	0	Mahlanya United	6	1	2	3	4	6	-2	5
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Wonderful Touch	3	3	0	0	9	1	8	9	Malkerns First Divis	sion							
L. Young Tigers	4	3	0	1	10	6	4	9	Team	P	W	D	L	F.	A	GD	Pts
The Bones	4	3	0	1	6	3	3	9	Mdonjane Arsenal	3	3	4	0	7	4	3	9
Ngwane Park	4	2	0	2	13	6	7	6	Dynamite Hotspurs	4	2	2	0	6	3	3	8
Manzini United	4	2	0	2	5	4	1	6	Happy Masters	4	2	1	1	6	1	5	7
Old Zakhele	4	2	0	2	6	6	0	6	Home Boys	4	2	0	2	8	8	0	6
Bremer United	4	1	2	1	5	9	-4	5	Usuthu Rangers	3	2	0	1	4	4	0	6
Manzini Bullets	2	1	1	0	5	1	4	4	Vuka Aces	4	1	2	1	5	5	0	5
1Villa Sport	3	1	0	2	5	6	-1	3	Thunder Bolt	4	1	2	1	4	4	0	5
Skom Boys	3	0	2	1	1	3	-2	2	Golden Arrows	3	1	1	1	3	3	0	4
Ngculwini All Stars	4	0	2	2	4	9	-5	2	Red Swallows	4	1	1	2	2	3	-1	4
Nhlambeni United	3	0	1	2	0	5	-5	1	FC Navara	4	. 1	1	2	5	8	-3	4
God's Property	4	0	1	3	2	25	-23	1	Skom Boys	3	1	0	2	2	5	-3	3
Manzini Classic	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	Ntondozi	4	0	0	4	1	5	4	0
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Zama United	7	4	0	1	12	5	7	14	Sangcotfo	6	3	2	1	5	3	2	11
FC Matsapha	6	4	2	0	10	3	7	14	Bantu City	5	3	1	1	8	2	6	10
Real Professionals	6	4	1	1	13	5	8	13	Luve Stars	6	3	1	2	9	7	2	10
Matsapha Auto Zone	7	4	0	3	18	8	10	12	Step Ahead	6	3	- 1	2	10	11	-1	10
Ntunja Arsenal	7	4	0	3	8	6	2	12	Colani United	6	2	2	2	8	6	2	8
Mhlane United	5	3	0	2	9	4	5	9	Zama United	6	2	2	2	9	8	1	8
Kwaluseni Rebels	6	2	3	1	5	6	-1	9	M.Brothers	6	2	2	2	9	9	0	8
Nhl. Real Heroes	6	2	2	2	-7	4	3	8	Luve Suncity	5	2	2	1	7	8	-1	8
Amajita	5	2	2	1	9	7	2	8	Ngonini Y. Aces	6	1	3	2	7	9	-2	6
Swazi Wire	7	2	2	3	7	12	-5	8	Toronto	5	2	0	3	5	7	-2	6
Kudzeni United	7	2	1	4	5	20	-15	7	Mantshonga All Nations	5	1	2	2	9	8	1	5
Royal Swallows	6	1 2	3	2	6	9	-3	6	Liverpool	5	1	2	2	9	8	1	5
Dark City	5	1	1	3	5	8	-3	4	White Killers	6	1	2	2	4	5	-1	5
Nsenga Comrades	6	1	1	4	7	7	-2 -5	4	Luve Classic	6	0	2	3	7	10	-3	5
Zombodze United Lozitha Spurs	7	1	0	6	5	15	-5 -10	3	All Stars	6	0	3	3	3 5	7	-4 -9	3
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Team	Р	W	D	L	F	Α	GD	Pts	Team	P	W	D	L	F	Α	GD	Pts
Kwaluseni United	5	4	0	0	12	6	6	13	Vultures	3	2	4	0	7	3	4	7
Bafana Bafana	5	4	0	1	14	6	8	12	Mhlatane Y.stars	4	2	0	2	8	8	0	6
Sihhohhweni	4	3	0	1	8	4	4	9	Super Eagles	3	1	2	0	7	4	3	5
Shali United	5	2	2	1	8	4	4	8	Total Boca Juniors	2	1	1	0	6	5	1	4
Fashion International	5	2	2	12	11	8	3	0	Boca Juniors	3	1	1	1	8	10	-2	4
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Team	P	W	D	L	F.	Α	GD	Pts	
Mdonjane Arsenal	3	3	4	0	7	4	3	9	
Dynamite Hotspurs	4	2	2	0	6	3	3	8	
Happy Masters	4	2	1	1	6	1	5	7	
Home Boys	4	2	0	2	8	8	0	6	
Usuthu Rangers	3	2	0	1	4	4	0	6	
Vuka Aces	4	1	2	1	5	5	0	5	
Thunder Bolt	4	1	2	1	4	4	0	5	
Golden Arrows	3	1	1	1	3	3	0	4	
Red Swallows	4	1	1	2	2	3	-1	4	
FC Navara	4	1	1	2	5	8	-3	4	
Skom Boys	3	1	0	2	2	5	-3	3	
Ntondozi	4	0	0	4	1	5	4	0	
Mkhiweni Promotic	on								
Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	Pts	
Manchester U	6	4	0	0	8	4	4	14	
Thuluzobona	6	3	2	1	11	7	4	11	
Sangcotfo	6	3	2	1	5	3	2	11	
Bantu City	5	3	1	1	8	2	6	10	
Luve Stars	6	3	1	2	9	7	2	10	
Step Ahead	6	3	-1	2	- 10	11	-1	10	
Colani United	6	2	2	2	8	6	2	8	
Zama United	6	2	2	2	9	8	1	8	
M.Brothers	6	2	2	2	9	9	0	8	
Luve Suncity	5	2	2	1	7	8	-1	8	
Ngonini Y. Aces	6	1	3	2	7	9	-2	6	
Toronto	5	2	0	3	5	7	-2	6	
Mantshonga	5	1	2	2	9	8	1	5	
All Nations	5	1	2	2	9	8	1	5	
Liverpool	5	1	2	2	4	5	-1	5	
White Killers	6	1	2	3	7	10	-3	5	
Luve Classic	6	0	3	3	3	7	-4	3	
All Stars	6	0	3	3	5	14	-9	3	
MP Mankayane Pro	mot	on							
Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	Pts	
Vultures	3	2	4	0	7	A	4	7	
Mhlatane Y.stars	4	2	0	200		3	770	6	
Super Eagles	3	1		2	8	8	0		
Total	2	1	2	0	7	4	3	5	

Nkhangala Express	4	0	3	1	7	10	-3	3
Junior Bucs	2	0	1	1	3	4	-1	1
8 Brazillians	3	0	1	2	7	9	-2	1
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Team	P.	W	D	L.	F	Α	GD	Pts
Bhudla Celtics	5	4	0	-1	16	7	9	12
Moyeni United	5	3	1	1	7	5	2	10
Young Carnibals	5	3	1	1	9	8	1	10
Nkonga Pirates	3.	3	0	0	6	1	5	9
Emataliyane	4	2	1	1	12	5	7	7
Khamatfo	5	2	1	2	12	8	4	7
Timbutini		2	1	2	10	10	0	7
Ma-G-Man	5	1	3	0	5	3	2	6
	4	-			7	7	0	6
Dynamos	3	2	0	1				
Vultures	3	1	2	0	7	3	4	5
Young Killers	4	1	2	1	9	9	0	5
Vulamehlo Classic	4	1	2	1	2	4	-2	5
Ntabamhloshana	5	0	3	2	4	6	-2	3
Mkhuzweni United	5	0	3	2	5	9	-4	3
Supersport	4	1	0	3	4	11	-7	3
Sicamelo Sa-Chief	5	0	1	4	4	13	-9	1
Madubula Rovers	5	0	1	4	2	12	-10	1
Nsingweni Promoti	on							
Team	Р	W	D	L	F	Α	GD	Pts
Highland Blues	5	4	0	0	9	3	6	13
Matsantsantsa	5	3	1	1	6	6	0	10
Nsuka United	5	3	0	2	10	4	6	9
Taliban	4	3	0	1	9	7	2	9
Red Lions	5	2	1	2	13	7	6	7
Nsuka Fighters	4	2	1	1	8	4	4	7
All Stars	5	2	0	3	11	8	3	6
M.Sundowns	5	2	0	3	9	10	-1	6
Young Madrid	4	1	1	2	6	6	0	4
Black Aces	3	1	1	1	6	6	0	4
Mfeni Pirates	3	1	1	1	5	7	-2	4
AC Milan	5	1	1	3	6	11	-5	4
Bhudlweni	5	0	0	5	6	25	-19	0
Kukhanyeni Inkhun	dla							
Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	Pts
Mdayane	5	5	0	0	14	4	10	15
Louis XIV	5	4	0			5	10	12
Submarine	4	2	2	0	7	4	3	8
Brave Lion	5	2	2	1	5	6	-1	8
Bhekinkhosi	4	2	1					
Mphola Celtics	5	2	1	1	10	6	4	7
Number: Transies				2	12	10	2	7
Nyakeni Trompies	5	2	1	2	10	10	0	7.
Lion Heart	5	2	1	2	9	9	0	7
Dortmund	5	2	0	3	7	13	-6	6
Nyakeni Cosmos	4	1	2	1	2	2	0	5
Mbijwana Rovers	3	1	1.	1	2	2	0	4
Kukhanyeni	4	1	1	2	4	6	-2	4
Young Killers	4	0	2	2	4	9	-5	2
Ngwazini	4	0	0	4	2	6	-4	0
1995 Mbuluzane	4	0	0	4	4	15	-11	0
Usuthu Promotion								
Team	Р	W	D	L		76	00	D/-
Lamgabhi P.makers	5	3	0		F	A	GD	Pts
Lamgaulii F.Iliakeis	5			1	10	5	5	10
Commandos		2	3	0	6	4	2	9
Luhleko Flyers	4	2	2	0	8	1	7	8
Ngogodla Y.stars	4	2	2	0	4	1	3	8
Black Rhinos	5	1	4	0	6	3	3	7
Y. Internationals	4	2	1	1	5	2	3	7
O.Swallows	5	2	1	2	6	9	-3	7
Luhleko Classic	4	2	0	2	0	0	-0	,

Luhleko Classic 4 2 0 2 3 3 0 6 Mhl. Buffaloes 5 1 3 1 3 5 -2 6

Bhunya Black Aces 4 1 0 3 7 7 0 3

Africa 2010 3 0 2 1 3 4 -1 2

Luhleko Revengers 5 0 2 3 5 8 -3 2

Komadi Superstars 4 0 1 3 2 9 -7 1

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ASISHUKUME: DPM Paul Diamini leading the walk together with ministers Owen Nxumalo, David 'Cruiser' Ngcamphalala, Nkhaba MP Menzi Diamini and Maphalaleni MP Mabulala Maseko during a Shukuma event held on Saturday in Nkhaba. (Courtesy pic)



INITIATIVE: DPM Paul Diamini addressing the gathering.



LET'S BAT: A cricket player showcasing his talent.



THANKFUL: Minister David
'Cruiser' Ngcamphalala also had
something to say



THE GRAND MARCH: Residents under the Nkhaba Inkhundla during the march with dignitaries.

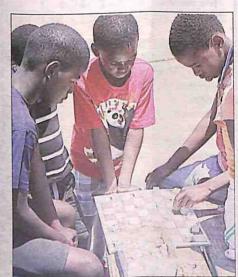


SACK RACING: Community members entertaining the folks.



DANCE WITH ME: Dignitaries entertaining the crowd with local artist Mshikishi Mndzebele.





MIND GAMES: Youngsters playing chess.



CHAMPIONS:
His Majesty's
Correctional
Services netball
team (both males
and females) celebrate after
being crowned
the Swaziland
Netball
Champions for
the year at
Mavuso Sports
Centre. (Courtesy
pics)

CORRECTIONAL SWEEP BOARDS IN SD NETBALL CHAMPIONSHIP

Stories By Observer reporter

NETBALL - HIS Majesty's Correctional Services' both male and female teams continued to hoist the department's flag high after being crowned the Swaziland Netball Champions during the finals played at Mavuso Sports Centre over the weekend.

Following blessings from the Commissioner General Isaiah 'Mzuthini' Ntshangase, the teams completed a two-fold over archivals, the Royal Swaziland Police (RSP) to clinch the Mr Matata E15 000 two-day sponsored tournament which commenced on Saturday at OlympAfrica Centre.

Correctional came to this game mandated to lift the trophy home

Bakhe Dlamini

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like in the past years and they accomplished that directive as the ladies recorded a 30-27 victory over the opposition while the men's team beat RSP 22-16 in the finals on Sunday. For their splendid performances, the teams walked home with glamorous trophies plus gold medals. Seasoned player Abby Simelane, who also is a volleyball star won herself the player of the tournament and was awarded a trophy plus a Movie Zone ticket.

Trophy
While in the males section
Siphelele Mthembu and Fortune
Nerves got themselves a trophy each
plus a Movie Zone cinema ticket for
being the best player and best shooter, respectively.

Interviewed after the games, team's coach Mavi Ndlangamadla said his charges had joined the

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bequest of the department's commitment of winning all competitions.

He said they were now focusing on the league expected to resume soon.

"This tournament was a preparatory ahead of the league and we are grateful to have won both the ladies and men sections. Actually, the international tournaments we participated in recently played a major role towards the players' fitness. I would also recommend my troops for the discipline they showed individually and collectively as a team inside the court," the coach said.

The tournament also featured Mighty Stars from Pretoria, who got position three in the male's category while Mbabane Raiders got the third spot in the ladies section. Other partners sponsoring the tournament were Buy 'n' Save Spar and Movie Zone Cinemas.

TEAM ATTRIBUTES SUCCESS TO COMMISSIONER GENERAL

NETBALL - CORREC-TIONAL Netball team has attributed their triumph to His Majesty's Correctional Services Commissioner General Isaiah 'Mzuthini' Ntshangase.

This, they said after claiming gold in the inarguable Swaziland Netball Championship played at Mavuso Sports Centre over the weekend.

The players felt without the Commissioner General's sup-

port they would not achieve such an accomplishment. They also heaped praises to Ntshangase for allowing them to take part in international tournaments which they said improved their playing standard as individuals as well as teams.

However, the players thanked the management at large especially the Commissioner General for allowing officers to take part in sports.

THIS IS WHAT THEY SAID:

Abby Simelane

Despite the fact that the competition was tough, I have observed that the playing standard has improved amongst teams. It is worth mentioning that as Correctional players we are fresh from an international tournament; therefore, we were bound to win the games. With the Commissioner General's support we are able to attend even international tournaments hence the good results. He should be smiling by now after these successes."

Fortune Nerves

"I am very happy for being named the best player, however, it was not an individual effort but we worked as a team. I really appreci-

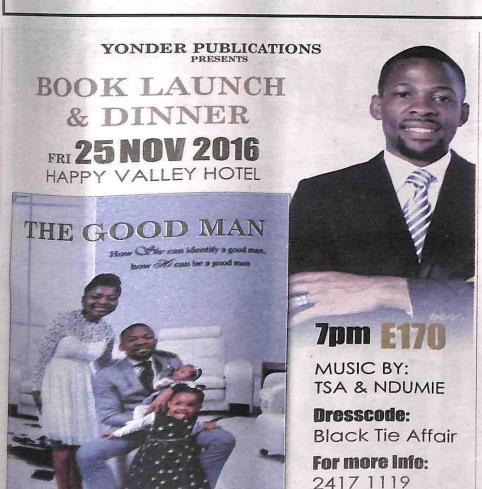
ate the support the team gets from the Commissioner General's office. I am optimistic we will continue with our winning ways in every competition."

Siphelele Mthembu
"Being our archrivals,
RPS thought they
would match our
standard but we
were too strong
for them. It was
really an entertain-

really an entertaining encounter but at the end of the day Correctional triumphed. The Commissioner General's office and the management played a pivotal role in making sure we brought the trophies home,"

Vumile Vilakati

"Winning against arch-rivals is of the best feelings every player can have. A threegoal difference means the opposition was at par but then we maintained our position in the sport. It is an open secret we get support from the Commissioner General's office and we confident we have made him proud."







- West Ham United will make a January loan move for Chelsea's Cesc Fabregas, 29. The Spanish midfielder has played just 87 minutes in the league this season. (Daily Mirror)
- Full-back Matteo Darmian, 26, says it is too early to think about a transfer away from Manchester United, despite only playing five times this season. (Sky Italy via Manchester Evening News)
- Everton will face a fight to keep striker Romelu Lukaku as Paris St-Germain are ready to make a bigmoney offer for the 23-year-old. (Daily Mirror)



- Luke Shaw, 21, and Chris Smalling, 26, are fighting for their futures at Manchester United following Jose Mourinho's accusation that some of his players lack the toughness to play through pain. (Daily Mail)
- Liverpool captain Jordan
 Henderson has described the team's
 forward line of Philippe Coutinho,
 Roberto Firmino and Sadio Mane as
 world class and said their work rate is
 responsible for the club's rise to the
 top of the Premier League table. (The
 Guardian)
- Nice's Italian forward Mario
 Balotelli has urged his former
 Liverpool team-mate Mamadou
 Sakho, 26, to quit the club and join
 him at the French club in January.
 Sakho has only featured for the Reds'
 Under-23 team this season.
 (Liverpool Echo)
- Manchester City
 midfielder Ilkay
 Gundogan is confident compatriot
 Leroy Sane, 20, will
 become a vital player for the club once
 he has fully adapted to English football. (Daily Mail)
- Former Liverpool midfielder
 Ronnie Whelan believes the club can
 mount a "real title challenge" and
 feels manager Jurgen Klopp's
 defenders have found a key "pragmatism" in their play. (Irish
 Independent)
- Manchester United striker Zlatan Ibrahimovic has apologised for picking up a yellow card in Sunday's win at Swansea. The 35-year-old will now be suspended for the visit of Arsenal on 19 November. (BT Sport)
- Crystal Palace midfielder Yohan Cabaye, 30, is a target for Southampton. (Croydon Advertiser)

FLYERS, CPL THROUGH TO INGWENYAMA CUP NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

By Sports reporter

SOCCER - SWAZI Trac Lubombo super league title contenders, Ubombo Flyers and last year's Ingwenyama Cup participants, CPL have qualified for the Ingwenyama Cup national championships after beating Young Aces and Black Swallows, respectively.

This was during interesting encounters played at Tabankhulu Stadium on Sunday afternoon.

The games which attracted huge spectatorship from the sugar belt and surrounding areas saw Flyers beating Aces 2-1 in the first game while CPL beat Swallows 1-0 to not only advance to the regional championships but also qualified to play in the main tournament to feature elite league teams.

Football spectators were kept at the edges of their seats as Flyers and Aces locked horns in a game that was obviously the draw card as both teams boast of formidable squads.



UNITED: Black Swallows players before the start of the match.

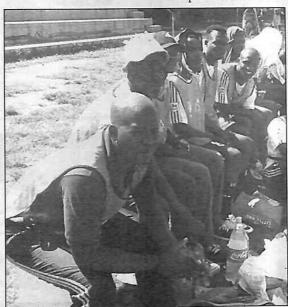
Aces opened the scoring sheet midway through the first half only to concede two goals in the second half, and allowed Flyers to take control of the game.

With the score line reading 2-1 in favour of Flyers, the Malindza based side tried, albeit in vain, to score an equaliser but the resolute Flyers defence proved to be a hard nut to crack

as they maintained their lead to the bitter end.

After watching in pain their team missing a host of clear chances towards the end of the game, Aces supporters, who came out in numbers, were forced to lick their wounds as their side's chances of advancing to the next stage went up in smokes. As fate finally had it,

Flyers had the last laugh. For the ambitious CPL theirs was to fight tooth and nail before ousting the resisting Black Swallows in another interesting game which almost brought the stadium into delirium as the boisterous crowd brought life at Tabankhulu. Swallows were reduced into 10 men mid-way through the second half after their player was shown a straight red-card for a foul play, something which made things difficult for the Lavundlamanti based side, who finally succumbed to the 1-0 defeat. For their achievement, the two teams are also guaranteed a cheque of E10 000, and the further advance to the next stage, the greater the prizes as lucrative Ingwenyama Cup tries to reach all spheres of the society. The Ingwenyama Cup which is played under a new format this season, will see two super league teams from each region battling it out for a E40 000 winner's prize in the national championships, while runners-up will walk home with



RESERVE PLAYERS: Aces coach Musa Magagula with the reserve players.



E20 000.

MATCH OPENING: The two teams being introduced to the referees.



DIE HARD FANS: CPL fans cheering the players.



WARM -UP: Swallows players doing their warm-up (Coutesy pictures).

JEFINING MOMENT FOR IATSAPHA UNITED FC

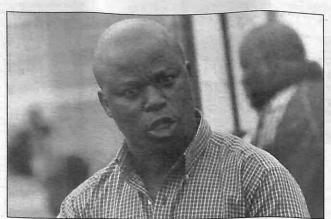
By Sibusiso Masilela

SOCCER-STAR-studded Matsapha United will need a win or a draw to clinch the E50 000 MTN National First Division first round top finisher incentive when they travel to the King Sobhuza II Memorial Stadium to take on seventh placed Hlatikhulu Tycoons on Saturday.

The Mathews 'Chaka' Mandlazi-led charges have had a remarkable run in the first round after recording eight straight wins and a single draw which was against Malanti Chiefs in the opening match.

The ambitious Matsapha based side is sitting at the summit of the log table with 25 points.

The players will want to reward their directors and supporters by clinching the



MENTOR: Matsapha United coach Mathews 'Chaka' Mandlazi.

prize at the expense of the Shiselweni based side that will be looking to cause an upset in their own fortress.

This will be a double header also featuring Amalanda against Madlenya at 1:30pm.

This is according to a fixture released by the Premier League of Swaziland yesterday.

Other interesting matches

will see former elite league teams Bad Boys and Malanti Chiefs battle against one another while Hub Sundowns will clash with Ludzeludze Brothers at Manzini Club.

City Warriors have a date with Mbabane Citizens at Mayaluka Stadium with Vovovo taking on Sikhalo at the Prince of Wales Ground.

THE FULL FIXTURE:

1:30pm

2:30pm

All games on Saturday King Sobhuza II Memorial Stadium vs Madlenya

Amalanda FC vs Matsapha United3:30pm H.Tvcoons Manzini Club Stadium vs Malanti Chiefs 1:30pm Bad Boys vs Ldzeludze Brothers 3:30pm **Hub Sundowns** Mayaluka Stadium vs Mbabane Citizens City Warriors

vs Sikhalo

National First Division log:

Prince of Wales Club

Vovovo

Position W L D GF GA GD Pts 20 4 16 25 Matsapha United Malanti Chiefs 0 4 18 5 Madlenya Vovovo Bad Boys Amalanda Hlatikhulu Tycoons Sikhalo 3 6 0 12 15 -3 9 Mhahane Citizen City Warriors 1 5 3 7 11 -4 6 **Hub Sundowns**

MTN Monthly Masters Night Golf Tourney on Friday

By Sibusiso Masilela

GOLF - FOR the second time this year, the MTN Monthly Masters tournament will be played at night. The November competition will be dubbed 'The MTN Monthly Masters Night Golf Tournament' and will take place this Friday at the Mbabane Golf

MTN Swaziland Brand and Sponsorship Manager Fisiwe Vilane confirmed the tourna-

"The tournament will be played over nine holes and golfers will tee off from the ladies' tee box."

Vilane said 'glow in the dark' golf balls would be provided for registered golfers but they were also allowed to bring more including extra lighting in the form of headlamps.

"Given the response to the first night golf tournament hosted in winter, the sponsor has decided to do one last one before year end. Special arrangements have been made to light up the course and everything is all set for Friday."

Starting time is 6pm for 6:30pm. And the game will be played in individual stableford format.

To take part in this exciting golf event, golfers are requested to contact the Club Captain, Kenneth Nkambule at 7603 1001.

Last month, the competition was won by Clement Dlamini, who accumulated 42 points and was followed closely by Leon Bashasha with 40 points.





Ludzeludze Brothers

TO FEEL 'BIRDS' WRATH

Stories by Sibusiso Masilela

Red Lions vs Mbabane Swallows 6pm, Somhlolo National Stadium

SOCCER-IT may look like they were saved by the rain last week during the initial fixture where Red Lions were trailing 1-2 to the ruthless Mbabane Swallows as the match was eventually called off.

However, it will be a different game all together when the two team face-off in a MTN Premier League replay match at Somhlolo National Stadium tonight. Swallows have gone nine games unbeaten in the league and would be looking at continuing with their winning momentum tonight.

The scary moment has arrived for the Fairview based ensemble as they will take on the merciless 'Birds', who have been butchering teams like nobody's business and are deservedly sitting at the summit of log standings with an impressive 27 points.

The 'Beautiful Birds' are indeed on form as they have turned the country's Mecca into their own fortress where they plot teams' downfall with their so called 'formula'. The stage is set for Red Lions, who conceded eight goals last season against red and white glamour side.

They have to produce a miracle and indeed need divine intervention in order to produce

what could become one of the biggest upsets in the league so far.

Amabhubesi mentor Zwelibandzi 'Botsotso' Khoza will have to motivate his players and urge them to be on their toes throughout what is set to be hectic 90 minutes for them as they face the unstoppable Mbabane giants.

Khoza, during his playing heydays used to dribble the opposition defenders and needs to inspire his capable players in the likes of Solomon Oladele, Enzo Motsa and Senzo Dlamini to try and salvage something out of

On the other hand, Thabo 'Koki' Vilakati is expected deploy his tried and tested stars comprising of Wonder 'Samba Jive' Nhleko, Tony 'TT' Tsabedze and the free scoring Sabelo 'Sikhali' Ndzinisa to maintain their winning ways and further keep their train

moving. Swallows have already won the first round top finisher E300 000 carrot.

With Red Lions among the teams at the bottom of the log, this promises to be an exciting encounter as they will be all out to improve their position. Swallows are now looking at winning the league at the end of the season.

Teams:

Red Lions

Head coach: Zwelibandzi 'Botsotso 'Khoza Captain: Siphilile Sihlongonyane

Key Players: Senzo Dlamini, Enzo Motsa, Gcina'Kwere' Mazibuko

Match winner: Solomon Oladele Mbabane Swallows

Head Coach: Thabo 'Koki' Vilakati

Captain: Tony 'TT' Tsabedze

Key players: Mandla Palma, Njabulo 'D4D' Ndlovu, Sandile Hlatswako

Match winner: Sabelo'Sikhali' Ndzinisa

'Bull' seek redemption at Sea Birds expense

Manzini Sea Birds vs Mbabane Highlanders

8pm, Semblolo National Stadium

SOCCER - Things are not going well for one of the country's biggest teams in Mbabane Highlanders, who will be looking to return to their winning ways at the expense of tricky Manzini

Sea Birds tonight at Somblolo National Stadium. . . The capital side is fresh from a 1-4 crippling loss at the hands of Green Mamba last weekend after they were given a two-game break by the

Premier League of Swaziland. Under the new look management commitlee, the black and white ensemble is still trying to find its footing. They will be all out to move away from the danger zone and further ease the threat of the 2012 relegation ghost when lost their top flight football status. They will be all out for the maximum points.

The 'Bull' have to change their fortunes before it's too late and the redemp-

o tion has to start against the stubo born Sea Birds, who have given a lot of teams a headache despite

a languishing at the bottom of the ₹ log table. All eyes will be on Highlanders

coach Terisayi Changara, who still needs to prove his critics (Ezimnyama Ngenhani) wrong and grind positive results for the team.

He has to show character and motivate his stars in the likes of Xolani 'Chocco' Sibandze, Thokozani Khanyile, Sidumo

TEAMS:

Sea Birds

Head coach: Gcina Dlamini Captain: Thabo Langa

Key players: Wandile Nhleko, Sibusile Mamba, Thembinkhosi Tfwala Match Winner: Muzi Tsabedze

Highlanders

Head coach: Terisayi Changara Captain: Xolani 'Chocco' Sibandze Key players: Menzi Sithole Sidumo Vilakati, Baimba Kamara Match winner: Thokozani Khanyile

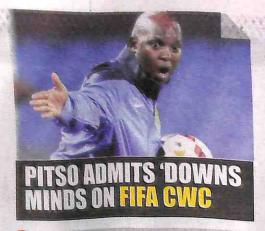
Vilakati and Baimba Kamara to try and help his side record their second league win.

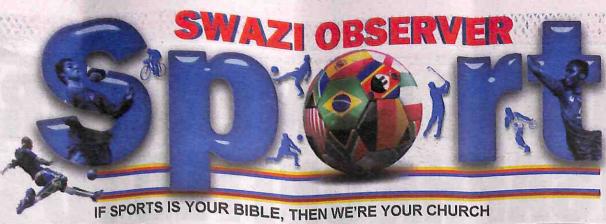
On the other hand, the tenacious Sea Birds will be hoping to rediscover their rhythm under the guidance of Gcina Dlamini, who has managed to get the best out of the capable young stars.

MTN Premier League log

Position	P	W		DL	GF	GA	GD	Pts
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Young Buffaloes	10	4	5	1	11	6	5	17
Manzini Wanderers	10	4	4	2	14	8	6	16
Manzini Sundowns	10	4	3	3	12	13	-1	15
Royal Leopard	9	4	2	3	12	9	3	14
Green Mamba	10	3	3	4	10	7	3	12
	9	2	5	2	8	8	0	11
Moneni Pirates	9	2	3	4	9	15	-6	9
Tambuti	10	3	0	. 7	8	18	-10	9
Red Lions		2	2	4	8		10000	8
Mbabane Highlanders	8	1	3	4	8			6
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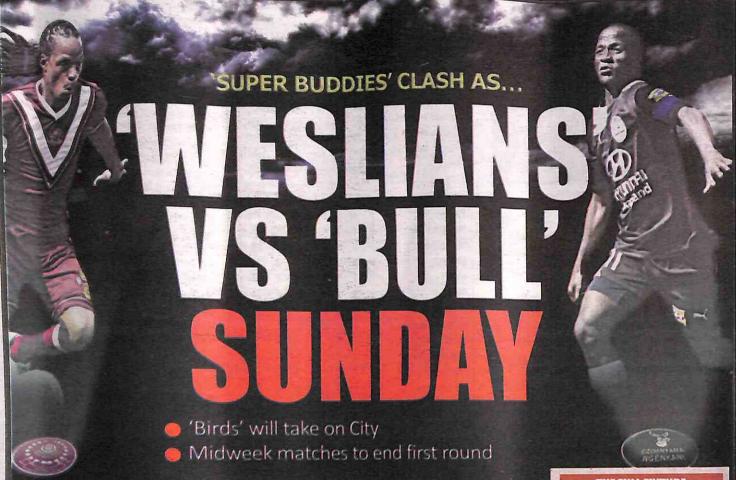
Anything is possible in a game of football and 'Izinyoni Zolwandle' will be beaming in confidence as they will bank their hopes on the likes of Wandile Nhleko and Muzi Tsabedze, who are expected to lead the Zakhele based side to their second win in the current campaign.





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By Sibusiso Masilela

SOCCER - THE last games of the MTN Premier League first round are set to thrill with the country's big guns clashing under one roof at Somhlolo National Stadium on Sunday.

The mouth-watering clashes will see log leaders Mbabane Swallows take on Midas City while hub giants Manzini Wanderers have a date with Mbabane Highlanders.

This will be during the double header at Somhlolo National Stadium.

Mbabane Swallows will be looking to end the first round on a high as they are yet to lose a match since the start of the current campaign. The 'Beautiful Birds' (Swallows) will be playing against Red Lions in a rematch after their midweek game was cancelled due to the faulty floodlights.

Clash

The clash between super buddies 'Weslians' and the 'Black Bull' will be the main match on Sunday.

Wanderers are fresh from a 1all draw with Young Buffaloes while Highlanders received a rude 1-4 welcome from Green Mamba after their two-game break. These games will also have fans waiting anxiously.

According to the latest fixture released by the Premier League of Swaziland, there would be another double header on Saturday at Mavuso Sport where Manzini Sundowns will take on Red Lions with Moneni Pirates clashing with defending champions Royal Leopard.

Another exciting double header will take place on Saturday at Somhlolo National Stadium with Manzini Sea Birds hosting Young Buffaloes with Tambuti visiting Green Mamba in the second match.

PLS COO Pat Vilakati said there would also be midweek fixtures next week.

Royal Leopard will play against

THE FULL FIXTURE:

Saturday at Mavuso Sports Centre Manzini Sundowns vs Red Lions vs Royal Leopard Saturday at Somhlolo National Stadium vs Y. Buffaloes Sea Birds Green Mamba Sunday at Somhlolo National Stadium vs Midas City 1:30pm Mbabane Swallows vs Mb. Highlanders Nextweek fixtures Tuesday at Somhlolo National Stadium vs Sea Birds Wednesday at Somhlolo National Stadium vs Red Lions vs Moneni Pirates Mb. Highlanders

Manzini Sea Birds at Somhlolo National Stadium on Tuesday.

There will be a double header on Wednesday where Midas City will battle with Red Lions and Mbabane Highlanders hosting Moneni Pirates in the second

BLOW FOR 'BULL', VUKILE OUT FOR SIX MONTHS

By Sibusiso Masilela

SOCCER-CAPITAL city giants Mbabane Highlanders have been dealt a huge blow following reports that injured fullback Vukile Khumalo will now be out of action for six month.

This follows the career threatening leg injury the player sustained during their match against

Manzini Sundowns last month. Initially, the player was expected to be out of action for three months but this is not the case

could only able to return to action in April next year, a month before the end of the current campaign.

The black and white outfit has been using makeshift fullback in Celani Shongwe in their recent matches due to Khumalo's absence.

The team's General Manager David Litchfield said they would know the fate of the player tomorrow. He said the player would be going to hospital today for his injury check-up.

"He has already been operated

after the doctors told the player he | but the doctor is yet to give us a | they would soon be educating full report over the lengthiness of his injury to heal.

The GM said they were hoping the player would recover soon as he was of great use to the team. Stability

"We are also working around the clock to bring stability in the team. This will include the players' welfare among other things. We are positive we will soon turn the comer and start getting the desired results as we want to secure a top five finish," he said. The administrator further said

their marshals on crowd control measures to try and curb violence during their matches.

"Since we are a big team, we need to ensure the eradication of violence incidences. Our marshals will soon be trained on how to manage the crowd during matches," he said.

The 'Black Bull' will be looking to return to their winning ways tonight when they take on Sea Birds in an MTN Premier League match at Somhlolo National Stadium.

'Phindrix', Phethego suspended for misconduct

By Sibusiso Masilela

SOCCER-CORRECTIONAL Services side Green Mamba striking duo of Phinda 'Phindrix' Dlamini and Phethego Maebelo has been reportedly suspended by the team's technical bench for misconduct.

It has been gathered the duo was no longer training with the team following the suspension.

A source close to the matter said the two players have also been suspended from the team's activities for unprofessionalism behaviour towards the coach-

The source said they would only be allowed to join the rest of the team if they show remorse for their action.

"They are not training with the team as they were suspended after showing lack of respect towards the technical team. They will remain suspended until

they formally

apologise to the

technical team for

their actions." The source said all the other players were hard at training in preparation for the team's MTN Premier League match.

Comment

Sought for comment, the team's Chief Executive Officer Thamie Phakathi could not agree nor deny the matter.

"The two players are still part of the team; it's only that they failed to make a cut into the top 16 during our previous match against Mbabane Highlanders. I am yet to visit the team's training ground to see if all the players are present." Phakathi said he was not aware that these players had been suspended.

"It would be folly for me to confirm this matter as nothing has reached my office in as far as players' suspension is concerned. I will check again tomorrow then come back to you."

The pair missed the green and white ensemble's emphatic 4-1 victory over Mbabane Highlanders during a played Mavuso Sports Centre last Saturday.

If the suspension continues, they could also miss the team's next league match against Tambuti FC on Saturday at the Somhlolo National Stadium.

The team's head coach Herbet Maruwa has been using converted striker in former defender Banele 'Makonese' Dlamini in the absence of the two strikers, who last featured against Mbabane Swallows two weeks